



# **Newsletter: December 2024**

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#### **December Meeting**

Our December meeting had 39 members attending with 3 guests. The meeting commenced with our AGM and a speech by David Woolcock who has resigned as president. Woolie highlighted the growth and improvement of the club, he also acknowledged all the people who volunteer their time to make it possible. Thank you for all your hard work and guidance Woolie.

All nominees for Committee positions were elected unopposed apart from the presidency. The president's position was decided by a private Ballot between Mark Slater and Judy Hofmeyer which Mark won by a narrow margin.

2024/25 Committee members are:

#### **Office Bearers**

**President Mark Slater** 

Senior Vice-President Judy Hofmeyer

Vice-President David Skinner

Secretary/Public Officer Judy Hofmeyer

**Treasurer Brian Paatsch** 

**General Committee** 

David Willis, Bill Thompson, Helen Bishop,

Yvonne Schnelle, Pam Milliken, Bill Cleverly



David Woolcock congratulating Mark Slater on his appointment as president

**Diary Dates** 

Please note new start time for **Monthly Meetings** 

December

**General Meeting** 

Felltimber Community Centre Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December

6.45pm for 7.00pm start

#### December

**Xmas Get Together Browns Lagoon. South Albury** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10.00am - 3.00pm (see flyer later in this edition)

#### January

**General Meeting** Felltimber Community Centre Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 6.45pm for 7.00pm start

## WACC Competitions

## Enter via WACC My Photo Club Webpage

## https://waccfoto.myphotoclub.com.au

My Photo Club entries for our monthly competitions at the time of writing this article for the newsletter only allows us to include entries for **February- Open** that closes on Monday evening 9<sup>th</sup> December.

This is an issue being worked on with MPC, caused by the crash and subsequent fixes and upgrades taking place by the MPC administrator. There are plans in progress behind the scenes by Neville and me to resolve this quickly so that you can enter competitions coming up next year in a timely manner.

## **Up-coming competitions**

Due December 9 2024	February Meeting – Open
Due January 20 2025	March Meeting – Markets/Market scene
Due February 10 2025	April Meeting – Open
Due March 10 2025	May Meeting – Nature
Due April 14 2025	June Meeting - Image of the Year
Due May 12 2025	July Meeting - Rainy Day/ Night

Definitions for the above competitions can be found

at our website <a href="http://www.waccfoto.com/docs/programmes/setSubjects.pdf">http://www.waccfoto.com/docs/programmes/setSubjects.pdf</a>

While on Set Subjects, please talk to me or any committee member if you have any suggestions for topics that we can use for September and beyond.

## Words of Wisdom from the Competition Secretary

Edges on your entries - don't forget to check your edges for those pesky little bits of protruding things such as bits of branches or building that need to be removed, or your image could be cropped wider to have a more aesthetic inclusion.

## **Other Competitions**

Competitions coming up approved by the APS are provided by VAPS on their Website.

## https://www.vaps.org.au/competitions/australian-national-competitions.html

David Skinner

**Competition Secretary** 

## 2024 APS Australian Cup "This is Australia"

The club will again enter the APS Australia Cup for 2025. We definitely want to improve on 2024!

In MPC, there is a place to enter your selections. Please select your images (max 5) from now to the closing date, 14th April 2025. Between now and the closing date, you have the time to take your photographs. We live in a very good area for Australian photographs, as well as from your travels around the country on holiday, visiting friends and relatives etc. You can replace images as you feel you have a better one as time goes on.

Here are the rules for entry. (Not our rules, but those set by APS)

TOPIC DEFINITION

"This is Australia"

Any image that shows a flavour of life in Australia, including landscapes, people, events and places including architecture, birds and animals.

Images may be taken in any of Australia's territories.

Entries must be a single image as captured by the camera.

Images must not be 'composite images' that combine subjects or elements from different scenes – replacing a background or sky, for example.

HDR, focus stacking etc. that has been performed in camera is permissible.

**Image Specifications** 

– 1920px by 1200px

HORIZONTAL Images must be 1920px wide and let the height take care of itself as long as it does not exceed 1200px.

VERTICAL Images must be 1200px in height.

SQUARE oriented images must be 1200px by 1200px.

– The maximum file size is 2mb.

If you need any help on creating your image to the above specs, please speak to David Skinner at meetings or phone 0409 525 283, email: <u>davidmskinner51@gmail.com</u>

I recommend you also save/export your image at 300dpi to maximize its viewing size.

David Skinner

**Competition Secretary** 

View this year's entries here

2024 Australian Cup



#### Update:

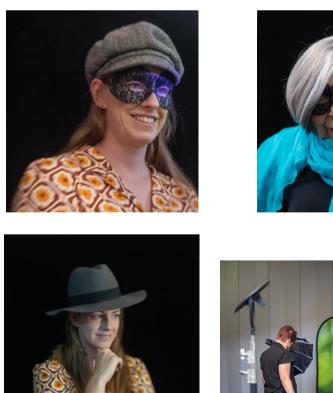
The Seasons Challenge has now been reviewed, presentation and winners announced at the January meeting.

Thank you Helen and David S

#### Portrait Workshop 9am Sunday 17th November 2024 Felltimber Community Centre

11 members attended headquarters for a fun, informal portraiture workshop with expert guidance by Helen Bishop and David Woolcock. The majority of the members also donned a variety of costumes and disguises to act as models. A lot of learning packed into an enjoyable morning.









# Please join us for the 2024

# WACC Get Together

You will need picnic or BBQ lunch, Drinks, Chair, and Camera if you wish <u>And a \$10 gift for Kris Kringle</u>

Pre lunch nibblies will be supplied

15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 10—3PM

**BROWNS LAGOON** 

[Olive St. Entrance]

SOUTH ALBURY

## **Pre-Meeting Meal**

All welcome to join in a chat and meal prior to the monthly meetings at

Edwards Tavern

6.00pm

https://edwardstavern.com.au/



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- Original manual
- Lens cap, Lens hood, Camera cap
  - Original boxes for both camera and lens Contact Mark Slater on 0458 058 328

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Contact Brian Paatsch on 0260252117.

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