



*THE FEDERATION
OF
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NATIONAL CONVENTION
SUNSHINE COAST
17th to 21st May, 2010

March 2010

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**9th March 7.30pm Tuesday
Committee Meeting
With Geoff Peel**

**3rd March 7.30pm
Wednesday Club Meeting
Novice Competition
plus Add-on Software
For NLE packages**

April 2010

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**13th March 7.30pm
Tuesday Committee Meeting
With Mark & Laura Owens**

**7th April 7.30pm
Wednesday Club Meeting
'Novice Competition'**

2009 COMPETITIONS & FUNCTIONS

March 2010	Novice Competition
April 2010	'Featured Jewellery' Create a movie featuring at least one piece of jewellery in your story
May 2010	Intermediate Competition
June 2010	In camera edit
July 2010	Open Competition plus Annual General Meeting

From the Presidents Desk



Well we are certainly getting into 2010 with a Bang... Our February Competition delivered us with some fantastic One Minute Movies to watch. It was great to see members going to a lot of effort creating their productions. Our winning entry by Geoff Peel saw him hand feeding a large garden lizard with crunchy cockroaches. Very entertaining for a short film. Well done Geoff.

February 's Auction was another part of the evenings entertainment. Thanks to our Auctioneer, Col Marshall, we managed to sell most of the items for sale and a portion of each sale was donated to the club. Thank you to those who participated in the in the auction both buying and selling. If you have not yet paid for your items, please see Mark our treasurer on Wednesday night to settle your purchase.

We have been promoting the FAMM convention at our meetings over the past several months. It is now time to let the organisers know if you will be attending. Brochures on the convention are available for you to take from the desk at out meetings or you can download the information either directly from the FAMM website or from a link from the NVM website. This years convention should be a great opportunity to meet with like minded professionals and hobbyists and gather information

Cont...whilst making new friends and networking. A great time in Queensland is always guaranteed.

March competition is our Novice Movie Night. The Novice Competition is open to members who have never won first place in any club or external competition. All productions in the Novice comp are limited to 10 minutes duration. New Members are encouraged to enter this as a stepping stone to the rest of the years comps. Have a go and Good Luck.

March meeting will also include a demonstration of Add-on software for your NLE packages. I have recently found a product that will allow the drawing of point to point animation for your travel project that interfaces with most current edit packages. This software also has 3D animation for text This is Free-Ware and available for download at the manufacturers site.

Wayne Sexton



Club Photos



Col Marshall our auctioneer last month



Bob Cook helping our auction last month



Laurie Chesterfield and Mark Owens
tallying up last months
'One Minute Competition'



Geoff Peel showing us his new camera

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Optimizing your PC for best Performance Cont.

Continuing on from last issue there are some other options available that could speed up your PC's performance considerably. One option is to **Un-Install** programs that you do not use.

There are a lot of **Freeware (\$0.00)** programs around that can help you clean up and maintain your PC at near optimum level. Most are easy to use, can be **Installed** or available as **Portable Versions (No Installation Required)** as well.

Another good thing is most of the programs mentioned in this article will work from:

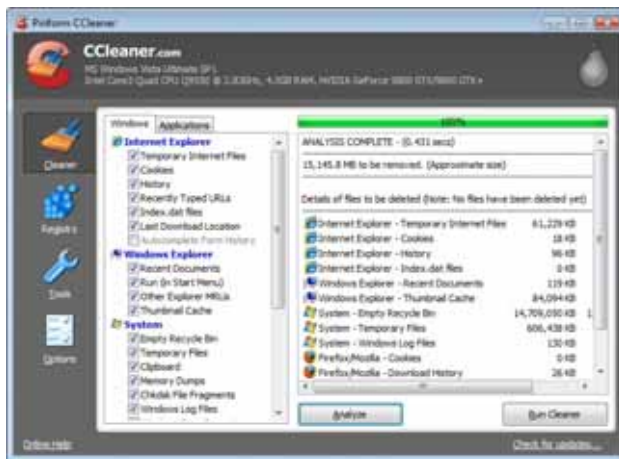
Windows 32 Bit (98) 2000/2003, x32-x64 Bit Windows 2008/XP/Vista and Windows 7.

For more information on any product featured in this article, visit the program's Internet site. Also use **with caution** regardless which program you download and use. **Make a Restore Point first.**

Piriform CCleaner ... Home & Download Page:

Home Page: <http://www.piriform.com>

<http://www.piriform.com/ccleaner/builds> (Standard / Slim / Portable / Portable U3.)



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Auslogics Disk Defrag ...

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Piriform Speccy ...

Home Page: <http://www.piriform.com>

Speccy is an advanced **System Information Tool** for your **PC**. What's in your computer? If you're like most of us, you can probably name the processor (**Intel or AMD, Celeron or Pentium**), maybe how much **RAM** it has, and maybe how big the hard drive is. We're still **Bug Fixing**, but have just released a **Public BETA** version for you to download and try!



Plan your 2010 winter holidays to include Queensland's Sunshine Coast and the FAMM National Convention. The Sunshine Coast is liberally endowed with interesting attractions. Firstly there are the many well known beaches then destinations such as Etamogah Pub, The Ginger Factory, the Eumundi Markets, Noosa Everglades, Underwater World, the Majestic Theatre at Pomona and the very scenic hinterland which includes Kennilworth, Flaxton, Montville, Maleny and the Glass House Mountains. Take advantage of the beautiful autumn weather, the friendly natives and the companionship of like minded movie makers. All these factors combine to provide the perfect opportunity to "Make Movie Make Friends", do not let it pass.

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Set on seven landscaped acres by the shores of Lake Doonella and the Noosa River the venue is a modern complex with attractive studio type bungalows. Australis at Noosaville, surrounded by wilderness, is near Tewantin and a short ferry ride along the Noosa River from the Noosa Heads precinct which is the centre of activity with outdoor cafes, fine dining restaurants and stylish boutiques just metres from Noosa Main Beach. A fifteen minute walk from Hastings Street leads to one of the most visited national parks in Australia, Noosa National Park. The Noosa area is a diverse region of spectacular coastal scenery, picturesque hinterland and the Noosa Everglades with its calm water and mirror like reflections that is a photographers paradise.

Traveling south down the coast from Noosa there are many renowned surfing beaches to visit or simply explore rock pools between Point Perry and Point Arkwright or follow the scenic trail to Point Arkwright lookout.

Maroochydore offers beach, riverside and shopping experiences, Sunshine Plaza Shopping Centre has a variety of speciality stores, cinemas, licensed cafes and restaurants.

Spectacular views of the beach can be seen from Alex Bluff when approaching Mooloolaba which is a thriving dining and shopping precinct. A hundred metres or so away explore Mooloolaba Wharf and come face to face with the sea creatures at Underwater World.

Caloundra the southern most area has many glorious beaches to surprise the visitor.

The Sunshine Coast hinterland is easily accessed from all the coastal centres. Discover the charm of Montville, Maleny and the Glass House Mountains.

Australia Zoo has recently topped the tourism award list for best attraction in Australia. Come and get a thrill out of watching the activities and even feed the elephants.

There is a large range of restaurants and cafes right opposite the Australis (with delivery service available) located just 150 metres away at the picturesque Noosa Marina. Alternatively choose one of the 183 restaurants in the Noosa area with some of the best situated on Gympie Terrace which is in walking distance.

Convention Program

Monday, May 17th

Afternoon "Registration of Conventioneers
Evening " Own meal for dinner
" Social Gathering, finger food, buy own drinks.
" Welcome and Official Opening, Bridport Convention
" Movie, One Minute Movies, 30sec Promo movies from
" clubs & old FAMM movies.
" Announcements and supper.

Tuesday, May 18th

Morning" AGM Business Sessions
Lunch" provided
Afternoon "Speaker David Halliday and Keynote Speaker Steve
" Gottormsen, Bond Uni, Teaching Fellow.
Evening " Own meal for dinner.
" Best of the Rest Movies. Announcements and Supper.

Wednesday, May 19th

Day Trip " Choose - Australia Zoo (buy own food)
" or Noosa Everglades (food included)
Evening" Convention Dinner, Storytellers entertainment,
" Presentation of Trophies, speeches and hand over to new
" President

Thursday, May 20th

Morning " Kayte New nds Actors Stage to Screen Workshop
Lunch " provided
Afternoon "Kayte New nds Actors Script to Screen Workshop
Evening " Dinner provided
" Five Best Movies program, Presentation of Federation
" Shield. " Announcements and Supper

Friday, May 21st

Morning " Q & A Problem Solving
" Noosa Museum Presentation
Lunch " Provided
Afternoon "Scenic Trip to Majestic Theatre for Movies

Full Brochure available at club nights

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We are happy to discuss any aspect of video with you and are not in it merely for the "dollar". If we can't answer your question "off the cuff" we will as sure as hell make every effort to find out and get back to you.

The Casablanca II range - Solitaire, Prestige, AVIO and the Claro.

The **Claro** is the latest system to be released and the first to be priced under \$2,000 (incl. GST). For Video Club members, DVS will be absorbing freight costs on Casablanca systems until further notice. The specifications will astound you. 120 gb hard-drive means around 7 hours of native DV quality video. 256 mb of RAM enabling the use of the largest hard drives available (commonly 300 gb at the moment). Comes loaded with the latest SmartEdit software (currently V. 4.2c) and the latest DVD authoring software (DVD Arabesk V.2.3a).

Ask about the special software offer available with the Claro - packs normally retailing for around \$1,074.00 can be bundled with the Claro for an additional \$499.

Claro Pro-Pack - normally priced at \$526.00
Font Pack 1 and 2 - normally \$81.38 each (\$162.76)
Motion 3d effects - normally \$192.69
Title Effect Pack 1 - normally \$192.69
Total value \$1,074.00 (for the special price of \$499)

Brochures are with your Librarian so please check it out. Alternatively, email or phone us for full details.

Like a demo? Contact us and we will see what we can arrange!

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 **Casablanca II Claro**

CLUB MEETINGS

WHEN: The first Wednesday of each month except October at 7.30pm
WHERE: Wallsend Community Health Centre Meeting Room.
Behind Wallsend Hospital, Nash Street Wallsend.
(Map ref: UBD 17-L9)

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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.

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