

JUDGES REPORT

OPEN – February 2019

Judge: - Richard Bassett

Hervey Bay

Grade	ID	Image Title	Comments	Score
A		Adoration	Image suits B&W capturing a special moment. Exposure & sharpness well handled	6
A		Facing the New Day	Silhouette suited B&W image. Tree framing creates balance with the base. Good detail, clean image	6
A		Garden Mix	Clean & sharp with a nice colour palette. Nicely balanced.	7
A		No-one Believed I Would Make it Here!	Perhaps a tighter crop or a little closer to the subject would create a stronger image.	5
A		Thorny Subject	Strong image. Try a crop on the left to reduce the out of focus leaf as it competes with the subject. Good detail	8
A		Young Rider	Captured the action well. Good use of shutter speed. Sharp where it needs to be.	5
A		Fireworks Display	Filled the frame with lots of colour with a well-suited crop. Great sharpness & contrast throughout. Well done	9
A		New Zealand Kia	Great feather detail. Sits well in the frame. Good exposure, technically well done	7
A		From the Shadows	Nice & sharp, well exposed. Maybe try to avoid shadow in the eyes to give more impact. Great attempt	6
A		Redbank George	Shape, colour & texture are good. The water edge carries you into the image.	5
A		Seven Hill Winery	Good lighting & sharpness and frame is filled well. Colour adds interest to the story	5
A		Holiday Time	A busy image with lots to tell. Sharp, colourful & well exposed. Good story	7
A		Is this the Yellow Brick Road	Leading lines take you into the image. People in centre create interest. Perhaps a tighter crop at the top?	5

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A		Fireworks Display	Very colourful, filling the frame well. Crisp & clear. (Cecily Jones)

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AB		Many Access Routes	Interesting viewpoint which makes strong lines of composition. Great candidate for B&W.	5
AB		Peaceful at Dusk	Interesting silhouette with the curves & reflecting light off water. Good detail in foreground.	6
AB		Beautiful Wildflower	Sits nicely in the frame. Black background creates good separation. Great sharpness and contrast	8
AB		Natures Sculpture	Lighting works well. Elements create interest. If possible, include a little more curve of the beach.	6
AB		A Lonely Lake	Interesting scape in a difficult lighting situation. Perhaps the boat off centre would create more interest.	5
AB		Rays of Sunshine	A good candidate for a panoramic crop top & bottom which would enhance the soft clouds & pastel colors.	5
AB		Domestic Cat	Strong image with great eye contact. Technically well handled. Good use of DOF. Well done	7
AB		Strawberry Flower	Sits well in the frame. Exposure is good but sharpness and contrast lets it down. Perhaps try a tripod	4
AB		A Country Girl	Good subject, well taken. Watch for sharpness in eyes & artistic flare doesn't compete with the subject.	5
AB		Little Isabel	Perhaps a little crop on the right for more impact. Good eye contact with a nice catchlight.	5
AB		I Love My Mum	Well captured record shot of these two. Harsh lighting handled fairly well.	5
AB		Sitting Patiently	Well seen & taken. Sharp with detail and good technique shown.	8
AB		Abandoned Bridge	Old bridge captured well with good detail in the brickwork. Frame filled nicely with interest.	6
AB		A Curtain Fig	Looking up creates an interesting perspective of the tree. Lighting difficult but fairly well managed.	5
AB		Intimate Friends	Fills the frame nicely with interesting light & texture. Sharp & clear	5
AB		Who's There?	Well seen and taken. Perhaps take the exposure down for the background & add fill flash to bird to even light.	7
AB		Superb	Colorful specimen & well taken. Try to lighten the eye in post to highlight from the head.	6
AB		Warmer than Siberia	Good specimen with lovely feather detail. Sharp & clear. Low viewpoint works well in this image.	6

AB		Ghosts of WWII	Panoramic crop works well in this image. People merging in background create a strong story.	5
AB		Staten Island Ferry	Good city-scape. Panoramic crop works well for this, filling the frame and telling a story/	5

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AB		Beautiful Wildflower	Sharp and clear with great separation using the black background. (Patricia Anderson)	

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B		Desert Rose	A clear image centred in the frame. Good use of DOF to separate the bloom	7
B		Garden Nella Fantasia	A good story telling scene. Try moving forward to allow the camera to expose for the main part of the image.	4
B		Hiking at Cradle Mountain	Picturesque landscape well captured in image. Frame filled nicely with detail throughout.	8

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Grade	ID	Image Title	Reason for Placing	
B		Hiking at Cradle Mountain	Clean image with detail in foreground, middle & background. Frame filled nicely & exposure handled well. (Gaye Higgins)	