



CAMERA NEWS
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Meetings: 8.00pm 2nd Tuesday each month at clubrooms

Monthly Newsletter

October - November 2008

LAST MEETING COMPETITION RESULTS:

Guest Judge was John Mullen who was the Chief Newsreader for BTV6, and the results are as follows:

Small prints – Open	1. A Golden Moment	Ken Smith
	2. Wandering in the Sticks	Trevor Parry
	3. Evening at the Graveside	Mark Bevelander
Slides – Impact	1. Split Personality	George Townsend
	2. Coming Through	Carole Townsend
	3. Rainbow over the Falls	John Earnshaw
Large Prints – Open	1. Along the Avon	Pam Dellaca
	2. The Gondola Way	Pam Dellaca
	3. Come Closer	Helen Kennedy

John gave a very interesting insight into 'changing technology' in mainstream media. He explained how the new miniaturised portable equipment and current software allowed stills and video reports to be sent from the field directly into media offices for publication.

DIGITAL GROUP:

The next digital group meeting will be held on **Monday 3 November** at the **Midlands Golf Club at 7.30 pm**. This month's meeting will look at Adobe Lightroom, a relatively new program being used more and more by the professional industry to correct photographs for exposure, white balance, individual colour casts, fill light, vibrancy, and other features not covered by Photoshop.

Ken Smith would like to hear from members as to what they would like to learn, hear or see related to digital photography, so if there is something you have been grappling with or burning issues you are interested in ...now's the chance to find the answers!

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS:

Skipton Rose Festival 2008 (incorporating Bearded Irises) – 8 & 9 November

The Festival will be held at the Skipton Mechanics Hall, Anderson Street, Skipton on Saturday 8 November 1.30pm to 5.00pm and Sunday 9 November 10.00am to 4.30pm. A Photography Competition will be held as part of the festival for photos of 'One or More Roses' and 'One or More Irises'. Entries need to be mounted on card and delivered to the Hall by Friday 7 November between 7.00 – 8.30pm. For more information contact the Rose Festival Secretary on 5340 2043.

The following competitions are still open for entry:

'Shear Faces' Portrait Competition – closing date 30 October

See Gillian Bradford for more information/entry form

The Forty-First Ballarat National Photographic Exhibition – closing date 22 January 2009

See Gillian for more details and entry forms.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITIONS:

Horsham Regional Art Gallery Exhibitions:

The following exhibitions are being held in the Horsham Regional Art Gallery

ManMade – 23 October–13 January

This exhibition surveys photography of the built environment.

Photographic and digital technologies are used to construct images to show this environment.

The Con Kroker Memorial Lecture – 26 October at 2pm

This lecture is being given by Wendy Garden, Art Curator of Banyule City Council on the topic: 'Raiding the Archives: how contemporary artists use historic photographs'

Contact Details:

Horsham Regional Art Gallery

80 Wilson Street Horsham

Tel: (03) 5362 2888

www.horshamartgallery.com.au

hraq@hrcc.vic.gov.au

The Passing of Light by Emmanuel Santos

The Passing of Light exhibition, comprising 38 black and white contemporary pictures, is being held at the Obscura Gallery, 285 Carlisle Street, St Kilda.

For more information: <http://obscuragallery.com.au/>

South Gippsland Photographic Exhibition – 30 October - 2 November

The Foster Photography Club will be holding its annual exhibition of members' work in the Stockyard Gallery, Main Street, Foster from 10am – 4pm daily.

Diaporama Gala Tour – 22 November at 8pm

The GAPHE (Grouping of the Photographers of Hayange and Environs) in France have prepared a special showing of international award-winning AVs to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the diaporama (the short creative audio-visual sequence). The Australian showing of this special 90 minute presentation will be at the Melbourne Camera Club rooms, cnr. Docas and Ferrars Streets, South Melbourne. Entrance by gold coin donation. For further information, contact:

Barb Butler barbyb@tpg.com.au or Jim Weatherill jimweatherill@hotmail.com

COMING EVENTS:

Lake Mungo Workshop – 23-26 October 2008 (Thurs evening – Sunday)

A 3 day digital landscape photography workshop with Lloyd Godman and Silvi Glattauer, incorporating moonlight photography, light painting, in-depth critiques and Photoshop sessions.

Cost: \$400 (camping & transport not included)

More information: www.baldesinpress.com

“CRAFT in a Digital Age” – 26 October 2008

The Rosanna Photographic Club is holding this workshop covering topics such as:

Exposure Compensation

Display Histogram

ISO Sensitivity

Display Various Focus Modes

Setting Various Colour Temperature Modes (White Balance)

Commences 9.30am – 4pm. Cost \$30 includes morning/afternoon tea and lunch.

Venue: 125 Bulleen Road, Bulleen. Bookings via email to secretary@rosannaphotoclub.com

Vietnam Photographic Tour – February 2009

Costs have been finalised for the VAPS 3-week trip to Vietnam and Ankor Wat in Cambodia commencing 8 February, 2009. Costs will be \$3905 per person twin share, which includes airfares, with insurance and visas extra. The tour will be limited to 12 people, so if you are interested you will need to be quick with your \$400 deposit to secure your booking.

For further information:

Fred Everett: (03) 5625 2155 feverett@desi.net.au

Lyn Sloane: (03) 9761 2107 lynandrob@optusnet.com.au

Reminders:

SAFARIWISE – Tasmania Workshop – 31 October to 3 November 2008

An Image Evaluation Seminar, Bairnsdale – 8 & 9 November 2008

For more information on the above events, see last month's Newsletter.

Practical Digital Workshop Sunday 2 November 10 am – 5 pm

For those attending this workshop the proposed program will cover:

- Revision of camera functions
- Landscapes and Buildings
- Macro/ Close Up – Action
- Outdoor Portrait with Flash
- Indoor Portrait with Studio Flash
- Manipulating Photos in the Computer

Remember to bring your digital camera (with instructions and accessories), fully charged batteries, memory cards (all images deleted), note pad and pen and laptop if available.

Club Family Night – 9 December

Time to remind your family members to start gathering their photos for the special Family Members Photo Competition held at our December meeting.

Christmas Break-up / Get-together 14 December 12 noon

Take time out of your hectic Christmas schedule to join Club Members for a relaxing barbeque at Lake Wendouree (opposite the floral clock). BYO everything.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER:

There is still time to add to the Christmas Hamper, so please bring your goodies to the November meeting. Raffle books are available from Ross.

2009 CLUB SYLLABUS

The Committee wishes to thank John Allen for the presentation and compilation of next year's syllabus in such a prompt manner - we now have plenty of time to work on that 'special shot'. If you have not collected your copy, please see John Allen at the next meeting.

2009 FEES

The fees for 2009 Club membership will remain the same i.e. \$35 for singles, \$65 for couples, full time student / child \$20.

2009 NOMINATIONS

Time to start thinking about nominating for a role as an office bearer or a position on the executive committee of the Club – this is your chance to see 'what goes on behind the scenes'.

CLUB SAFARI TO PORT FAIRY

The annual Safari was well attended with 23 members/partners gathering for the weekend at the Southcombe Park communal camping complex at Port Fairy. Up market fish and chips went down a treat on the Friday night along with a medicinal drink to ward off any possible ills. Saturday's BBQ was held in warm sunshine with a slight breeze to help digestion.



Trevor Parry, tour guide extraordinaire, did the magician's trick and produced new destinations to visit within the area. A visit to Tower Hill (after lunch Saturday) enabled some members to photograph a male emu with his brood, while others watched a fox slink away from the activity through the grass. Next stop was the picturesque town of Koroit which very few of us had ever visited before. Heading back to the camp we stopped off at Killarney. This is a secluded beach at the end of a short road trip from the highway. It faces the Southern Ocean but its beach is protected by reef rocks that leave the water lapping gently onto the shore.

Sunday morning entailed a drive to 'Pea Soup', a local beach west of Port Fairy followed by a short walk along the sand to a restaurant overlooking the ocean. Filled with coffee and cake, the group chose to forge a new path cross-country through almost impassable inland terrain back to the safety of the cars. This daring return trip was a **true Safari**. (See photo right)



Safari Photos

All those who attended the event are eligible to enter the prestigious Safari Competition being held at the next meeting. So bring along that winning shot to show others what a great time was had by all and whet their appetites for next year's excursion to Apollo Bay. Maximum of two prints per entry – mounted as per normal.

NOVEMBER COMPETITION TOPIC ENTRIES:

The following prints and slides are to be submitted at the November meeting.

Small prints:	Open
Slides:	On my patch
Large Prints	Open

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on 11 November at the Kohinoor Community Centre at 8pm.

Guest Judge will be Ernie Christopher from the Macarthur Frameworks & Gallery, Sturt St Ballarat

Note: please bring your memory stick, card or CD containing your digital photo files taken at the Club excursion to St Patrick's Cathedral as Ken Smith is going to compile a CD of these photos.