

SEPTEMBER 2025

President's Report

As the competition year comes to a close it is time to start thinking about which images you will enter for the End of Year Competition. You can enter 5 images that you have previously entered in competitions during the year. If you have not entered an image during the year it is ineligible. The judge will be asked to put all entries into one of 5 categories: Landscape, Photojournalism, Creative, Portraits, Nature. All results will be awarded at the end of year dinner presentation night on Saturday 6th December 2025.

Jason and Dallas will once again be cooking, if we are going on last year's dinner it will be mouth-watering. This year we have been offered the atrium in St John of God hospital, what a generous offer. The cost will \$40 per person so make sure you save this date, don't forget to tell the family, everyone is welcome.

October 22nd is a date in our history book to celebrate. It marks the first time a group of interested people gathered to form the Bendigo Amateur Camera Club. To celebrate this date we are having dinner at the Shamrock on Tuesday 21st October. It would be fantastic to see all of you there to help celebrate such an occasion.

This coming month we are excited to have Mieke Boynton giving us a presentation on Black and White photography via zoom. Don't miss this. It will be seen only in the club rooms with an opportunity to ask questions after.

Planning is well underway for the trip to Tassie it will have something for everyone. It would be great to see lots of people able to come.

Keep your eyes out for the set subjects for next year. They will be out for you to get a head start on next year. A list of Set Subjects and definitions is attached at the end of the newsletter

As always if you have anything you would like to discuss I'm always happy to chat.

See you on Tuesday.

Pauline Moore BCC President

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THINGS TO THINK ABOUT.

CLUB OUTING – places are still available

Night walk around Melbourne hosted by Ben Eriksson

Date: 7-00PM till 10-00PM 12th October 2025

Cost: \$60.00

Club members will travel together by train, departing Bendigo Railway Station at 2:26 PM.

Alternatively, members may choose to drive independently and meet

at Flinders Street Station.

See Pauline for details

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.

BALLARAT FOTO BIENNALE

Various venues in and around Ballarat

Saturday 23rd August – Sunday 19th October 2025

More information - https://ballaratfoto.org

TASMANIAN TRIP 2026

The dates for the trip to Tasmania are Wednesday 9th September till Tuesday 15th September 2026, so it is time to for people to start planning for the event.

Itineraries and further information will be posted once they are available.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AND AWARDS NIGHT

Venue: Atrium - St John of God Hospital, Lily Street ,Bendigo

Date: Saturday 6th December 2025

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Sponsored by St John of God

BIRDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY BIENNIAL CONFERENCE 2026

Venue: Level 11 - 59 Cameron Ave, Belconnen, ACT

Date: $7^{th} - 8^{th}$ March 2026

More information: https://blpbc.birdlifephotography.org.au/

UPCOMING EVENTS

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER - JUDGING NIGHT AUSTRALIANA

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

October Competition Images Due (STRUCTURES)

TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER – GAME OF TONES, MEIKE BOYNTON

_BCC Club Rooms - Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club) Lake Weeroona VIC

Are you keen to improve your black and white photography? Have you ever wondered what you can do if your monochrome images look a bit grey? Join Mieke for an outline of the basics of black and white and be guided through her favourite monochrome images as she shows each of the RAW files in colour, explains her decision-making as she converted each to monochrome and shares her favourite editing software for monochrome images. Duration: 90mins. Format: Zoom presentation.

Link to some of Mieke's Black and White photos: https://www.miekeboynton.com/black-and-white

TUESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER – AV NIGHT

BCC Club Rooms – Weeroona Pavilion (Rowing Club) Lake Weeroona VIC **Topic for the evening is "Book and Candle".**

TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER - CLUB DINNER

Venue - Boundary Hotel, Milroy Street Bendigo Time - 6.00pm

PHOTOBOOKS

JUNE – AUGUST Greg will 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

SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER CLUB OUTING - Melbourne walk

SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER – 1PM Quad Competition

Senior Citizens Rooms, Urguhart Street, Carisbrook

AUGUST 12th ACTIVITY NIGHT – TIPS AND TRICKS

Another great night at the Bendigo Camera Club, with 35 members attending. Joel Bramley started the evening with some simple tips for photographing reflections.



Rhett Leach offered a variety of tips, as did Eugene Dopheides.



George Greblo had prepared some slides and offered tips for photographing in low light inside buildings.





Stewart Davey demonstrates a method of holding a camera steady when you have no tripod.



Brian Bird finished the evening off with a well prepared and well presented talk offering Lightroom tips and tricks.

Thank you to all who participated, giving us some valuable ideas.

Thanks to Felicity Johnson for the images.



AUGUST 19TH EVENING WALK AROUND EAGLEHAWK



A well-attended night with everyone rugged up against the cold. Good fun to be out with the club, sharing techniques and ideas and enjoying the charms of Eaglehawks old buildings.





Members headed out in small groups photographing a variety of subjects. A nice variety of images were posted to Facebook, including light trails, building lights, old buildings, the stars, the fountain in the gardens, macro and people and the Star Cinema.





A big vote of thanks goes to those members who took the time to help less experienced photographers and to those members who shared their settings for particular images and styles of photography.

Thanks to Felicity Johnson and Karen White for the images.

AUGUST 26th AV NIGHT

The last AV Group night was held on 26th August with 11 attendees. We again viewed last month's AV entries. They always look better when viewed the second time.

We also viewed some great AVs from the last APS Competition.

Karyn White gave a talk on making AV sound-tracks using AI, which we found very interesting.

The number of attendees at AV nights appears to be increasing.

Congratulations to Garry Paterson for achieving a bronze medal in the APS Audiovisual Winter National competition

More information: https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/av-downloads/av-results/aps-spring-national-results

BCC HISTORY BOOK

The book "130 years of BCC" is currently in its infant stage.

Research is well underway way on the very early years with a surprising amount of information readily available. Norm Stimson has been searching old newspaper clippings to collect historical articles, which he has downloaded and printed. Many of the digitised articles required re-typing to remove errors.

The club records on hand start in the 1950's, we are hoping to uncover some interesting information.

If any members have any records in their private collection, or stories you would like to share please contact Pauline.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS OUTSIDE OF VICTORIA



Saturday 20th September to Sunday 21st September 2025

Various speakers, workshops and walk arounds Various times.

Fees may be applicable

Adelaide Central Market, Adelaide and other venues

More information: https://adelaidecameraexpo.com.au/

NON APS COMPETITIONS

LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR	Entry fees apply Entries close Tuesday 7 th October 2025 Early bird savings before 30 th September 2025 More information; https://www.internationallandscapephotographer.com/
WILDERNESS PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR	3 categories - Places, People and Nature Entry fees apply Entries close Sunday 19 th October 2025 Early bird savings before 21 st September 2025 More information: https://www.wildernessphotographer.com.au/
PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 2025 PRESENTED BY TECHS	9 Categories – Landscape, Animals and Nature, People, Aerial, Black and White, Travel, Single Shot, Creative, Junior. Entry fees apply. Entries close Sunday 12 th October 2025 Early bird savings before 14 th September 2025 More information: https://www.photographeroftheyear.com.au

EXHIBITIONS

Ballarat International Foto Biennale

Various locations, Ballarat

Saturday 23rd August until Sunday 19th October 2025

More Information: https://ballaratfoto.org/

A possible BCC excursion if people are interested

Museum of Australian Photography

860 Ferntree Gully Road, Wheelers Hill, Victoria 3150

William & Winifred Bowness Photography Prize 2025

13 September – 9 November 2025

Deborah Paauwe | The wayward girls

13 September – 9 November 2025

More information: https://maph.org.au/

Heide Museum of Modern Art

7 Templestowe Road, Bulleen, Victoria, 3105

Man Ray and Max Dupain

6th August to 9th November 2025

Entry fees apply

More information: https://www.heide.com.au/exhibitions

Latrobe Regional Gallery

138 Commercial Road, Morwell, Victoria 3840, Australia

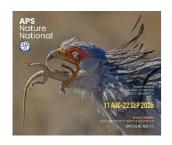
INTERCLUB

2025 Gippsland Interclub Photography Exhibition

21st June to 21st September 2025

More information : https://latroberegionalgallery.com/project/gippsland-interclub-photography-exhibition

APS PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITIONS



APS NATIONAL EXHIBITION NATURE 2025 APS 2025/11X

3 categories – Open Nature, Disputes in Nature, Nature's Newborn

Entries close: 22nd September 2025

More Information: https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/exhibition/aps-nat-exhib/nature



AUSTRALIAN DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS APS 2025/18

6 Categories – Open Colour, Open Mono, Portrait, Sport, Macro, Scape

Entries open – 15th September Entries close – 30th October Entry fees apply

More information : https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/exhibition/aps-nat-exhib/adpa



QUEENSLAND INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT 2025 APS 2025/14/15/16

4 Sections – Open Colour, Open Mono, Creative, lines

Entries close 26th October 2025

More information : https://www.queenslandinternational.org.au/



GRAHAM BURSTOW MONOCHROME PRIZE 2025 APS 2025/17

Social Documentary - Street Photography

Entries close 6th October 2025 Entry fees apply

More information : https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/competitions/exhibitions/graha m-burstow-monochrome-prize-3

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 Jason Archer BCC vice-president BCC



I joined BCC about 2½ years ago when I felt I was really ready to be an active member.

I was part of the club several years prior but had not been active due to work commitments, however now I have more time

My father was a photographer, and I used to watch him taking picture and developing them so I guess that got me into it.

But then I grew up all of a sudden and got my hands on a Praktica MTL3 with a variety of lenses (probably fourth hand) but it was a solid camera and I used that for a period of time.



Image above - In the Balance

Image below – Let's Swim



There was then a big gap between taking pictures of about 20 years until I acquired another camera and did more photography.

It wasn't until about 4 years ago that I picked it up again and started to learn how to take pictures and continue to play with the camera honing my skills to produce the images I am producing now.



Image above - Will You Sit with Me

I love astro photography and land / sea scape, all round really. If something captures my eye I will give it a shot. It is a way of me escaping to be alone or with like-minded photographers and time with the camera.

I don't really have influences. I like to watch Gavin Hardcastle and Gary Gough I would love to be able to produce fine art images like Gary.

I am currently using Sony Alpha 7 Mk IV; this is my second Sony Alpha 7. I had a Mk II before and love the system. I invested in the lenses with the Mk II and it would be a waste to change brand (not that I wanted to). In the past, I have used Nikon and Canon. The Sony Camera just feels right. The grip on it and usability is right for me and what I do with it.

Image Right - You

The time I have spent with the club has been great; we have a very talented group of photographers. It has just been a great learning opportunity with a wealth of knowledge and experience and the ability to receive some mentoring from the members too.



BENDIGO CAMERA CLUB SET SUBJECT DEFINITIONS 2026 COMPETITIONS

Rustic Objects

Due: Tuesday 13th January Judging: Tuesday 10th February

Definition: Photographs featuring objects that show visible rust or corrosion caused by the natural process of oxidation.

Description/Inspiration: Images may focus on the textures, colours, patterns or forms created by rust, whether on tools, machinery, vehicles, architectural details or everyday items. The subject should clearly convey the theme of rust as a key visual or conceptual element of the composition.

Street Photography

Due: Tuesday 17th February Judging: Tuesday 10th March

Definition: Candid images capturing life and human moments in public spaces.

Description/Inspiration: Capture everyday life, people, and moments in their natural context, often highlighting the atmosphere, character or culture of the street environment.

Droplets and Splashes

Due: Tuesday 14th April Judging: Tuesday 12th May

Definition: Photographs must feature water or other liquids, with droplets or splashes as the main subject.

Description/Inspiration: Use fast shutter speeds or flash to freeze the crisp form of a droplet mid-air, or experiment with slower speeds to blur motion into graceful arcs. Macro lenses can reveal the delicate shapes of individual droplets, while wide perspectives can capture the drama of a larger splash.

Reflections

Due: Tuesday 9th June Judging: Tuesday 14th July

Definition: Photographs must creatively use reflective surfaces, such as water, glass or mirrors, as a key compositional element.

Description/Inspiration: Explore the world of symmetry, abstraction and hidden perspectives. A still lake can become a flawless mirror, turning landscapes upside down; city windows can fragment reality into geometric patterns; raindrops, puddles or polished metal can reveal unexpected depth and beauty. A polarising filter can either reduce glare or intensify reflections, depending on your creative choice. Capture the interplay between reality and its mirrored counterpart, whether through perfect symmetry, subtle distortion or creative framing.

Shadows

Due: Tuesday 9th June Judging: Tuesday 8th September

Definition: Candid images capturing life and human moments in public spaces.

Description/Inspiration: Explore the unseen half of every subject: the shapes, moods and stories that only emerge when light is partially withheld. Low-angle sunlight produces long, dramatic shadows, whilst harsh midday light creates stark, high-contrast shapes. Indoors, a single lamp or window can be used to cast intentional, artistic shadows. Consider how negative space, framing, and contrast between light and dark can enhance the impact of your image.

Composites

Due: Tuesday 8th September Judging: Tuesday 13th October Definition: Combine two or more images into a single frame to form a cohesive visual or conceptual work.

Description/Inspiration: By blending multiple images, you can create surreal dreamscapes, tell layered stories or construct scenes. Successful composites demand careful planning, consistent lighting and attention to detail to ensure believability and cohesion. Elements should be blended seamlessly so that edges, colours and perspectives align naturally, unless intentional contrast is part of the artistic statement. Editing tools such as masks, layers and blending modes are typically employed, but restraint and clarity of vision are key. The best composites go beyond technical trickery—they use multiple images to create meaning, mood or impact that no single shot could achieve.