



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

Monthly Newsletter

November 2009

LAST MEETING COMPETITION RESULTS:

Guest Judge was one of our own Club Members, Trina Jones. With regard to the topic 'Digital Manipulation', Trina commented that most photographers make some adjustments to their digital photos before presenting for judgement, so these prints should demonstrate the ability to be creative using digital manipulation. The results are as follows:

Small prints – Digital Manipulation	1. Eyes in the Bush	Trevor Parry
	2. My Colouring Book	Tom Bates
	3. Little Audrey	Doug Reid
Slides – Open	1. Graceful	Judy Johnson
	2. Old Mill	Judy Johnson
	3. Rusty Ribs	George Townsend

Following the judging, Trina presented a very informative video clip on how to make a montage using Photoshop Elements.

CLUB SAFARI – RAWSON COMPETITION:

Those attending the Club Safari at Rawson submitted their photos to be well-judged by Pam Dellaca and the results are as follows:

Set subject - Kookaburras	Kookaburra	Trevor Parry
Open -	Windsor House B & B	Trevor Parry

DIGITAL GROUP

The next digital meeting will be conducted by Ken Smith on Monday 7 December at 7.30pm at 327 Heinz Lane, Invermay Park (directly opposite Midlands Golf Clubhouse).

Ken will be explaining in detail the terms DPI (dots per Inch) and PPI (pixels per inch) with some examples to mull over - this has long been a confusing issue for many and a greater understanding will benefit us all.

Another area of discussion and demonstration will be the 'Fading' issue. We all now know that inks have a bearing on fading but what about papers. A common belief is that paper matters little in the overall aspect but further research would indicate that this may have been an ill informed judgement.

The hot topic of EDI (Electronic Displayed Images) needs to be fleshed out a little with a discussion on the "Display" what type? "Judging" what type? How will these two come closer together? Also how HDR helps win the judges over.

WEBSITE NEWS www.ballaratymcacameragroup.cpm.au

The small print contributions from the months of July to October 2009 are now also available for viewing from the website. Next year's Syllabus will also be on the website.

ADVANCED NOTICE FOR 2010 INTERCLUB COMPETITIONS

TOPICS FOR COMPETITIONS:

Corio Bay Camera Club - subjects for all categories will be **OPEN**.

Ballarat Camera Club - Small prints and large prints are **OPEN**.

Set subject - small prints will be **CANDID CAMERA** – a picture of a person or people who are obviously unaware of the picture being taken.

(**Note:** There will be no slide or projected image categories for this competition).

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS:

National Photographic Portrait Prize 2010 - Call for Entries

The National Portrait Gallery invites all Australian residents to enter the National Photographic Portrait Prize 2010. The exhibition will be displayed in the National Portrait Gallery building from 19 February to 26 April 2010 and will subsequently tour to a select number of Australian capital cities and regional centres. The prize for the most outstanding photographic portrait is **\$25,000** so all you expert portrait photographers - here's a chance to pick up a few extra dollars!!

Entries close 1 November 2009.

For an online submission form – <http://www.portrait.gov.au/site/news.php>

COMING EVENTS FOR 2009-2010

2010 NEW YEAR BBQ – SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY, 2010

Advanced notice, the famous Downing BBQ will again be held at 319 York Street (12am) for lunch. As previously, please bring meat, drinks, chairs and a small salad and a sweet to share with other members.

Outdoor Photography Workshops – December-January

David Burren is conducting three outdoor photography workshops this summer:

Landscape workshop at Cradle Mountain, December 11-14, 2009

Two wildlife workshops in Portland, January 8-11 and January 15-18, 2010

Each workshop is limited to a maximum of 6 participants

Further details: <http://davidburren.com/workshops>

VAPS Muster – 22nd, 23rd, 24th May 2010

Next year the VAPS Muster will be held at Apollo Bay in conjunction with Otways Tourism. Make a week of it and explore the Great Ocean Road, Cape Otway and the Shipwreck Coast.

ADVANCED NOTICE: NEW DATES FOR BALLARAT NATIONAL EXHIBITION 2010

To give greater time in the Prime Viewing Gallery at the Ballarat Art Gallery, the Ballarat National Photographic Exhibition for 2010, conducted by the Ballarat Camera Club, has changed its dates. The new dates for 2010 will be:

Closing Date:	Third week in October 2010
Judging Date:	End October or Early November 2010
Exhibition Opening:	Mid December 2010
Exhibition ends:	Late January 2010 (allows 6 weeks for display)

An entry form will be available closer to the time. For more information contact:
Liz or Peter Cocks ☎ 03 5339 2650 or Email: infor@ballaratcameraclub.org.au

DIGITAL WORKSHOP

The following email was received by Neil Sinclair from Leanne Kvaternik on behalf of the members of the Corio Bay Camera Club who attended the recent Digital Workshop run by Adrian Cook.

Thank you so much for organizing and inviting us to the fantastic workshop last month with Adrian Cook. I really did enjoy and learn a lot from this day. (...even though I wasn't feeling 100% due to a cold...) Tracey and myself have got together a couple of times since the workshop, and gone over some of the exercises.... and had a few more "Ahh..." moments!

Photography certainly has advanced over the years, and it's so wonderful to have a "Lightroom" (as opposed to a Darkroom..) where there's no messy chemicals or smelly fumes!! ... and it's a lot more accurate. (I guess some would debate that issue though.) Although, I still agree with some very sound photography advice that was given to me, not that long ago.... "Get it right with the camera, and there's very little, if anything, to do on the computer". Ahh!!... but at least now we have a little more knowledge (Thanks to Adrian and Nola...) on how to fix or alter our images to improve them!!

Once again Neil, *Thank you* to the Ballarat YMCA Camera Club, and yourself for extending the invite to Tracey Parr, Stephen Dodds and myself. We also enjoyed catching up with your members too!

Happy Snapping!!..... Photoshopping!!..... and Lightrooming!!
Look forward to catching up with the YMCA members again soon.

ALL THINGS CHRISTMAS:

CLUB FAMILY NIGHT – 8 DECEMBER

Don't forget that there will be the usual Family Members' Photo Competition at our December meeting. There will be two sections: **Under 18** and **Over 18** and each family member can submit two photos in each section.

DON'T FORGET TO BRING A PLATE OF SUPPER to make this a great night – John E is feeling much better and is looking forward to getting stuck in to all those goodies (under strict medical supervision, of course).

Christmas Hamper – to be drawn 8 December

Don't despair; late donations for the hamper can still be given to Helen Kennedy for inclusion in the hamper this week. Please phone Helen on 5335 5484 to arrange delivery;

Ticket books need to be returned at the December meeting for the big draw – note tickets will also be available on the night to give you that extra chance to be a big winner.

CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP / GET-TOGETHER SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER AT 12 NOON

Last year we were rained out so hopefully we will swing it for a better day this year. BYO everything and meet at Lake Wendouree (opposite the floral clock) for a relaxing barbeque.

She's the Winner

Lorraine Sinclair has achieved a win in a monthly digital photographic competition run by Australian Photography - Well done, Lorraine. She should consider becoming a member and showing us a thing or two.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on 8 December at the Kohinoor Community Centre at 8pm. Guest Judge will be Liz Cocks.