

Frankston Camera Club : Newsletter Article : Club Fundraiser Trivia Night

FPC Committee member (Miss Metal) Mel has a long history of organising and running trivia night fundraising nights for some of her bands. She offered to run a Trivia Night for the Frankston Camera Club.

For those not involved in setting up the hall for the night, we arrived to several tables setup for participants with paper, pens and raffle tickets; a table up the front of the hall with several prize packs; jars of jelly beans and a small square bowls of water with a slice of lemon floating in it. At the back of the hall where the coffee and biscuits are normally found were two large cakes, biscuits, teas and coffee; and a podium for the MC on the night...

Mel was the MC and showed us the rules for the night up on the wall. The projected writing was large on the wall; so we knew it was serious...! Well, apart from no cheating via GoogleLearning on the mobile phone; persuasions and sharing of answers between tables was permitted (within reason) and if an answer tickled Mel's funny bone, then there were points available...

Four tables of friends and family, photographers and non-photographers had a good night working our way through the questions on history, music, places, science and more. At random times, Mel provided prizes

During well timed breaks, people could pay for guesses of the number of jelly beans in the jars and try to balance a coin on the slice of floating lemon. It is a pity Australia no longer has the one cent piece. Five cent pieces were proving popular and almost effective at balancing and not falling off the lemon. If a coin fell off the lemon and sank to the bottom of the jar, it was donated as part of the fund raising. Fifty cent pieces were also surprising close to winning because strategically placed; they sank the lemon to the bottom of the jar without falling off. Until the rounded bottom of the lemon and the uneven surface of the coin filled jar made the slice of lemon slowly roll over and deposit the coin to the FPC Fund Raising...

Every table won a prize from the front of the room or by placing in the trivia competition. A fun night was had by all and those that won prizes almost needed a road crew or a Sherpa to help them take their booty out to their cars...

We all know how much time it can take to organise a night that runs smoothly to organise and wrap the prizes, organise and prepare food; setup the venue AND run a night... Especially when only a few nights before there was no indication of interest by the punters for planning purposes...

Mel did a great job!

I'll be going to the next one and maybe bring along my crew of raodies to help me lug my booty out to the car...