



CAMERA NEWS
Ballarat Y.M.C.A. Camera Group Inc (A0035217D)

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Meetings: 8.00pm 2nd Tuesday each month at clubrooms

Monthly Newsletter

January 2010

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS:

Annual Awards Night – Saturday 20 February

The 2009 Ballarat YMCA Camera Group Annual Photographic Awards Night will be held on Saturday 20th February commencing at 8pm at the Kohinoor Community Centre. Guest Judge will be Jim Thyer, who is a life member of the Ballarat Camera Club.

Please bring a plate of supper to add to the festivities of the night.

Don't forget, entries for selection in the Corio Bay Interclub Competition are due in tonight.
Categories: Small prints, Large prints, Slides or Digitally Projected Image - subjects for all categories will be **OPEN**.

Corio Bay Interclub Competition - Saturday 20 March

The host club this year is Corio Bay Camera Club. Further details of the Geelong venue will be published later.

VAPS Interclub entries are due in tonight.

VAPS Interclub Competition – Saturday 28 March

Don't forget, entries for selection in the VAPS Interclub Competition are due in Saturday 20 March.

Ballarat Camera Club Interclub Competition – Saturday 11 September

Categories: - 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 in this competition).

Don't forget, entries for selection in the Ballarat Camera Club Interclub Competition are due in Tuesday 10 August.

iconPHOTO 09 – closing date 31 May 2010

This new Australian competition has one **open** category and entry is by uploading to the **Iconic Images International** website. There are a total of 10 prizes valued in excess of \$17,000. Details of the individual prizes and **How to Enter** are available on the "Competitions" page at www.iconicimagesinternational.com

COMING EVENTS FOR 2010

2010 NEW YEAR BBQ – SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY, 2010

The first Club Event for 2010 is the famous Downing BBQ which will again be held at 319 York Street (12 noon) for lunch extending into a lazy afternoon chat. As in previous years, please bring your own meat, drinks, chairs etc. and a small salad and sweet to share with other members.



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

Next year the VAPS Muster will be held at Apollo Bay in conjunction with Otways Tourism. The emphasis at this Muster will be on getting out and taking photos. It is proposed to organise bus tours to nearby waterfalls, the Cape Otway lighthouse and an extended trip on the Monday to the Twelve Apostles area. There will also be guest presenters, a range of workshops and the usual exhibition of Interclub prints etc. Make a week of it and explore the Great Ocean Road, Cape Otway and the Shipwreck Coast.

VAPS Photographic Tours 2010

The VAPS Vietnam trip departing on 8 February 2010 is now fully booked however, if there is sufficient interest, there may be a second trip (following the same itinerary) departing one week later. A minimum of eight people are needed to do this and again the tour will be limited to 12 people. Cost is \$5299 twin share – this includes the tour itself, international and internal air fares, insurance and visas for both Vietnam and Cambodia.

For further information, contact:

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Or		
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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

"FOR SALE"

Neil Sinclair has a friend who has a 35mm Olympus OM88, SLR, with 35 to 75 Zuiko lens, hardly used, offers around \$250 (I think he is an optimist) and a 12 also hardly used, Canon photo printer, 6 ink tank, in excellent condition, \$50.

Contact Neil Sinclair

ADVANCE NOTICE

The Club Safari will be held at Southcombe Lodge, Port Fairy over the weekend of the 17 - 19th September. This has been a most enjoyable venue for our Safaris in the past.

2010 FEES:

Fees for 2010 **are now due** and will remain the same as previous years at \$35 for singles, \$65 for couples, \$20 for full time student / child (Junior Member). Please make an effort to catch up with Ross Block at the next meeting (9 February).

THINKING OF JOINING THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR?

The club committee is up for re-election at the Annual General Meeting - 9 March. To give you an idea of the various roles of committee members we have included the following brief descriptions:

President

- Has a leadership role within the Club encouraging participation and contribution by club members in workshops, competitions and social outings.
- Chairs committee meetings.
- Hosts the monthly club meetings, making special announcements and welcoming new and returning members.
- Welcomes and introduces the guest judge and makes a small presentation to them on behalf of the club.
- Prepares written reports of Club activities for inclusion in the Minutes of the Club's Annual General Meeting.
- Prepares the written report for the YMCA Annual Report.

Secretary

- Ensures full and accurate minutes are kept of all questions, matters, resolutions, attendance and other proceedings of each Committee meeting and General Meeting.
- Receives and distributes incoming and outgoing correspondence.
- Keeps a register of members recording their names, addresses, telephone numbers and any other information the Club may require.
- Keeps custody or under control all books and documents of the Club.

Treasurer

- Receives all finance that comes into and leaves the Camera Club.
- Maintains financial records for the annual audit.

Competition Steward

- Organises judges for each monthly meeting, supplying definitions and other relevant information.
- Collects entries for each competition - sorts, numbers, lists and delivers them for judging.
- Re-collects entries from judge prior to meeting, collates the results and scans prints for display at the meeting.
- On meeting night - displays prints for viewing and arranges slides in cassette for projection.
- Supplies results to Newsletter Editor and Monthly Competition Score Officer.
- Retains winning prints for annual awards and keeps a list of eligible prints for Club Awards.
- Collates and returns entries to makers.
- For Interclub Competitions –
 - Organises judges and trophies (if hosted by YMCA).
 - Collects photos and arranges internal judging panel to select entries.
 - Names, numbers and lists chosen entries.
 - Sends entries to opposition club (if applicable).

Monthly Competition Score Officer

- Attend monthly Camera Group meetings - obtain competition results for each category from the Print and Slide Steward.
 - Enter the respective scores into the scoring system spreadsheets.
 - Review the accumulated points in each category to check if any medallions are required for 45 points, 150 points or 300 points.
 - Provide aggregate point score winners for each category for annual awards.
- Assist with trophy requirements and procurement for annual awards as required.
- Attend monthly Camera Group Committee meetings.
- Contribute to Group discussions on items of general business and annual syllabus preparation.

Newsletter Editor/s

- Attend monthly Camera Group meetings - collect competition results from the Competition Steward, report on judges' presentations and accept information and photos from Club Members to publish in the newsletter.
- Take photos of interest at meetings and other social/interclub events.
- Download VAPS Newsletter to locate relevant Competition/Exhibition information and other snippets to publish in the newsletter.
- Attend monthly Committee meetings - gather further information for the newsletter from other Committee members.
- Prepare Newsletter for distribution.
- Print Newsletter and envelopes to send to those on the postal mailing list.
- Email Newsletter to those on the electronic mailing list.

General Committee Member

- To attend monthly meetings.
- To undertake any duties that the group may decide to allocate.
- To promote the group in whatever way and wherever opportunities may arise.
- To organise or help organise any function that the group may wish to undertake.



WANTED – Newsletter Editor(s)

The current newsletter editor(s) are planning to hit the road this year (have caravan will travel) and will be resigning their position on the committee, so please think about taking up this rewarding and fulfilling role within the Camera Group.

FEBRUARY COMPETITION TOPIC ENTRIES:

The following prints and slides are to be submitted at the 9 February Meeting:

Small Prints:
Slides:

Open
Open

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting (annual photography walkabout) will be held on 9 February at the Kohinoor Community Centre. We will meet at 6.30 for a 7 pm departure to take photos of nominated notable places of interest within the Ballarat central area. You will receive information on the topics to be photographed on the night. The emphasis of the photos is to **be creative**, not just a photo of the place, item etc.

Return to club rooms for a cuppa and a chat at approximately 8.30pm.