



Laura Owens presenting Graham Bryant the Audience Appeal Award at the 2017 National Video Festival

November 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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6	7	8	9	1st September 7.30pm Wednesday Club Meeting Theme Competition 'Montage'		
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7th November 7.30pm Tuesday Committee Meeting Geoff Peel			23	24	25	26
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December 2017

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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4	5	6	6th December 7.30pm Wednesday Club Meeting Christmas Party Bring a plate to share			10
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There is no Tuesday Committee Meeting This month			1	22	23	24
			8	29	30	31

2017 COMPETITIONS & FUNCTIONS

November 2017	Theme Competition 'Montage' (Up to 5min)
December 2017	Christmas Party

From the President's Desk



Our Newcastle National Video Festival, held at the Lakes Cinema on the 18th of October proved to be another fun night. With 21 films screened along with a marvellous tribute to Joe Laughton (including Joe's film " A Packet of Trouble")

Although crowds were down from last year, our audience enjoyed the diversity of the short films on show and laughed at the comedies in all of the right places.

Predictably, I copped a bit of a serve after the screening of my film " Phil Is The Answer" - when I was down at the front with the microphone squinting towards the bright lights, someone observed: " De Light Phil!" And later on I bumped into Bob Cook who nailed me with " Stick out your bottom lip" then he pointed and remarked " Phil Lip!"

The November club meeting features the Montage competition - which is open to all of our club members. On the night Robin will also be giving us an in-depth speech detailing the recent

short film making course that he has been attending in Sydney over the last 5 weeks or so.

Robin is trying to improve his skills as a film maker and I for one will be keenly interested in new ideas in camera craft; editing; script techniques etc.

Ian Huish will be presenting this month's 'film of the month'. And I'm also interested in which genre films really grab Ian... See you all at the meeting!

Phillip Reynolds.



Phil Reynolds winning Movie Maker of the Year (the Ern Potts Award) at the 2017 National Video Festival

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Club & Festival Photos



Ian Selby receiving 1st for 'Tea Time' in the Intermediate Competition



Ian Huish receiving 1st for 'Minimum' and 2nd for 'Goldilocks Planet' in the Open Competition



Graham Bryant receiving 3rd for '60 Years and Counting' in the Open Competition



Ian Selby and Phil Reynolds accepting their awards for 'Snake Two!' receiving 3rd in the Group productions



Edward Kinge's daughter and grand daughter accepting the International awards for 1st International, Best Sound and Best Editing with 'Messing About on the River'



Graham Bryant accepting his trophies for '60 Years and Counting' and 'Venomous' which received 1st and 2nd in Group productions



Note: All images have been enhanced for clarity and may not be to scale ...

Microsoft Office Alternatives ...

I have **Microsoft Office 2010 Professional** which I use to write articles with **MS Publisher** and **MS Excel** for doing the **NVM's Attendance Sheet** and don't use the other **5 Office** applications which are.

Microsoft Access, PowerPoint, OneNote, Outlook and **Word** as I have no need for them.

I have downloaded and tried a few compatible and non-compatible **Microsoft Office** alternatives, but could not find a compatible one for **MS Publisher** so far. By compatible I mean that using **MS Excel** as an example it can **Read & Write** documents in the same format as **MS Excel** does.

For my simple needs I chose:

Kingsoft WPS Office 2016 Free ...

Home Page: <https://www.wps.com/office-free>

The perfect free office software. Your dream solution for a low-budget, no-commitment, free productivity office suite. The smallest size office suite consisting of **Writer, Presentation, and Spreadsheets**, plus **PDF** tools to fulfil all of your document needs. By looking at the **Menu Bar** it can be seen that **WPS Office** is fairly powerful.

It consists of **3 Microsoft** compatible applications.

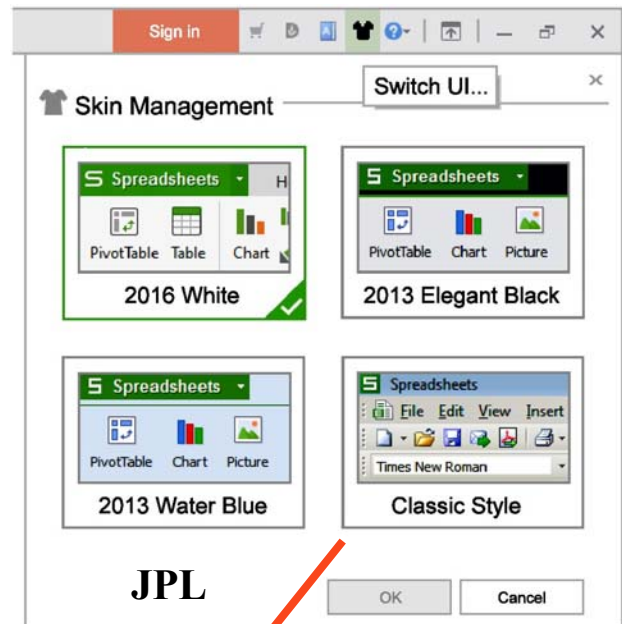
WPS Presentation (MS Power Point)
WPS Writer (MS Word)



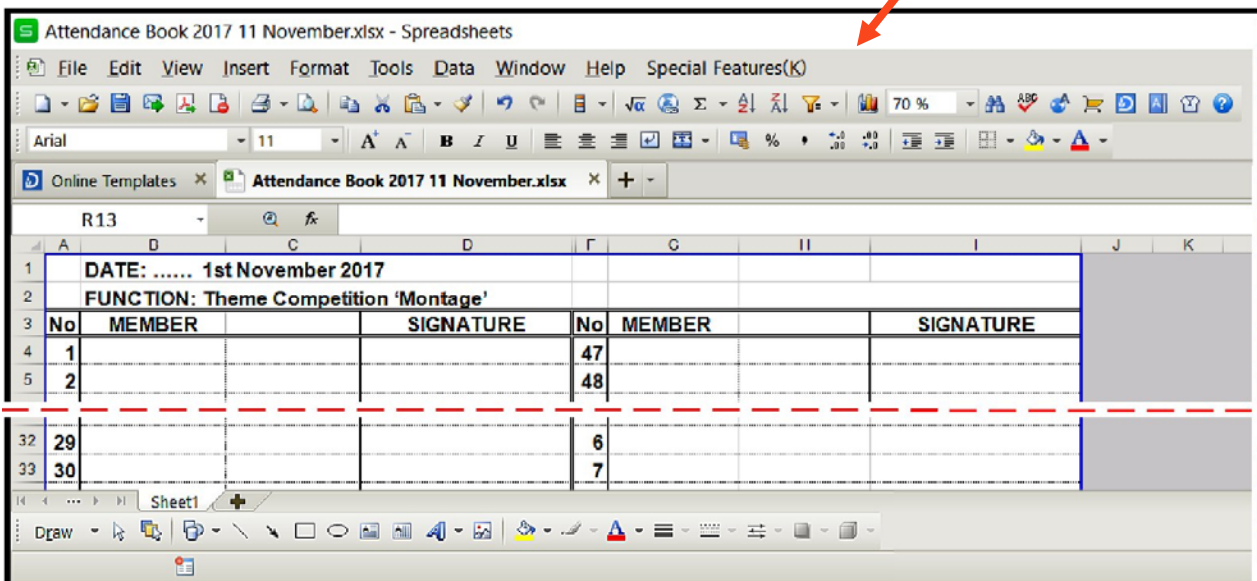
WPS Spreadsheet (MS Excel) ...

Of the three **WPS** applications, I've only been using **WPS Spreadsheet** for doing the **NVM Attendance sheets** (see bottom image) for a couple months now with no problems at all. Besides **Opening, Editing and Saving MS Office** files it can also do the same for many other format types.

Click on **WPS Skin Management Icon** on the **Menu Bar** (see image below) to change the look of any **WPS Office** default **Skin** to suit your preference by using one of the **4 Skins** and I've changed mine to **Classic Style** from the default **2016 White** which I prefer. Follow the same procedure for the other two **WPS** applications.



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National Video Festival 2017

Award	Entrant	Entry
1st Drama	Terry Farrelly	Breathe
2nd Drama	Ian Huish	Zombie Spy
Camera Craft*	Ian Huish	The Goldilocks Planet
3rd Drama	Nick Barker	Visitant
1st Humour	Phillip Reynolds	Don't Play With Matches
2nd Humour	Phillip Reynolds	Indian Myna
Travelogue, Award of Merit	Ian Huish	Minimum
1st Group (NVM only)	Beverly & Graham Bryant	60 Years and Counting
2nd Group	Laurie & Narelle Chesterfield / Beverly & Graham Bryant	Venomous
3rd Group	Phillip Reynolds & Ian Selby	Snake Two!
1st International	Edward Kinge	Messing About on the
Best Sound	Edward Kinge	Messing About on the
Best Editing	Edward Kinge	Messing About on the
Nova Award	Terry Farrelly	
Best of Festival	Terry Farrelly	Breathe
Movie Maker of the Year	Phillip Reynolds	Ern Potts Award
Audience Appeal	Beverly & Graham Bryant	60 Years and Counting

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CLUB MEETINGS
<p>WHEN: The first Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm. WHERE: Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre 44 Mordue Parade Jesmond</p>
<p>CORRESPONDENCE TO: The Secretary, NEWCASTLE VIDEO MOVIE MAKERS Inc PO Box 67 ADAMSTOWN NSW 2289</p>
<p>Committee meetings: These are held on the Tuesday following the club meeting each month at a committee member's home in rotation. All members are welcome to attend, however a courtesy call to the committee member concerned would be appreciated.</p>

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