



Ballarat Photography Group

60 YEAR HISTORY

8/8/1961 to 10/8/2021

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FORMATION OF THE CAMERA GROUP

As a result of the projects undertaken by the World Outlook Committee of the Ballarat Y Men's Club an interest in the use of 35 mm. slides teamed with a tape recording became evident.

Over a period of three years some three of these sets were made and distributed throughout America and Canada thereby creating an interest in our City of Ballarat.

While working on these kits the team enjoyed many nights of work and fellowship mostly in the home of Mr and Mrs Llewellyn.

The idea of forming a Camera Club to further this type of activity and provide us with more opportunities of practising our hobby was first advanced by the members of the World Outreach Team.

The first move was a meeting at the home of Mr W Llewellyn on the night of July 13th 1961. It was attended by Brian Blackie and Roy E Barrett.

At this meeting plans were made for the formation of such a group and also outlining a program which we felt would create interest and provide continuity.

Mr Roy Barrett was instructed to ask the Board of Directors of the YMCA Ballarat for permission to organise such a club and also use the top room for meetings on the second Tuesday night of each month.

Permission was also asked for use of the YMCA kitchen facilities for supper.

All these suggestions were favourably received by the YMCA Board and it planned to hold the inaugural meeting on Tuesday August 8th 1961.

A letter was sent by Mr Roy Barrett to Mr C Jackman of the Ballarat Camera Club informing the club of our intention to form this group within the YMCA membership. A copy of this letter is to be kept in the club files.

A further letter was sent to the secretary of each club in the YMCA inviting members to attend our inaugural meeting.

BALLARAT YMCA CAMERA GROUP

INAUGURAL MEETING

The inaugural meeting was held in the Ballarat YMCA on Tuesday August 8th 1961.

Present

G Swenson, W Llewellyn, B McKay, C Corringe, B Blackie, Roy E Barrett, J Proctor, N Main, W Trussler, Mr Conder and his assistant (Members of the Ballarat Recording Club).

Apologies

Neil Sutherland, Herbert Trevenen, A W Nicholson, R Barrett, G Wearne, Stan Waller and Les Preston.

Election Process

G Swensen became acting chairman for the purpose of election of officers.

Moved by W Llewellyn, seconded by B McKay "That we form a club". Carried.

Moved by Cal Corringe, seconded by Brian Blackie "That a committee of officers be elected". Carried.

The result of an election found the following elected –

President Roy E Barrett nom. by W Llewellyn 2nd by B Blackie
Hon. Secretary Brian Blackie nom. by W. Llewellyn 2nd by J Proctor
Hon. Treasurer Cal Corringe nom. by R E Barrett 2nd by W Llewellyn
Project Officer W Llewellyn nom. by J Proctor 2nd by N Main
Executive Committee

W Trusler – nom. by W. Llewellyn 2nd J. Proctor

Noel Main – nom. by Brian Blackie 2nd by W Trusler

It was agreed that another executive officer be appointed at the next meeting.

General Business

It was moved by W Llewellyn 2nd by G Swensen, that the club be known as the "Ballarat YMCA Camera Group".

The President then outlined the aims and future projects of the club. The subject for the next meeting being – "A Scene".

It was brought to the notice of the club that the YMCA required photographs etc. for a window display depicting Youth Activities in the YMCA. After considerable discussion it was moved by Brian Blackie, 2nd by W Llewellyn, that a YMCA Board Member be notified of the club's decision that, due to the short notice, the club felt they could not undertake such a task but at the same time wish to pledge full assistance in the following year.

General Business (contd)

During this discussion the club received a kind offer from John Proctor for the use of his shop window if it was required.

The President, on behalf of the club, thanked John Proctor for his kind offer.

It was unanimously carried that members be levied sixpence per evening for supper expenses.

Program

The President presented a kit of slides and a sound tape sent to him and prepared by Dr Jim Harriman from Muskigan U.S.A.

At this juncture thanks was passed onto Mr Condor and his assistant (Members of the Ballarat Tape Recording Club) for their assistance in playing the tape recording.

On completion of the program the President closed the meeting and members adjourned to the YMCA kitchen to enjoy a cup of tea and biscuits and a general get together.

Signed by: Hon. Secretary Brian James Blackie
 President R E Barrett

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

OFFICE BEARERS

YEAR	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
8/8/61	Roy E Barrett	Brian Blackie	Cal Corringe
1962	Roy E Barrett	Brian Blackie	Cal Corringe
1963	Herbert Trevenen (Resigned Sept) William Llewellyn	Neil Sutherland	Alan Coulston
1964	William Llewellyn	Roy E Barrett	James Borthwick
1965	William Trusler (Resigned July)	Mrs Brenda Fox	James Borthwick Neil Sutherland
1966	Neil Sutherland	William Trusler	James Borthwick
1967	Sydney Pollard	William Trusler	James Borthwick
1968	Raymond Buckley	William Trusler	Sydney Pollard
1969	Alfred Quick	Neil Sutherland	Sydney Pollard
1970	Petera Clamp	William Trusler	Sydney Pollard
1971	Peter Fry	Petera Clamp	Sydney Pollard
1972	George Townsend	Sydney Pollard	Alfred Quick
1973	Arthur Spicer	Sydney Pollard	Alfred Quick
1974	Noel Main	Sydney Pollard	Alfred Quick
1975	Petera Clamp	Sydney Pollard	Alfred Quick
1976	George Townsend	Mary Murray	Alfred Quick
1977	John Hazledine	Mary Murray	Alfred Quick
1978	Pearl Adams	Mary Murray	Raymond Mende
1979	Alan Weston	Mary Murray	Raymond Mende
1980	George Townsend	Alan Weston	Robert McGuire
1981	Judith Johnson	Alan Weston	Robert McGuire
1982	Judith Johnson	Patricia Twaits	Robert McGuire
1983	Kerry Daniell	Patricia Twaits	Robert McGuire
1984	George Townsend	Kerry Daniell	Robert McGuire
1985	George Townsend	Kerry Daniell & William Hirt	Trina Jones
1986	George Townsend	Kerry Daniell & William Hirt	Trina Jones
1987	Craig Townsend	William Hirt	Trina Jones
1988	Raymond Candy	William Hirt	Douglas Reid
1989	Trina Jones	Julie Cesal	Douglas Reid
1990	Judith Johnson	Julie Cesal	Douglas Reid

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

OFFICE BEARERS (contd)

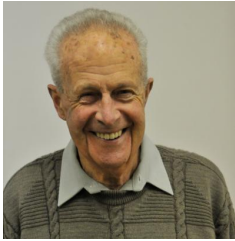
YEAR	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1991	Judith Johnson	Julie Cesal	Douglas Reid
1992	Ivan Downing	Julie Cesal	Douglas Reid
1993	Ivan Downing	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1994	Raymond Candy	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1995	Raymond Candy	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1996	John Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1997	John Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1998	John Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
1999	John Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
2000	Len Bradford	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
2001	Len Bradford	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
2002	Len Bradford	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
2003	Raymond Candy	Anne Earnshaw	Douglas Reid
2004	Raymond Candy	Gillian Bradford	Douglas Reid
2005	John Earnshaw	Gillian Bradford	Trina Jones
2006	John Earnshaw	Gillian Bradford	Trina Jones
2007	Pam Allen	Gillian Bradford	Trina Jones
2008	Pam Allen	Gillian Bradford	Ross Block
2009	Pam Allen	Mark Bevelander	Ross Block
2010	John Earnshaw	Mark Bevelander	Ross Block
2011	John Earnshaw	Mark Bevelander	Ross Block
2012	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher	Ross Block
2013	Leo Fletcher	Dianne Fletcher	Ross Block
2014	Leo Fletcher	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2015	Trevor Parry	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2016	Trevor Parry	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2017	Noel Verlinden	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2018	Noel Verlinden	Dianne Fletcher	John Earnshaw
2019	Noel Verlinden	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2020	Noel Verlinden	Pam Allen	Dianne Fletcher
2021	Trevor Parry	Dianne Fletcher	Dianne Fletcher

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

23/4/1968	James Borthwick	23/1/1979	Sydney Pollard
28/9/1971	William Trusler	20/2/1979	Alfred Quick
22/8/1972	Roy E Barrett	13/7/1991	Reginald Bayley
27/11/1973	Neil Sutherland	18/2/1992	Pearl Adams
16/5/1978	Noel Main	8/3/1994	William Llewellyn

YMCA CAMERA GROUP LIFE MEMBERS



13/8/1994
George Townsend



13/8/1994
Judith Johnson



11/3/2008
Trina Jones

NEW LIFE MEMBERS (13th August 2011)

IVAN DOWNING

Ivan has been a member for 31 years. During that time he has been on the Executive Committee for 14 years, President for 2 years, Vice President for 2 years and Slide Steward for 14 1/2 years. Yvonne and Ivan have held a club BBQ at their home for 15 years. He received a Meritorious Service Award from VAPS in 1997. Ivan is a most worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.



DOUG REID

Doug has been a member for 27 years. He is still on the Executive Committee after serving 24 years. He was Treasurer for a record 17 years, regularly gave "5 minuters", has organized the trophies for the annual awards and keeps the point scores for all entries. He received a Meritorious Service Award from VAPS in 2003. Doug is a worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat Camera Group.



ANNE EARNSHAW

Anne has been a member for 21 years. During that time she was on the Executive Committee for 13 years and a record 11 years as Secretary and now is in her 5th Year as slide steward. She competes in most competitions and her friendly welcoming manner encourages other members to take part in club activities. She received a Meritorious Service Award from VAPS in 2003. Anne is a most valuable member who is a worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.



JOHN EARNSHAW

John has been a member for 21 years. He has been on the Executive for 20 years and been President for 8 years. He has compiled a written history of the club. John is a worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.



NEW LIFE MEMBERS (2011 - 2022)

BILL HIRT 2018

Bill has been a member for 35 years. He was on the Executive Committee for many years and was Secretary for 4 years. He was very involved in social gatherings - annual awards, in-services, excursions and our weekends away. Bill is a worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat Photography Group.



PAM ALLEN 2020

Pam has been a member for 23 years. She was on the Executive Committee for 18 years and served as President for 4 years and Secretary for 6 years. She has contributed in all ways to promote photography for the ordinary person. With her enthusiasm and leadership skills, she has been promoting our Club widely. Pam is a very worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat Photography Group.



TREVOR PARRY 2020

Trevor has been a member for 29 years and on the Executive Committee for 28 years. He has been President for 3 years and Vice President and is always a willing helper to organise and take part in all the Club's activities, excursions and camps. Trevor is a very worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat Photography Group.



CAROLE TOWNSEND 2022

Carole has been officially a member of the Club for 26 years but has been involved in the Club for over 50 years in all social activities, excursions, annual awards, camps etc. She has been on the Executive Committee for many years. She has contributed with entries for all of our competitions and has helped select entries and judge competitions. Carole is a very worthy LIFE MEMBER of the Ballarat Photography Group.



YMCA CAMERA GROUP

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

1961/62

Roy E. Barrett, Brian Blackie, Cal Corringe, William Llewellyn, Noel Main, Neil Sutherland (Oct.'61), Herbert Trevenen (March'62), William Trusler

1963

Roy E. Barrett, Brian J. Blackie, John Bowe (Sept.), Alan Coulston, William Llewellyn, George Rainer, Neil Sutherland, Herbert Trevenen, William Trusler

1964

Roy e. Barrett, Brian J. Blackie, James Borthwick, John Bowe, William Llewellyn, George Mayne (Sept.), Neil Sutherland, Herbert Trevenen, William Trusler

1965

Roy E. Barrett, James Borthwick, John Bowe, Gwen Buckland, William Crosbie (Nov.), Brenda Fox, William Llewellyn, Sydney Pollard (Nov.), Neil Sutherland, William Trusler

1966

James Borthwick, Raymond Buckley, W. Crosbie, Edward Lewis, William Llewellyn, Sydney Pollard, Neil Sutherland, William Trusler

1967

James Borthwick, Raymond Buckley, Petera Clamp, Raymond Lear, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Neil Sutherland, William Trusler

1968

Reginald Bayley, Raymond Buckley, Petera Clamp, Peter Fry, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, William Trusler, Gary Whittaker

1969

Reginald Bayley, Raymond Buckley (Res. April), Petera Clamp, Peter Fry, Raymond Lear, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Neil Sutherland, Gary Whittaker

1970

Roy E Barrett, Petera Clamp, Peter Fry, Raymond Lear, William Llewellyn, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, William Trusler

1971

Roy E. Barrett, Petera Clamp, Peter Fry, Raymond Lear, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Arthur Spicer, George Townsend

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EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

1972

Roy C. Barrett, Roy E. Barrett (Res. July), Petera Clamp, Peter Fry, William Llewellyn (July), Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Arthur Spicer, George Townsend

1973

Petera Clamp, Brigitta La Feber, William Llewellyn, Noel Main, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Arthur Spicer, George Townsend.

1974

Petera Clamp, Brigitta La Feber, William Fry, Noel Main, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Arthur Spicer, George Townsend

1975

Pearl Adams, Petera Clamp, Lillian Dell, Noel Main, Sydney Pollard, Alfred Quick, Phillip Seddon (July), George Townsend

1976

Pearl Adams, Lillian Dell, John Hazledine, Judith Johnson, Raymond Mende, Mary Murray, George Townsend, Alan Weston

1977

Pearl Adams, Lillian Dell, John Hazledine, Judith Johnson, Raymond Mende, Mary Murray, George Townsend, Alan Weston.

1978

Pearl Adams, Kerry Daniell, Lillian Dell, John Hazledine, Judith Johnson, Raymond Mende, Mary Murray, George Townsend, Alan Weston

1979

Pearl Adams, Kerry Daniell, Lillian Dell, John Hazledine, Judith Johnson (April), Raymond Mende, Mary Murray, George Townsend, Alan Weston

1980

Kerry Daniell, John Hazledine, Judith Johnson, Robert McGuire, Mary Murray, George Townsend, Patricia Twaits (April), Alan Weston

1981

Kerry Daniell, Judith Johnson, Trina Jones, Robert McGuire, Cheryl Sawall, George Townsend, Patricia Twaits, Alan Weston

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EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

1982

Pearl Adams, John Bennett, Kerry Daniell, Judith Johnson, Robert McGuire, Cheryl Sawall, Patricia Twaits

1983

Pearl Adams, Kerry Daniell, Judith Johnson, Robert McGuire, John Morgan, George Townsend, Patricia Twaits, Eric Ware

1984

Pearl Adams, Kerry Daniell, Robert McGuire, John Morgan, Craig Townsend, George Townsend, Eric Ware

1985

Jennifer Caldwell, Kerry Daniell, Ivan Downing, William Hirt, Trina Jones, Craig Townsend, George Townsend, Patricia Twaits, Eric Ware

1986

Raymond Candy, Kerry Daniell, Ivan Downing, William Hirt, Trina Jones, John McGuire, Craig Townsend, George Townsend, Eric Ware

1987

Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Russell Gerrett, William Hirt, Trina Jones, Douglas Reid, Craig Townsend, George Townsend, Eric Ware

1988

Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, William Hirt, Trina Jones, Douglas Reid, Craig Townsend, George Townsend, Eric Ware

1989

Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, Russell Gerrett, Judith Johnson, Trina Jones, Douglas Reid, Graeme Ryrie, Craig Townsend, George Townsend

1990

Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, Judith Johnson, Trina Jones, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

1991

Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, Frank Gray, Judith Johnson, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

1992

Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Frank Gray, Judith Johnson, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

1993

Caroline Broome (Res. June), Raymond Candy, Julie Cesal, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Judith Johnson, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

1994

Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Trina Jones, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

1995

Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Claire Parry, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

1996

Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Claire Parry, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

1997

Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Trevor Parry, Megan Rayner, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

1998

Len Bradford, Raymond Candy, Ivan Downing, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Megan Rayner, Douglas Reid, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

1999

Len Bradford, Lorraine Brown, Raymond Candy, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Carol Hall, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2000

Len Bradford, Lorraine Brown, Raymond Candy, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Carol Hall, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2001

Len Bradford, Lorraine Brown, Raymond Candy, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Carol Hall, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

2002

Pam Allen, Len Bradford, Lorraine Brown, Raymond Candy, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2003

Pam Allen, Len Bradford, Lorraine Brown, Raymond Candy, Ron Downs, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2004

Pam Allen, Gillian Bradford, Len Bradford, Raymond Candy, Ron Downs, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2005

John Allen, Pam Allen, Gillian Bradford, Len Bradford, Raymond Candy, Ron Downs, Anne Earnshaw, John Earnshaw, Trina Jones, Douglas Reid, Rob Shuttleworth, Carole Townsend, George Townsend

2006

John Allen, Pam Allen, Ross Block, Gillian Bradford, John Earnshaw, Trina Jones, Helen Kennedy, Megan Rayner, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

2007

John Allen, Pam Allen, Ross Block, Gillian Bradford, John Earnshaw, Trina Jones, Helen Kennedy, Megan Rayner, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

2008

Pam Allen, Teresa Bates, Tom Bates, Gillian Bradford, John Earnshaw, Helen Kennedy, Trevor Parry, Megan Rayner, Douglas Reid, George Townsend

2009

Pam Allen, Teresa Bates, Tom Bates, Mark Bevelander, Gillian Block, Ross Block, John Earnshaw, Helen Kennedy, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, Neil Sinclair

2010

Pam Allen, Mark Bevelander, Ross Block, John Earnshaw, Leo Fletcher, Helen Kennedy, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, Neil Sinclair

2011

Pam Allen, Mark Bevelander, Ross Block, Pam Dellaca, John Earnshaw, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Douglas Reid, Neil Sinclair

YMCA CAMERA GROUP

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

2012

Pam Allen, John Allen, Gillian Block, Ross Block, Ron Collins, Pam Dellaca, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Doug Reid, Neil Sinclair

2013

Pam Allen, Ross Block, Ron Collins, Pam Dellaca, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Lisa Palmer, Trevor Parry, Neil Sinclair, Doug Reid

2014

Pam Allen, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Doug Reid, Carole Townsend

2015

Pam Allen, Jonathon Cuttle, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Doug Reid, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

2016

Pam Allen, Jonathon Cuttle, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Doug Reid, Peter Smith, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

BALLARAT PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS (contd)

2017

Pam Allen, Jonathon Cuttle, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Doug Reid, Peter Smith, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

2018

Pam Allen, Jonathon Cuttle, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Craig Peart, Doug Reid, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

2019

Pam Allen, Jonathon Cuttle, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Terry Jordan, Trevor Parry, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

2020

Pam Allen, Lois Dent, John Earnshaw, Dianne Fletcher, Terry Jordan, Trevor Parry, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

2021

Pam Allen, Lois Dent, Dianne Fletcher, Leo Fletcher, Trevor Parry, Carole Townsend, Noel Verlinden

SLIDE COMPETITIONS

YEAR	SLIDE OF THE YEAR	AGGREGATE "A"	AGGREGATE "B"	SLIDE "CLUB AWARD"
1962	Herbert Trevenen	William Trusler		
1963	William Trusler	Marion Eskdale		
1964	John Bowe	William Trusler	John Bowe	
1965	Sydney Pollard	William Trusler	Raymond Buckley	
1966	Reginald Bayley	William Trusler	Gary Whittaker	
1967	Alfred Quick	Raymond Buckley	Raymond Lear	
1968	Sydney Pollard	Sydney Pollard	John Pierce	
1969	Petera Clamp	Sydney Pollard	Alfred Quick	
1970	William Trusler	William Trusler	George Townsend	
1971	William Spicer	George Townsend	Arthur Spicer	
1972	Noel Main	George Townsend	Barbara Spicer	
1973	George Townsend	George Townsend	Eric Ware	
1974	John Hazledine	Noel Main	Pearl Adams	
1975	William Spicer	George Townsend	John Hazledine	
1976	Jack Weston	Pearl Adams	Raymond Mende	
1977	George Townsend	Raymond Mende	John Stickland	
1978	Alan Weston	George Townsend	Mary Murray	Judy Johnson
1979	George Townsend	Pearl Adams	Trina Jones	Trina Jones
1980	Kerry Daniell	Trina Jones	Kerry Daniell	Trina Jones

SLIDE COMPETITIONS (contd)

YEAR	SLIDE OF THE YEAR	AGGREGATE	SLIDE "CLUB AWARD"
1981	Trina Jones	Trina Jones	George Townsend
1982	Trina Jones	George Townsend	Trina Jones
1983	Craig Townsend	Trina Jones	Pearl Adams
1984	Trina Jones	Trina Jones	George Townsend
1985	George Townsend	George Townsend	Douglas Reid
1986	George Townsend	George Townsend	Raymond Candy
1987	Trina Jones	Judith Johnson	Christopher Hall
1988	Trina Jones	Judith Johnson	Trina Jones
1989	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Trina Jones
1990	Douglas Reid	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
1991	Trina Jones	Judith Johnson	Douglas Reid
1992	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Raymond Candy
1993	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Ivan Downing

SLIDE COMPETITIONS (contd)

YEAR	SLIDE OF THE YEAR	AGGREGATE	SLIDE "CLUB AWARD"
1994	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
1995	Judith Johnson	George Townsend	John Earnshaw
1996	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	George Townsend
1997	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
1998	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Rob Shuttleworth
1999	Judith Johnson	Ron Downs	Carole Townsend
2000	Carol Hall	Ron Downs	Carole Townsend
2001	Ron Downs	Judy Johnson	Rob Shuttleworth
2002	Carol Hall	Carol Hall	Douglas Reid
2003	Carole Townsend	Trevor Parry	George Townsend
2004	Arthur Pinkowski	Ron Downs	
2005	George Townsend	Judith Johnson	
2006	Judy Johnson	Judith Johnson	
2007	Judy Johnson	Trevor Parry	
2008	John Earnshaw	George Townsend	
2009	George Townsend	George Townsend	
2010	Carole Townsend	George Townsend	

BLACK AND WHITE COMPETITION

	B&W PRINT OF YEAR	B&W AGGREGATE	B&W CLUB AWARD
1977	Raymond Mende	Alan Weston	
1978	Laurie Adams	Raymond Mende	
1979	Pearl Adams	Raymond Mende	
1980	Raymond Mende	Laurie Adams	
1981	Trina Jones	Trina Jones	
1982	Pearl Adams	Trina Jones	
1983	Pearl Adams	Laurie Adams	
1984	Laurie Adams	Pearl Adams	
1985	Craig Townsend	Craig Townsend	Craig Townsend
1986	Pearl Adams	Craig Townsend	Pearl Adams
1987	Craig Townsend	Pearl Adams	Laurie Adams
1988	Laurie Adams	Pearl Adams	Laurie Adams
1989	Pearl Adams	Pearl Adams Laurie Adams	Laurie Adams
1990	Laurence Kucina	Pearl Adams	Laurie Adams

COLOURED PRINT COMPETITION

YEAR	PRINT OF THE YEAR	AGGREGATE PRINT	CLUB AWARD
1985	George Townsend	George Townsend	
1986	Douglas Reid	George Townsend	
1987	George Townsend	Judith Johnson	
1988	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	
1989	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	
1990	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	
1991	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	
1992	Anne Earnshaw	Judith Johnson	Anne Earnshaw
1993	Peter Cogle	Anne Earnshaw	Julie Cesal
1994	Sandy Graham	Trevor Parry	Judith Johnson
1995	Trina Jones	Trevor Parry	John Earnshaw
1996	Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend	Anne Earnshaw
1997	Trevor Parry	Carole Townsend	William Hirt
1998	Judy Johnson	Eileen Shuttleworth	Judith Johnson
1999	Ron Downs	Eileen Shuttleworth	Judith Johnson
2000	Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend	Megan Rayner
2001	Ron Downs	Ron Downs	Megan Rayner
2002	Judith Johnson	Rob Shuttleworth	Eileen Shuttleworth
2003	Carol Hall	Eileen Shuttleworth	Anne Earnshaw
2004	Effie Litris	Eileen Shuttleworth	
2005	Stephen Shaw	Pam Delacca	John Allen
2006	Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend	Brian Wood
2007	Judy Johnson	Judy Johnson	Neil Sinclair
2008	Trevor Parry	Trevor Parry	Bruce Fryer
2009	Judy Johnson	J. Johnson & T. Parry	Pam Dellaca
2010	Ken Smith	Ken Smith	Mark Bevelander
2011	Bruce Fryer	Ken Smith	Lisa Palmer
2012	Ron Downs	Ken Smith	Marilyn Bradford
2013	Bruce Fryer	Anne Earnshaw	Helen Kennedy
2014	Neil Sinclair	Ken Smith	Dianne Fletcher
2015	Judy Johnson	Steve Demeye	Christine Thomson
2016	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye	Leo Fletcher
2017	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye	Bridgette Earnshaw
2018	Noel Verlinden	Steve Demeye	Lois Dent
2019	Steve Demeye	Noel Verlinden	Not Awarded
2020	Nil	Nil	Nil

LARGE PRINT COMPETITION

	PRINT OF THE YEAR	AGGREGATE
2000	Elileen Shuttleworth	
2001	Ron Downs	Eileen Shuttleworth
2002	Carol Hall	Rob Shuttleworth
2003	Carol Hall	equal. Carol Hall & Megan Rayner
2004	Carol Hall	Eileen Shuttleworth
2005	Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend
2006	George Townsend	equal Ken Smith & George Townsend
2007	Trevor Parry	equal Carol Hall & Ken Smith
2008	Ken Smith	Pam Dellaca
2009	George Townsend	Ken Smith
2010	Judy Johnson	Ken Smith
2011	Ken Smith	Ken Smith
2012	Judy Johnson	Ken Smith
2013	Bruce Fryer	Ken Smith
2014	Judy Johnson	Ken Smith
2015	Noel Verlinden	Judy Johnson/Noel Verlinden
2016	Judy Johnson	Steve Demeye
2017	Noel Verlinden	Steve Demeye
2018	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
2019	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
2020	Nil	Nil

EDI COMPETITION

	OPEN	AGGREGATE
2011	Judy Johnson	Judy Johnson
2012	Noel Verlinden	Judy Johnson
2013	Neil Sinclair	Noel Verlinden
2014	Judy Johnson	Noel Verlinden
2015	Peter Smith	Steve Demeye
2016	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
2017	Judy Johnson	Steve Demeye
2018	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
2019	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
2020	Nil	Nil

NEW ENCOURAGEMENT AWARDS COMMENCED JUNE 1977

MEDALLION WINNERS – B&W PRINTS

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
Ray Mende	Ray Mende	Ray Mende
Pearl Adams	Pearl Adams	Pearl Adams
Laurie Adams	Laurie Adams	Laurie Adams
Trina Jones	Trina Jones	Trina Jones
Craig Townsend	Craig Townsend	
Alan Weston		

MEDALLION WINNERS – SLIDES

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
George Townsend	George Townsend	George Townsend
Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
Trina Jones	Trina Jones	Trina Jones
Ivan Downing	Ivan Downing	Ivan Downing
Douglas Reid	Douglas Reid	Douglas Reid
Pearl Adams	Pearl Adams	Pearl Adams
Ray Mende	Ray Mende	Ray Mende
Kerry Daniell	Kerry Daniell	Kerry Daniell
Craig Townsend	Craig Townsend	Craig Townsend
Patricia Twaits	Raymond Candy	Raymond Candy
William Hirt	Alan Weston	Trevor Parry
Raymond Candy	John Stickland	John Earnshaw
Julie Cesal	John Hazledine	Carol Hall
Anne Earnshaw	Lillian Dell	Ron Downs
John Earnshaw	Patricia Twaits	Rob Shuttleworth
Alan Weston	Mary Murray	Carole Townsend
John Hazledine	John Earnshaw	
Reginald Johnson	Trevor Parry	
John Stickland	Anne Earnshaw	
Lillian Dell	Rob Shuttleworth	
Mary Murray	Ron Downs	
Hilary Hazledine	Carole Townsend	
Eric Ware	Carol Hall	
Laurie Adams		
John Morgan		
Rob McGuire		
Derek Wiseman		
Rob Shuttleworth		
Carole Townsend		
Megan Rayner		
Trevor Parry		
Ron Downs		
Carol Hall		
Tom Bates		

MEDALLION WINNERS – SMALL PRINTS

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
George Townsend	George Townsend	George Townsend
Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
Trevor Parry	Trevor Parry	Trevor Parry
Anne Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw
Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend	Carole Townsend
Douglas Reid	Douglas Reid	Douglas Reid
John Earnshaw	John Earnshaw	John Earnshaw
Eileen Shuttleworth	Eileen Shuttleworth	Eileen Shuttleworth
Rob Shuttleworth	Rob Shuttleworth	Rob Shuttleworth
Carol Hall	Carol Hall	Carol Hall
Megan Rayner	Megan Rayner	Megan Rayner
Ron Downs	Ron Downs	Ron Downs
Marilyn Bradford	Marilyn Bradford	Marilyn Bradford
Ken Smith	Ken Smith	Ken Smith
Pam Dellaca	Pam Dellaca	Pam Dellaca
Pam Allen	Pam Allen	Pam Allen
Neil Sinclair	Neil Sinclair	Neil Sinclair
Helen Kennedy	Helen Kennedy	Helen Kennedy
Noel Verlinden	Noel Verlinden	Noel Verlinden
Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
Trina Jones	Trina Jones	
Bill Hirt	Bill Hirt	
Raymond Candy	Raymond Candy	
John Allen	John Allen	
Tom Bates	Tom Bates	
Christine Thomson	Christine Thomson	
Yvonne Downing		
Patricia Twaits		
Julie Cesal		
Lorraine Brown		
Elsa Thomas		
Len Bradford		
Stephen Shaw		
Teresa Bates		
Peter Elford		
Mark Bevelander		
Bruce Fryer		
Leo Fletcher		

MEDALLION WINNERS – SMALL PRINTS (contd)

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
Dianne Fletcher		
Lisa Palmer		
Jenny Trainer		
Terry Jordan		
Mario Gross		
Garry Freestone		
Peter Smith		

MEDALLION WINNERS – LARGE PRINTS

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
Ken Smith	Ken Smith	Ken Smith
Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
Pam Dellaca	Pam Dellaca	
Noel Verlinden	Noel Verlinden	
Anne Earnshaw	Anne Earnshaw	
Terry Jordan	Terry Jordan	
Neil Sinclair	Neil Sinclair	
Megan Rayner		
Carol Hall		
Helen Kennedy		
John Earnshaw		
Pam Allen		
Christine Thomson		
Mario Gross		
Trevor Parry		
John Allen		
Jenny Trainer		

MEDALLION WINNERS – EDI

45 POINTS	150 POINTS	300 POINTS
Noel Verlinden	Noel Verlinden	Noel Verlinden
Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye	Steve Demeye
Trevor Parry	Trevor Parry	Trevor Parry
Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson	Judith Johnson
Mark Bevelander	Mark Bevelander	Mark Bevelander
Neil Sinclair	Neil Sinclair	
Christine Thomson	Christine Thomson	
Jenny Trainer	Jenny Trainer	
Peter Smith		
Trina Jones		
Jonathon Cuttle		
Megan Rayner		
Terry Jordan		
Tom Bates		
Teresa Bates		
John Allen		
Douglas Reid		
Pam Allen		

INTERCLUB COMPETITIONS

YEAR	WINNING CLUB	WINNING CLUB
1974	Ford Geelong	
1975	Ford Geelong	
1976	Chadstone	
1977	Ford Geelong	
1978	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
1979	Chadstone	Ballarat YMCA
1980	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
1981	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
1982	Chadstone	Ballarat CC
1983	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
1984	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1985	Chadstone	Ballarat CC
1986	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
1987	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
1988	Chadstone	Ballarat CC
1989	Oakleigh	Ballarat CC
1990	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
1991	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1992	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1993	Oakleigh	Ballarat CC
1994	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1995	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1996	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
1997	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
1998	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
1999	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
2000	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
2001	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
2002	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
2003	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
2004	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
2005	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat CC
2006	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
2007	Ballarat YMCA	Ballarat YMCA
2008	Corio Bay	Ballarat YMCA
2009	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2010	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2011	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC

INTERCLUB COMPETITIONS (contd)

YEAR	WINNING CLUB	WINNING CLUB
2012	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2013	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2014	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2015	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2016	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2017	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2018	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2019	Corio Bay	Ballarat CC
2020	Cancelled due to Covid-19	Cancelled due to Covid-19
2021	Cancelled due to Covid-19	Cancelled due to Covid-19

YMCA CAMERA GROUP HIGHLIGHTS

Year 1961

8 August

Inaugural Meeting held at the Ballarat YMCA Present 11, Apologies 7. Club to be known as "Ballarat YMCA Camera Group". Monthly slide Competition.

12 September

Winner of the first monthly competition – William Trusler – A Snow Scene.
Fees - \$ 2 for YMCA members, \$ 4 for non YMCA members.

12 December

Guest speaker Mrs Bon Strange showed slides of Central Australia titled, "The Dead Heart". Auction of articles to raise funds for the club.

Year 1962

January

Meeting held at Morris & Walker Box Factory Showrooms. Roy C Barrett Manager of Morris & Walker. YMCA Clubrooms closed.

13 March

First Annual Meeting. Present 14. Club Constitution approved. Executive & Office Bearers appointed for another 12 months. Successful visit of members of the Yallourn Camera Club to Ballarat. Bill Trusler a former member of the Yallourn C.C.

April

Club affiliates with VAPS.

8 May

Cal Corringe elected Club Official Delegate for VAPS. Conference in Bendigo.

7 June

Club visit to BTV6.

10 July

Neil Sutherland thanked for his efforts and organisation in redecorating the clubrooms. Instructional talk on operating a 16 mm sound projector.

14 August

Credit Balance of Sixteen Pounds Ten Shillings.

13 November

Visit of Skipton Camera Club Members.

Year 1963

8 February

Club to prepare a kit of slides of Ballarat for exchange with Hamilton Camera Club, Canada.

14 May

Practical session in studio of N Harvey.

1 October

Vote of thanks to Thornton Richards for supporting the club by donating trophies for the Annual Awards.

Year 1964

March

Library established. Easter Safari to the Flinders Ranges. Eight members travelled in 2 cars.

23 June

Purchased a visitors book. Club gained 8th Place out of 34 clubs at VAPS conference held in Wodonga. Alan Coulston (two acceptances) and William Trusler (one acceptance) in the First National Competition.

4 August

W Llewellyn to make an illuminated sign to go over the gate at the entrance to our new rooms. New clubrooms in the old police station.

24 November

Letterheads (480) purchased from Baxter and Stubbs. Club produced a short 16 mm movie for BTV6. Brian Blackie, Bill Llewellyn, John Bowe (villain) and Max Bartlett (star)- compere of BTV6 Children's Programme

15 December

Name tags to be prepared for the next meeting.

Year 1965

26 January

New screens completed.

9 March

Representatives of the newly formed M B John Camera Club welcomed.

23 March

Annual fees \$4. A supper fee of sixpence per person per night be charged.

27 April

Purchased Vumax 1000w Projector.

27 July

Request for heating of the Old Police Station.

August

Production of an Audio Visual "A Silent World" for the Victorian Committee for the Promotion of Oral Education of the Deaf, Ewing House, Ballarat.

Year 1966

26 May

Showing the entry “Lingering Memories” for the Audio Visual APS Competition. First Prize Winner.

23 August

Post Office Box No 259, Ballarat. Charges \$1.33 including 2 keys. Discussion re quotes for club lapel badges. Motion to VAPS for a universal badge with a panel for club identification.

13 November

Chadstone Camera Club visit.

23 November

W Llewellyn to approach the Ballarat Courier about the possibility of reproducing the “Slide of the Year” in the paper. Photographic Course completed. A total of 46 candidates.

Year 1967

March

“Slide of the Year” published in the Courier.

25 July

VAPS badges to be sold to members for \$1.00 each. An audio visual on Begonias was completed for the “This is Victoria” series and forwarded to Melbourne.

22 August

Purchase of 2 Photo Flood Lights. Successful beginners course – 36 participants. Tapes organised by Bill Llewellyn.

Year 1968

March

Taking almost 450 colour slides of the begonias. These were sold by McCallum House at the recent festival with a handsome profit for this worthy cause. Safari to Wilson’s Promontory.

23 April

Honorary Membership conferred on James Borthwick in recognition of his service to the group. (Departing Ballarat).

23 May

Open house visit to Kodak Factory.

July.

Meeting to be held at Montrose Cottage.

3 September

List of financial members be placed on notice board and Treasurer to render accounts to members who have not paid.

2 October

Recommend to General Meeting that a monthly club bulletin be produced – cost probably \$1.00 per member per year.

November

Port Campbell Safari. Eleven families attended. William Trusler to edit the bulletin.

Year 1969**19 January**

Executive meeting adjourned so members could inspect the new clubrooms offered to us by the YMCA. Two storey building south of the big gymnasium – room first floor southern portion of building (Wilson House).

March

Chadstone Camera Club visit during the Begonia Festival. Safari to Phillip Island.

June.

Our June Meeting broke a couple of records. One for the lowest attendance and two for a “65 minute” 5 minuter. Frank Beattie discussed and illustrated the advantages of 35 mm audio-visuals compared to 8 mm movie.

October

Safari to the Grampians. First “Forum Night” proved most informative. An impromptu discussion program was organised.

Year 1970**24 March**

Ballarat Development Committee and the YMCA Camera Group to produce 2 slide kits for promotion of Ballarat.

1. Industry and Its Potential and
2. Migrant Promotion.

Purchase a rubber stamp of suitable size – worded as follows: Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.Place19...for use on stickers to indicate award winning slide in monthly competitions. First time a lady has been elected President of our group. Miss Petera Clamp. Photo-import Pty. Ltd. Gave a slide lecture to members of both the YMCA and Ballarat Camera Groups.

April

Apollo Bay Safari – 44 attended including 4 members from the Chadstone Camera Club.

June

Children’s Home Project. Volunteers photographed 160 children in 1 hour.

October

Rocklands Safari. Early bagpipe music played by Bill Spicer. 52 attended

27 October

Reported that in reply to our inquiry for more suitable rooms for our executive meetings – the YMCA informed us that there was little possibility before further development occurred in the main YMCA building. Executive meetings to be held in members' homes.

Year 1971**26 January**

Reminder that a need exists for a photographic record of Ballarat's trams.

February

Colac Safari.

9 March

Award stickers have been used successfully for the last 12 months.

April

President Peter Fry congratulated Roy E Barrett on his election to the position of President of the YMCA.

June

Photographs taken for the Ballarat Children's Home.

7th & 8th August

Tenth birthday celebrations. "In Retrospect" screened. REPORT ON YMCA CAMERA GROUP'S 10th BIRTHDAY. Highlights were a dinner at the YMCA, a visit to the Historical Park and a barbecue luncheon at the Moorabool Reservoir. Forty four members and guests sat down to a dinner on Saturday night and during the celebrations a cake with 10 candles was cut by Mr R E Barrett, present President of the YMCA, and a foundation member of the Camera Group. Assisting him were Messrs W Llewellyn and W Trussler, also foundation members.

In charge of the proceedings was Mr P Fry, President of the Group, but during the course of the evening he handed over the chair to Mr R E Barrett, the first President and Mr B Blackie the first Secretary, who read the minutes of the inaugural meeting in 1961. Slides shown were the Ron Wheeler kit which was the first audio-visual made by early members and sent to America, Slapstick Comedy, an 8 mm movie made on the first club picnic and Bushranger's Gold, a 16 mm movie made for Channel 6.

28 September

Honorary Membership to William Trusler.

November

Airey's Inlet Safari.

Year 1972**25 January**

Recommend that a permanent record be kept of the club's first 10 years. Members asked to contribute slides. Secretary to check that we have a full list of bulletins and Courier notes as a permanent record.

22 February

One grade in monthly competitions.

23 March

Revert back to two competitions – A & B.

15 April

Geelong Safari.

23 May

Members requested to wear name tags.

27 June

Ballarat Children's Home – 150 portraits taken (All Children)

22 August

Honorary Membership to Roy E Barrett.

26 September

Photo Floodlights purchased.

November

Rocklands Safari.

Year 1973

23 January

Announcement in the Courier that VAPS convention is to be held in Ballarat in June 1973 with the co-operation of the City Council. The secretaries of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group and the Ballarat Camera Club met with City Council officers and informed VAPS that the City Council does not organize conventions. VAPS withdraws Ballarat as the venue for June 1973 Convention.

13 March

Subscriptions for the year. Members - \$6.50. Juniors and students \$4.00. "In Retrospect" for the last year was screened including slides from safaris to Geelong and Rocklands. Also included were slides from the project at the Children's Home, Sovereign Hill and club practical nights. Safari to Bendigo.

27 March

Purchase Agfa glass mounts to mount slides for Interclub Competitions. Judy Johnson donated a copy of "Photography for Novices" dated 1902 to our museum.

22 May

Publication in Women's Weekly of 7 colour slides of Begonias submitted by George Townsend, Marcus Sharply and Syd Pollard.

June

Building in which we meet is to be let soon and we shall be shifting back to the "L" shaped room at the YMCA. The former caretaker's flat above the YMCA will be made available to us to lock up our equipment. Inspection of flat – very untidy and dilapidated condition. Two windows broken and floor covered with pigeon droppings. Working bee organized.

28 August

A duplicate copy of Noel Main's Slide of the Year be presented to BTV6 in accord with their request for possible use on colour TV.

26 September

Camera Course – 6 nights 7.30 – 9.30. Lectures would be based on 1967 course. All lecturers from within club.

November

Dimboola Safari. Adoption of new constitution and rules of the Ballarat Camera Group. Neil Sutherland – Honorary Membership.

Year 1974**16 February**

Tri-competition – Ballarat YMCA Camera Group, Chadstone Camera Club and Ford Geelong Camera Club. Ford Geelong the winner. Individual winner – George Townsend.

March

Members agreed to form a black and white segment in our normal syllabus. (15 - 20 minutes allowed)

23 July

Portland Safari.

24 September

Rollei P 37 autofocus projector purchased from Thornton Richards for \$170. Oct. 1974 Eildon Safari cancelled due to lack of bookings.

Year 1975**February**

Subscriptions - \$8.00. Tri-competition Results – Ford Geelong 149 pts, Ballarat YMCA 136 pts and Chadstone 130 pts. Individual winners – Experimental – G Townsend, Still Life – G Townsend and Landscape – W Llewellyn. Nomination form published in the newsletter.

25 April

Thornton Safari. April meeting will be back in the large upstairs lounge in Wilson House, 30 Camp St, Ballarat.

27 May

An endeavour to put our library to more use. Books to be displayed at each meeting.

August

Visit to the Courier to view the old printing press before it is scrapped.

23 September

Due to the expense of postage, newsletters to be delivered by members if possible.

October

Members invited to bring along their black and white prints and colour prints in any size. Prints will be displayed for comments from other members. There will be no official criticism or competition at present.

November

Safari to Castlemaine. YMCA Camera Group won the "O" Melbourne Competition at the VAPS seminar from 15 competing clubs. Invitation to a private viewing of a large selection of prints from the Australian Photographic Society's Permanent Collection.

Year 1976**February**

Tri-competition at Chadstone. Chadstone the winner- 1482 pts, YMCA 1281 pts and Ford Geelong 1263 pts.

March

Safari to Warrnambool.

June

VAPS convention held in Ballarat at the Mid City Motel.

August

Club visit to BTV Channel 6. Total eclipse of the sun Oct. 23rd 1976 at 4.38p.m. The next eclipse occurs in about 360 years.

October

Black and white competition to commence. Safari to Hall's Gap. 14/11/1976. Jousting at Kyrall Castle – a most successful outing.

Year 1977**February**

Membership fees – Adults - \$10. Juniors - \$6.

April

First competition in black and white is to be "Open". BTV6 Award won by George Townsend with his series on yachts. Lillian Dell, John Hazledine and Pearl Adams minor placegetters. The group presented pictorial slides of "Hymns of All Churches" for the community singing at Wesley Church as part of the Begonia Festival.

Photographs of buildings in an area of East Ballarat for the National Trust Photographic survey of every residence.

June

Safari to Echuca. Bring and buy night. Sale of excess camera gear. Tour of the Courier. New Encouragement Awards. Proposed is the awarding of a medal when 45 points is reached in monthly competition, another at 150 points and a major award at 300 points. Name plates- 40 purchased at 40 cents each.

September

Slide Medallion Winners – 45 points Ray Mende, Pearl Adams, Alan Weston, John Hazledine, George Townsend and Judy Johnson

November

Safari to Apollo Bay.

Year 1978**14 February**

New yearly competition in which no more than three non-place getting slides per person from yearly competitions may be entered by those who wish and be judged as “open”. Slide Medallion winners – 45 points- Lillian Dell, Hilary Hazledine and Mary Murray.

14 March

Presentation of Medallions to Reginald Johnson and Kerry Daniell (slides 45 points), Ray Mende and Pearl Adams (slides 150 points) and Ray Mende (Prints 45 points).

April

Safari to Geelong. BTV6 Award to George Townsend.

May

Day trip to the Melbourne Zoo. Honorary Membership to Noel Main.

July

Slide Medallion Winners – 150 points – Alan Weston, George Townsend and John Stickland.

September

First Inter-club for slides and black and white prints between YMCA Camera Group and Ballarat Camera Club. YMCA winning 2483 points to 2443 points. Section winner – Drought – G Townsend. Names of judges to be printed at the beginning of each competition year.

November

Safari to Echuca. Slide Medallion Winners – 45 points- Eric Ware, 150 points – John Hazledine.

Year 1979**23 January**

Honorary Membership to Syd Pollard.

February

Produced our first printed syllabus. Used the Golden Point State School darkroom for a practical night on black and white photography. Honorary Membership to Alfred Quick.

June

Safari to Horsham.

Year 1980

11 March

Annual Meeting held at St. Paul's Hall, Education Centre, Hopetoun St, Ballarat.

April

Safari to Lake Hindmarsh.

17 June

The YMCA Camera Group gained first place at VAPS convention with an audio-visual "My Country" and second in our class in black and white prints. Special thanks to Mary Murray, Kerry Daniell, Lillian Dell and Judy Johnson.

9 September

For the 1981 Competition Year there will be only one grade for slide competition.

October

Inter-club Competition between Ballarat Camera Club and Ballarat YMCA Camera Group resulted in a win for the YMCA.

November

Medallions. Prints – 300 points – Ray Mende. Slides – 300 points – Judy Johnson. Safari to Airey's Inlet.

Year 1981

1 March

Special get together with Bendigo and Corio Bay Camera Clubs at Daylesford.

9 June

Next Meeting to be held at the Ballarat Base Hospital X-Ray Department. Thanks to Trish Twaits. VAPS result – "Show Time" – audio-visual – Merit. Placed 4th in the slide competition.

6 August

Win for Kerry Daniell at VAPS Agfa Competition- a silver tray for himself and a projector for the club.

September

Basic camera course commenced.

October

Safari to Colac.

Year 1982

June

Change of clubrooms – main YMCA building, Dining Room.

23 October

Ballarat YMCA Camera Group's 21st. Birthday and Reunion. Report from the News letter. It was a nostalgic evening when almost 100 past and present members and visitors gathered to celebrate our coming of age .Special thanks are due to Bill Llewellyn, Rob McGuire, Trish Twaits and Cheryl Sawall. Thanks to the members and spouses who spent large quantities of the Saturday at the dining room cleaning up and preparing the delicious salads. The original A/V made for the Y's Men which started the group was shown along with excerpts from Ewing House kit, Children's Home shots, movies of club activities, slides of workshops and other outings. Formalities were short with the Foundation President Ray Barrett cutting the birthday cake. Most presidents were present to answer a roll call. Two members served more than one term as President – Petera Clamp – 2 terms and George Townsend – 3 terms. Thanks again to everyone who did all the work during the day and evening.

November

Safari to the Grampians.

Year 1983**June**

VAPS Convention held in Ballarat. Merit Award to Pearl Adams for her slide-Spider Orchids

July

Excursion to Mt. Cole.

August

Trina Jones wins the Maryborough Golden Festival Slide Competition.

September

Medallions presented to Pearl Adams for 150 points in black and white and to Craig Townsend for 150 points in slides.

November

Safari to Port Campbell/Peterborough.

Year 1984**February**

Camera Course very successful – 17 participants. Successful at last in the Tri-angular Competition- YMCA 1st, Chadstone 2nd and Ford Geelong 3rd.

October

Safari to Bendigo.

Year 1985

15 April

Letter to the Courier in support of the YMCA. Possibility that the YMCA may close. Use of Golden Point Primary School for Executive Meetings granted. Not used.

May

Guided tour of BTV6 Agfa trip. Graeme Ryrie drove the mini-bus with 19 members on board.

June

YMCA Open Day. Over 200 photographs taken with 70 black and white (10x8) formed the main exhibit and supported by a selection of slides.

15 July

Basic Photography Course successful. Purchased Kodak Carousel Projector \$547. Screen 5ft x 6ft. be purchased \$275.

16 September

Alteration to September Club Competition Results. Executive ruled that the winning slide did not conform to the definition provided and was disqualified in accordance with club rule 14.

October

Safari to Rocklands.

November

A guided tour of our Ballarat Town Hall proved to be very entertaining and instructional, as our guide Ian Smith was a mine of information on the historical aspects of the fine old building. A large group of members enjoyed the view from the roof and the clock tower (and the chimes).

Year 1986

March

Photographing all aspects of the Begonia Festival on slides and black and white prints.

April

All members to be asked to participate in designing a suitable motif for a club emblem.

Visit to view the projection equipment at the Regent Theatre.

June

Basic Photography Course again successful. Major project photographing all aspects of the Begonia Festival on slides and black and white prints. This required a massive effort by a large number of members, culminating in the presentation to the Festival Committee at their annual meeting in June.

20 October

A colour print "Print of the Year" be awarded this year and in future years.

December

Trish Twaits took us on a pictorial tour of Tibet.

Year 1987

January

Commercial processed prints accepted in black and white competition.

February

Basic Photography Course most successful.

19 May

Flash meter purchased for \$249.75.

August

New "Logo" for our club.

October

Safari to Echuca.

November

Practical night. Models, Doug Sarah and Peter Tobin, dressed as soldiers from the Eureka Stockade Era.

Year 1988

March

Commercially processed Colour Prints to be entered in new Colour Print Competition. Bill Trussler, a foundation member of the YMCA was judge of the Tri-competition at Chadstone. Photo Album – club to keep a photographic record of members and activities.

May

Safari to Maldon.

16 August

Triangular Competition. Oakleigh accepted as a replacement to the now disbanded Chadstone.

October

Safari to Warrnambool.

Year 1989

March

Medallion winners – Slides 150 points – Doug Reid and Ivan Downing, 45 points – Bill Hirt, Trish Twaits and Ray Candy. Colour prints – 150 points – Judy Johnson. 45 points – Ray Candy, Trina Jones, Judy Johnson and Trish Twaits.

May

Six Colac Camera Club members gave a demonstration on judging slides and prints.

September

YMCA Camera Group library books listed.

November

Day trip to Mt. Zero.

December

Guest speaker – Judy Johnson’s recent travels in Outback Australia – Kalgoorlie, Canning Stock Route etc.

Year 1990**January**

Commercially processed colour prints 7” x 5” (178 x 127) will now be accepted while retaining the same size card mount.

February

Visit to Wallace Cheesery.

March

Club Award for commercially processed colour prints to be commenced.

June

Practical night – “Body Builders” for figure studies.

August

Day trip to Buangor.

October

Audio Visual from Kodak shown – titled “Photographing People”.

Year 1991**March**

Triangular Competition. YMCA the winners.

July

Reg Bayley made an Honorary Member.

Year 1992**February**

Black and White Competition put on hold for the time being. Honorary Membership to Pearl Adams.

March

Two prize winning slides from a practical night – Slide of the Year – Trina Jones and Slide Club Award – Doug Reid.

May

YMCA Camera Group wins Tri-Competition. Judy Johnson won slide of the night with “Movement” gaining maximum points.

July

Practical night at Thornton-Richards.

12 September

Inter-club between YMCA and Ballarat held at the Ballarat Angler’s Hall. Ballarat narrow winners by 1 pt. Bon Strange showed her excellent bird slides.

October

Day excursion to Mt. Beckworth.

Year 1993**16 March**

Wine glasses with club logo purchased for special occasions in presentation to judges and guests. Excursion to Enfield area for an afternoon of photography "Outdoor Dress-Up Characters".

20 July

New name tags excellent.

July

Visit to Ballarat Astronomical Observatory.

August

Sunday outing to the Ballarat Fish Hatchery.

September

Guest speakers – Ray Candy and Bill Hirt – Travel night in the Australian Outback.

December

Competition for family members – Under 18 – Natasha Reid - "Hawthorn Footballer" and Over 18 – Nancy Earnshaw - "Sunset".

Year 1994**March**

Honorary Membership conferred on Bill Llewellyn. Medallion winners – Prints – Julie Cesal and Trevor Parry- 45 points, Anne Earnshaw and John Earnshaw- 150 points. Slides – Anne Earnshaw and John Earnshaw – 45 points.

May

Tri-competition winners – Ballarat YMCA.

June

Judy Johnson, Bill Spicer and George Townsend receive their 25 year badges at VAPS Convention. Judy Johnson received an "Outstanding Service" award and George Townsend a "Merit Award" for long and dedicated service to the Camera Club movement in Victoria. VAPS Merit Award to Judy Johnson for her slide "Pillars".

September

YMCA building closes. Meeting held in Anglers' Hall. Inter-club with Ballarat. Ballarat Camera Club the winners. Individual winner- Bill Spicer – Hands.

December

Meeting venue changed to Ballarat Community Centre, cnr Errard & Sebastopol Sts.

Year 1995

March

Guest speaker for our Annual Awards was Adrian Smith, President of the Victorian Association of Photographic Societies. Photographic exhibition as part of the Community Centre's Open for Senior Citizens Week on March 24th. President Ray Candy congratulated Craig Townsend, a former member and President of the group, who was awarded first place "Victorian Student of the Year" by the Australian Institute of Professional Photography.

April

Members and families enjoyed a cruise on Lake Wendouree on the Golden City Steamer. Special competition for the best photograph of the steamer (to be used for advertising purposes). George Townsend the winner. Barbecue with Corio Bay Camera Club prior to our interclub competition was an excellent social occasion. The new clubroom facilities are excellent. YMCA the winners.

May

Weekend safari to Port Fairy. Attendance 21. Thanks to Trevor Parry for his organization.

August

Great day excursion to the Scienceworks.

September

Ballarat Camera Club wins the interclub again

October

Group presented an impressive display of 85 prints at the Orchid Society's annual display in St. Patrick's Hall. Judy Johnson print of the show. Prizes also to Bill Hirt and Ray Candy. Guest speaker Bill Llewellyn presented "Reminiscences" and showed "Silent World" made for Ewing House. "Lingering Memories" the first audio visual to gain a place at VAPS, "My Country" the winning audio visual at VAPS in 1980.

November

Claire Parry prepared an excellent questionnaire for members to complete. Information gained will be used for planning future programs.

December

Winners of the Family Photographic Competition were – Seniors – Peter Earnshaw and Junior – Melissa Reid. Encouragement medallions for prints presented to Bill Hirt- 45 points, George Townsend - 150 points and Trevor Parry - 300 points. Trevor is the second person to reach 300 points along with Judy Johnson.

Year 1996

March

Constitution and Rules updated for the third time. Adopted 1973. Revised 1980. Revised 1996. Interclub with Corio Bay C.C. with 17 members attending the Geelong meeting. Tea at Sizzlers beforehand. YMCA the winners. Individual winners – Architecture – Judy Johnson, Open - George Townsend, People at Work - George Townsend and best overall – George Townsend.

May

Excursion to Werribee Park. Medallion winners – Slides – John Earnshaw 150 points.

June

Practical night for this month's meeting. Medallion winners – Slides – Ray Candy – 300 points. Prints – Carole Townsend - 45 points and Anne Earnshaw 300 points.

August

Thirty-fifth Birthday Celebrations. Life Membership Certificates presented to George Townsend and Judy Johnson. Official launching of the written "History of the YMCA Camera Group".

September

Ballarat won the Inter-club. George Townsend winner of the Section "Eyes". Twenty one people (Ballarat CC 6) went on a combined excursion to the "Skydancers" at Harcourt.

October

Display of prints presented at the Orchid Show held in St Patrick's Hall.

November

Safari to Airey's Inlet. Eighteen people thoroughly enjoyed the 2 night stay even though it rained for most of the time. Encouragement Medallion – Prints - 45 points – Megan Rayner.

December

Family Foto Competition. Junior – Melissa Reid – Hawthorn Footballer – Chris Langford and Senior – Bernard Earnshaw – African Scenery. Encouragement Medallion – Slides – 45 points – Derek Wiseman.

Year 1997

February

Second time the Annual Awards night is held on a Saturday night with 31 people present. Tuck Leong the judge and guest speaker. Encouragement medallions – Prints – 150 points – Carole Townsend. Letter from members Derek and Jane Wiseman from Mt. Isa.

March

Community Centre display of YMCA prints for Senior Citizens Week was excellent.

New badge rack installed on the inside of our cupboard door. Thanks to Trevor Parry and George Townsend. Inter-club with Corio Bay. YMCA the winners. Individual awards – Orchids – Judy Johnson and Open – Judy Johnson.

April

Doug Reid had the honour of having one of his photos from the Grand Prix 1996 being placed on a Barry James calendars. The photo showed a Barry James crane lifting a racing car.

May

Excursion to Mt. Cole was excellent with 23 people attending.

June

VAPS Convention at Ballarat. Year Badges – Bill Spicer – 30 years and Trina Jones – 20 years. Ivan Downing received a Merit Award from VAPS for his services to photography.

Competition topic “Surrealism” has created many animated discussions and much research in determining what shots will be acceptable.

July

Special General Meeting. Changes to the Constitution and Rules to meet the requirements of the club’s decision to become an incorporated body. Changes agreed unanimously. Ballarat YMCA Camera Group Incorporated No A0035217D. Excursion to Enfield excellent. BBQ, damper, walk in the bush and gold panning in Misery Creek. 26 attended. Special thanks to Bob & Lorraine Brown and Bon Strange (gold panning expert).

August

A welcome influx of new members this year. 30 financial members – greatest number for years.

September

Inter-club with Ballarat Camera Club – SUCCESS at last. After so many years out in the cold we have finally won the competition by 19 points. Individual winners – Abstract – Trina Jones and Open Slides & Small Prints – Judy Johnson.

October

Safari to Cooriemungle. A great weekend for the 19 people who attended.

December

Family Fotos – Junior – no entries. Senior – 1. Hilary Bradford 2. Kylie Thomas.

Year 1998

February

BBQ at Downing's was most successful considering the constant heavy rain. 22 present. Annual Award night – excellent with 37 present. Ken Stepnell judge and guest speaker. Encouragement medallions – Prints - 45 points –Marilyn Bradford and Eileen Shuttleworth.

March

Interclub with Corio Bay. Corio Bay the winners by 3 points. Individual winners – Small Prints – Carole Townsend, Curves – George Townsend, Contrasts – Doug Reid and Clouds – Judy Johnson. Congratulations to Yvonne Downing on being made a Life Member of the National Theatre. Membership fees – Adult - \$32. Couple- \$60, Student/child - \$16. Rule change – Prints shall not exceed 7” x 5” (178 x 127 mm) and must be mounted on mounts not greater than 10” x 8” (250 x 200 mm)

May

Excursion to the Ballarat Waterways.

June

Number of entries of small prints reduced from 3 to 2 due to the large number of entries being received. (39 last month) VAPS Convention, Wonthaggi. Congratulations to Doug Reid for Second Place Small Prints – “Wheelstand” and to Trevor Parry – Second Place Slides – “Over the Creek”. Thirty year bars presented to George Townsend and Judy Johnson. Congratulations to Marilyn Bradford for her excellent written report on the VAPS Convention being printed in our newsletter. The article was reprinted in the August VAPS Newsbrief.

July

Trina Jones has compiled a page about our club to be placed on the “Internet” New segment for the newsletter. A question and answer segment compiled by Rob Shuttleworth. Congratulations to Ballarat Camera Club on celebrating their 60th. birthday. Special congratulations to Bon Strange on her 60 years with the club. A wonderful effort Bon. Sudden death of Roger Purcell. Although not a member of our club he was a wonderful person and photographer held in high esteem both as a judge and as a friend of our group and will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

September

Interclub with Ballarat. YMCA the winner for the second year in a row. Individual winners –Rob Shuttleworth – Prints - “Pencils” and Open – Slides – “A Touch of Colour” and George Townsend – “Surrealism”. Ivan Downing has retired from Slide Steward after 13-1/2 years. Thank you Ivan for all your hard work over the years.

October

Safari to Apollo Bay.

December

Family Fotos – Junior – Nil, Seniors – John Allen.

Year 1999

February

BBQ at Yvonne and Ivan Downing.

March

Inter-club with Corio Bay. Corio Bay easy winners by 50 points. Individual winners – Open prints – Judy Johnson, Abstract prints – Rob Shuttleworth and Two of a Kind – Judy Johnson. Encouragement Medallions – Prints – 300 points Carole Townsend. Slides – 45 points – Carole Townsend, Trevor Parry and Rob Shuttleworth.

April

Cemetery tour led by Robbie Roberts to Smythesdale, Linton and Carngham cemeteries. A most enjoyable day.

May

Workshop leader, Peter English, taken ill suddenly. Member input rescued the day. Well done. 24 present.

June

VAPS Convention at Shepparton. Congratulations to Rob Shuttleworth for gaining second place in the small print competition with his work “Strike a Light” and also Eileen Shuttleworth gained third place with “Dusk at Cunningham Pier”. Judy Johnson received a merit award for her slide “Cloud Over Rocks”.

August

Day excursion to Maldon.

September

Interclub with Ballarat Camera Club. YMCA winning for the third year in a row.

October

Safari to Port Fairy. 22 attended.

December

Family Foto Competition – Junior – Jessica Reid. Senior – Hilary Bradford.

Year 2000

February

Guided tour of the recently renovated St. Patrick’s Cathedral led by Fr. Adrian McInerney.

March

New competition. Large prints to be held in March and September. Digital enhanced images (prints) to be held in May and November. Encouragement medallions – Prints – 45 points – Pam Allen.

April

Carol Hall guest speaker – slides of Antarctica and Patagonia. YMCA won the interclub with Corio Bay. Individual winners – George Townsend and Eileen Shuttleworth.

May

Photography Workshop with Peter English. Fred James presented our group with a fine book on bird photography.

June

Large prints entered in VAPS for the first time. Scored 108 points. Merit awards to Rob Shuttleworth for “Approaching Storm” and Judy Johnson for “Green Caterpillar”.

September

Interclub with Ballarat C.C. YMCA the winners.

December

Rob Shuttleworth has experimented with a video camera projecting the print entries onto a TV screen. Excellent results. Family Fotos – Open – Beth Candy.

Year 2001**February**

Practical night – Night photography – an excellent number of participants and great results.

March

Interclub with Corio Bay. Corio Bay the winners. Individual winners – Carole Townsend – open prints, Eileen Shuttleworth – railways, Ron Downs – open slides, Judy Johnson – fences and Anne Earnshaw – candlelight. Encouragement medallions – Prints – 45 pts Ron Downs, Carol Hall 150 pts. Eileen Shuttleworth, Rob Shuttleworth and Megan Rayner Slides – 45 pts. Ron Downs and Carol Hall 150 pts. Trevor Parry.

June

Models arranged for fancy dress photography for the interclub with Ballarat. Trish Twaits, Michael and Rebecca Wright obliged with costumes and makeup. VAPS Convention held in Ballarat. Fifteen members attended and saw Trina Jones presented with a VAPS Meritorious Service Award.

August

The YMCA Camera Group celebrated its 40th Birthday this month.

September

YMCA wins the interclub with Ballarat. Individual winners – Eileen Shuttleworth – large prints, Carol Hall –open small prints, Doug Reid –open slides and Megan Rayner – slides fancy dress.

December

Fund raising Christmas raffle raised the excellent sum of \$276. Thank you Eileen Shuttleworth and Lorraine Brown.

February

Annual fees – Adults - \$35, Couples - \$65, Students - \$20.

Year 2002

March

YMCA wins the interclub with Corio Bay. Individual winners – Judy Johnson – slides open and musical and Rob Shuttleworth – slides chimneys. Bon Strange a Ballarat CC member passes away aged 89. Bon was our first guest speaker, a gifted photographer and friend. Encouragement medallions – Prints – 45 pts Len Bradford, 150 pts Carol Hall, Ron Downs, 300 pts John Earnshaw, George Townsend and Eileen Shuttleworth. Slides – 150 pts Rob Shuttleworth, Ron Downs, Anne Earnshaw and Carol Hall.

May

An attendance book commenced, to be signed by all present – a legal requirement for insurance purposes.

September

YMCA wins the interclub with Ballarat. Individual winners – Rob Shuttleworth and Ron Downs.

October

Safari to Apollo Bay.

November

Day excursion using two mini buses to transport 19 people to Pt. Cook and the Aircraft Museum.

December

Family Fotos – Open 1. Beth Candy 2. Yvonne Downing 3. Val Hirt.

Year 2003

March

Corio Bay wins the interclub. Individual winners – Effie Litris – slide- wet weather and George Townsend – small prints - letter boxes. Encouragement medallions – Prints 150 pts Marilyn Bradford, 300 pts Rob Shuttleworth, Slides 150 pts – Carole Townsend and 300 pts – Trevor Parry and John Earnshaw.

May

Excursion to the Avoca area and the wineries. Change for submitting entries to our competitions. Each member has been given a number to place on entries rather than members names.

June

Luke Flanagan from the Gold Museum gave us details re the Historic Photo Project – taking photos from the same spot as photos were taken back in the 1850's onwards.

Congratulations to Carole Townsend on winning the Champion Print in the Small Print Section at the VAPS Convention held in Ballarat. Megan Rayner gained a highly commended in the large prints and Judy Johnson gained a highly commended in the small prints. The YMCA gained second place in the small print section. A 25 year badge was presented to Trina Jones and 20 year badges were presented to Ivan Downing and Ray Candy. Three members received Meritorious Awards for Service to our club Anne Earnshaw, Ray Candy and Doug Reid.

September

Newsletter features photos from the 42nd Birthday.

October

Interclub with Ballarat CC. YMCA the winners. Individual winners –Carole Townsend, Pam Allen and George Townsend. Safari to Port Fairy.

Carol Hall had wonderful success in the Myrtleford Snow Photographic Competition Oct. 2003. Theme: Bushfires of 2003. Award: 2nd in the Section for 3 prints with a story, “Just the Beginning”.

December

Family Fotos – Under 18. Victoria Earnshaw and Open – Rodney Garside.

Year 2004

February

Carol Hall received a Merit Award in the Landscape/Seascape Section for “Bushfire Sunset” in the Ballarat National 2004.

March

Encouragement medallions – prints – 150 pts. Pam Allen, 300 pts Carol Hall and slides 300 pts Carol Hall. YMCA won the interclub with Corio Bay. Individual winners – open slides – Carole Townsend, small prints – Rob Shuttleworth and large prints – Anne Earnshaw.

Gold Museum Project – “Retro-perspective, Ballarat Vistas Past and Present”.

Twenty one of our Black and White Prints (12x10) presented, each one framed with its “old time” equivalent.

September

YMCA wins the interclub with Ballarat. Individual winners – open slides – Carole Townsend, small prints – Steps and Stairs – Carole Townsend and small prints – open Effie Litris.

October

Safari to Hall's Gap.

December

Christmas hamper raffle is a great success.

Family Foto Competition – Under 18 – Olivia Barlow. Open – Julie Oxlade.

Year 2005

March

Encouragement medallion – Small prints – 300 pts. Megan Rayner. YMCA wins the interclub with Corio Bay. Individual winners – Arthur Pinkowski, Neil Sinclair, Ron Downs (2) and Judy Johnson.

June

Newsletters for the first time sent by e-mail. Special discussion on Digital Photography. Twenty one people present for this discussion at 7.00 pm before the general monthly meeting. Decision that Digital Photography be included in all competitions. Congratulations to Neil Sinclair on gaining second place in the VAPS Convention Small Print section with a print titled “Reach for the Sky”.

August

Sovereign Hill Gold Museum. A fine display of our members’ work for the exhibition titled “Ballarat Captured”.

September

Ballarat narrowly wins the interclub by 4 points. Individual winners – Slides – Lake Wendouree – George Townsend and small prints – John Allen.

October

Safari to Apollo Bay.

December

Kohinoor Community Centre – Open Day a great day – sold \$80 worth of Christmas Hamper Raffle tickets. Excellent result from the raffle. \$334.15 – the 15 cents is an interesting amount with the tickets at 50 cents each. Family Foto Competition – Under 18 – Amy Oxlade, Open – Julie Oxlade.

Year 2006

February

Excellent report of Annual Awards in the Courier on Thursday February 23rd.2006. Heading “Awards for Shutterbugs.”

Digital (Special Interest) Group meets on the first Monday of the month at the Midlands Golf Club at 7.30 pm.

March

Interclub with Corio Bay. YMCA the winners. Individual winners – Open Slides – Carole Townsend – “Troubridge No.2” and Judy Johnson – “Nepilla Ornata” equal first place, Large Prints – Carole Townsend – “Colour My World”, Slides – George Townsend - Heritage – “Cape Jaffa Lighthouse” and Windows – “Grand View”, Small Prints – Hotels – Pam Dellaca – “Pour Me a VB Please” and Open Large Prints – Stephen Shaw – “Male Mandrill”. Rob Shuttleworth has resigned as Slide/Print Steward after 7-1/2 years of excellent service. Anne Earnshaw is appointed Slide/Print steward.

May

Pam & John Dellaca showed their images of Vietnam – excellent.

June

List of members' names and phone numbers circulated to each member. New magnetic name badges with names in larger print – cost \$10.

July

Data projector purchased for \$300. Thanks to the committee for their work – Trina Jones, Ken Smith, Doug Reid and Mark Bevelander.

August

Tea at “Flying Horse Bistro” to celebrate our 45th Birthday. Ross Block showed images of his trip to Mongolia. Excellent.

September

YMCA wins the inter-club with Ballarat. Individual winners – Large Prints – Stephen Shaw, Small Prints – Helen Kennedy, Small Prints – Bubbles – Carol Hall, Slides – Open – Judy Johnson and Slides – Rooftops – Anne Earnshaw.

October

Safari to Port Fairy.

Year 2007**January**

A number of our members have been assisting the Ballarat Camera Club with the judging of entries for their National Exhibition held at the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery. For several years now we have enjoyed helping and learning by viewing the entries.

Safari print competition from Port Fairy – Trevor Parry. Family fotos – Adults – Geraldine Rayner, Under 18 – Olivia Barlow.

February

Adrian Smith from Melbourne conducted a Digital Workshop for our members.

March

YMCA wins the inter-club against Corio Bay. Individual winners – Stephen Shaw for Large Prints and Small Prints, Anne Earnshaw for Small Prints, Song or Book Title, Judy Johnson Slides – Open and Carole Townsend Slides Shapes.

April

Special Guest Speakers – four members to present in 5 minutes images of their holidays in the UK – Trina Jones, Megan Rayner, Carol Hall and Tom Bates. Roger Trudgeon, Gold Museum Director and Ballarat Historical Society President, spoke on the Project “Capture the Vision”.

June

The YMCA Group had a display at a “Seniors Expo” held at the Mining Exchange.

August

All day Digital Workshop with Adrian Cook – 21 members attended.

September

YMCA wins the inter-club with Ballarat. Individual winners – Small Prints, Patterns in Nature – Lynda Thomas, Slides, Patterns in Nature – Anne Earnshaw, Slides, Open – Judy Johnson and Small Prints, Open – Carol Hall.

November

Safari to Halls Gap. Rotary Menzone Expo at Wendouree Netball Stadium. YMCA group had a display promoting our club.

December

“Triptych” for large prints. Provoked a healthy discussion between members. Definition is a series of three prints on a theme or which tell a story. Twenty four excellent entries. Family Fotos – Open – John Dellaca, Under 18 – Victoria Earnshaw. Safari Competition Halls Gap – Trevor Parry.

Year 2008**February**

Membership remain the same – Adult \$35, Couple \$65, Child/Full Time Student \$20.

February Meeting a practical night. Photographing St Patrick’s Cathedral.

11 March

Trina Jones awarded a Life Membership for her outstanding participation in the YMCA Camera Group.

10 April

Ballarat YMCA Camera Group and the Ballarat Gold Museum have put together an exhibition at the Gold Museum renamed “Faces In the Street” from the original title “Capture the Vision”. Approximately 100 people attended the opening. President, Pam Allen, gave an insight into the background of the YMCA Camera Group and then George Townsend elaborated on our involvement in the current exhibition. This is the third project between the Camera Group and the Gold Museum. Roger Trudgeon (Curator of the Gold Museum) awarded the prize for the best photograph (as judged by the Gold Museum) to Carole Townsend for her portrait of her father, George Seddon. Roger specially thanked John Earnshaw for his “amazing amount of work in pulling this exhibition together”.

13 July

Basic Digital Workshop with Adrian Cook.

June

We came second in the slide section of the VAPS interclub competition. Judy Johnson achieved second place with “Lady of the Web”. Well done.

John and Pam Allen and Anne and John Earnshaw attended the YMCA Anniversary Dinner.

September

YMCA win the interclub with Ballarat. Individual winners Marilyn Bradford, Trevor Parry and Ken Smith.

Year 2009

February

Ballarat YMCA has a new web page. Congratulations to Mark Bevelander for developing such an interesting and informative site.

<http://www.ballaratymcacameragroup.com.au>

March

Pam Allen made a "This is Your Life" presentation to George Townsend for his outstanding service to the club. Congratulations George for your 40 years of hard work and dedication to our Camera Group.

Corio Bay wins the interclub. Individual winners – Trevor Parry (2), Ken Smith (2).

19 April

An advanced Digital Workshop running from 10.00 to 5.00pm.

June 2009. Congratulations to Jake Bolton for winning the Top Novice Print at VAPS this year.

Congratulations to the following members for receiving these Year Bars. Pam Allen and Carol Hall – 10 years, Bill Hirt – 25 years and George Townsend and Judy Johnson – 40 years.

August

EDPI (Electronic Digitally Projected Images) to be submitted for viewing. No official competition yet.

September

Ballarat wins the interclub. Individual winner – Trevor Parry (2),

4th September – 4th October

Ballarat International Foto Biennale. All club members contributed to the exhibition held at St Patricks Hall.

December

Family Photo Competition. Under 18 Rachel Smith and Over 18 Olivia Barlow

Year 2010

February

Published in the Newsletter a brief summary of the role of the following positions – President, Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Steward, Monthly Competition Score Officer, Newsletter Editor and General Committee Members.

March

New competition – digital competition entries in May, July, August and October. Pam Allen appointed Newsletter Editor.

April

Corio Bay win the Interclub.

May

The following motion was carried by an overwhelming majority. "That the YMCA Camera Group agree to formally merge with the Ballarat YMCA under the conditions outlined in the April Camera Newsletter."

July

Excursion to Williamstown.

September

Ballarat win Interclub. Individual winners – Small Prints "Mooloolaba Mist" – Pam Allen. Candid Camera "Taking a Peak" – Ken Smith and Large Prints "VW Art" – Judy Johnson.

Safari to Port Fairy.

Executive Committee has recommended that the Slide Competition will cease at the end of 2010 due to a major decline in competitors. This completes a 49 Year Competition in slides.

December

Family Foto Competition. Senior – Rachel Smith and Juniors – Georgia Emery. A wonderful response – 24 entries for seniors and 14 entries for juniors.

Year 2011**February**

Guided tour of the Ballarat Railway Station led by Hedley Thompson.

Last Slide Competition. Carole Townsend won and received the Courier Shield.

A Digital Course for beginners is being run at the YMCA Board Room in their new headquarters in Lyons St. North.

March

Corio Bay win the Interclub in a most convincing fashion.

April

Tour of the Ballarat Mechanics Institute led by Mark Bevelander.

A wonderful tour, thanks Mark.

The new competition "Electronic Digital Images" has commenced this year with 40 images this month. Great interest.

June

Plans for the 50th Birthday Celebrations are being finalised.

July

Excursion to Paddy's Ranges State Park (South of Maryborough).

Carol Hall has an exhibition of her Arctic Photography at Radmac

13 August 2011

The 50 Anniversary of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group was held in the Humffray Room of the Ballarat Mechanics Institute.

Keynote Speaker, Angela Carey, Editor of the Ballarat Courier, spoke about changes in photography and newspapers in the present and in the future.

Our three guest speakers, Bill Llewellyn, John Hazeldine and Trina Jones all made mention of the friendship and family oriented activities over the past 50 years.

Highlights Of The 50th Celebrations

The evening was a great success with many photos and write ups in the local paper.

President John Earnshaw worked very hard to ensure we got some press coverage and he succeeded.

Being a camera group, the events were captured for posterity. Special thanks to Tom Bates for this.



It was really special to have two of the original members that started the Y.M.C.A. Camera group on hand to cut the cake.

Bill Trusler (*on the left*) and Bill Llewellyn (*on the right*)

Four new Life Members were presented with their certificates on the night.



Congratulations to Doug Reid, Anne Earnshaw, Ivan Downing and John Earnshaw.

Keynote speaker Angela Carey, CEO of the Ballarat Courier spoke about changes in photography and news papers in the present and the future.



Our three guest speakers, Bill Llewellyn, John Hazeldine, and Trina Jones all made mention of the friendship and family oriented activities over the past 50 years.



The above photo shows 14 past presidents of our group who were in attendance on the night.



There was quite a buzz of conversation as members and friends reminisced on years past.

October 2011

The annual Safari was held at Lady Northcote Camp, at Rowsley near Bacchus Marsh.

Year 2012

February

Thanks to Gillian and Ross Block for hosting the January Barbeque - 23 attended.

April

Confirmed new mug style - tall with dark blue logo with the words 'Ballarat YMCA Camera Group'. Cost \$5.80 each.

Year Bars are to be recycled.

Neil Sinclair has been given the green light by the YMCA for a screen to be installed at the YMCA Swimming Complex in Gillies Street Ballarat.

Club Members' photographs are eligible for display.

May

VAPS BALLARAT. Pam Allen, President, receives on behalf of the YMCA Camera Group, the First Place Trophy for Novice Prints (Small).

Anne and John Earnshaw receive 20 Year Bars

August

Peter Kervarec runs a photographic day to develop our photography skills.

October

Club Safari - Camp McLeod, Lake Eppalock

November

Fees for 2013 will be Adults \$35, Couple \$65, Student \$20.

Year 2013

March

Cemetery Project. Club members took photographs of the many types of roses - over 200 varieties. Ken Smith was the co-ordinator, Thanks to Ken Smith, Tom & Teresa Bates, Jonathon Cuttle, Neil Sinclair, Trina Jones, Trevor Parry and John Earnshaw for their many hours of work.

July

Business cards purchased and given to members for distribution.
Congratulations to Gillian and Ross Block on the safe arrival of Amelia Clare.

August

Excursion to the Melbourne Zoo by train.

October

Ballarat YMCA Delacombe. Six members' photographs were placed on display with name of maker and title of print.
Safari to Southcombe Lodge at Port Fairy.

November

Vale George Alexander Townsend 1934-2013. George was a member for 45 years and was involved in all levels of the Group's activities.
We will miss George.

December

Family Fotos. Senior - Helen Brown (Allen family) Junior - Tara Edwards (Earnshaw family).

Year 2014

February

A short travelogue on world cruising (over 100 days) was presented by Trevor Parry featuring photographs and commentary from his 'round the world cruise' with his wife, Faye.

April

Thank you to our retiring Newsletter Editor, John Allen, for his dedicated work over many years.
Trina Jones is our new Editor.
Our first Newsletter was produced in **December 1968**.
We have kept a copy of all our Newsletters.

August

Birthday Dinner was held at the Flying Horse Bistro, Ballarat.

September

Ballarat wins the Interclub. We had some winners. Large Print Open - Ken Smith, Small Print Open - Christine Thomson and Small Print Birds - Ken Smith.

October

Safari to Apollo Bay.

November

Trip to Geelong's "Queens Park" and Balyang Sanctuary on Sunday 16 November. A great day - thanks to John & Pam Allen.

Thank you was extended to John Allen for his work on producing the Club's Syllabus for 2015.

Vale Ken Smith. Ken was a wonderful member who was trying to improve his photographic skill as well as encouraging others to do the same.

Year 2015

February

Thanks to Doug Reid for his detailed work keeping scores and selecting trophies for the Awards Night.

May

Day trip to Lal Lal falls.

June

Club shirts and caps are available for purchase by members.

October

Safari to "Camp Seed" Stuart Mill

Outing to the Lake Goldsmith Steam Rally

Year 2016

February

New Newsletter Editor - Steve Demeye

The Ballarat Courier newspaper has declined sponsorship to the club. It has sponsored the club since our commencement in 1961.

August

The following motion was passed at the General Meeting of the Club on Tuesday 16th August 2016.

"The YMCA Camera Group disassociates with the YMCA and becomes an entity in its own right". Passed. Members voted unanimously to leave the YMCA and change the name of the group to "Ballarat Photography Group". Requirements demanded from the YMCA were too overpowering.

August

Lecture by Craig Townsend was excellent.

BALLARAT PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP HIGHLIGHTS

(Note Club Name Change)

Year 2017

January

We have to find a new meeting venue for our Club meetings.
Noel Verlinden has suggested the "Lions' Den" at the rear of Pinarc Community Centre 222 Otway Street which is Brown Hill's Lions' Hall.
First meeting in February 2017 at the cost of \$20 per month.

March

Pam Allen and Trevor Parry were congratulated on their radio chat about our Club and several enquiries have been received as a result.

June

News received from the VAPS committee, that Pam Allen, Trevor Parry and John Earnshaw will receive Meritorious Service Awards at the upcoming VAPS Convention.

September

Sunday morning get-together at Gordon organised by Craig Peart most enjoyable and successful.

October

Club Safari held at Brambuck Backpackers at Halls Gap

Year 2018

March

Noel Verlinden has submitted a Community Grant application to the Ballarat City Council. Grant was approved.
We have purchased a Projector, Screen and Computer.
A Club Meeting Sign has also been purchased.

September

Safari to Camp Coorimungle.
In 2019 a Large Print Competition will be held for all monthly meetings.

Year 2019

February

The following members will receive Year Bars at the VAPS Convention in June. Judy Johnson - 50 years, Bill Hirt - 35 years, Anne & John Earnshaw - 30 years, Helen Kennedy, Neil Sinclair & Pam Dellaca - 15 years.

Vale Doug Reid, 7 June 1948 - 22 August 2019. Doug was a member of the club for 37 years and in that time served the club tirelessly in many roles.

Year 2020

March

Corona Virus.

Long-serving Committee Members, Pam Allen and Trevor Parry were presented with "Life Memberships" of the Ballarat Photography Group at the Annual Meeting.

It was also decided that our Group would suspend all Club meetings for the next 2 months and there would be no competitions during this time.

Due to the Corona Virus, no further meetings were held for 2020.

Year 2021

February

Our monthly meetings have commenced after suspension due to Covid-19. Anne Earnshaw has notified the Executive Committee that she is finishing as Club Print Steward. The Club is indebted to Anne Earnshaw for the fantastic job she has done in this role. Thanks Anne on behalf of all members for the magnificent work you have carried out for all of us over a long period of time. She was presented with a large bouquet of flowers.

March

Lois and Gavin Dent have produced business cards for all members.

April

Vale Dr John Frederick Stickland, MBBS FRACP, 13 February 1941 - 10 July 2021. John has been a valued member of the club for many years and during this time he has submitted many winning entries.

July

Vale Judy Johnson, 23 June 1940 - 29 July 2021. Died during her 53rd year with the Club. Judy contributed to the overall success of the club with both her willingness to give up her time to serve on various club committees as well as with her exceptional skill with a camera.

VAPS SERVICE AWARD

1994

**A SERVICE AWARD IS GIVEN FOR
EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE WITHIN A CAMERA
CLUB AND IN THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE
CAMERA CLUB MOVEMENT IN VICTORIA**



JUDITH JOHNSON

Judith Johnson has been a member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 25 years and a member of the Ballarat Camera Club for 4 years. During her time at Ballarat YMCA she spent 4 years as president and has been editor of the newsletter for 9 years. Judy is also involved with the Victorian Nature Photographers' Group.

In 1977 Judith attended the Australian Photographic Society Assessment course run by the Melbourne Camera Club and has attended several judging seminars organised by VAPS. She has judged at many city and country clubs, attending whenever possible or sending comments via cassette tape. Judy has also been a regular judge at interclub competitions and has been a member of the VAPS Interclub judging panel twice. She was a panel member for the Royal Show Photographic Society in 1993 and the Australian Photographic Society convention in 1993.

Judith has had work exhibited in many local exhibitions and Victorian interclub competitions over the past 25 years. Through her lectures at photography courses over the years, Judith has passed on her expertise and love of photography to others. She has been a regular guest speaker at camera clubs.

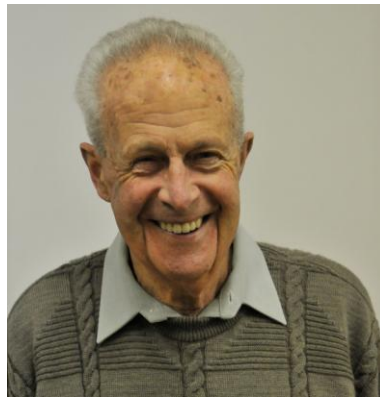
Because of her outstanding leadership in developing an interest and love of photography in Ballarat and Victoria, Judith is certainly worthy of the VAPS service award.

VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETIES

1994

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

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MOVEMENT IN VICTORIA**



GEORGE TOWNSEND

George has been a member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 25 years. During that time he took on the role of president for 6 years. For 23 years he held various other positions on the executive committee of the club including competition steward, social director, newsletter editor and projects officer. He has won many club awards for his photography including slide of the year 5 times.

George has judged local club competitions at various times. In addition to Ballarat he has been a member of judging panels for Kalgoorlie in 1979, Esperance 1986 and Castlemaine Camera Club from 1991 to 1993.

Over the past 25 years, George's photographs have been selected for many local interclub competitions and exhibitions, as well as for VAPS Interclub competitions. In 1975 he gained an acceptance at the Innisfail Colour Competition. In 1986 George presented photographs of all aspects of the Begonia Festival at the Annual Meeting.

Because of his outstanding leadership and commitment to photography in Ballarat, George is considered to be a worthy recipient of the VAPS Meritorious Award.

VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETIES

1997

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IVAN DOWNING

Ivan Downing has been a member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group since 1981. He has been a member of the Executive of that club for 13 years, serving as President for 2 years, Vice President for 2 years and slide steward for 11 years. He is a hard worker at Club meetings and arranges for an excellent range of judges and guest speakers.

On a regular basis, Ivan has given short talks to the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group. In addition he has at various times judged club competitions and was a member of a panel to judge the Castlemaine Camera Club competitions from 1991 to 1993.

Since joining the club, Ivan has made his photographs available for regular interclub competitions, including the VAPS interclub.

Ivan is an enthusiastic and committed photographer who has contributed greatly to the successful running of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group over many years.

The VAPS Meritorious Service Award is well deserved one in appreciation of this contribution.

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2001

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TRINA JONES

Trina has been an active member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 23 years. In that time, she has served one term as President and three terms as Club Treasurer. As well she has been her club's newsletter for a number of years. Trina was responsible for setting up her club's web page.

She has also been a lecturer for the Basic Photography Course conducted by the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.

Trina has also been a successful exhibitor in Club competitions, as well as in several interclub competitions.

In all aspects of her involvement with the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group, she has shown outstanding leadership and commitment to photography in Ballarat and with this in mind it gives us great pleasure to award Trina a VAPS Meritorious Service Award.

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2003

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ANNE EARNSHAW

As a member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 14 years, Anne Earnshaw has given and still gives much to her club. For the past 11 years, she filled the vital role of Secretary and through her efforts, Anne ensures that the Club runs successfully and efficiently by her detailed planning of Group meetings and social activities, some of which include supper arrangements, weekend camps and welcoming new members.

As well as her contribution to the club as Secretary, Anne also judges club competitions at various times and also participates in selection panels for various interclub competitions and the VAPS interclub. As well she has exhibited at interclubs with Ballarat C.C. and Corio Bay C.C. as well as the VAPS interclub.

Anne is an enthusiastic and committed photographer who is completely deserving of a VAPS Meritorious Service Award as she contributes greatly to the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group with her friendly manner, hard work and enthusiasm.

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2003

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DOUGLAS REID

Doug Reid has been a member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 18 years and is a dedicated worker in several areas of group activity. For the last 16 years he has held the position of Treasurer and has been an executive member for 17 years.

He regularly gives 5 minute lectures to the Camera Group. For many years he has organised all the trophies for the Annual Award Night. Doug also creates much interest with his photographs of motor racing and has regularly exhibited at Interclub competitions and the VAPS interclub.

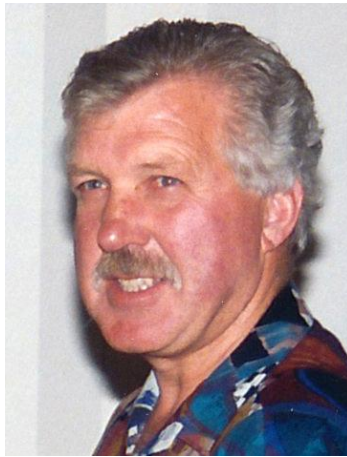
Doug is a quiet person, a dedicated photographer and someone who contributes greatly in so many ways to the successful running of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group and is well deserving of a VAPS Meritorious Service Award.

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RAY CANDY

During his 20 year membership of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group, Ray Candy has contributed a great deal. He has been an executive member for 18 years and during that time was Vice President for 4 years and President for 4 years.

Ray judges Club competitions at various times and participates in selection panels for Interclub competitions as well as for the VAPS interclub. As well as these activities, he participates in several other areas of Group activity as judge, speaker, regularly giving a “5 minuter” talk to Group meetings and regularly participates in Group social activities, camps, picnics, workshops and working bees

He has also organised an exhibition for the Ballarat Orchid Club and has participated in Interclubs between Ballarat C.C. and Corio Bay C.C. and VAPS interclubs.

Ray is greatly deserving of this VAPS Meritorious Service Award as he is an enthusiastic and committed photographer, who, along with his leadership qualities has contributed greatly to his Club’s success for many years.

VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETIES

2016

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PAM ALLEN

Pam Allen has been a member of the Ballarat Photography Group for 19 years and on the Executive for 15 years. President and Vice President for 7 years and Secretary for 3 years. It is evident that she is a major contributor to the organisation and running of her club. In these various capacities she has been involved in the selection of subject topics, arranging excursions and club's annual camps. She has judged Ballarat Photography Group competitions on many occasions. She has attended many VAPS conferences and inter-club competitions with Ballarat and Corio Bay where her work is on display as a contributor. She is a regular exhibitor in monthly competitions in large prints, small prints and EDIs. She is an avid participant in local competitions, such as the Skipton, Lal Lal and Snake Valley exhibitions. She has been actively involved with the Gold Museum of Ballarat in a project called "Portraits of Ballarat Lives". For a while she battled a serious illness, but is thankfully in remission. However, she continued to participate in club activities during this time.

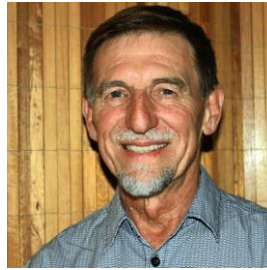
She has contributed in all ways to promote photography for the ordinary person. With her leadership skills she has been promoting the Ballarat club widely. She encourages people to take part in workshops, in-services and social events such as attending exhibitions, annual award nights and national competitions. Overall she is a valuable member who contributes hugely to the successful running of the club so it is fitting that the Ballarat Photography Group and VAPS award her the Meritorious Service Award.

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TREVOR PARRY

Trevor Parry is a quiet individual who has a great interest in photography and enjoys teaching and telling members about all aspects of it. He has been on the Executive Committee of the Ballarat Photography Group for 23 years. This includes being President and Vice-President for a total of 4 years. He has willingly turned his hand to many needed tasks, for example making six large metal stands for displaying the club's small and large prints. He has judged club competitions on many occasions and been on numerous selection panels to choose images for interclub and VAPS competitions. He has given many five minute talks about photography, one being "Drones" which involved showing many images and demonstrating how they fly and work.

He is a regular competitor in club competitions and enters images for interclub, VAPS competitions and he also enters local competitions such as Skipton, Snake Valley and Lal Lal. He helps organise and participates in events in the local community. He spent many days working at the Ballarat New Cemetery taking photographs of over 200 different varieties of roses and making a disk to show people the variety of roses available. He helps with photographing participants in the Fiona Elsey Cancer Research Institute.

He has organised many club camps at Halls Gap, Port Fairy, Bacchus Marsh, Apollo Bay etc. He has represented his club in meetings with other local community groups and he attends all of his club's social events. He is always available to organise, run and take part in club activities, including barbecues, in-services, interclub and VAPS competitions, excursions and the 50-year celebration six years ago. His value to the club is acknowledged in this honour of Meritorious Service Award which VAPS willingly presents to him.

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JOHN EARNSHAW

John Earnshaw has been on the executive of the Ballarat Photography Group for 25 years, including being President and Vice-President for a total of 14 years. He has been the historian of the club for the last 20 years and has written and published a book on the club's first 50 years. As publicity officer for over 25 years, he has arranged with the Ballarat Courier to publish some of the key activities of the club including annual awards, special events and a full report of the 50 year celebrations. He has organised to photograph all 200 different species of roses at the Ballarat New Cemetery. He has entered slides back in the day, and now enters small and large prints both for club competitions and interclub competitions.

He has been a willing contributor to the organisation of the club, organising full day and evening in-services for it. He has been involved in three major photographic activities mounted and shown in the Ballarat Gold Museum. One of these was "Old and New"- photographs of Ballarat from 1860 to the 80s". The photos were provided by the Gold Museum and were not, obviously, John's own work. The second was an exhibition of photographs taken today of old buildings and the third, "Portraits of Ballarat Lives - People from Ballarat". The latter included a photo of the subject and a brief history of their lives. Yet another was "Faces in Ballarat" which was a collection of photos of works, such as postmen, nurses, firemen etc.

His contribution to the social life of the club has been immense. He attends all excursions, BBQs, interclub activities, camps and in-services. He also attends all club meetings where he helps in the setting up of the meeting room. He is a great advocate for his club, always promoting it to any people who may be interested in joining. His long standing commitment to the Ballarat Photography Group is well deserving of a VAPS Meritorious Service Award.

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

INVITATION

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BALLARAT YMCA CAMERA GROUP

Dear Member,

You are invited to attend this event on:

Saturday 13th August at 7.00 p.m.
Humffray Room, Ballarat Mechanics' Institute
117 Sturt St Ballarat 3350
Cost \$20.00

The celebration will commence with *champagne, wine and finger food* presenting an opportunity to mingle with others and viewing the various displays of photos, past and present. In addition, a written history of the club will be available for purchase on the night.

Keynote speaker for the night will be Angela Carey, CEO of the Courier followed by a number of reflections on club photography over the years.

RSVP: Friday July 29 to the Secretary, Mark Bevelander at:
markbev@netspace.net.au or mobile: 0439 639 636

PROGRAMME OF THE EVENING

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| 7.00pm | Welcome by the MC, Neil Sinclair
Drinks, nibbles & socialising |
| 7.30pm | President- John Earnshaw Brief History and Official Presentation of Book |
| 7.35pm | Keynote Speaker – Angela Carey, General Manager of Courier
Light refreshments |
| 8.30pm | Reflections of the Past by Bill Llewellyn, John Hazledine and Trina Jones |
| 9.00pm | Presentation of Life Memberships: Ivan Downing, Douglas Reid, Anne Earnshaw and John Earnshaw. To be presented by Judy Johnson, George Townsend, Trina Jones and Pam Allen |
| 9.15 pm | Pam Allen – Immediate Past President. Cutting of the Cake
President- John Earnshaw final vote of thanks, sale of Book & DVD |

REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

Bill Llewellyn

The Ballarat YMCA Camera Group commenced on 8 August, 1961. Many people from outside the group were always ready to help by passing on their experience - Bon Strange and Lloyd Evans assisted in many ways.



A speaker at one of our early meetings was a well known runner and later Governor of Victoria, John Landy. Not so well known was that he was an accomplished nature photographer.

The group assisted the community in many ways such as –

- The audio-visual, “A Silent World” for Ewing House for the Oral Education of the Deaf’.
- A 16mm. movie for BTV6 featuring Max Bartlett and our members as actors and crew.
- Members photographed children resident in the Ballarat Children’s Home (formerly Ballarat Orphanage). 160 children in one hour.

Safaris (outings) have continued since the early days of the group –

- Easter 1964 saw eight members travel in two cars to the Flinders Ranges. Roughing it, but enjoying every minute of the trip and coming home with many wonderful photographs.

Memories of outings to Port Campbell, Apollo Bay and Rocklands Reservoir were often related.

- Such as at every stop the Barretts and Pollards setup a table (with tablecloth) and chairs for a cup of tea.
- Early morning at Rocklands as Bill Spicer, playing bagpipes led the rats (sorry members) across the skyline like the Pied Piper of Hamelin.

Photo courses conducted by the members brought in extra finance and new members.

In that first 10 years we had a succession of homes:

- The top floor room of the YMCA (Camp Street)
- The Old Police Station (Camp Street)
- Wilson House, the first old building south of the “Y” in Camp Street

Many hours of cleaning, painting and renovating went into these venues.

But who could forget those fluffy, red, pill box hats that identified the approach of “MAD” – Keen Ballarat YMCA Camera Group members.

John Hazledine

Talks about some treasures in his life:

Possessions gifted, bought and won, but more importantly, acknowledges the good memories which they generated.

The articles and the roads travelled are wonderful, but it is the people participating, who are the essential ingredients. Their company, fun and sharing creates friendships lasting many years, rekindled, even though contacts may be far apart in time. The experiences and lessons are the real treasures and will, hopefully, be part of a smooth and happy journey through the evening of our lives.

During his talk, John referred to his bike, cameras, family and outings



Trina Jones

My earliest days at the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group commenced in March 1978.

A couple of months earlier I had seen a YMCA advertisement in the Courier stating they were looking for new members for the Camera Group. This was the beginning, for me, of a long and happy association with the Group. During this time there have been many changes made to the everyday running of the Group but the fellowship and friendship has always remained a constant factor.



When I joined the monthly competition consisted of a Slide and Black & White Prints Comp, it was some time later that Small Color and then Large Color Prints were introduced. The Slide and Black & White Prints Comp had to be totally the work of the maker whereas Color Prints could be processed commercially. Darkrooms for B & W work (be it an adapted bathroom or under the stairs etc) were part of many a photographer's house at that time.

Now DIGITAL is the magic word – no more Slides, replaced by “EDIs – Electronic Digital Images”. Now its digital cameras and projectors, computers, photo editing software, these are all part of the photographers kit. How times have changed!

We even have our own webpage where we submit the EDIs and gather information about the Group and its activities. When the webpage was originally established, by me in 2000, I was asked was it necessary. At that stage it was really a novelty to be able to view monthly competition photos and results etc. online, but what fun, and I was enthusiast to get it up and running. Now it seems the webpage plays a crucial part in the processing of the Groups activities – how times have changed! Also our monthly newsletter is now produced and sent electronically – George our trusted editor/postman for many years was offered a “package, of undisclosed amount” and we were all very sorry to see him go!!!

When I joined the Group there was a Tri-Comp involving Chadstone and Corio as well as the Interclub Comp with Ballarat. The Group also submitted work in the annual VAPS Comp. All this continues today except Chadstone is no longer involved. By being part of these competitions, the Group, has established many strong bonds with these clubs and individual photographers.

We have had many and varied judges over the years, all with the aim to give constructive criticism so that members may improve their photographic skills. We have also had many helpful practical sessions which create a learning environment for all concerned.

Socially the Group has always enjoyed the annual safari to places far and wide like the Grampians, Apollo Bay, Port Fairy, Lake Mungo.

Day trips, usually the Sunday following the monthly meeting, are also held. These usually involve a close destination of interest such as wildflowers on Mt Beckworth.

These outings are all family orientated and great for young and old.

Then there is the Christmas BBQ at Lake Wendouree. A time to relax and reflect and look forward to the Christmas break and what photos can be taken during that time??

Of recent times the Group has taken a very important step in again becoming more closely linked with the YMCA. This will be beneficial for our Group. With the help of the YMCA we will be able to promote more actively our Group and this will ensure the continued longevity of the Group.

In summary, I have taken and I have looked at many, many photos during my time at the Y Camera Group and I have enjoyed it all and would have to say - 33 years well spent!

Thanks Ballarat YMCA Camera Group!

Trina Jones

Life Membership 2008

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- My thanks and congratulations to past and present members of the club for its formation and continuation for the past fifty years.
- My personal thanks to club members for their support and advice.
- Special thanks to my son Bernard for the use of his computer, printer and his patience in teaching me some computer skills.
- A big thankyou to the late Doug Reid for his thorough and meticulous recording of our competition results over many years.
- A huge thankyou to Teresa and Tom Bates for their long hours of excellent typing and setting out of this book. Without their excellent help this book would not have been published.