



CAMERA NEWS

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Meetings: 8.00pm 2nd Tuesday each month at clubrooms

Monthly Newsletter

June-July 2008

LAST MEETING COMPETITION RESULTS:

Guest Judge, Kat Mansbridge, a local artist from Drummond (near Malmsbury) provided some interesting and entertaining comments on the entries submitted for May. She used her artistic knowledge and experience to comment on the elements she liked in the photos with regard to placement, colour, composition, angles and lighting.

Results are as follows:

Small prints – Open

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| 1. Ruins | Marilyn Bradford |
| 2. Amber Sparks | Judy Johnson |
| 3. Port Fairy | Trevor Parry |

Slides – Creepy Crawlies

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| 1. Mini Hopper | Judy Johnson |
| 2. Stick Insect | Judy Johnson |
| 3. Prowler | George Townsend |

Kat showed some examples of her work that involves the scanning of images and using digital imaging software to produce different image processes. Kat selects individual leaves from the ground, which she then cuts into various shapes, scans them and then manipulates the patterns via the computer. She uses eucalyptus leaves and insects to produce interesting colours and textures. Kat's work is for sale and she can be contacted via email on katradi@hotmail.com

VAPS INTERCLUB 2008

Ballarat YMCA Camera Group members did extremely well in the recent VAPS interclub competitions gaining a second place overall in the Slides section in which 25 clubs participated and fifth place out of 30 clubs in the Novice Prints section. We also achieved a score of 59 in the Large Prints section in which 39 clubs participated. Judy Johnson's slide 'Lady of the Web' achieved a second place and has been retained by the VAPS committee to be entered in the Australian Institute Photographic Competition in Launceston during September. Congratulations to all concerned on a job well done.

CLUB OUTING TO MELBOURNE ZOO - 15 JUNE 2008

About 20 people attended the trip to the Melbourne Zoo, which was a great day with cameras being given a real workout. It also provided an opportunity for members to meet socially (over coffee) and swap photographic ideas and techniques etc and/or brag about their equipment. There will be a competition at the August meeting for small prints from this excursion with members encouraged to submit a maximum of two of their favourite prints mounted as per normal. So... this is your opportunity to 'show off' your expertise/luck as a Nature Photographer.

FUTURE CLUB OUTINGS

As all attending felt the Zoo trip was such a successful day, it is proposed to run more excursions in the future. So.... put your thinking caps on and bring your ideas to the July meeting. Possible trips could be nature rambles to places such as Mount Cole, Enfield, Mount Beckworth and/or outings to Maldon, Sovereign Hill etc... London, Paris, Rome, Afghanistan (the mind boggles!)

SPECIAL AWARDS

Trina Jones

Awards:

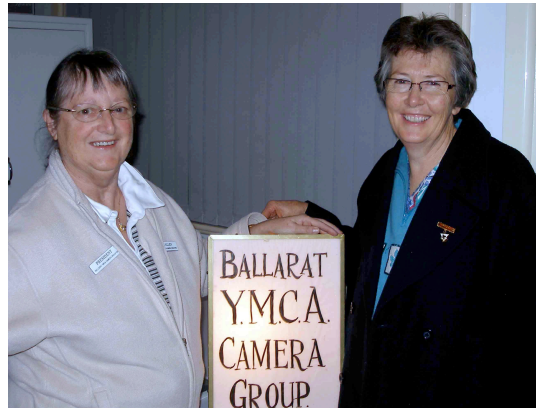
YMCA Camera Group Life Membership

Earlier this year Trina was awarded a Life Membership for her outstanding participation in the YMCA Camera Group.

VAPS Meritorious Service Award

Trina was nominated for and has recently been awarded the VAPS 30 years Meritorious Service Award

She has been an active member of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group for 30 years. In that time, she has served one term as President and three terms as Club Treasurer. She lectured in Basic Photography Courses conducted by the Club, was the Club's Newsletter Editor for a number of years and was responsible for setting up the Club's web page. Trina has also been a successful exhibitor in both Club and Interclub competitions.



The following snapshot gives a broader picture of Trina's participation within the club. She joined the Camera Group in 1978 and was President in 1989, Treasurer 1985-87 and 2005-2007. She was a member of the Executive Committee for 9 years. Trina won Slide of the Year for 1981, 82, 84, 87, 88 and 91. She also won the 'B Grade' Slide Award for 1979, 80, 82, 88 and 89. She won the Slides Aggregate (most points) 1980, 81, 83 and 84 and won the Black & White Print of the Year 1981 and the Aggregate for 1981 and 1982. She received Medallions for Slides 300 points, Colour Prints 150, Black & White Prints 300. In 1983 Trina won the Maryborough Golden Wattle Festival Slide Competition.

In all aspects of her involvement with the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group, she has shown outstanding leadership and commitment to photography in Ballarat and justly deserves these awards.

Trevor Parry

Award:

Bryan & Petersen 2007 Large Print Award

Congratulations to Trevor Parry for winning the Bryan & Petersen 2007 Large Print Award with his photograph entitled 'My Bike'. Trevor and Pam display the framed print, which is to be hung in the office of Bryan & Petersen Pty Ltd, the sponsors of the Award.



Many thanks to Rob Shuttleworth for the time and effort he put into the framing of this photograph which complimented the presentation.

DIGITAL GROUP:

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 7 July** at the **Midlands Golf Club at 7.30 pm.**

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS:

Reminder: Get your entries ready for the Interclub competition with the Ballarat Camera Club to be held on 13 September 2008.

Subjects:

Slides	Open
Slides	Trains
Small Prints	Open
Small Prints	Night study
Large Prints	Open

All prints and slides for selection **must be** submitted by 12 August

The following Competitions are still open for entry:

Thornton Richards Camera House Photographic Competition – runs from 1 May – 30 June

Pakenham National Photographic Exhibition – closing 18 July (Contact Pam Allen to obtain a paper entry form or www.pakenhamcameraclub.smugmug.com .

Australian Museum – ‘Up Close & Spineless Competition – closing 29 August

For more information on the above competitions please see May-June Newsletter.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITIONS:

‘From Near & Far’ Exhibition - Saturday & Sunday 12th & 13th July; 19th & 20th July

The Royal Photographic Society Victorian Chapter presents the 2008 exhibition of members’ images at the Melbourne Camera Club, Corner of Dorcas & Ferrars Streets, South Melbourne (Melway 2K A3). This exhibition is open from 2pm – 5pm on above dates.

‘Melbourne-Scapes’ running until the end of July

The Obscura Gallery merges photography with cultural icons and public art. The images on display demonstrate the way in which photography can highlight some of Melbourne’s best attributes, exploring what a city’s architecture and public art says about itself and its people.

Located first floor, 285 Carlisle Street, East St Kilda

COMING EVENTS:

Reminders:

Club Safari (Port Fairy) 2008 17-19 October 2008

Basic Digital Workshop with Adrian Cook - Sunday 13 July 2008 10am – 4 pm

This date has been confirmed and payment must be made at the July meeting at the latest. Many members are showing interest so get in early on the night to secure your spot.
Cost: \$20 for members, \$30 for non-members.

Ballarat Camera Club Annual Awards & Dinner – Saturday 26 July

An open invitation has been extended to all our members to attend the Award Night. If you wish to attend, please see Pam Allen for more details.

YMCA Camera Club's 47th Anniversary Celebrations – Tuesday 12 August

This year's dinner will be held at the Atlantic Hotel at 6pm. Please indicate your intention of attending the Dinner at the July meeting, as the hotel requires definite numbers.

Wedding Photographer Course – Sunday 13 July, 10 August & 21 September

Seawind Studios are offering a 3-day course on how to become a wedding photographer.
Cost: \$295 per day less 10% discount if you attend all three days. This course is being held at Toorak College, Old Mornington Road, Mt Eliza 9.30am – 5pm each day.
For more information contact www.seawindstudios.com.au

JULY COMPETITION TOPIC ENTRIES:

The following prints and slides are to be submitted at the June meeting.

Small prints:
Slides:

Open
City Scene

NEXT MEETING:

This will be held at the Kohinoor Community Centre on 8 July at 8pm. Guest Judge will be Bill Vermeend from the Ballarat Camera Club.