

CAMERA NEWS July 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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Greetings all; Here is the News:

Tuesday 16th July:

Congratulations to Gillian and Ross on the safe arrival of Amelia Clare.



In the mail: Post card from Teresa and Tom somewhere beyond Port Headland.

Birthday dinner: On the evening of our next meeting August 13 at 6.00pm we meet at the Flying Horse Bistro (the trotting track) for dinner. All are invited and 20 places have been booked. This can be increased if more members arrive.

Selection of our entries in the Ballarat inter-club have been finalised. Selectors Pam, Pam, Mark and Noel spent 3 hours (including lunch) sorting through a huge collection of prints and EDI photos collected together this year by Anne our print steward.



At our last meeting Mark Bevelander, the manager of our web page gave us a rundown on the new arrangements for uploading our projected images entries. It sounds complicated but really is fairly easy if you follow the instructions that Mark has put on the web page. Start by opening our page at www.ballaratymcacameragroup.com.au (You should have this in your favourites by now) then click on the 'Instructions for new program'
Print these off, read them through, then have a go.

Start as usual by clicking on Upload images and all will be revealed.

Where do our images go now? Mark first collects the entries off the web, puts them all on a USB stick, makes a list including your competition numbers and image title (but no names) and hands them on to Anne Earnshaw our print steward. Anne then forwards them and our prints on to the judge. There are still no names as it is important that the judge doesn't know to whom the photos belong. When the judge has done his/her thing the photos are returned to Anne. Jonathon Cuttle collects them, (they have names now) and prepares them for projection at our meeting so the judge can tell us all the good things we have achieved in our photography this month.

Also to do with our projected images: It is proposed to have an early start (7.30) before our October meeting for the first of a series of short information sessions conducted by Mark Bevelander on how to improve our EDI projected images.

It is hoped to follow up one Sunday with a longer, more detailed session at the YMCA board room.

Excursion to Melbourne Zoo:

Sunday the 25th of August, leaving as a group by train from Ballarat (8.01) or Wendouree (7.53) to Southern Cross. Then taking a Met train to Royal Park station which is at the back entrance of the Zoo. <u>Final details at our August meeting.</u>

There will be a photo' comp' Bring your Zoo photos to our September Meeting.

Ballarat inter-club competition change of date:

Due to the unavailability of the venue for this competition the date has been changed to Wednesday September 25^{th} at 8.00pm

Ballarat Camera Club clubroom is at 616 Barkly Street.

More information closer to the date.

Other bits and pieces:

While our group competition subject definitions are only one or two sentences, Photographs forwarded to VAPS or other competitions will be judged using definitions like the one below. Keep this in mind when entering our monthly competitions.

The following is an extract from the VAPS Endorsed Definitions.

Monochrome (M) - Any photograph containing shades of only one colour. If toning is carried out, it must be over the total photograph - partial toning and/or the addition of one extra colour is not acceptable in a monochrome section.

Colour (C) - Any photograph that is not monochrome. It includes a monochrome photograph that has been partially toned or had colour added.

If an exhibition does not include the category of "Monochrome" in any media, monochrome photographs shall be eligible to be entered in the colour category in that media.

DECEMBER FAMILY FOTO COMPETITION:

The rules:

Open to members of our families who are not members of our group.

Sisters, brothers, children, grandchildren etc.

Two mounted small prints taken by each entrant. Subject – OPEN.

Two sections – Senior (18 years and over) and Junior (under 18 years).

No other rules.

We need lots of entries this year from as many relatives as we can round up. This competition has been dominated the Earnshaw grandchildren for some time but there must be lots of other budding photographers out there who would be delighted to have their pics in our competition. Collect the entries together and bring them along to our December meeting.

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

COMPETITION RESULTS:

For your photographs entered in June and presented this month.

Peter Voterakis of the Creative Framing Gallery was judge for this competition.







Small prints: SHOES:

First Noel Verlinden Second Doug Reid

Third Pam Allen

Heading for the shed.

Two blondes.
Ballet shoes.







Projected images: OPEN

First Noel Verlinden White Sentinels
Second Teresa Bates A pigeon pair.

Third Noel Verlinden Native bee on dandelion.

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

Entries to be handed in next month are:

Small Prints PORTRAITS

Projected images ... OPEN Large prints OPEN

Judge for our competition next month is Liz Cocks.

Liz is Publicity and Information person at the Ballarat Camera Club.

<u>Please ensure your photographs comply with the '2012/13 Subject Definitions'</u>
<u>**Don't forget**</u>, experienced photographers from our group are always willing to assist members who have any questions on how to improve their skills.

Members who are willing to act as mentors to new or prospective members please contact John Earnshaw at our next meeting. Ladies as well as the men please.

FOR SALE:

<u>Photo Mounts</u>: Our Camera Group has a new supply 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.

Year badges:

If you have a year badge remember to wear it every time you wear your name badge.

What's happening next: 2013

Tuesday, August 13th: Group meeting at Kohinoor.

(Judging and comments on Small prints - Open, Projected images - Wings).

The judge is Liz Cox.

Tuesday, August 20th: 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.

Wednesday, September 25th: Ballarat interclub hosted by Ballarat Camera Club.

October 11th, 12th, 13th. ANNUAL SAFARI: Southcombe Lodge Port Fairy.

Cost is \$28 per person per night.

It's always an enjoyable get-together and there is still plenty of room.

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.

October 17, 18, 19 2014: Star of the Sea at Apollo Bay has been booked for next year.

<u>Advertising:</u> Photo' equipment for sale advertisements are always welcome for inclusion in *Camera News*, as is information on upcoming photographic competitions.

Ads' should be addressed to pamjohna@ncable.net.au or phone 5341 3293 or bring them along to our club meetings.

Any information not directly concerning this newsletter should be directed to our secretary. cameraclubymca@gmail.com

or to 'The Secretary'; Ballarat YMCA Camera Group PO Box 259 Ballarat 3353

Yours in photography

Cheers Pam & John 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.

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The Ballarat Courier

Harvey Norman

Cartridge World

416 Sturt Street. Ballarat.

211 Sturt Street. Ballarat.

123 Sturt Street. Ballarat.

110 Creswick Road Ballarat

Howitt Street Wendouree

1213a Sturt Street Ballarat.