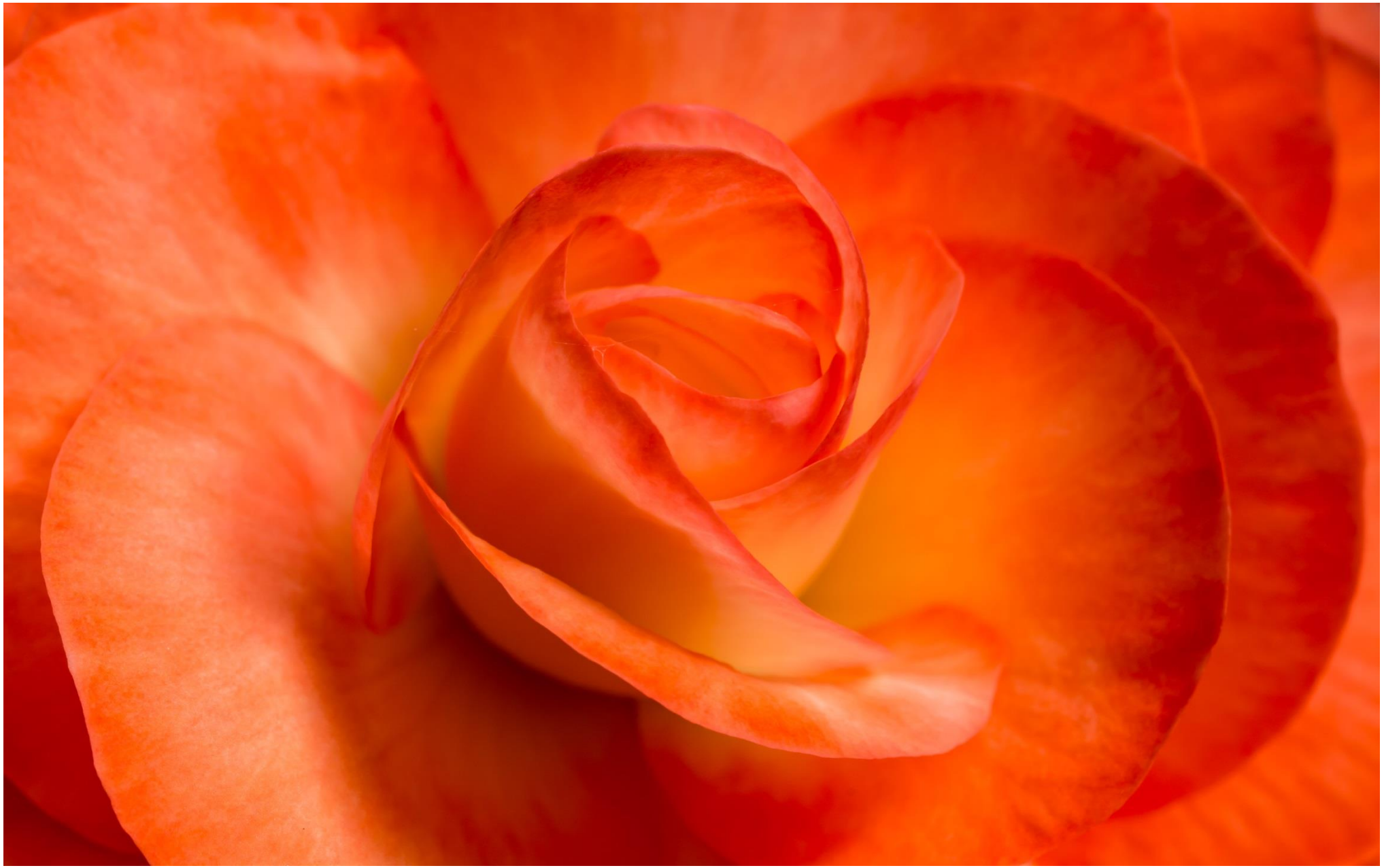

Image Credit: Andy Rae

Taken on a club outing at Dayaram Ganda's estate. Read more on page 3.

VIEWFINDER

MARCH 2018

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AWARDS NIGHT 2018

Our annual awards dinner was held in January at the Westport Motor Hotel. We were fortunate enough to have John Reid APSNZ ANPSNZ AFIAP as our guest speaker who gave a wonderful presentation on his trip through Namibia. Thank you to everyone who attended.

Award recipients for the night (refer to image above) were as follows: Terry Bruning LPSNZ (Jacon Cup) Most points Open Digital, (Ann Knight Cup) Most points Set Subject Digital, Ritchie White (John Duncan Challenge Cup) Most points Open Prints, (John Duncan Miniature Cup) Champion Colour Print, Gary Stowell LPSNZ (Howard Trophy) Champion Colour Digital Image, (Duncan Miller Challenge Cup) Champion Monochrome Print, Andy Rae APSNZ, ANPSNZ, AFIAP, EFIAP. (Wood Family Trophy) Most points International Competitions, Chris Rout (A.E.G Knight Cup)Most points Set Subject Prints, Alison Lobb (Allan Cox Trophy) Most Improved Novice Member. Absent Annikka Pugh LPSNZ (Morel Challenge Cup).

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2018 COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT - Gary Stowell

VICE PRESIDENT / SECRETARY - Ritchie White

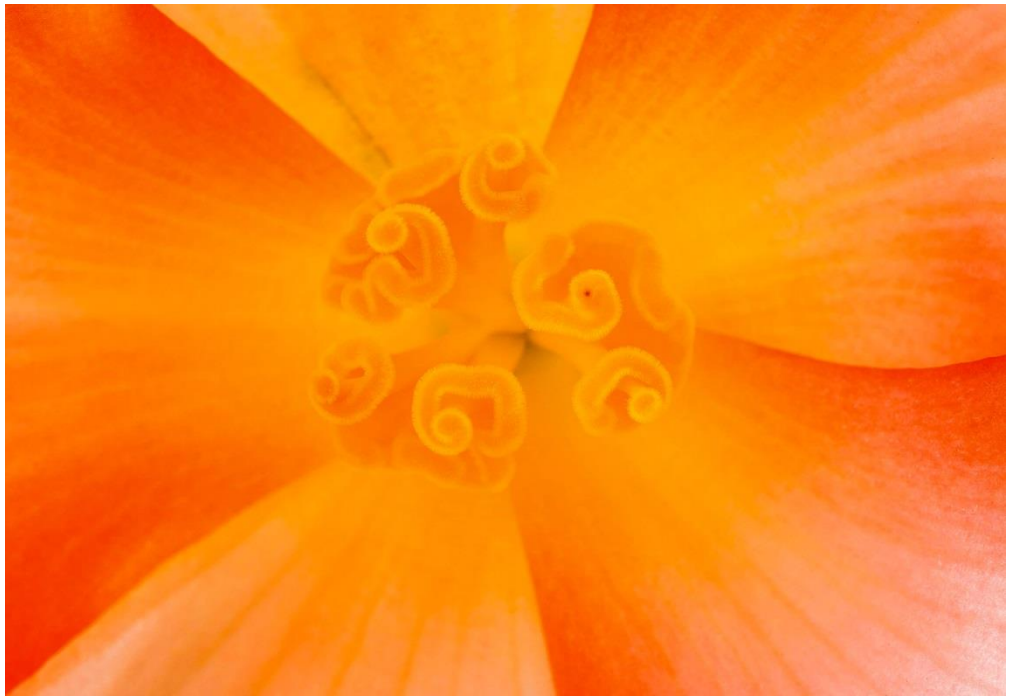
TREASURER - Julie Knudsen

COMPETITION SECRETARY - Terry Bruning

CLUB CAPTAIN - Les Cooper

NEWSLETTER EDITOR - Sheridan Avery

Plus we welcome the addition of two new committee members Cathy Fenn and Bron McKenzie.



SUNDAY IN THE GARDEN

Story - Gary Stowell Images - Andy Rae

It was a fine, warm February Sunday when several members of the Buller Camera Club gathered at the beautiful property of Dayaram Ganda, down in Rutherglen,near Greymouth. Dayaram had invited fellow members of the Club to do a bit of macro and nature photography on his estate, featuring flower-filled gardens, hot-houses of begonias, ponds, and trees everywhere filled with birds. So it was a great opportunity to indulge in an intensive session of macro photography and getting to grips with the nature and landscape aspects of the surrounding area. And the occasion was enhanced by the promise of a delicious barbecue to follow! Those of us who were there earlier took the chance to photograph dew - covered flowers in the extensive gardens, or tried to capture with a tele lens the elusive tui in the trees. The begonias in their hanging baskets in the hothouses made a dazzling display for the Club members to photograph, and made great subjects for close-ups for full colour flower portraits.

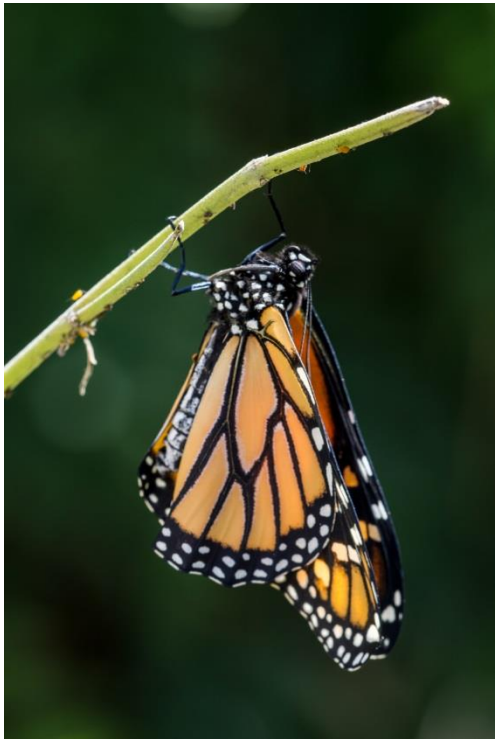
NEW LOCATION

Special thank you to our president Gary Stowell for securing a new location for our monthly club meetings.

You can now join us at the backroom of the town library every fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30pm.

We have been offered use of their facilities and the room has enough space for our screen to view our competition images.

This also was a wonderful chance for those members less familiar with macro photography to gain some more knowledge of the principals of this type of image taking. They also had the chance to try out some more advanced equipment, much of it belonging to Dayaram, or other club members. No doubt some Club members may wish to pursue these types of photography more in the days ahead! Then came a wonderful barbecue out in the garden, surrounded by bushes and flowers of many varieties. A most relaxing and enjoyable meal, which was followed by an after dinner performance by monarch butterflies, which were hatching literally as we watched, right by our bbq. We were able to sit down in our chairs, set up our cameras, and watch as the butterflies dried their wings before flight, or fought with each other if several happened to occupy the same bit of plant! Al of this within a metre or two of where we had been eating.
All too soon it came time to leave, and we had to pack up our equipment. It had been a delightful day in a beautiful property, and I think that some of our members learned a little more on nature and close-up photography. We look forward to seeing some of their images! A special thanks to Dayaram and Jo for providing us with an intriguing day, a happy bbq and a great chance for some more images of Nature.



NATEX 2018 RESULTS

Image – Grace by Sheridan Avery

The image received an acceptance at NATEX 2018 and was taken at a Harold Mason portrait workshop hosted by Buller Camera Club.

Workshops are an excellent way to increase your photographic skills in a friendly environment with like-minded people.

JANUARY CLUB COMPETITION RESULTS – OPEN SUBJECT

HONORS

OROWAITI LAGOON

Ritchie White

EVENTOR

Bron McKenzie

KOTUKU FLIGHT

Gary Stowell

HIGH AND DRY

Terry Bruning

LITTLE EXPLORER

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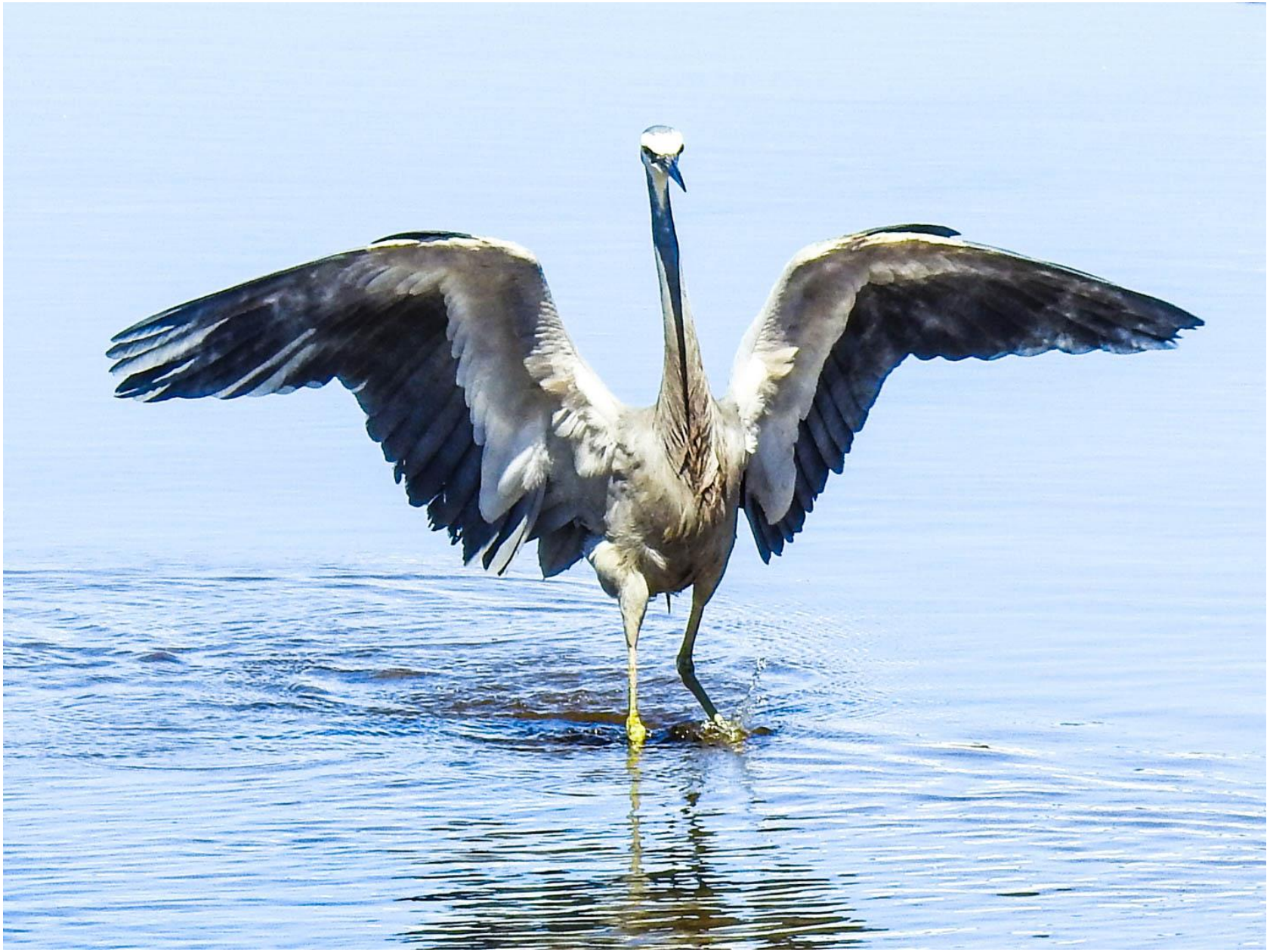

SPREADING YOUR WINGS

Chris Rout

NATURAL BEACH ART

Alison Lobb

SEDDON SHIELD

This year's Seddon Shield photographic weekend is going to be held in Historic Reefton 24th, 25th, 26th August 2018.

It will be hosted by Buller Camera Club and the Community of Reefton. Our Venue is the Reefton Community Theatre Complex on the corner of Smith & Sheil Streets.

Accommodation is available through the Reefton i-Site/Visitors Centre; rvcinfo@xtra.co.nz, phone 03 732 8391.

This may be a busy weekend in Reefton so be sure to arrange your accommodation early if you plan to attend.

CLUB CALENDAR

22nd March - Club Night 7:30pm
Viewing - OPEN. Submit - MONOCHROME.
Town library.

26th April - Club Night 7:30pm
Viewing - MONOCHROME. Submit - OPEN.
Town Library.

24th May - Club Night 7:30pm
Viewing - OPEN. Submit - PORTFOLIO.
Town Library.

28th June - Club Night 7:30pm
Viewing - PORTFOLIO. Submit - LANDSCAPE.
Town Library.

PSNZ EVENT CALENDAR

19th-22nd April - PSNZ National Convention
www.naturallydunedin.co.nz

1st April – NZ Camera
Submissions close

25th April - Canon Online
Entries Close for Round 2 of Canon Online competition.

25th May - Laurie Thomas Salon
Entries close for LT Landscape Salon
http://lauriethomassalon.com

15th June - Trenna Packer Salver
Inter-club entries close for the salon.

NZ CAMERA

New Zealand Camera is the flagship publication showcasing a collection of outstanding photographic images from members of the Photographic Society of New Zealand.

It is a hard cover, full colour, coffee-table book with images portraying all aspects of photography.

New Zealand Camera is compiled by a dedicated editorial team of photographers and PSNZ members. The editorial team sets a theme for the publication and members are invited to submit up to two images for consideration and possible selection for the book.

Submissions close 1st April 2018.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Want to see your story or images published in the newsletter?

Email them to Sheridan at sheridanlark@hotmail.com, don't forget to add a few details about any images you would like to see here.

We would love to see them!