



# NEWSLETTER

Fellowship Through Photography

Mandurah Photography Club



## JANUARY 2025

### 2024 Committee

President:	Margaret Pollard
Vice President:	John Taylor
Treasurer:	Richard Fermoyale
Secretary:	Tony Sheppard
Comp Director:	Peter Rattigan
Committee:	Harry McDonald
Committee:	Brian Wilkinson
Committee:	Rita Trigwell
Newsletter Editor:	Janine Rose

### AGM

12th February

We need nine members to fill our committee positions. New roles have been created which are responsible for Membership, Education and Social tasks.

Please consider volunteering for this year's committee. It's a great way to get to know members and become more involved in the world of photography.

### Monthly Meetings

Appraisal Night – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday  
Education Night – 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

6:30pm Lion's Den  
95A Park Road, Mandurah

FB: Mandurah Photography Club  
[www.mandurahphotography.club](http://www.mandurahphotography.club)

## DECEMBER WRAP-UP

### AWARDS NIGHT

The annual Awards Night and Dinner was held at the Mandurah Country Club on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. Susan Vearncombe, Australian Photography's 2022 Photographer of the Year, was the guest judge.

Congratulations to Alice Worswick who took out the club Photographer of the Year with 166 points. Runner Up was Bruce Fraser, close behind on 150 points. Peter Rattigan came third with 130 points. Well done!

Congratulations also to the following category winners and place getters:

Digital Open	1. Bruce Fraser 2. Margaret Pollard 3. Alice Worswick
Digital Phone	1. Haylee Fairley 2. Haylee Fairley 3. Vi Blenkinsip
Print Open	1. Margaret Pollard & Bruce Fraser (Tie) 2. Bruce Fraser 3. Peter Rattigan
Print Phone	1. Haylee Fairley 2. Margaret Pollard 3. Haylee Fairley



Photographer of the Year,  
Image by Haylee Fairley

Overall Winning Image: "Santa Is Coming" (Bruce Fraser)



### XMAS LIGHTS

Bruce Fraser led two photo walks during December. The first event took place along the Mandurah Foreshore while the second was held in Perth.

## Education Night

The next Education Night is on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

Seng Mah is a master of portrait photography and he has been invited to the club to conduct a portrait workshop. There will be models to photograph and lighting provided.

So bring along your cameras, flash, remote control and tripods to what promises to be a fun and informative evening.

**COST \$10**

**Please advise of attendance either through the facebook event or by emailing the secretary or president.**

## February Topic Geometric Shapes

Geometry plays quite a vital role in photography from framing to creating depth and perspective. By incorporating geometric shapes, lines and patterns you can create visually appealing photos.

Digital Submission Date: Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Print Submission Date: Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

Email digital submissions by 6pm to [digital@mandurahphotography.club](mailto:digital@mandurahphotography.club)

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## MARCH TOPIC Silhouettes

In photography, a silhouette is defined as an outline that appears dark against a light background. More specifically, it is where your subject is seen as a black shape without detail against a brighter background.

This is an artistic outcome that many photographers like to perfect. This effect can be achieved with any kind of bright light source, but of course the most commonly used is the sun around sunrise or sunset. The backlighting from the sun shadows everything towards you and produces this effect.



*Post-shoot pizza (Margaret, Harry & Bruce)*

The Christmas light trails provided an excellent opportunity for the members who attended to practice their street photography. Bruce took them to some of his favourite shot locations in the city and shared tips and feedback on how to capture a great street image.

The Christmas crowds and spectacular light shows resulted in two fun and festive evenings. Thank you for arranging these rewarding and enjoyable night shoots, Bruce.

## FIREWORKS

On New Year's Eve a small group of members were once again invited to photograph the Mandurah fireworks from one of the best vantage points in town.

Many thanks to Margaret Pollard for organizing the event, and to her delightful friend Winni who generously opened her home (and balcony) to our members.



## APPRAISAL NIGHT



The first appraisal night for 2025 was held on the 8<sup>th</sup> January. Kim Cottrell returned to judge for the evening.

The topic for January was "Peeling Paint". Forty-eight images were entered for appraisal with nineteen of the entries submitted as prints. Kim gave out 5 Gold, 15 Silver and 21 Bronze awards.

## \$\$ CASH FOR CANS \$\$

Cash For Cans raised \$331 for the club last year! Thank you to everyone who remembered to bring along their empty cans each meeting. And a big thank you to Harry McDonald for managing this fund raiser all year.

So don't forget to keep bringing your cans with you to the club and let's see if we can beat last year's total. Every little bit helps.