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**Next Management Committee meeting is
Saturday the 4th April, at St Bartholomews,
Mount Gravatt**

**VALE:
Carole Tilney**

It is with great sadness that I must inform you of Carole Tilney's passing on Saturday the 21st February, 2009.

Carole was a great friend, colleague and photographer. She was full of life, vitality and enthusiasm for everything, especially her photography.

Carole had been formally studying photography for quite some years and was due to finish her Bachelor of Photography this year.

Her circle of friends extended throughout Australia as well as overseas. She was loved and respected by all.

Her passing is a loss to all those who knew her.

The Photographic Society of Queensland would like to extend to Carole's Husband, Peter and their 3 children, our condolences and prayers for them.

Phillipa Frederiksen (PSQ President)



<http://www.naturesimage.com.au>
**Sunshine Coast based nature photographer
Andrew Goodall.**
Visit his website for nature photography tips, sign up for his newsletter or attend one of Andrew's courses.



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FLASHES: Many thanks to Victoria Purdie who has put up her hand as Editor of "Flashes", the PSQ Newsletter. Victoria has just been approved as a full member of the AIPP. She also has a Licentiate of the WIPM. Victoria is a member of Redlands UCC. We are most fortunate to have her on board as she also had considerable experience with the preparation of Newsletters and used to edit a small magazine in NZ. If you have anything you would like to include in Flashes please contact Victoria: vpurdie@optusnet.com.au

SECRETARY: Pam Thomas has resigned as Secretary due to continued ill health and, although she has now recovered, we now have a new Secretary, many thanks to Lesley McEwan, also from Redlands UCC. Her email address is: l.mcewan@oputsnet.au

MAIL ADDRESS: PSQ now has a new Mail address: **PO Box 2595, Wellington Point. Qld. 4160**

COMMITTEES: We have had several meetings so far this year, all in February. Stan Bowles and Warren Vievers have joined the Management committee. Thank you Stan and Warren! We have 8 Management Committee members, 5 Management Committee Support members and 9 judges on the Judges Executive Committee.

PSQ IMAGE COMPETITION: All clubs should now have received details of the image competition that is held in conjunction with the PSQ Convention. There will be a \$500 prize for the winning club. This is the first time PSQ has offered this initiative! Contact Ben Stoffl if you have any queries: bstoffl@aapt.net.au
This Competition will be judged PRIOR to the Convention as per notes on the information sheets.

CONVENTION: The PSQ Convention will be held in Caboolture this year. It will be on the 6th, 7th, 8th June, over the Queen's Birthday weekend. On the PSQ Web site <http://www.psq.org.au> go to Events > Convention for some details. More info to come. This is going to be a really exciting full 3 days of activities with excellent speakers. Write it on your calendars now! You need to book your accommodation now as the Caboolture show is on the same weekend.

LOGO Change: PSQ now has a new Logo. Congratulations to Pia Jessen who won the Logo Competition and who should soon receive a 10" electronic Photo frame! Pia has her own design company - <http://www.piasdesigns.com> Pia belongs to the Redlands UCC.



Forum/Seminar: PSQ Nature Seminar: Sunday March 22nd
(Sorry full booked after a great response. Don't forget your chair)

That's all for now! PSQ is endeavouring to bring you up to date with the latest thoughts and trends in Photography.

All the best.

Phillipa Frederiksen (PSQ President)

A note from Adrian Lowe — Vice President & Education & Training

Club Feedback system

Clubs and judges have called for it, so PSQ has put in place a formal system for clubs to give feedback on judgments and presentations if they are grossly below par, or particularly good for that matter. It relies on enough members to propose to the committee or delegate to complete and send in a special form with attached detailed descriptions of concerns. For good feedback, a simple email will do explaining what was impressive. As judges have asked for it, there is no need for embarrassment or a feeling of dobbing in. We're all here to do our best to provide clubs with services to help members improve their photography.

Remote Judging system

Tape or remote judging has been awkward in the last few years but I've been trialling different ideas to find a good solution. There is a software programme available for judging from CDs or the web, that synchronises voice, image and cursor movements into one file for playback on a club's computer. It is best to use external speakers but otherwise any computer with internet explorer as a player, will work. The advantages are that you hear the judge's voice talking about the image with all inflections instead of reading from an email, plus the cursor moves to the places where the judge is discussing - this bit here needs the highlights burnt in, crop down here, and so on. The images are retained at full quality. The advantages are obvious.

You can see a short, mock example at www.infocentre.com.au/taping/judgingtest.html

It produces a flash file in a html document, so you can pause to discuss the images and resume playing, or even move back and forth, just like any movie.

Three clubs, Cairns, Ipswich and Roma, trialed the system in February and were very pleased with the results.

Judges who have the programme are identified with "Media" (for Multi Media) in the online judges list along with Club, Tape, Panel as relevant. Just send a CD with your images and you will get a CD returned with the multi media movie ready to play. That's it.

Judges who would like to learn more, contact Adrian Lowe. All it needs is a computer, the software, headset and CD burner.

DVDs of PSQ Seminars available

Professional quality DVDs of several seminars PSQ has offered since last year are available at a very reasonable cost to clubs and members. These are good opportunities to use the sessions for club education/workshops and works out very cheaply at a per member cost, and is a valuable asset and resource for members for years to come. It's much better to be there to enjoy the camaraderie but this is the next best thing. Go to the PSQ web site and see what's on offer and follow the instructions for ordering.

Forum Forum

New PSQ Discussion Forum now online

There is now a forum on the PSQ web site for clubs and members to use for communication between each other. The topics so far are: For Sale, Help Wanted, Club Notices and more to come. Go to www.psq.org.au and click on "Discussion Forum", find the Register button and enter your username as firstname.lastname eg john.smith then use whatever password you want. You will then receive a confirmation link by email which you use to log on to read, make a topic, reply to a topic and so on.



Events:



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Coming Event:

PSQ Nature Seminar

Sunday the 22nd of March

Seats are filling up fast. See www.psq.org.au

At this late stage, if you want to deposit or send a cheque, please email me as well so I can book you in.

Speakers include:

**Raoul Slater
Steve Parish
Ray Faggotter
Greg Carlill
Malcolm Wilson**

Important: Please bring a seat with you as we only have a limited number of physical seats at the venue.

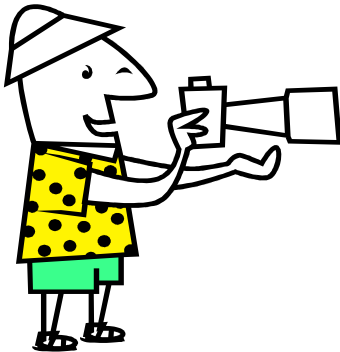


**Binna Burra Mountain Lodge
Nature Photography Break**

23-26th March 2009

www.binnaburrallodge.com.au
Ph 1300 246 622

Course is conducted by Michael Snedic, one of Australia's most published nature photographers



PSQ Convention

**6th—8th June 2009
Caboolture
Memorial Hall,
Sunshine Coast**

**IF YOU MISSED LAST YEAR'S
BRISBANE SHOW, THE NEXT PMA
AUSTRALIA 2009 IMAGING
TECHNOLOGY SHOW
is on in Sydney**

June 25 - 28

<http://www.pmaaustralia.com.au>

State Library of Queensland

Panoramic Exhibition

This Exhibition, which has free admission, will celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Queensland and the 75th Anniversary of the John Oxley Library and will be held from Feb 14 - July 12 in the Phillip Bacon Heritage Gallery Level 4 of the Library. The Exhibition features sweeping panoramas of Brisbane and captures the nostalgia of a bygone era. It includes an insight into State Ceremonial occasions, significant events and natural catastrophes.

Competitions:



Winning image 2008 "ANZAC Remembered" by Ron Willems, ARPS, AFIAP, FPSNZ, AAPS

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Portrait Competition

\$25 per entry
Prizes include:

3 x digital SLR Canon 5DII
3x Canon 24-105mm f/4L IS USM lenses
3 x Adobe Photoshop Lightroom 2
Adobe Creative Suite CS4 Master Collection
3 x Canon professional A3+ printer Pixma Pro9500
3 x ACDSee Pro 2 Digital Asset Management software
3x Sandisk 4gb Extreme 4 Memory cards
3x Sandisk Firewire card readers
5 x Lowepro camera bags
Books from Focal Press
Dragon Image Lighting package
3x Datacolor Spyder3Elite

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Entries close 22 March 2009

*Even if you're not entering, it's worth taking
a look at the past entries for inspiration*

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Anne Russell has taught
photography for
20 years and is a judge with
The Photographic Society of Queensland

5 week Thursday evening course
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5th class date to be negotiated

OR

2-day Sunday course
29 March & 19 April 9.30am - 4.30pm
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