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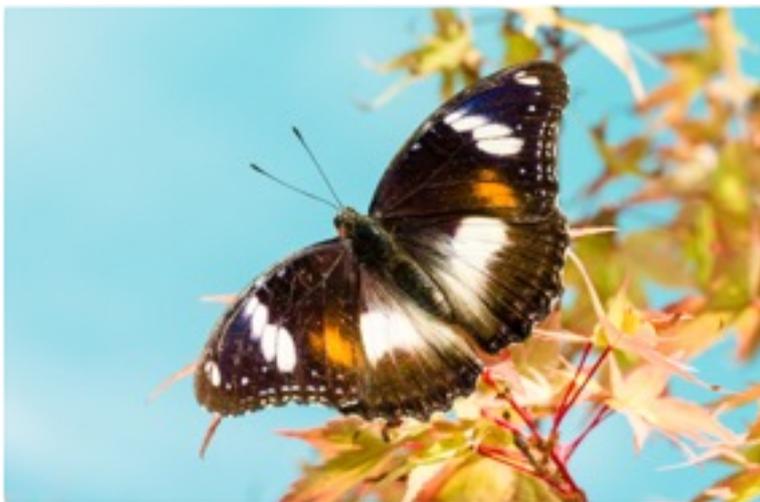
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May 2016

## March Club Outing to Skydancers

On a pleasant Sunday morning in March five members plus Ken travelled to Skydancers nursery, coffee shop, and butterfly enclosure between Castlemaine and Harcourt. Carol and I arrived first followed by Hugh and Lorraine and Ken and Jill.

There weren't many different species of butterflies available to photograph but what were there were very cooperative and we had the opportunity to take some good shots.



We were told that there was going to be hatchings of some different varieties at Easter which was the following weekend. We spent a good couple of hours testing our photographic skills before adjourning to their coffee shop for refreshments.

Following this we all decided to go our separate ways with Hugh and Lorraine going into Castlemaine to an art exhibition, Carol and I going to the Botanical gardens for a picnic lunch and Ken and Jill went for a tour of the district before going back to Skydancers for lunch.

I found this to be a pleasant place to visit and if you are going past anytime it is well worth a look. It is also free of charge to visit the butterflies.

**Trevor Bibby** (workshop and outings coordinator)

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Welcome members, May is almost upon us, and our camp at Lake Fyans is coming up soon, on 6th, 7th and 8th of May. Lets hope for some great weather to enable us to get some lovely photos.

The Ballarat National Competition will be the next big event for the Club and we will need lots of help to organise, judge and prepare this to hang in the Art Gallery of Ballarat over the Christmas period.

Nominations for the new Committee will be needed soon, so give some thought as to how you can give back to the Club. AGM is in August.

Oops I almost forgot to mention about the Annuals Award night, to be held at Midlands Gold Club, Saturday 30th July. Kate Both has all details.

**Peter Cocks** (President)

## **APRIL WORKSHOP April 20th and 23rd**

### **Portrait photography with Rebecca Nicolandos.**

Rebecca is an experienced portrait photographer specialising in the area of Weddings, Babies and Family photography. Wednesday night saw 17 members attend a theory

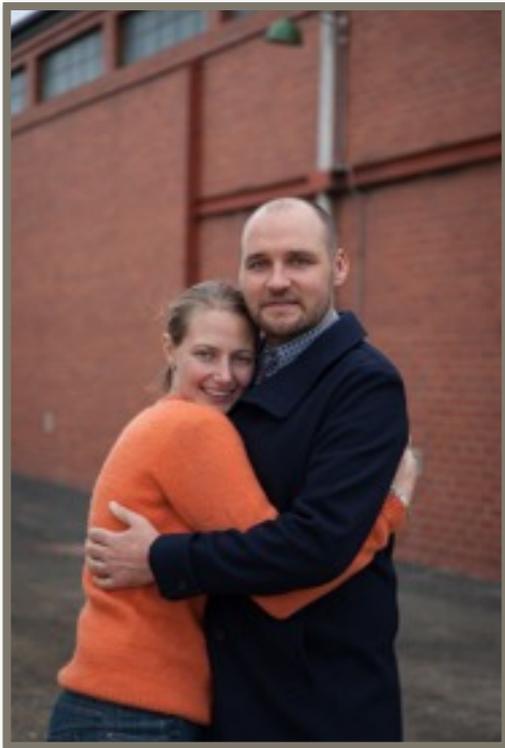
session at the clubrooms where Rebecca showed us in great detail the steps she takes in the making of a good portrait. We were each told to take a photo of another member at the start of the session and then listened to Rebecca explain how to pose your subject and move them into positions to make your image as flattering as possible. We also had demonstrations with members acting as models to reinforce what we had been shown.

We were also shown the camera and lenses she uses and camera settings to achieve the results you are striving for. At the end of the session we took another photo of the same member and hopefully we all achieved a much better result.

Saturday afternoon saw us meeting at Elizabeth St for the



practical stage of the workshop which again saw 17 members attending. We also had seven models who generously gave up their time so we could implement the skills we learnt on Wednesday night. Rebecca gave us an introductory talk and then we split up into three groups and the groups rotated around the models with a mentor in each group helping with posing and making the models feel comfortable.



We moved from there to the corner of Winter and Sutton St where there are some tall trees where we practiced taking action shots of our models walking, running, jumping and climbing. The afternoon was rounded off with some of us meeting at the Yacht Club for a cuppa and a chat.

I personally feel this workshop was a great success as was shown by the enthusiasm of the large number of members who attended. I would like to thank Rebecca for willingly sharing her knowledge and the professional manner in which she presented both sessions. I would also like to thank Kate for providing us with five very cooperative and happy models. We had a great spread of models to work with and a



big thank you goes to them for giving up their time so willingly.

Please remember to submit your best images to Rebecca as soon as possible so we can reward the models for their generosity. Her email address is [becnicolandos@gmail.com](mailto:becnicolandos@gmail.com)

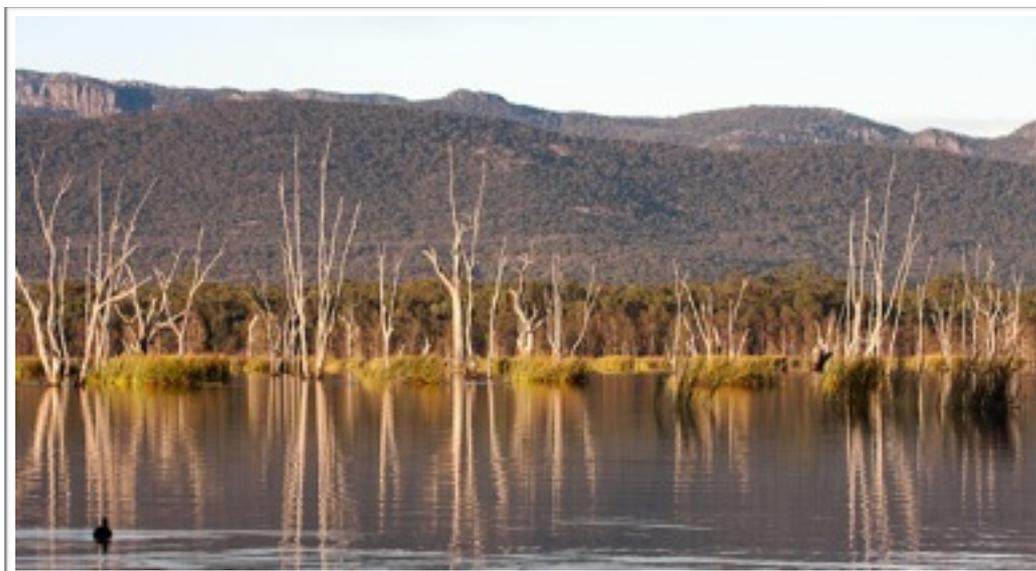


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## PROPOSED WORKSHOPS AND OUTINGS FOR 2016

### May Workshop and Outing 6th and 7th May

Make your own accommodation arrangements at Lake Fyans Caravan Park. Weather permitting an evening shoot Saturday night on 'How to shoot star trails'. You will need your tripod, widest lens, cable release, fully charged battery, torch, warm clothes. Remember your instruction manual. Day time activities can include a visit to Heatherlie Quarry, Halls Gap Zoo. There are plenty of photographic opportunities at both places.



**June. Date to be confirmed**

Carol Hall has kindly agreed to take us on an outing photographing fungi somewhere in the local area. This outing is dependant on there being enough rain in the area so the fungi can thrive. Carol is a very experienced and knowledgable nature photographer who is willing to share her expertise. You will need to bring warm clothes, waterproof pants if you have them, camera, cable release, macro or close up lens, tripod, flash and a reflector is also handy. Information about date time and location will be available closer to the time.

**July. Date to be confirmed**

We have a great opportunity to take part in a half day workshop/photoshoot with Andrew Thomas. Andrew is a very talented local Landscape photographer who will guide us to places we normally never get to see. He will explain and instruct us on the making of a great landscape image. Further details will be available closer to the time. Please note there will be a fee of \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for non members to attend this workshop. If you would like to see some of Andrew's work the following link will take you to his website. <http://www.andrewthomasphotographer.com>



## August. Wednesday the 24th at the clubrooms at 7.30pm.

This sees us moving to the clubrooms for a workshop by Peter Kerverec who is a very experienced professional photographer. He will lead us through the process of preparing an image for competition. He has requested that all who attend please bring along an image that you like but hasn't done well in competition and he will work with you through various ways of lifting it to the next level. As we have to pay for hall hire for this evening there will be a charge of \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non members.

## September October and November.

I am open for suggestions for these months. I thought maybe an orchid shoot at Mount Beckworth for late September if conditions are suitable. It has been suggested to me that an outing to the mansion at Werribee gardens on Melbourne cup day would be good as there are very few people there and gardens are in great condition.

Could you please let me know your thoughts and suggestions.

**Trevor Bibby** (Workshop and outings co ordinator)



## 2016 Annual

### Presentation Night

The year is getting away from us again and the Annual Awards night is fast approaching. The **Midlands Golf Club** will once again be the venue on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July**.

Entry information has been sent out to members – if you have not received information, then please let me know. I have already received one 'Early Bird' entry!

Please get your entries to me **on or by the 20<sup>th</sup> May**, so that I have time to collate and get them to our specialist Judge.

**Kate Both**

## BALLARAT CAMERA CLUB

2016 Annual Competition and Awards Night  
*Saturday, 30th July, 2016*

Images: 2015 Major winners  
Right:  
"Morgane" – Chris Crossley  
EDPI of the Year  
Below:  
"Photographer's Paradise" – Kate  
Both  
Print of the Year





**Come and celebrate a year of amazing Camera Club photography!**  
**Dinner will be held prior to Presentation at 7:30pm**

Midlands Golf Club  
RSVP: Kate Both  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July  
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Ph. 4343 2040

## CONGRATULATIONS

Jill Wharton has done very well in a 2016 International Salon Photo Competition and we congratulate her on this success. She writes -

*“ I received notification in February that in the Bristol International Salon, 2016, Photo Travel Section, I received 15 out of 15 for ‘Masai Warrior’ plus an Honorable Mention.*

*In the Nature Section I received 13 out of 15 for ‘After the Rain’, which is an Acceptance.*

*Both photos were taken in Africa; the warrior in the Tarangire National Park and the young lions*

*in the Ngorongoro Crater, in the February of 2015. The boy has undergone a rite of passage or coming of age ritual involving circumcision, after which he must remain in black clothes for 4-8 months. Then he is considered to be a warrior and is seen as protector of the village. It used to be the case that before each boy could undergo the ceremony he had to kill a lion but that is no longer allowed as East Africa has banned lion hunting.*

*The young lions were caught in a sudden heavy shower of rain and there is virtually no shelter in the crater so they looked very miserable and huddled down together. As it eased they started to sit up and look around for some action!”*

*Jill Wharton*



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 2 **Informal Information Night** 7.30pm at **Jamie's Walhouse** house at 402 Greenhalghs Rd, Delacombe Vic 3356 PH: 0438 362 390  
If you require directions please call Jamie after hours.  
**Items up for discussion:** Editing the photos from the weekends portrait shoot.  
So please bring along a couple of images to be edited and Jamie will show you some simple editing techniques. Or bring along some of your images with exposure errors. Betty has some to share!  
'Off camera flash' What sort is right for you?
- May 6 & 7 Camp to Lake Fyans
- May 11 **Competition Night**  
Prints & EDPI - 7.30pm at 616 Barkly Street, Golden Point.  
SET TOPIC - 'Reflections' (This is the topic set out for the inter-club competition with YMCA Camera Club later in the year.)
- May 25 **Committee Meeting** 7.30pm (venue to be announced)
- June 6 Informal Information Night
- June 8 **Competition Night**  
Prints & EDPI - 7.30pm at 616 Barkly Street, Golden Point  
SET TOPIC - 'Flora or Fauna'
- June 29 **Committee Meeting** 7.30pm
- July 4 **Informal Information Night**
- July 13 **Competition Night** 7.30pm at 616 Barkly Street, Golden Point  
SET TOPIC - Creative/Set 'Architecture'
- July 27 **Committee Meeting** 7.30pm
- July 30 **Annual Dinner & Presentation Night**

## MONTHLY PHOTO COMPETITION RESULTS

Topic: 'The Old and the New' Judge: Kenny Kneeshaw

Open	E.D.P.Images	Maker	Score	Award
	Coming In For A Drink	Betty Bibby	9	
	Forbidden Shelf	Brian Hillman	10	
	Kvaloya, Norway	Carol Hall	15	Honour
	1848	Judy Johnson	14	Honour
	Glowing	Judy McEachern	12	Merit
	Cave Hill Creek	Kate Both	10	
	Backwater	Murray McEachern	11	Merit
	Devon	Rebecca Nicolandos	12	Merit
	Bangkok Nights	Steve Demeye	10	
	Box and Bag	Trevor Bibby	12	Merit
	Eastern Rosella	Betty Bibby	9	
	Pencils & Cutlery	Brian Hillman	12	Merit
	Reine, Lofoten Islands	Carol Hall	15	Honour
	Legs 11	Judy Johnson	10	
	Mountain Peak	Judy McEachern	9	

	Conductor Hugh M	Kate Both	15	<i>Honour</i>
	Evening At The Lake	Murray McEachern	8	
	Meet Mittens	Rebecca Nicolandos	15	<i>Honour</i>
	Between The Bridges	Steve Demeye	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Brown Beetle	Trevor Bibby	14	<i>Honour</i>
	Lemon Bellied Flycatcher	Betty Bibby	14	<i>Honour</i>
	Young Reindeer	Carol Hall	13	<i>Honour</i>
	Twilight At Lookout	Judy Johnson	8	
	A Hunting We Will Go	Jill Wharton	10	
	Aphids	Hugh Lees	8	
	A Gift	Lorraine Lees	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Trapped In The Ice	Judy McEachern	10	
	Light Cloud	Kate Both	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Hang On	Lorraine Lees	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Faded View	Murray McEachern	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Tempting Arancini	Rebecca Nicolandos	13	<i>Honour</i>
	Birches Creek	Steve Demeye	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Butterfly 57	Hugh Lees	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Serengeti Sunset	Jill Wharton	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Happy Spiders	Trevor Bibby	13	<i>Honour</i>
	Modern Droving	Betty Bibby	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Lady eating	Hugh Lees	5	
	Skydancer	Jill Wharton	11	<i>Merit</i>
	Magnolia Stellata	Kate Both	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Runaway	Lorraine Lees	11	
	Flywheel	Murray McEachern	10	
	The Rhododendron Gardens	Rebecca Nicolandos	8	
	Early Morning On The River	Steve Demeye	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Python and Lunch	Betty Bibby	13	<i>Honour</i>
	Tawny Eagle	Jill Wharton	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Ross River	Murray McEachern	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Thirsty	Betty Bibby	12	<i>Merit</i>
	The Bolt	Murray McEachern	14	<i>Honour</i>
<b>SET</b>	<b>Section Slide - Set Topic</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>onour/Mer</b>
	Autumn Repose	Brian Hillman	8	
	Inviting Bench	Hugh Lees	10	
	The Quilt	Judy Johnson	8	
	Butterfly	Judy McEachern	12	<i>Merit</i>
	Barcelona Bench	Kate Both	10	
	Courtyard Resting Spot	Judy McEachern	11	<i>Merit</i>

	40 Winks	Lorraine Lees	14	Honour
	How Long!	Judy McEachern	14	Honour
Open Prints			Score	Honour/Merit
	Cute Pup	Judy Johnson	13	Honour
	Eye Of The Stone	Judy Johnson	12	Merit

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