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NEWSLETTER

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Portrait Photo Workshop
Sony DSLR-A900 Minolta 100mm f/2 @ 1/125 f/9 ISO 200 Image by S. Moten

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Presidents Report

Well July is well upon us already and really cold weather is not very good for photography.

The Annuals are getting closer, they are at the Midland Golf Club and I hope to see a good crowd attending, I am sure that we will all have a good night, Thanks to Kate for her organization.

Nominations for Committee are still wanted. The form will be available Wednesday 8th July at the next meeting. We also need suggestions how to make Camera Club night more interesting for members.

The next Committee meeting will be at 19 Bowden St, on 29th July.

Peter.

Ballarat Camera Club June 2015 Competition

Set Topic - Mining Judge - Rob McKay

Large Prints - Open		Score	Honour/Merit
Imagine	Judy Johnson	14	Honour
Affection	Jill Wharton	13	Honour
The Drought 1	Betty Bibby	12	Merit
The Gorge	Judy Johnson	13	Honour
The Buskers	Betty Bibby	14	Honour
Impalas Grazing in the Serengeti	Jill Wharton	13	Honour
EDPI - Open			
Crowned Cranes	Jill Wharton	10	
Pomegranate	Carol Hall	12	Merit
Ye Olde Worlde	Lyn Fowler	15	Honour
Apollo Bay Vista	Betty Bibby	12	Merit
At Rest	Chris Crossley	13	Honour
Grass Tree	Judy Johnson	12	Merit

Paddler	Hugh Lees	10	
Wool	Lyn Fowler	11	Merit
Uni Wetlands	Murray McEachern	10	
Blue Wren	Trevor Bibby	13	Honour
Boy Meets Girl	Brian Hillman	11	Merit
Calm day	Lorraine Lees	13	Honour
Captain and crew	Hugh Lees	10	
Colours of Autumn	Judy McEachern	12	Merit
Contemplation	Betty Bibby	13	Honour
Cooled Mints	Brian Hillman	12	Merit
Country Shed	Jill Wharton	11	Merit
Crake	Henk Rem	12	Merit
Dad	Chris Crossley	14	Honour
Deceivingly Gentle Hippos	Jill Wharton	11	Merit
Ms Gillard	Lorraine Lees	12	Merit
Egret	Henk Rem	11	Merit
Enjoy these Gentians	Carol Hall	13	Honour
Fairy Floss	Brian Hillman	11	Merit
Fungi 1	Trevor Bibby	13	Honour
Poppy Capsules	Carol Hall	11	Merit
Push and shove 2	Lorraine Lees	12	Merit
Hard Night	Chris Crossley	14	Honour
Hill of Shells	Judy Johnson	13	Honour
Hunter's Eye	Brian Hillman	14	Honour
I'm Bored	Lyn Fowler	12	Merit
Iris Bud	Judy McEachern	12	Merit
Fungi 2	Trevor Bibby	13	Honour
Morgane	Chris Crossley	13	Honour
Lego Begonia	Jill Wharton	12	Merit
Lilydale Falls	Judy McEachern	11	Merit
Maya Resting	Betty Bibby	13	Honour
Mokoan Sunrise	Judy McEachern	14	Honour
My Best Camouflage	Carol Hall	15	Honour
Nankeen Kestrel	Brian Hillman	14	Honour
Nature's Tranquility	Remy Hassanin	12	Merit
Not Much Money Left	Lyn Fowler	11	Merit
Pelicans at Lake Burrumbeet	Trevor Bibby	11	Merit
Pixie	Chris Crossley	14	Honour
Poppy Seed Pods	Lyn Fowler	12	Merit
Pure Gold	Carol Hall	14	Honour
Queen of Hearts	Betty Bibby	13	Honour
Red car	Hugh Lees	12	Merit
Red Spring	Murray McEachern	10	

Reneé	Lorraine Lees	14	Honour
Skull Rock	Judy Johnson	11	Merit
Storm Coming	Murray McEachern	10	
Strawberry Ice Queen	Brian Hillman	10	
Stripy Fly	Trevor Bibby	13	Honour
Thornbill	Henk Rem	13	Honour
Tunnel Vision	Remy Hassanin	11	Merit
Turkey Oak	Carol Hall	13	Honour
Sun, Sand & Steam	Murray McEachern	10	
Waiting	Chris Crossley	13	Honour
Watching	Lorraine Lees	14	Honour
White Magnolia	Trevor Bibby	11	Merit
Yes, I'm Aussie	Remy Hassanin	10	
Young Cousins	Lyn Fowler	13	Honour
EDPI - Set Topic			
Buried but Cashed Up	Remy Hassanin	9	
Mine cart	Lorraine Lees	13	Honour
Power of Light	Remy Hassanin	9	
Old Gold Diggings	Judy Johnson	12	Merit
Vision of Past Miners	Remy Hassanin	9	

Workshops/Outings

Portrait workshop

Twelve people attended the photo workshop, just fitting into the studio space above N L Harvey and Son's store in Sturt Street. Thanks to Lorraine and Lloyd for allowing us to use the venue. Thanks also to our models Kathryn and Marcus and for Kate who organised them.

Luckily I brought along my radio remotes for the studio flashes as we would have had difficulty otherwise, unfortunately I only had one conventional hotshoe trigger (apart from the Sony/Minolta type) so we had to constantly change from one person to another. Next time I will bring two along and make sure the batteries are working, one trigger was flat.

It was time for me personally to try out a new camera, not the conventional DSLR on the cover but the Sony ILC-7s or A7s. I thought I would try it out without flash, just using ambient light only. You can see the effect of mixed lighting; some skin tones areas are warm where others are blue. I used an old Minolta MD 85mm f/1.7 with a MD to E-mount adapter. The lens is an old 1977 manual focus lens so I was using the focus "peaking" feature of the A7s. The first one of Kathryn was 1/60 of a second @ f/1.7 ISO 2000, noise is OK perhaps a bit mushy but I can only work with Jpegs at the moment, I'll have to wait till I get my new raw converter. 1/60 was perhaps a little slow for an 85mm lens (some noticeable movement blur) I'll try 1/90 or 1/125 next time and f/1.7 is a bit shallow in focus, the hands are reasonably in focus, the eyes not so. The second one of Marcus looks sharper even though it is still 1/60 of a second but this time at f/4 and especially so because it was ISO 8000.



Workshops are a good place to try out new techniques, one of the comments I heard from one of those attending was, “Well that was something new I learned today”. It doesn’t matter how experienced you are you can always learn something new.

There will be no workshop or outing in July because of the Annual Awards.

Words & Images by Stephen Moten

Annual Membership Fees

Just a Reminder - are now due

- \$50 (Students \$25)

Nominations for the Committee

Those wishing to contribute a bit of time and effort as an office bearer for this club there will be nomination forms available before the AGM - 12th August.

BALLARAT CAMERA CLUB

2015 Annual Competition and Awards Night

Saturday, 25th July, 2015

Images: 2014 Major winners

Right:

"Damselfly with Dew" – Carol Hall

EDPI of the Year

Below:

"Blue Dawn" – Judy Johnson

Print of the Year



Pre-Dinner Drinks from 6:30

Meals: pre-order or order by 6:45 on the night

Meals served at 7:00

Presentation at 7:30

Midlands Golf Club

Heinz Lane, Invermay Park. 3350

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Friday 17th July

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Calender of Upcoming Events

Competition Night - Prints & EDPI - 7:30 pm Wednesday 8th July - at the Clubrooms - Set Topic -“Bench”

Also entries for “*Book Titles*”

Definition: - You must use the title of a book as inspiration for your image. The book can be anything from 'War and Peace' to 'Yates Gardening Guide'. Title of your image must be the title of the book. How the title is interpreted is up to the maker but it must be obvious/self-explanatory to the viewer.

As well as **Creative** and **Open**

BCC Annual Competition & Awards Night - Saturday 25th July - from 6:30 pm

Committee Meeting - 7:30 pm - Wednesday 29th July - at Peter's - 19 Bowden St. Wendouree.

Digital Night - Monday 3rd August - from 7:30 pm - To be confirmed.

We need your input -

- Contributions for the Flare
- Your suggestions for Outings & Workshops

All details to Stephen Moten

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