

Welcome to the April newsletter

ANNUAL SAFARI: Camp Seed - Stuart Mill, between Avoca & St Arnaud.

The date for our annual safari has changed to 16th 17th and 18th October 2015

Cost is \$35 per adult per night & \$25 per student per night - bring your partner or a friend. 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.

Suggested activities include the Teddington Reservoir, walking track around upper reservoir - wild flowers & bird life. St Arnaud is 15 mins drive away, The Avoca races are on that weekend plus there are several wineries in the area. Visit Melville Caves on the way home on Sunday.

We would like to establish numbers for the camp, so if you are interested in attending please e-mail (Secretary Dianne Fletcher) <u>cameraclubymca@gmail.com</u> or advise Dianne at the next meeting. If possible please pay your <u>deposit of \$20 per person</u> at the May 2015 meeting.

We encourage all members to consider attending a Safari at some time. It is a great way to get to know other club members.

Convention: The VAPS convention is in Bendigo on **Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th May 2015** Registration forms etc... can be obtained from the VAPS website - <u>www.vaps.org.au</u> Registration closing date is 25th April.

Cost for the full convention is \$140 or register for a single day for less. For accommodation contact the Bendigo Visitor Centre.

Skipton Photo Comp: Closing date is Friday May 8th. Show is on May 17th. Worth a look. Enquiries, Dorothy Dunn. Ph. 53507580 or 0401079060 email <u>dorothydunn@optusnet.com.au</u>

Uploading images EDI Competition: When uploading your image for the Club EDI Competition, please ensure that you have the correct dimensions and take particular note of the naming of the image. You must rename the image with your club code and title e.g 055_The brown cow.jpg. More detailed information is on the website at: <u>http://ballaratymcacameragroup.com.au/competition-information/image-dimensions/</u>

Club Polo Shirts: would members be interested in getting a Polo Shirt with the club emblem on it? Expressions of interest will be gathered at the next meeting.

Movie Night: A tentative date for a Movie Night at the Creswick Courthouse Theatre will be the 3rd Friday in July (17th) more details from Steve Demye at our next meeting.

Suggestion: a photographic excursion to Lal Lal Falls on Sunday May 17th. Expressions of interest will be gathered at the next meeting.

Delacombe Community Centre: Photos Required by 14th July 2015

Any subject - The photos need to be mounted like we do for competitions on a mount that has the dimensions 300 mm X 400 mm in order to fit in the frames.

You will not be able to use the firm cell foam backing on as it will be too thick to fit within the depth of the frame. The actual photo can be any size that will fit in the above mount.

Photo mounts in black only to suit a picture sixe 8 X 10 are available from the club FREE OF CHARGE for the above use only.

COMPETITION RESULTS:

For your photographs entered in March and presented this month. Judge for this competition was Vida Pearson, local artist.

Small prints:

First Second Third Aspect of Mining, past or presentJudy JohnsonMullockNoel VerlindenThe DayJudy JohnsonTumbler

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Projected images: Second

Third

Open Steve Demeye Noel Verlinden

Poppies on Fire Glacier Origin





Large prints: First Second Third **Open** Pam Dellaca Judy Johnson I'll fix It

Life Buoy Couriers by Canal Helen Kennedy







Tuesday, May 12th: Group meeting at Kohinoor - 8pm start

Entries to be handed in at May meeting -** Small Prints: WATERWAYS

A picture featuring any river, creek, gutter or drain in any location where fresh water normally flows (no waterfalls).

** Projected Images: OPEN Any subject treated pictorially ie good design, arrangement & composition.

**** Large Prints:** OPEN Any subject treated pictorially ie good design, arrangement & composition.

Tuesday, May 19th: 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.

Education - The committee would like to provide a tutorial component to the general meeting night. Example of suggestions to date are creating a photo book, having another Lightroom lecture. *Please email your suggestions to the secretary or put in writing and bring to the meeting.* We need your help!!!

Reminder:

Fees for 2015: 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 Dianne a.s.a.p.

OTHER BITS & PIECES:

Photo Tip: Find leading lines. Landscapes are full of linear elements— roadways, train tracks, fencerows, ridgelines, tree branches. Use these lines to lead the eye into your picture. Leading lines are most effective as diagonals.

Website of the month: www.vaps.org.au/newsbrief

Take a look at the latest Newsbrief newsletter. You do not have to subscribe.

<u>Advertising</u>: Photo equipment for sale adverts are always welcome for inclusion in the newsletter, as is information on upcoming photographic competitions etc..... Email info to tljones80@bigpond.com or bring along to our club meetings.

Photo Mounts:

The YMCA Camera Group has a quantity of inexpensive photo mounts for sale. Black and cut to suit 7×5 and 10×8 inch prints. Ask about these at a group meeting.

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

Trina Jones

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

- Camera House (Thornton Richards)
- N L Harvey & Sons
- The Ballarat Courier
- Harvey Norman
- Cartridge World
- Ballarat 4 x 4

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