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Monthly newsletter of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group

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

Meetings: 8.00pm 2nd Tuesday each month at the clubrooms.

Editorial; Greetings Members,

The big night has been and gone, complete with photos and write ups in the paper.

President John worked very hard to ensure we got some press coverage and succeeded.

Being a camera group the events were captured for posterity. Special thanks to Tom Bates for this.

John has asked me to pass on his sincere thanks to all members of the group who assisted in so many



ways.

Congratulations to our 4 new life members, Doug ,Anne, Ivan and John, pictured above.

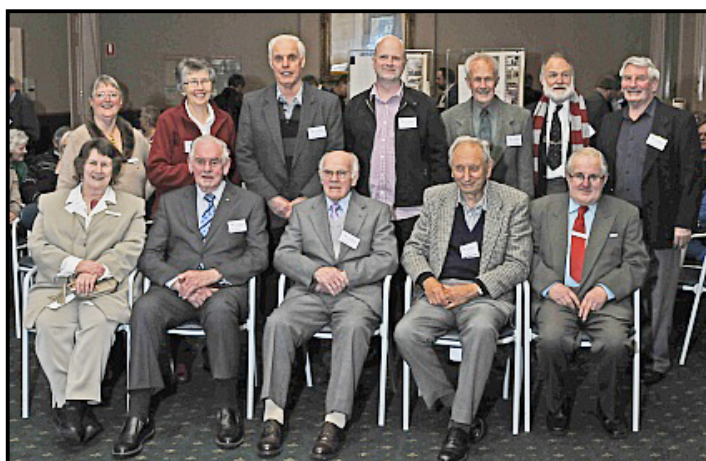
It was really special to have two of the original members that started the Y.M.C.A. Camera group on hand to cut the cake.

There was quite a buzz of conversation as members and friends reminisced on years past.

Keynote speaker Angela Carey, C.E.O of the Ballarat Courier spoke about changes in photography and news papers in the present and the future.

Our three guest speakers, Bill Lewellyn, John Hazeldine, and Trina Jones all made mention of the friendship and family oriented activities over the past 50 years.

14 past presidents of our group were in attendance on the night.



So for the members who were unable to attend you missed a good night and there have been many compliments forwarded to John and Anne.

There are a limited amount of books detailing the history of the club available for \$15 each and also a C.D.that contains the same information, plus the photos that ran continuously throughout the evening, along with the photos Tom recorded of the

event, for \$10. Please see Ross if you wish to purchase same.

Our new logo was used on the name badges for the night and looked very colourful.



Let me try to explain the reasoning behind it: The negative film strip is a link with the past, the leaves of the aperture ring are the present and the colour spectrum of shapes soaring off into the distance represent the future.

Who knows where photography will be in another 50 years. I doubt there will be many of us left to do battle with the new technology, at that time so enjoy the wonders of digital photography in the present and take lots of photos for our September competition.

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This month's Competition Results: Judged by Paul DeMunk Ballarat videographer.

Small Prints - Macro (30 Entries)

First	<i>Locust . .</i>	.....	Ken Smith.
Second	<i>Golden Orb Spider</i>	.....	Ron Downs.
Third	<i>Praying Mantis</i>	.....	Ken Smith

Projected images (EDI) - Open - (30 Entries)

First	<i>Cradle Mountain</i>	.....	Mark Bevelander.
Second	<i>Birthday Surprise</i>	.....	Vicky Smith.
Third	<i>Sunrise</i>	.....	Ken Smith.

Paddys Ranges State Park - Photos taken on our club trip

First	Therese Bates.
Second	Neil Sinclair.
Third	Tom Bates.

Entries submitted last meeting: Will be judged by Keith Aggett from the Ballarat Camera Club.

- Small Prints - Open (24 entries).
- Projected images (EDI) - Photo Journalism. (26 entries).

Entries to be submitted at our meeting next month (September 13th) are:

- Small prints - Chimneys. (*Any chimneys anywhere*).
- Projected images (EDI) - Open
- Large prints - Open.

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Ballarat Biennale: VAPS are again staging an exhibition of camera club photos in conjunction with this year's event. We have been asked to assist the Ballarat Camera club in assembling, overseeing and disassembling the VAPS display at the Golden Point School site.

The weekends are **August 27/28, September 3/4 and 10/11** There will be over 100 prints from affiliated camera clubs around Victoria. Unfortunately the whole show must be assembled on Fridays and taken down on Sundays. They will be stored at Kerrie Daniels during the week.

I believe the roster has been filled, but if you have any spare time on those weekends give Neil a ring. In any case do call in to the old Golden Point School to check out what your fellow amateur photographers are producing.

On Sunday August 21st in conjunction with the Biennale there is the Capture Ballarat photo competition. This year the task is to photograph 6 landmarks/subjects at Sovereign Hill Mark and I took part last year and it was a lot of fun. Starts at 8.am at Sovereign Hill entry point.(No doubt to be sans tourists) **Cost per adult \$30.**

Contact <http://ballaratfoto.org/bifb11/capture.html> for entry forms.

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

August 27th/28th September 3rd/4th and 10th/11th. Helpers are required to assist at VAPS exhibition during the Biennale .see info elsewhere on Newsletter.

Saturday 10th of September is our annual Interclub with Ballarat Camera club. This will be held at their club rooms at the Archery club please note the evening starts at **7.30 pm**.

(Turn off at the roundabout in Gillies St past pool, follow the road around through the gate to the building on the left).

Sunday October 16th, the week before our safari Ian Pym has offered to organize a trip to Mt Beckworth to view and photograph the wildflowers He will arrange BBQ facilities for lunch and we are invited to round off the day with a tasting at his Winery on the way home.

Friday 21st Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd 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
It is now time for you to commit for this fun social weekend. We need a minimum of 15 participants but the more the merrier. It will cost you \$42 per person per night Accommodation is in bunk rooms but you don't have to share (unless you want too) and as usual we will be self catering. Best of all it is not far too travel (if you have never been before and aren't sure what to bring talk to Anne Earnshaw or myself at next meeting.).

Wednesday 26th October: Entries close for the 43rd Ballarat National Photographic Exhibition. Winning entries will be displayed at the Art Gallery between 4th December /15th January.
If you would like an entry form contact ballaratnational@ballaratcameraclub.org.au

Our Pre season BBQ After a marathon 14 years of generous hospitality Ivan and Yvonne will no longer be hosting our pre season BBQ. There is plenty of time to organise this event to be held in early February but put your thinking caps on. Do you want it to be on Saturday or Sunday and an afternoon or evening function? The venue will be at Ross and Gillians in Windermere St.

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.

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