

HHCC Social Event Report for 2020

Wow 2020 what a year! It will certainly be one for the history books worldwide and for Hornsby Heights Camera Club.

Fortunately, thanks to the wonders of modern technology aka ZOOM we were able to continue our monthly competitions online. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for our club outings this year, as we were forced to hit the pause button for a while.

In October, after many months of COVID restrictions, we were finally able to hit play and get out together again for this year's Photo Rally, which ran for two weeks from 24th Oct – 8th Nov. The location and subjects were carefully selected to allow ALL members to participate, especially considering those members who were not able to get out and about during this time and could therefore shoot the subjects from home. A special thank you to those who attended the kickoff in Galston on the 24th, to the 12 members who entered their images and to those members who took the time to judge online. We really appreciate you supporting your club and sharing your passion for photography with us. My hope is next year more members take up the challenge and get involved in this fun event. After all, the best way to expand our knowledge and improve as photographers is to get out with other passionate photographers and learn from each other.

Interclub with Pittwater

Due to COVID our annual Interclub with Pittwater had to be cancelled but we are hopeful of reconnecting with Pittwater Camera Club in 2021.

FCC Interclub

Thankfully, we were still able to participate in the annual FCC interclub competition. Our club submitted 50 digital entries, that were carefully selected by members of our committee to represent our club. Subjects entered were Colour, Monochrome, Nature, Australian Landscapes and Creative. HHCC came 9th overall with 39 of our 50 images being accepted and exhibited. A fantastic result for HHCC and a fantastic result for the authors. Congratulations to our members for your wonderful images and thank you to our selection committee for many hours selecting our best images to put forward.

Presentations

Our one and only presentation this year was with Timothy Moon, a landscape photographer from Sydney who joined us via ZOOM to share his knowledge of Landscape photography. He discussed different techniques, composition, infrared photography and showed a wonderful display of his work. We look forward to inviting more photographers to share their knowledge with us in 2021.

Next year, I will be stepping down as the Events Coordinator. As always, I have appreciated the much-valued support of our President, Tom Carlos, our wonderful Committee and members over the years. In particular, I want to thank Elaine Holliday, who has been an amazing support to me in this role but more importantly as a dear friend. Our friendship began 8yrs ago when Elaine joined our club in 2012. The following year she became our club's secretary and has done an incredible job since to keep our club moving forward. It has been a pleasure working with you Elaine and all our wonderful committee.

If you are interested in joining our committee, please contact Elaine at secretaryhornsbyheightscameraclub@outlook.com With my support and that of the committee, we look forward to a fresh mind stepping in to fill this rewarding roll.

As always, our aim as a club is to provide our members with the opportunities to grow as photographers, learn new skills, feel comfortable in sharing your images, asking questions and enjoying a social network of likeminded people, who share your passion for photography. The 2021 calendar is filled with fun and exciting opportunities to enjoy, so we hope you can join us next year for many great social outings, presentations and workshops.

Wishing you all the happiest of Christmases and a wonderful, healthy COVID free 2021.

Kind Regards

Sonia Conn – Events Coordinator/Social Secretary