



The ptic Nerve

## Monthly Newsletter of the Wodonga Albury Camera Club

Reg # A 0013634

Email: [secretary@waccfoto.com](mailto:secretary@waccfoto.com)

PO Box 46 Wodonga, Victoria, Vic 3689

Web: [www.waccfoto.com](http://www.waccfoto.com)

## OCTOBER 2015

### VAPS 2016 Convention Comes to Albury

It has been confirmed that the next VAPS Convention will be held in Albury on the weekend of 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June 2016. The main venue will be the Commercial Club in Albury but other venues are being booked for dinners and other functions. Put a note in your diary to take advantage of this exciting event being held in our locale.

### Chiltern Wildflower Workshop – 27<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2015

It was a very pleasant Sunday morning with around a dozen people turning up early to learn some new camera techniques. The weather was very pleasant but due to a lack of rain there was not the large variety we have observed in previous years. The previous week Craig Loechel (a prospective new member) and I scouted locations in the park looking for banks of good specimens for photography. It was not to be, so we returned to the spot just up from the Honeyeater Picnic Area as I knew that there were lots of Sundew plants, Waxlip Orchids plus Early Nancy's. For this session I wanted people to have an opportunity to try some focus stacking as many of the macro subjects are very small and the best way to get the whole flower/object in focus was to take slices of the image at different DOF (Depths of Field) which can then be later stacked in a software program. This image is of a Sundew Plant I took when I was scouting and is made up of 11 images stacked together to achieve this result.

Unfortunately our flower experts were no longer in town (John & Denise Organ) but their absence was made up for by the enthusiasm of Craig in showing people how to get the best from their cameras in this difficult subject. Craig showed that you did not need to have expensive dedicated macro lens and flash setups as he uses an old reversed 50mm lens with a reversing ring and a set of \$15 extension rings. People were taught how to use the Live View feature to help do manual focusing on their subjects and I hope that we will see many images show up in the competitions for the future from what people have learned for this workshop.

### Diary Dates

#### **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2015**

@ Boomerang Hotel

**7:30pm** General Meeting

Judging - Open

Entries due - Open

#### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2015**

**7:00pm** Committee Meeting @

Bishop residence

#### **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

@ Boomerang Hotel

**7:30pm** AGM and General Meeting

Judging - Backlit

Entries due – Lines

and Curves



I am grateful for the support that Craig gave me as he is very good at macro and was full of enthusiasm for the subject matter. I am looking forward to returning to the forest and hopefully we will have some rain to help freshen the flowers.

David Woolcock

## WACC 2016 Calendar

This year WACC is producing a calendar of some of our best images covering a broad range of subject areas. Details of how you can order and purchase one of the calendars will be available shortly. The price will be \$20 and one of these calendars would make a great gift for Christmas or just to hang up on the wall to inspire us.

Contact Neville Bartlett (Email: [neville@nrbartlett.com.au](mailto:neville@nrbartlett.com.au) or Tel: 041 239 9239) to reserve your copy.

## The 2015 Digital Show

The 2015 Digital Show is on in Melbourne on 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October. As usual this is a good opportunity to find out more about things digital and there are lots of things for photographers.

More details can be obtained at: <http://www.thedigitalshow.com.au/>

### Future Competitions:

#### October

Judging: Open

Due: Open

#### November

Judging: Backlit

Entries Due: Lines & Curves

**Roster - November**

**Patsy & Bill Cleverly**

### Our Sponsors:

*Kerry & Leighton Weymouth*

FOTO SUPPLIES  
**camerahouse**

**BOOMERANG**  
HOTEL

Happy Photography!

*Neville*