



JUNE 2025

President's Report

As the weather starts to turn cold I find myself out chasing special photos that can only be found at this time of the year, very well rugged up, of course. I hope some of you are enjoying the same opportunities.

But for those of you who prefer the warmth of a nice heater, this month's activities should suit you. We are having a month of creative ideas. Thanks to Peter and Jason who will both be not only showing us but giving us the opportunity to take a photograph. Make sure you bring your cameras. Matt will also be having a chat about the benefits of doing prints for competitions.

If you are still having trouble getting your triptych images done, we will have computers ready for you to get that sorted and then entered as this will be the last chance to enter.

The following week Greg has our minds back on photo books.

The committee have been working hard to find members who are willing to join them at the coming elections. We still have not found a person to commit to secretary. We all understand that it's a big job and are willing to give the right person as much help as we can.

A club cannot operate unless it has a secretary so please have a good think about how you may be able to help.

For those of you who have shown an interest in being part of our history book we will also have a get together this month to start organising that.

As always if you have anything you would like to chat about feel free to contact me.

Pauline Moore BCC President 0413 968 793

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

IMPORTANT - COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The Annual General Meeting of the Bendigo Camera Club (BCC) will be held in the clubrooms on **Tuesday 15th July 2025** commencing at **7.00pm**.

Three current members of the committee will not be standing. BCC will need a

- **Secretary – brief position description attached at end of newsletter**
- Treasurer
- least one general member.

Nomination forms will be available at the next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP DUE – Final Call for 2025

To be eligible to enter BCC competitions you need to be a financial member of the club.

The shut off is 30th June 2025 so please chat to Brian Hinneberg if you are not yet a financial member for this year and want to continue competing, otherwise ignore this and tell me to blow it (only joking, about telling me to blow it that is).

THE AUSTRALIAN CUP 2025 RESULTS

Announced Online via Zoom - **6:25PM Thursday 21st August 2025**

Please join the meeting promptly.

You must register to attend.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/srH-QL8DS8KkFtyFi6-Jg>

TASMANIAN TRIP 2026

A major excursion to Tasmania sometime in late August / early September 2026 is currently under consideration. This is forward warning to ensure everyone interested can budget time and finances.

Further information will follow as details are settled.

CLUB SHIRTS AND JACKETS

Black Polo Shirts embroidered with the club monogram, and your name, can be purchased for \$45.00.

A price for monogrammed Jackets will be available soon.

Speak to Jason if you are interested in purchasing either.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUESDAY 10th JUNE - 7:00PM Activity Night

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

A creative photography night where Peter Murrowood will demonstrate his underwater flower photography and Jason Archer will demonstrate his skittles techniques. Both demonstrations will give members an opportunity to take photos.

Matt Oliver will deliver a talk outlining the value of making photographic prints for competitions and displays

Help will be available for people wanting to submit triptych images.

TUESDAY 10th JUNE 11.45PM - July competition entries - TRIPTYCH due

Please ensure your entries are in on time. You need to be a financial member to enter Competitions. The shut off is 30th June 2025, so chat to Brian Hinneberg if you are not yet a financial member for this year.

FRIDAY 13th- 15th JUNE VAPS Convention and Awards Night

Town Hall / Phee Broadway Theatre, Castlemaine VIC

Dinner at Castlemaine Golf Club on Saturday 14TH – see VAPS notice for details

TUESDAY 17th JUNE - 7:00PM Activity Night - Photo Books

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

TUESDAY 24th JUNE 7.00PM AV NIGHT

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

New participants welcome.

TUESDAY 8th JULY – 7.00PM Judging Night (Set Subject Triptych)

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

TUESDAY 15th JULY – 7.00PM BCC Annual General Meeting

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

TUESDAY 22nd JULY – 7.00PM AV Night

BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club), Lake Weeroona VIC

TUESDAY 29th JULY - Club Dinner

Venue to be arranged

SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER – 1PM Quad Competition

Senior Citizens Rooms, Urquhart Street, Carisbrook

PHOTOBOOKS

JUNE - JULY Greg McMillan will be at the club by 6:15pm to assist with any one-on-one questions or challenges.

JUNE – AUGUST Greg will also be accessible via Zoom (contact Greg)

TUESDAY 30th SEPTEMBER – Submit books to PhotoBookShop for printing

TUESDAY 14th OCTOBER – Hand in Photobooks to Greg

NOVEMBER – Judging

BCC COMPETITION SET SUBJECTS

BCC COMPETITION DEADLINE - 11.45pm on designated night

The Set Subjects for the BCC Photographic Competitions 2025 have been established. A more detailed description of each subject will be provided as the respective competition approaches to assist members in determining what they wish to photograph. If you need assistance with definitions, please consult any Committee Member.

TRIPTYCH - (Series of 3 Images) Due Tuesday 10th June 2025

Create a cohesive, visually engaging work using three distinct images that, when combined, convey a unified idea or artistic expression.

AUSTRALIANA - Due Tuesday 12th August 2025

Showcase the spirit of Australia. Explore landscapes, wildlife, culture and iconic elements. Convey a sense of place, culture and distinctive qualities. Offer a compelling and authentic glimpse into what it means to be Australian.

STRUCTURES – Due Tuesday 9th September 2025

Photograph man-made structures. Focus on form, space, light, design, and aesthetics. Highlight visual appeal, historical significance or cultural context. Offer a fresh perspective or artistic interpretation.



VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION of PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETIES

VAPS Convention 13TH – 15TH June 2025

Town Hall / Phee Broadway Theatre, Castlemaine

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW CLOSED

PRINT EXHIBITION ONLY

The exhibition of 614 prints from 43 clubs will be available for viewing by all club members and the general public at the Castlemaine Town Hall during the following times

FRIDAY 13th JUNE 3.30pm to 5.00pm

SATURDAY 14th JUNE 8.30am to 5.00pm

SUNDAY 15th JUNE 8.30am to 2.00pm

Please note that **AV viewings** are in the Convention Theatre and not open to the public. There are some club members who will be attending to view their AV presentations.

Digital images are being displayed in the Convention theatre and would also not be available to the general public

SANATORIUM LAKE OUTING

We had a coolish sunny day for the BCC outing to Sanatorium Lake, Mount Macedon.

9 members and 3 visitors had a wonderful day photographing the fungi, ferns, tall trees and moss ... and only 4 leeches for the day!



There were lots of good photographs put up on Facebook and quite a lot of fungi despite the lack of rain.



Thanks to Flic for her perseverance organising the day.

MARKETPLACE

Nikon D850 Digital SLR Camera (body only) for sale

Excellent condition. Very low shutter count at 10,800 (lifespan 200,000). Ultra-large 45.7-megapixel backside-illuminated FX sensor and high dynamic range. Autofocus system has high performance for fast-moving subjects. It works well in low lighting conditions. I am selling my 850 to buy a Nikon Z8 for its ability to capture fast moving birds. Comes in original box with battery, camera cap, battery charger and Nikon strap.

PRICE \$2000 ONO

Contact Che Munzel on 0493 065 862

EXHIBITIONS

Museum of Australian Photography

860 Ferntree Gully Road, Wheelers Hill, Victoria 3150

Protest is a Creative Art

7th June 2025 until 31st August 2025

ACMI

Federation Square, Melbourne, Victoria 3000

Making Memoir of a Snail

Until Sunday 1st November 2026

Ballarat International Foto Biennale

Various locations, Ballarat

23 August until 19 October 2025.

Ian Potter Centre, NGV, Level 2

Federation Square, Melbourne, Victoria 3000

Another Other – The Photo-Politics of Gary Lee

Until September 2025

May 2025 Competition Winners

Digital Set Subject

Intentional Camera
Movement

“View from my Car”

Anne-Marie James



Print Set Subject

Intentional Camera
Movement

“Forest”

Joel Bramley



Open Digital Image

“Raindrops”

Merianne Young

Image of the Night



Open Print Image

“The Morning Task”

Garry Patterson



Monochrome Digital Image

“Spinning”

Mark Friswell



Monochrome Print Image

“Off on a Magical
Adventure”

Felicity Johnson



PHOTO COMPETITIONS



THE 16TH EPSON INTERNATIONAL PANO AWARDS

Early bird entries close - 12.00am Monday 30TH June 2025

Final entries close - 12.00am Monday 21ST July 2025

More information at www.thepanoawards.com



AUSTRALIAN PHOTOGRAPHY PRIZE

Is an annual National & International Photography Competition open to professional, amateur and student photographers from Australia & around the world.

Early Bird Entries 19 April - 23 May 2025

Live Stream Judging 11-20 July 2025.

More information at <https://australianphotographicprize.com.au/>



THE BOWNESS PHOTOGRAPHY PRIZE

Invites entries from artists working with still photo-based media produced within the last year.

Submissions open - Thursday 17 April 2025

Submissions close - Friday 13 June 2025

More information at

<https://maph.org.au/bowness-photography-prize/>



PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2025

Australian Photography magazine's competition for amateur photographers in Australia & New Zealand.

Early Bird \$25 per entry (1 May to 20 July 2025)

Standard: \$33 per entry (21 July to 14 September 2025)

Last Minute: \$39 per entry (15 September to 11.59pm (AEDT) Sunday 12 October 2025)

More information at

<https://www.photographeroftheyear.com.au/>

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

You are encouraged to get to know your committee so that you can approach them at meetings with any enquiries, complaints or suggestions. Our committee members are working to ensure the smooth operation and continuous improvement of the club. They are interested in hearing your thoughts and ideas on how we can make our events and activities more enjoyable for everyone



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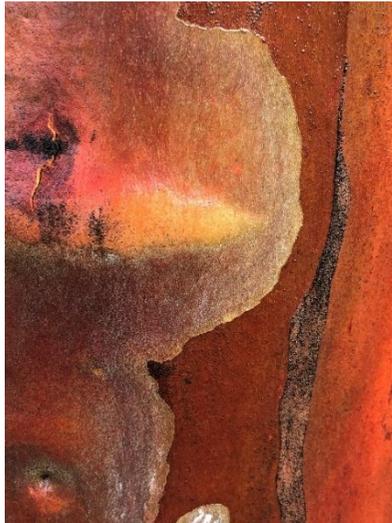
In My Own Words

Welcome, Stewart Davey

My interest in photography stemmed from my grandfather's collection of tools, drafting equipment and camera gear. He owned a German Paxette 35mm camera with a separate light meter. My first roll of film didn't stay attached to the sprocket so the whole roll came back blank.



Image Below - A tree at the Deniliquin Golf course



A gentleman by the name of Henry Hampel suggested to my girlfriend Sandra, that I should join the camera club (1978). The club had recently changed its name from the "Bendigo Photographic Society."

In my early days in the Camera club, meetings were held at the Department of Agriculture in Epsom.

Judges were mainly local, from the Bendigo Institute of TAFE and the Advanced College of Education, later Latrobe University.

Image Right - Mindil Beach sunset at Darwin



There were many memorable outings to the Grampians and VAPS conventions, held at various locations, all over the state. Some of my lifelong friends are still in the Camera club today. Our family holidays were often based on suggestions of club members and standout photo entries in club competitions.

I am grateful for the influence both Rob and Cynthia Watkins have had on all aspects of my photography.

I did develop and print black and white film and prints as a direct result of being in the club, amongst some top print makers. We also learnt to cut and mount our own prints as this was a key point of judging.

I still remember the controversy over introducing commercially produced prints; not to mention the slow drawn-out adoption of digital photography.



Image above - Queen Victoria Sands, Cable Beach, Western Australia

My interest in diverse subject matters just blossomed, from landscapes to closeup, patterns and textures, portraits and my favourites, architecture, leading lines and mossy rocks.

My equipment was all Pentax screw mount until I upgraded in 2011 to a Cannon 60D.

Image Below - Bay of Fires, Tasmania.



Secretary – General duties

- Create and share agenda for General Meetings.
- Take Minutes at Committee Meetings (1st Tuesday of each month) and distribute to Committee.
- Checking club emails, tabling and filing correspondence and forwarding correspondence to committee where required.
- Emailing information to members regarding club meetings, competitions, trips, conventions and exhibitions.
- Responding to general enquiries including membership enquiries.
- Organising correspondence for AGM (nomination and Proxy Forms) and then taking Minutes.
- Managing the CAV Incorporation account and lodging annual report after AGM.
- Create activity/dinner booking forms when needed and bringing them to meetings/activity nights.
- Inventory of Assets
- Administer 'Friends of BCC' Facebook Page.
- Manage the production, distribution and management of Medical Information Forms.
- Ensure members are sent set Subject Definitions for competitions.
- Co-ordinate VAPS Year Bars project.
- If BCC is running Quad Comp, send emails to other Quad Comp members with information including updated rules. Create forms for catering, attendance and dietary requirements.



Image left:

"Fern Frond"

Cynthia Watkins

May 2025 Competition

Intentional Camera Movement

"Walking wounded"

Sanatorium Lake, Mt Macedon

