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Monthly newsletter of the YMCA Ballarat 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,

After a busy couple of months for the club with all the extra activities around our fiftieth birthday the biennale, interclub and judging for Corio hope we can all take a breather and concentrate on capturing some winning entries for our upcoming competitions.

Thank you to Anne and John who attended Corio club last week to present our decisions on their work.

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The club has some wine left from our birthday celebrations and we intend to make this available as lucky draws on the night of our family Christmas Breakup, so no need to bring items for a hamper or sell tickets this year.

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Keep the club-house clean. We received a letter from the council re leaving the community centre in an untidy state. I am sure it is not personally directed at our group but we can all try a bit harder to ensure all crockery is washed dried and put away benches wiped and all hall equipment returned to its rightful place ready for the next group.

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Help wanted:

A request has come from the Ballarat Camera Club for assistance in running the Ballarat National Exhibition judging day at the University of Ballarat. This will be on Sunday 6th November at 9am for 9.30 start. A subsidised lunch will be available at \$12 for those assisting.

If you are able to help let us know at our next meeting (11th October)

Thank You:

A big thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the VAPS exhibition over the three weeks it ran.

Without them (and Ballarat Camera Club members) it would not have been possible to conduct the exhibition.



Special event:

Prior to our next meeting, ie (*Same night, earlier time*) A couple of our more knowledgeable members will conduct a short course on 'macro' photography. This should prove valuable to those members wishing to travel to Mt Beckworth on Oct 16th to photograph the tiny orchids found there.

The club will be open shortly after 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

A small request from Lorraine Sinclair:

A photo I took of Neil on a mountain top during our walk across England last year has been included in the finalists in a Seniors Festival Week competition for active seniors. The winner will be decided by popular vote and we would love you to vote for us. In addition each voter goes into a draw to win \$500. Voting opens on October 1 and closes on October 10. To vote simply go to the web-site,

www.evergreenfaces.com.au

My photo is No 12, "Keep climbing those mountains"

Books and Discs:

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.

All the competition results



Members of our group went along to the Ballarat Camera Club for the Annual Inter-club competition. All enjoyed the hospitality but the results were a little disappointing.

Ballarat inter-club Results:

Ballarat Camera Club 332 points defeated YMCA 317 points.

YMCA Individual winners:

Small prints -

First: *Carole Townsend*, Second *Bruce Fryer*, Third *Carole Townsend*.

Large prints -

First: *Judy Johnson*, Second *Neil Sinclair*, Third *George Townsend*.

Next year's competitions:

It's once again time to think up some new and interesting topics for next year's competitions. Bring your bright ideas and definitions to our next meeting (11th October).

This month's Competition Results:

Judged by Keith Aggett from the Ballarat Camera Club.

Small Prints - Open (24 Entries)

First	<i>Water feature</i>	<i>Carole Townsend</i>
Second	<i>Winter in Queensland</i>	<i>Pam Allen</i>
Third	<i>Flamboyant foyer</i>	<i>George Townsend</i>

Projected images (EDI) - Photo journalism - (26 Entries)

First	<i>Pass it to me</i>	<i>Trina Jones</i>
Second	<i>Slam trunked</i>	<i>Doug Reid.</i>
Third	<i>One on two</i>	<i>Trevor Parry.</i>

Entries submitted last meeting will be judged by John Temple, Landscape Photographer.

John has a gallery at 72 Vincent St in Daylesford. Opening hours are 10am - 5pm 7 days.

- Small Prints - -Chimneys. (*Any chimneys anywhere*). (33 entries).
- Projected images (EDI) - Open. (40 entries).
- Large prints - Open. (19 entries).

Entries to be submitted at our meeting next month (October 11th) are:

- Small prints - Open
- Projected images (EDI) - Holidays anywhere. (*A photo taken by you while on a holiday*).

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

Sunday October 16th, the week before our safari Ian Pym has offered to organize a trip to Mt Beckworth to view and photograph the wild-flowers

This will be an excellent chance to try out your 'macro' skills.

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.

The plan is to leave from Kohinoor at 10am. Bring your own lunch.

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, plenty of space still available.

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 We will hand out directions on how to get there to those participating at our meeting night.

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. This year it will be held at Ross and Gillian's in Windermere St. Members voted overwhelmingly for a Sunday Lunch event. More information later.

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.