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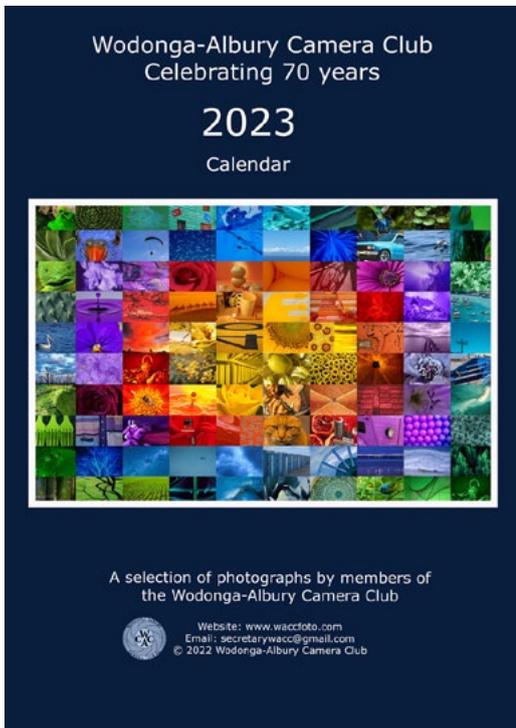


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A Year of Colour

What better way to brighten up your wall throughout the year than purchasing one of these colourful calendars. The WACC 2023 calendar is based on the colour collage with each month concentrating on one of the colours. This year's colour challenge was such a success in both participation and creativity that it deserved to be our focus. I'm sure you'll agree when you get your copy. They would also make a great Christmas gift.

The cost is \$20 per calendar. Orders can be placed with the secretary: secretarywacc@gmail.com The calendars will be available in mid-November.

Fine Weather and Flowers

Article by David Skinner

On Sunday 16th October several members met at the Honeyeater Picnic area in the Chiltern Mt. Pilot National Park. There to meet us was our intrepid President with a picnic table loaded with gadgets & gizmos to aid us with our macro and close ups of the spring wildflowers. The weather was very favourable with good light and little wind.

We did not have to go far to find good specimens, mostly pointed out by one of our experts with a good eye to find elusive orchids, Neville Bartlett who knows the area like the back of his hand. Woolly also lent a hand helping those not familiar with flower photography. Thanks David and Neville, I am sure your assistance was greatly appreciated.

When we gathered back at the picnic ground, many happy faces were excited to share what they had discovered, not only flowers, but some pretty weird looking bright orange slime mould and other fungi. The extremely wet weather has kept the ground cool for many flowers to show their true colours yet, hence, some fungi was also captured.

Some of us adjourned back at the Bird and Bike Café in Chiltern to have a well earned cuppa and chinwag on the morning's activities and on other areas in the district that are also good for wildflowers. Have a word with Neville, he can fill you in. All in all, a fun time was had by everyone and it is well worth doing again.

Diary Dates

Next General Meeting & AGM

Monday 14th November
Venue: Boomerang Hotel
@ 7:30pm

Committee Meeting

Monday 28th November
@7:30pm

December

General Meeting

Monday 12th December
Venue: Boomerang Hotel
@ 7.30pm

'Red Chair' - Photography Outing

Sunday 20th November
Further details to be provided



Wildflower Walk



Thank you to contributing photographers: NB: Neville Bartlett PM: Pam Milliken GP: Garry Pearce DS: David Skinner

Our 70th Anniversary Update

Invitations have been emailed out for the dinner to be held on Saturday 4th February 2023. Please let us know if you have not received one.

A very good number of entries were received for the 'Through the Viewfinder' exhibition to be held at Hyphen in Wodonga. The final selection will be made by Hyphen. Members will then be notified.

For interested members, details will be provided for framing at a reasonable price with a local business.

Christmas Party

We will be having a chat at our next meeting to discuss a suitable option for our Christmas gathering.



Colour Collage - Available As Prints

Our Colour Collage finished up being quite a stunning work of art! We all feel very proud of the final result. You just might like your own copy up on your wall at home. Albury Camera House have the file available to do printing for members. Sizes you can choose from include:

12 x 18 \$9.95 16 x 24 \$29.95 20 x 30 \$39.95



Walbundrie Show

Neville Barlett and David Skinner recently had the role of judging the photography at the Walbundrie Show on 3rd October. They were very pleased with the number and quality of entries particularly by younger entrants. Thank you both for volunteering your time and representing the club in our local community.

Fancy some Darts?



This coming meeting we will be having some fun using a dart board to determine the location of our next photography outing. Details to be explained on the night...

COMPETITION PAGE

email: photocompwacc@gmail.com
web: <https://wacc.visualpursuits-au.com>

What's Coming Up: **Due in November [November 14th] Night Photography**
Due in December [December 12th] Open

Topics for January to May 2023:

Jan/Mar – Home

Feb/Apr – Open

Please note change of due dates

Mar/May – Nature

Apr/Jun – Open

'Home' was swapped with 'Triptych'.

May/Jul – Triptych

Refer Web Site for all set subject definitions

This was moved to give time for a discussion about Triptych techniques that may assist members with their entries.



VAPS CONVENTION & EXHIBITION 2023

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The VAPS Committee is pleased to announce this event will be held

16-18 June 2023

at

Colac Otway Performing Arts and Cultural Centre "COPACC"

WACC Visual Pursuits – Update

After one year of trial we have:

- Nearly all members submitting images for competition are using Visual Pursuits (VP).
- A small number of entries are entered for members by the co-ordinator (Neville).
- Entries are easily exported from VP (via the Image Competition Manager - ICM) in a useful format. VP also exports a random list of entries that become the one that drives the judging sheet presented to the judge and the sequence of images.
Then the images are sent to a judge for review.
- Results (scores) are easily entered into VP along with place getters.
- ICM is then used in meetings to show the entries and results.
No internet connection is required at the meeting provided that ICM is synchronised beforehand.

Strengths of VP

- Almost all members are using VP to enter images.
- It is easy to enter images on member's behalf.
- Results are presented at meetings in a standard format.
- This has had the effect of dramatically reducing the co-ordinators effort required to assemble images ready for judging.
- It would have been very difficult to handle the 300 images submitted to the colour collage exercise without VP.

Disadvantages of VP

- VP cannot be described as a popular piece of software as it takes a while to get accustomed to its ways of doing things. The screens are cluttered with what seems to be irrelevant information.
- It has a cost to the club and VP could be more flexible in some respects.
- We do not know how many members are not entering competitions because of it.

Next Steps

The trial will be continued for another year so that:

- We maintain continuity as changing to an alternative at short notice would be messy.
- Cost can be kept at current levels by using the standard subscription rather than the premium subscription (total \$256 – about AUD \$6 per member).
- The main alternative, MyPhotoClub, needs to be properly assessed so that members can be convinced that it's advantages and higher cost (AUD 10 per member) is good value and that it does not have other disadvantages that we do not know about yet.
[Benalla Camera Club use MyPhotoClub and are happy with it].
- If myPhotoClub looks promising, we could run a six month trial at no cost involving members who have had the most difficulty with VP.
- Should myPhotoClub be selected for long term use by WACC, then a graceful exit from VP could be executed.

Photography Exhibitions & Competitions

The Overwintering Project - Photography Exhibition

Location Creators Art Space Gallery, Lincoln Causeway
 Exhibition 5th November - 20th November, 2022



The opening of The Overwintering Project photography exhibition was held on Saturday 5th November. A good turnout of members were present and contributed with their photographs in the exhibition. Member Paul Temple coordinated the event. This is a really worthwhile project aiming to raise awareness for our migratory shorebirds and their habitat by using art to make them more visible. Migratory shorebirds are our most endangered group of birds. Those contributing would agree, it felt good to use our photography for such a valuable cause.

Left image: Opening of The Overwintering Project Photography Exhibition

WACC Exhibition 'Through the Viewfinder'

Location Hyphen Gallery - Wodonga
 Exhibition dates 4th March - 9th July 2023

Please note:
 Schnelle Exhibition has been postponed until mid 2023.

Online Photo Competitions

<https://www.australianphotography.com/competitions>



Some examples



WACC 2023 Calendar

Place your orders

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November 2023 Autumn Still Life

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

July 2023 Tantangara

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31					1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

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