



## ~ CAMERA NEWS May 2011 ~

Monthly newsletter of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group

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Clubrooms: Kohinoor Community Centre, Cnr Errard & Sebastopol Streets, Ballarat.

Meetings: 8.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month at the clubrooms.

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### Editorial:

Hello again; at our last meeting we had a visit from Aquatic Centre Promotions Manager Frances Marty to meet Club Members and enlist our help with photography for Various Y.M.C.A. brochures. Also willing to display club Photographs at this venue. John and Neil have followed up with a visit to the Aquatic Centre. They will have more information on what is required at the next meeting.

Tom and Terese have a brand new grand-daughter and are currently in the U.K. getting to know the latest addition to the family.

The V.A.P.S. Muster was held at Phillip Island this weekend, Judy Johnson attended and forwarded the following report.

The convention was held at Philip Island from Friday night's casual dinner at the RSL on Friday 20th May, until late Sunday afternoon, 22nd May. Up to 250 delegates attended the various events. Lectures were excellent and highlights were from **Steve Duggan** who is a motor sports photographer; **Jack Faine**, who travelled across Asia by car a couple of years ago with his father, John Faine who is a presenter on ABC radio, **Warren Reid** who produces and photographs the Coast magazine in South Gippsland; **David Simmonds** on photographers rights, and **Peter Walton** who has published many superb photography books.

There were workshops on Flashlight use, photoshop, audiovisuals, and a model shoot. All were excellent, though some considered the photoshop to be rather basic, using an old program.

Outings were to the Pinnacles at Dawn and penguin parade. Weather threatened at times, but the few rain showers fell when we were under cover. Good chance to photograph stormy skies. We also went out for sunsets etc.

On Monday there were excursions to Churchill Island, and French Island.

There was the Saturday night dinner and presentation of awards. None were received by our members.

The print display was excellent, and the EDPI entries were run constantly. The A Vs and slides were shown. There were not many slide entries.

The scoring had a very wide range from 5 to 15, and there were lots of 6,7, and 8s.

Best of all, it was an excellent social weekend where we get to see and chat with familiar and new faces.

Cheers Judy Johnson.

Thank you to the members who notified me of an error with the date for the Paddy's Ranges Excursion I have rectified it this month and apologise for any confusion it may have caused.

Welcome to new members Vicki Smith and Renae Ramsey.

### Beginners Digital course -

Ken Smith, with the assistance of Neil Sinclair and Trevor Parry will run another Digital Course on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> 2011. The course will be held in the Board Room at the Y.M.C.A in Lyons St. North. Commencing at 10 am and concluding at 4 pm. There will be a theory session in the morning followed by a B.Y.O. lunch, then a practical session putting all your new found knowledge to use in the surrounding areas. Then your photos will be screened and helpful hints given to improve your work. There are only a few places left as numbers are limited to 12 to allow for individualised attention. Contact John Earnshaw Ph 5332 7515. to book a place.

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**This month's Competition Results:** Judged by Gerard Lewis

Small Prints - Open (33 Entries)

First	<i>Rainbow Bee Eater</i>	.....	Bruce Fryer.
Second	<i>Soldier Beetle</i>	.....	Ken Smith.
Third	<i>Any chips in the car?</i>	.....	Pam Dellaca.

Projected images (EDI) - Railway in Black & White - (40 Entries)

First	<i>The Garrett</i>	.....	Ken Smith.
Second	<i>Memory of a trip</i>	.....	Mark Bevelander.
Third	<i>Mesmerised</i>	.....	Trina Jones.

The Garratt



Large Prints - OPEN - (25 entries)

First	<i>Dinner is ready</i>	.....	Bruce Fryer.
Second	<i>Sandy track</i>	.....	Judy Johnson.
Third	<i>Fast and furious</i>	.....	Ken Smith.

Mechanics Institute Tour.

First	John Allen.
Second	John Allen.
Third	Marilyn Bradford.

**Entries** submitted last meeting: Will be judged by the Corio Camera Club.

Colin Kline will attend to present the results .

- Small Prints - Speed with movement (33 entries).
- Projected images (EDI) - Open. (32 entries).

**Entries** to be submitted at our meeting next month (June 14<sup>th</sup> ) are:

- Small prints: Open.
- Projected images (EDI): Tracks. (*Any image featuring a road, path or track*).
- Large Prints: Open.

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**WANTED!!** .....For our 50 year celebrations:

- Photographs of people involved in club activities over the past 50 years.
- Copies of cuttings that appeared in the paper.
- Any other past information.
- YMCA syllabuses. A wonderful response so far, the earliest syllabus is 1979.
- We still have 2 missing, 1987 & 2000.
- A copy of a hand-written letter to 'All members' dated 21/8/1980.

Hand-written, two motions - One grade in slide competitions.

President: G. Townsend, Secretary: Alan Weston.

Plus anything else of interest from our group's past

Our President would appreciate information and ideas A.S.A.P.

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**Fees are now overdue.**

**Fees for 2011:** These will remain the same as previously. Single Membership \$35.00 Family Membership \$65.00 and Full-time Student \$20.00

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**Calender of events:** Just so you don't forget:

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July:** A day excursion to Paddys Ranges State Park is planned. Just South of Maryborough this park has relics of the gold mining era and wildlife. There are toilets and a bbq. The plan is to leave Kohinoor at 9.am and travel to the area. Take a picnic lunch with you and enjoy a day in the bush with other club members.

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**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.** We have received an invitation from the Ballarat Camera Club to join them at their Annual Awards night to be held at the Ballarat Golf Club commencing 6pm. If you are interested in going RSVP to Kerry Daniels by 15<sup>th</sup> July.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August. 50<sup>th</sup> year celebrations** will be held in the Humffray Room at the Mechanics Institute. We need you to rally the troops to ensure we have a good representation of past and present members to help us celebrate this milestone.

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October** are the dates for our **Annual Safari:** This will be held at Lady Northcote Recreation Camp in the Rowsley valley near Bacchus Marsh

**November 2011.** The Biennale will be held in Ballarat again this year. While the club is not planning to hold its' own display the VAPS will exhibit member's photographs on one weekend and they are seeking assistance to man their exhibition . This is advance warning in case you are interested. I don't know the dates or the Venue as yet.

Yours in photography  
Cheers Pam Allen.

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The Ballarat businesses below sponsor our group by providing the prizes for our annual awards. Some also provide discounts on most goods and services. Support them when you can.

- **Camera House** 416 Sturt Street. Ballarat.
- **Ballarat Camera Centre** 211 Sturt Street. Ballarat.
- **N L Harvey & Sons** 123 Sturt Street. Ballarat.
- **Ballarat Digital Camera Plus** 426 Sturt Street. Ballarat.
- **The Ballarat Courier** 110 Creswick Road Ballarat
- **Harvey Norman** 1322 Howitt St. Wendouree.
- **Bryan and Peterson** 3 Coronet Street Wendouree.