



MAY 2009

WACC Trip to Wilson's Promontory 15 – 18 May

The trip is nigh! We are off tomorrow on a magical mystery tour of Wilson's Promontory, which includes the southernmost part of the Australian Mainland. Look forward to some wonderful landscapes and more in club competitions in the near future . . . IF THE RAIN HOLDS OFF. Fingers and toes are crossed.

A couple of vacancies have occurred due to work commitments, so if you can make it to 34 Kelly Street tomorrow at 7am with \$220 cash in hand you are in. (or even a small deposit).

NEGV Meeting and Workshop – Albury Wodonga 11 July 2009

WACC will host the July meeting of the NEGV and we have obtained Jenny Horsnell as our judge and workshop presenter. We are yet to finalise a venue for the workshop and meeting but these details will be available in the June Newsletter. Jenny is a well-respected photographer who specializes in macro photography and digital manipulations so it will be worth your while attending this event.

Back to Basics Workshops

About a dozen members attended the Back to Basics Workshops at the Girl Guide Hall Wodonga last month. Four different areas of photography were covered: *Photoshop* with Jan Paatsch; *Elements of Image Composition* with Brian Paatsch; *Lightroom* with David Willis; and *Matting Photographs* with Anthony Clarkson. Thank you to the presenters for their time and expertise. Each session was for about 30 minutes and ran concurrently. After each 30 minutes, participants moved on to the next workshop area of their choice. This may be something to consider on an annual basis with different subjects being covered each year.

New Members

Welcome to two new members Jenny Wallace & Janet Turnbull who were accepted as members at the March committee meeting. We hope that your time at the club will prove fruitful.

Exhibition of Photography by Ian Sloane – Mulwala

This exhibition is at the Pioneer Museum Mulwala until October 2009. Entry is \$4. A day trip for photography and a visit to the exhibition may be a possibility. More on that later.

NEGV Entries Due June General Meeting

NEGV entries are due at the next GM. Remember that we are hosting the next NEGV meeting so you can go along and hear what the judge has to say about your work, so make sure you get your entries in.

Dates To Remember

THURS. 14th MAY 2009

General Meeting, 7.30pm Panthers Sports Club.

Entries due for the July *'Portrait'* comp.

PRESENTERS: To be advised

FRIDAY 15th – MONDAY 18th MAY

Wilson's Promontory Trip

SATURDAY 16th – SUNDAY 17th MAY

VAPS Muster Macedon

THURS. 28th MAY 2009

Committee Meeting, 7pm at the Nawrocki/Grant residence

THURS 11th JUNE 2009

General Meeting, 7.30pm Panthers Sports Club

Entries due for the August *'Open'* competition.

PRESENTER & JUDGE: Two judges will be present for this meeting.

CRAFT ALIVE JULY 3rd – 5th

WACC will have a stall at Craft Alive in Wodonga in July. More details on this later

SATURDAY 11th JULY

NEGV Workshop & Meeting
Details of times and venue available in the June Optic Nerve

Attendance Book.

Please sign the attendance book for insurance purposes.

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COMPETITION NEWS

NOTE: EDI Competition Entries

Please remember to place your name, competition number and month which entries are for on your entry. i.e. externally on CD or USB drive etc.

Monthly Club Competition Entries

Limit 2 Images per Section. Colour and Mono Prints plus EDI.

Posting Entries for Club Competitions.

If you are posting entries for club or interclub competitions, please inform the Comp. Sec or the Club Sec. on the above numbers so that entries are expected.

Entries For Club Competitions Size Restrictions

Please aware of the size restrictions for club (and other) competitions. 12" x 16" (30 x 40cm), including the matt, is the largest size for our club competition.

Also, watch the thickness of your matted entries. 5mm is the maximum.

Please put a cardboard backing on your matted prints ... this will help to protect them from damage.

Visiting Competition Judges - Accommodation

Accommodation is often required for judges. If you are able to provide a bed for a night to host a judge please have your name added to the host list.

Club Competitions

- * May – *'Kids World'* (view tonight)
- * June – *'Annual Awards'* (due April GM)
Includes *Pelican Award* for the Best Nature Image.
- * July – *'Portrait'* (due May GM)
- * August – *'Open'* (due June GM)
- * Sep. – *'Sports Photography'* (due July GM)

Other Competitions

Save Water Photographic Competition

This closes on 1 June 2009. Go to www.savewater.com.au for details.

FOR SALE

Pat & Audrey Stenson have some darkroom gear to donate to a good home. Please contact your President on 6025 2117 for contact details.

Club Printer/Scanner For Sale by Silent Auction LAST CHANCE TONIGHT

The inkjet printer/scanner, donated to the club by Epson for our APSCON convention, is available for sale by silent auction. The unit is an Epson Stylus CX6900F with individual ink cartridges. Bidding will be closed on the 14th May at the GM.

Hand your bids to Brian Paatsch tonight. At last hearing the bidding was at \$50.

Wanted - Presenters for 2009 / 2010

Do you know somebody that would make a good presenter? If you do, or would like to be a presenter yourself, please contact a committee member and we will book a spot on the calendar.

Darkroom Equipment

If any members require darkroom gear, please contact Brian Paatsch or Paul Temple as we are often approached by photographers with gear for sale or even donation.

OUTINGS and WORKSHOPS

1. **Wilson's Promontory 15-18 May 2009**
2. **Image Evaluation Seminar** – hosted by Benalla Camera Club on July 25th-26th. Presentations will be given by a number of VAPS "experts". More information to follow but keep these dates free.

NEGV NEWS

Meeting Dates for 2009 are as follows: -

1. July 11 – Wodonga Albury (Entries due June GM)
 2. November 21 – Alexandra (Entries due October GM)
- EDI will now be part of the official competition – Open grade only.
Members may submit up to 2 images as per our own digital competition. i.e. 1024px (max w) x 768px (max h) at 72dpi
Slides will continue, but as an Open grade only

CLUB EQUIPMENT FOR LOAN

The Spyder Pro 2 colour calibration unit and the Logan matt cutter are available for members to borrow.

A \$20 deposit is required and this will be returned on the safe return of the equipment. If one of the club's team is required to calibrate your computer with the Spyder, the first calibration will be by donation of \$20 to the club.



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