

~ CAMERA NEWS May 2013 ~

Monthly newsletter of the Ballarat YMCA Camera Group.

A part of the YMCA of Ballarat.

Clubrooms: Kohinoor Community Centre,
On the Corner of Errard & Sebastopol Streets, Ballarat.

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

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Ballarat
YMCA Camera Group

Greetings all; Here is the News:

May Meeting: The May meeting commenced at 7 pm with special guest speaker Ed Goodson, Arts & Photographic teacher at the Ballarat Secondary College.

The expected lecture on composition was replaced by an interesting talk based on a book called 'The Photographers Eye'. Ed's explanations on how the B&W photos shown were achieved were clear and enlightening.

VAPS Convention Interclub Results:

42 clubs submitted entries in both the Prints and the EDPI sections.

Unfortunately our team results this year are not too good, with Aggregate places of (33rd) in prints and (41st) in the projected images.

There are however some members who managed individual results well above the average.

Bruce Fryer with a score of 13 points for his 'Fog over View Point' was our best effort followed by Ken Smith and Pam Dellaca with 11 points in the prints section.

Skipton Photo Competition: This competition was very successful attracting 700 entries.

Congratulations to Ron Collins on attaining a First place in the Still Life and a Highly Commended.

Our committee is looking into the possibility of a photography expedition to the Melbourne Zoo. The suggested trip would be to travel by rail as a group. Dates and times (August maybe) still to be discussed at the next meeting.

The previous trip some years ago was very popular and successful.

ANNUAL SAFARI: Southcombe Lodge Port Fairy.

The date for our annual safari has changed to 11th 12th and 13th October 2013

Cost is **\$28** per person per night

There is still plenty of room.

If you cannot attend both nights (Friday and Saturday) feel free to attend one night only.

You will need to supply all our own food, drinks, linen and a pillow.

Also bring your partner or a friend, they will be made most welcome.

We really do need to establish numbers for the camp, so if you are interested in attending please e-mail (Secretary Dianne Fletcher) cameraclubymca@gmail.com or advise Dianne at the next meeting.

Could you please also pay your deposit of \$10 per person at our next meeting.

COMPETITION RESULTS:

For your photographs entered in April and presented this month.

Our judge for this competition was Keith Aggett from the Ballarat Camera Club. Keith is knowledgeable photographer and judge who specialises these days in macro photography. His judges comments and his short talk on the subject afterwards showed his depth of knowledge on macro and on the identification of the insects in his photos. A comment of interest was the advantage of using backgrounds which are black, blurred and free of distracting objects. Another was that maybe some of our 'macro' photos would have been better called 'close-up' but the border between the two is blurred.

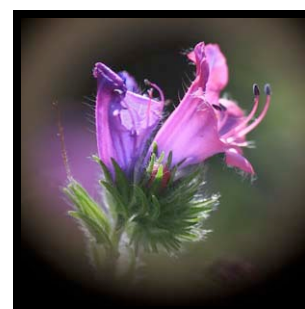
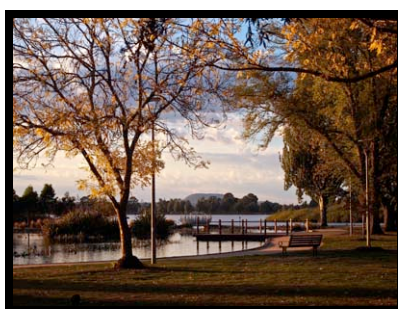
Small prints: **MACRO.**
First Tom Bates
Second John Allen
Third Judy Johnson

Orchid #2.
Bronzewing.
Frozen.



Projected images: **OPEN**
First Trevor Parry
Second Neil Sinclair
Third Trevor Parry

Unfolding.
Autumn morning.
Salvation Jane..



Please excuse the 'editorial licence' taken in cropping your photos to make them fit.

Entries to be handed in next month are:

Small Prints **SHOES.**

An image which depicts shoes as the main point of interest.
Shown pictorially as opposed to still life.

Projected images . . **OPEN:**

Please ensure your photographs comply with the '2012/13 Subject Definitions'

Don't forget, experienced photographers from our group are always willing to assist members who have any questions on how to improve their skills.

Important reminder:

Change to the competition rules.

2(d): *Projected digital images and Prints which have previously won an award, ie. First, Second, or Third in the YMCA Camera Group's monthly competition cannot be re-submitted in that category.*

Any image that wins First place in the YMCA Camera Group's monthly competition is not to be entered in any other category in our club competitions.

For example . (Small print to Large print or Set subject to Open or another Set subject or to Projected digital image or vice/versa).

Some more reminders:

Fees for 2013: Membership fees will remain the same as last year, and are now **OVERDUE**
\$20 for Juniors and Students, **\$35** for adults & **\$65** for couples.
If you have not paid your membership see Ross a.s.a.p.

FOR SALE:

Photo Mounts: The YMCA Camera Group has a quantity of inexpensive photo mounts for sale. Black and cut to suit 7x5 inch @ \$1.00 and 10x8 inch prints @ \$1.50
Ask about these at a group meeting.

What's happening next: 2013

Tuesday, June 11th: **Group meeting** at Kohinoor.

(Small prints - Open, Projected images - Summer).

Pam Dellaca, Neil Sinclair and Trina Jones are our judges for this competition.

Tuesday, June 18th: **Committee** meeting at the YMCA Board Room

Committee meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

If there are any matters you would like discussed at committee please let our secretary know.

October 11,12.13: **Our weekend camp** will be held at Southcombe Lodge Port Fairy.

The second weekend in October sounds like a long way away but it will come around quickly enough, so put it in your diary now. See the Ad' on page 1.

This one is a bit further away:

Next year 2014 for our 'camp' we are trying to book in to The Star of the Sea at Apollo Bay.

Hope to have confirmation on this one soon.

Both of the above are excellent places for a relaxing weekend away.

More information on price etc. Later.

Cemetery Trust Project: This project is ongoing. If you are interested in joining in see Ken Smith for more information.

