

This month's featured group.

The short film group

After about a year the dozen or so members of the Short Film Group felt up to competitive film making. So we thought we'd start big, and with a cheque in hand from Trish and the committee we, along with around 800 other teams, entered the National Rialto 48 hrs short film contest.

At 7.00 pm on the 1st Friday in May; At the ATU in the city we crowded in with the 2 or 3 hundred other Auckland teams to get a slab of V (what do you do with that stuff?) and gather the elements we had to include in our film..

They were: Character Harper Harrison (thoughtless)

- Line of dialogue, "oh really"
- Prop, Bread
- Cinematic element, a matched dissolve
- Genre "The other dimension"

These were phoned through to our writers who each had two hours to write their masterpiece.

By 9.30 we had all gathered at Jane's house (who had an excellent supper ready). We reviewed all the stories, selected one, cast the characters, and identified the locations, (back at Janes place), and arranged the props and all other details. Then of to bed for a good night's sleep. We are too smart making our film to spend all of the 48hrs awake like most other teams

8.00 am 2nd May on Location: well you can see what we did by watching our film.

I think it's fair to say we had enormous fun, lots of laughter, and with grey matter hard at work under the grey hair.

8.00 am 3rd May; editing, thanks to the great team work, and splendid acting the story went together smoothly.

3.30 pm the same day; Three and a half hours before the 7.00 pm competition finish, we were back at the ATU to hand in our finished film. We were the sixth team to finish. We may not have been the best, but we were pretty quick!

We learnt a lot so let's see what happens next year.

The link for you to view the film is <https://youtu.be/my0dMKZ8c4o>