



CAMERA NEWS
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Meetings: 8.00pm 2nd Tuesday each month at clubrooms

Monthly Newsletter

May 2009

LAST MEETING COMPETITION RESULTS:

Guest Judge was Herman Ruyg, a former well-known Ballarat Courier Photographer and the results are as follows:

Small prints – Sports Action	1. Surf Sports 2. Ace Serve 3. Chip off the Old Block	Trevor Parry Pam Dellaca Ron Downs
Slides – Open	1. Southern Star 2. Last Rose of Summer 3. Clouds	George Townsend Ron Downs John Earnshaw
Large Prints – Open	1. Stalactites 2. Sailing Home 3. What's on the Menu	John Allen John Earnshaw Bill Hirt

DIGITAL GROUP

The next meeting of the Digital Group will be held on Monday 1 June at 7.30pm at Ken Smith's house, 327 Heinz Lane, Invermay Park (directly opposite Midlands Golf Clubhouse).

At the next meeting we are going to study at length HDR - that's High Dynamic Range.

Most Cameras "see" a smaller range of light and shade than our eyes do, we see details in highlights (bright objects) and details in dark objects (shadows). However, there are ways to widen this range that the camera "sees", so come along and find out.

WEBSITE NEWS www.ballaratymcacameragroup.com.au

SHARE YOUR DIGITAL PHOTOS

The Club website now encourages members to upload their best digital images (up to 5) onto a club group setup on a photography site dedicated to excellent photos. This site is accessed from the front page of our website www.ballaratymcacameragroup.com.au "Upload Your Photos for Peer Review". The aim is to allow ourselves and others to make comments/suggestions share ideas about the photos we really like. Currently there are photos from Mark Bevelander and Trina Jones - more are required. Please think about this.

Also available from our website are two courses for learning digital photography plus using software for manipulation of images. Just click on the menu link "Do a Course".

2009 FEES:

Fees for 2009 **are due** so please make an effort to catch up with Ross Block at the next meeting. The fees for 2009 Club membership remain the same as 2008 i.e. \$35 for singles, \$65 for couples, \$20 for full time student / child (Junior Member).

REMINDER – REMINDER - OLD SYLLABUS DOCUMENTS

John Earnshaw is still gathering information and memorabilia for our upcoming 50th Anniversary. He is looking for old syllabi, prior to 1988. If you have, or know of any old copies, please contact or forward these to John.

COMING EVENTS FOR 2009

International Foto Biennale – 4 September – 4 October 2009

Advance notice that the International Foto Biennale (formerly held at Daylesford) will be held this year in Ballarat from 4 September to 4 October inclusive - more details at www.ballaratfoto.org

Reminder - Club Safari to Rawson Village 9-11 October 2009

To date, we have about 12 on our list for the Safari to Rawson so we are looking for more starters. The location of the venue is terrific with lots to do in the area and some wonderful photographic opportunities. See Pam Allen for a look at some local brochures and you can take an electronic tour of the facilities offered by visiting www.rawsonvillage.com.

If you are a little concerned about the drive, consider car pooling – think of the fun you will have on the journey. Trevor Parry has accessed a website called 'whereis' to ascertain the distance and travel time and found it is 284ks from his place (Warrenheip) with an estimated travel time of 3 hours and 10 minutes.

Give it some extra thought, put the date in your diary and chat to other members that may be interested in travelling together or perhaps meeting on the way for lunch. Confirm your intention to attend by paying a deposit of \$10 per person to Ross at the next meeting (9 June).

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS:

The Savewater! Awards® Photographic Competition – entries close 1 June 2009

This is Australia's largest water conservation photo competition. Simply take a photo related to water conservation and visit www.savewater.com.au to enter!

The Photographic Award has three sub categories, with awards open to:

- Primary school students
- Secondary school students
- The general public

Winning Primary and Secondary schools receive \$1000 in cash and individual winners/finalists receive Nikon digital cameras and ipod shuffles.

'Otways ... in focus' – closing 4 September 2009

The Otways Tourism in co-operation with the Colac Camera Club is hosting its 2nd annual photographic competition. Entry categories include: Landscape/Seascape, Rural/Agriculture, Natural History and Action Tourism. Note all shots are to be taken within the Colac Otway Shire. Prizes on offer include a total of \$1000 in cash and over \$3000 worth of tourism prizes.

For more details, see www.otwaysinfocus.com

Enquiries:

Liddy Fullarton (Otways Tourism) – 5231 1233 or Rex Brown – email rexbrown@gmail.com

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITIONS:

Time Through The Lens – from 4 April 2009 1-4pm

Yarrowonga Mulwala Historical Society and Yarrowonga Arts Council present a short-term exhibition of Ian Sloane's best photographs. Ian's photographic processes included innovative darkroom techniques and equipment. He was a grazier, environmentalist and marksman. So, if you happen to be in the vicinity of Mulwala (just over the Murray River from Yarrowonga) in the next 6 months, visit the Pioneer Museum, 151 Melbourne Street, Mulwala, NSW.

DON'T FORGET- CHANGE OF DATE FOR INTERCLUB ENTRIES

The closing date for submitting your entries for the Interclub competition with the Ballarat Camera Club has been changed from 11 August to **14 July** (date of July meeting), so please get your photos to Anne Earnshaw **on or before** this date.

Subjects for the competition are:

Slides: Open
Slides: Festivals

Small Prints: Open
Small Prints: Festivals

Large Prints: Open

FOR SALE

- Tripod Semi/Pro (Slick 88N) Made in Japan - \$50
- Lots of filters for sale and also lenses for Nikon and Canon

If interested in any of the above items, please ☎ **Ron Downs** on **5345 3542**

NEW MEMBERS:

Please add the following new members to your Ballarat YMCA Camera Group Contact List:

GOWER	Lisa	19 Weemala Avenue	Delacombe	3356	5332 4024	Lisagowers84@gmail.com
LAWRIE	EDWARD	4 Cowan Street	Lake Wendouree	3350	5332 2007	fouraces@netconnect.com.au
SPITERI	Julie	25 Sexton Court	Gordon	3345	5368 9086	J9spiteri@bigpond.com

CLUB NAME BADGES:

The executive is planning a bulk order of club name badges at a discounted cost to members of \$10 per badge. Any new or existing club member wishing to obtain a club name badge should ☎ Ross Block on 5333 1060 before or see him at the next meeting with exact name requirements.

JUNE COMPETITION TOPIC ENTRIES:

The following prints and slides are to be submitted at the 9 June meeting.

Small prints:	Festival
Slides:	Festival
Large prints:	Open

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on 9 June at the Kohinoor Community Centre at 8pm.

Guest Judge will be Andrew Tweedie who is a well-known picture-framer in Ballarat.