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My love of photography started with trips around the country with my father, Richard, who was an avid photographer, my father gave me my first Minolta camera. I now use a Canon 7D, which serves me well. The digital world has brought about a renewed vigour in my photography and I was a foundation member of the Hervey Bay Photography Club Inc. The 12 years I have been with the club has produced a wealth of knowledge through competitions and training which has been invaluable. I like all aspects of photography, with nature, people and portraits being some of my favourite subjects. I firmly believe that an outstanding photo must first start with a good camera techniques and a solid original image, later enhanced by computer. Modern technology seems to create a false sense security. I enjoying judging with the Photographic Society of Queensland as it gives me an active role in mentoring enthusiastic photographers in their journey for self improvement and that award winning image.