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VAPS PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am back from my sojourn across Russia. I approached Russia with an open mind and it still surprised me. I did 10,000 kilometres by train, a desire that I have had for over 50 years. I now look back on Russia with a gentle fondness. The cameras got a good workout as well.

I would like to thank Peter Kewley who acted on my behalf for the two months while I was away; he and the committee have done a great job. The Muster for next year is well shaped up, the documentation for the VAPS Interclub has been streamlined and simplified and a Japan trip has been organised for next year too.

We are also proposing our third Vietnam Cambodia trip for three weeks from 14th of February next year. If you want an interesting photographic trip, I can highly recommend it. The tour will be limited to 12 photographers. The price is approximately \$5500 per person twin share. Please contact me on 56252155 or feverett@dcsi.net.au for an itinerary or further information.

Our AGM is coming up in October, and all club secretaries would have received the documentation which we wish to ratify at the meeting. Please consider and let us have your comments for discussion.

Also at the AGM all of the committee positions are open. If you are keen and committed, please consider nominating. It is a rewarding role.

Fred Everett

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On behalf of the VAPS Committee and the Victorian clubs we welcome Fred back from his long and exciting trip through Russia.

During his absence I have been greatly supported by the committee in maintaining the momentum and I do thank them for their support and assistance.

2011 is already shaping up as exciting with the Muster at Phillip Island well in hand and a special thanks to the folk at Phillip Island Camera Club for their assistance in the planning and sourcing of venues for the 2011 event. We all look forward to working with you in making the next Muster an outstanding success.

Peter Kewley
Vice President.

Melbourne Camera Club "Ross Penny" Slide Competition

The Melbourne Camera Club is again holding a competition for traditional slide workers to coincide with the VAPS Annual General Meeting on 24th October 2010.

BACKGROUND

This competition was instigated by MCC's Past President Ross Penny to give traditional slide workers a competition as camera clubs throughout the State were replacing their slide competitions with digital.

The aim is to provide a competition for traditional slide workers currently working in the medium, to help them to improve their skills. It is not intended to be a competition where camera club members can go through their old slide boxes and resurrect old images.

Entrants should still be using slide film now, and the slides entered will have been taken recently. As a guide, entrants should have exposed and processed at least one roll of slide film in the last 12 months, and as a limit the slides entered in the competition should have been taken no longer than 5 years ago.

DETAILS

The competition will be conducted like any monthly competition at the MCC. No scores will be awarded but certificates for Commended and Highly Commended images will be presented. In addition, VAPS will award up to three medallions to the best images as determined by the judge.

Entry is open to any slide worker from a VAPS-affiliated club.

RULES

- No grades – just one section "Open Slides".
- Individual slide workers can enter up to 4 slides each.
- Current work only – preferably less than 12 months old and in any case less than 5 years.
- Entrants must have taken the original exposure – commercial processing is acceptable.
- Slides must have standard 5 cm x 5 cm (2" x 2") plastic mounts.
- Each entry must include the title, entrant's initials and a dot in the lower left hand corner as viewed right way up.

Entries are to be submitted to the MCC Slide Steward by 8.00 pm Thursday 7th October 2010 at the MCC Club Rooms, cnr. Dorcas & Ferrars Sts. South Melbourne. Entries can also be posted to the Slide Steward, MCC, P.O. Box 1180, South Melbourne, VIC 3205, for receipt until 7th October 2010.

BALLARAT INTERNATIONAL FOTO BIENNALE 2011

The dates for the Ballarat International Foto Biennale 2011 are August 20th -- September 18th . I would ask you all to add this to your club diaries and tell your members, colleagues and friends to follow the "BIFB2011 website":<http://www.ballaratfoto.org/bifb11/enter.html> with the latest additions and even add support by finding us on facebook. During a festival such as this we all unite through our love of photography.....so would encourage you to come to Ballarat, either as a day trip by train ,organised bus trip for a few days or bring a caravan and stay a month. You can exhibit ,volunteer to man Exhibitions or just come and enjoy the experience (we need YOU ALL).

Carolyn Buckley

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"Ballarat International Foto Biennale":<http://www.ballaratfoto.org/bifb11/enter.html>

"VOLUNTEER":<http://www.ballaratfoto.org/bifb11/volunteer.html>

"Ballarat Tourism":<http://www.discoveraustralia.com.au/victoria/ballararat.html>

Now is the time
to

Spring into the
Grampians -



Wild Flowers &
Rugged
Grandeur



Springintothegrampians.com.au



The Royal Photographic Society
Victorian Chapter
presents

Exhibition 2010
at
Melbourne Camera Club
Corner of Dorcas & Ferrars Streets
South Melbourne (Melway 2K A3)

Official Opening 3.00 to 4.00 pm, on Saturday, 11th September
by
Dr. Shaune Lakin, Director of Monash Gallery of Art

The exhibition is open 2 pm - 5 pm on
Sat-Sun 11th - 12th July & Sat-Sun 18th - 29th July

It may also be viewed on those weeknights between the 13th &
19th when Melbourne Camera Club is open for other events
(check at melbournephoto.org.au/activities)

Southern Suburbs PS has moved to the Community Hall, Livingston Street, Highett (Melways 77 D8)
Meeting nights are unchanged - 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 8pm. - Norm Jackson, Secretary SSPS

PALINDROMIC PRATTLE
(Words or sentences which read the
same from front or back)

Do Geese see God?

Never odd or even

**Melbourne Photos -
Street Scenes and More**
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Photos/](http://studenttravel.about.com/od/melbournephotos/ig/Melbourne-Street-Photos/)

Check out images of our great city
and get enthused to get out and
capture a few yourself.

camera market

ONLINE CAMERA CLASSIFIEDS

50% discount on feature ad listing fees for VAPS affiliated camera clubs

Camera Market is a new classifieds website for buying and selling camera gear within Australia. Placing ads on Camera Market directly targets those looking to buy photographic equipment, so you know your ad is getting seen by the right people.

Basic classified ads can be listed for free, or use the Club Code **VAPS50** when you register, and you'll get front-page feature adverts for half the regular price as a member of a VAPS affiliated camera club!



www.cameramarket.com.au

There have been changes made to the VAPS web page.

<http://www.vaps.com.au>

On the front page side section you will notice an announcements pane. We want to encourage you to go to the announcement page.

On the Club listings page there is a little blue button added at the front of the suburb. When you hold the mouse over it, it will display the affiliated club in that suburb.

If any details are incorrect download the Affiliated Clubs Locations and Information for Web Site form, complete and send as an attachment to webadmin@vaps.com.au

I would still like to receive photos to add to the front page.

They do not need to be large, 700 pixels either edge is fine.

We are a photography group and should be proud to show off our work. Please email photos to webadmin@vaps.com.au

Kath Gillies Web Administrator.

<http://www.vaps.com.au>

INAUGURAL SKITE FEST—YEA RAILWAY PARK

Hello,

I am a committed member of the Yea Railway Park and we are located in the Shire of Murrindindi which was hugely impacted by the Black Saturday Fires.

The Friends of Yea Railway are holding the Inaugural Skite Fest. on Saturday 2/10/10 between 10.30am and 2pm... there will be kites at one end of the park and Skatepark activities at the other.

The Yea Country Market will also be happening in the park at the same time. I just wanted to let your members know in case they would like to come up and take some photos.

There are many photo opportunities, not only at the park but also the historic buildings around the town and of course the bush regeneration since the fires. We would love to make you welcome if you were to feel like a drive.

Regards, Leanne Cassell : railwayfriends@yahoo.com.au

MORE ON THE YEA SKITEFEST PLUS THE GREAT VICTORIAN BIKE RIDE.

The Skite Fest coincides with the release of two tagged fish in the Goulburn River that day (Sat 2nd October) as part of the BIGFISH fishing competition (each fish is worth \$50,000 if caught) and there will be buses running on the day between the township and designated fishing sites, including Killingworth Reserve and Ghin Ghin Bridge. All fishing will be from the banks of the river; this should make for some good photography. We would also like to invite photographers to send back copies of their photos for showing in a 'captured Flight' exhibition as part of festivities for the Great Victorian Bike Ride visit/stopover in Yea on Friday 3 December. 5,500 riders and around 650 support staff will be staying in town overnight before heading out to Lake Eildon the next day (Sat 4 Dec) and finishing in Marysville on Sun Dec 5. This may provide another photographic opportunity, whether in Yea on the Friday or over the weekend in other locations. It is hoped that there will be paragliders and kites flying throughout the King Parrot Valley between Strath Creek and Flowerdale on the morning of 3 December, as the Great Victorian Bike Riders descend from Murchison Gap enroute to Yea. As a bonus for any photographers who may be able to return to Yea on Fri 3 Dec for the Bike Ride stopover, a local bird photographer will be hosting two photography related guided tours of the local Yea Wetlands (2pm & 4pm) which are just at the end of the Yea township, in easy walking distance from the main street festivities. There is a possibility of a photo competition being run in relation to these events. **For more information contact: Leanne Pleash - PH: 0411 244 306 - Email: yeagvbr2010@gmail.com**

AMAZING ANAGRAMS

Princess Diana

When you rearrange the letters

end is a car spin

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Statue of Liberty

When you rearrange the letters

Built to stay free

VAPS WEB SITE

**CHECK OUT THE NEW
VAPS WEB SITE**

www.vaps.com.au

FLASH

NOW ONLINE

FLASH is a new quarterly online journal published by Centre for Contemporary Photography. FLASH features reviews, interviews and commentary on photography and video in Australia by a diverse group of established and emerging writers. FLASH visitors can directly engage by posting their own comments on site.

Edited by Kyla McFarlane, FLASH is a free journal.

<http://www.ccp.org.au/>

It is on again !!

Caulfield Photographic Society Inc.

In Association with Victorian Association of Photographic Societies Inc.

IMAGE EVALUATION SEMINAR 2010

Where?	St Peter's Church Hall Cnr Ames Avenue and Neerim Road Murrumbena (Melways ref: p68 5K)
When?	Saturday October 23rd 2010 11:00am to 5:00pm
Cost?	\$20.00
What do I get?	Illustrated presentation and discussion Light refreshments Tea and coffee
Programme to be finalised.	
Enquiries?	Call Paul Robinson on 0409 625 700
Bookings?	Call Susan Rocco on 03 9530 9253 suerocco@gmail.com By Monday 18th

PRINT STORAGE BOXES FREE

Free to a GOOD Camera Club home.
The 3 VAPS print boxes have outlived their usefulness and need to move on.
The boxes need a bit of repair, one needs a new back but all drawers are in very good condition. They would suit a club wanting to store images.
Dimensions 80cm wide x 55cm deep x 65cm high.
Pick up at Carrum Downs, call Peter Kewley on 9786 1887 if interested.



**LETTER FROM JIM THOMSON -
CHAIRMAN, MAITLAND INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION.**

I am contacting you to draw your attention to a world wide problem that is now taking place with International print Exhibitions.

Maitland International is the oldest International in Australia, first established in 1934 as a print exhibition at the Maitland Show; from that time it developed to become one of the most prominent exhibitions in the world. Our exhibition at present is prints and digital projection but we would like to retain our print section which is on view during the Maitland Show and also at the Maitland City Gallery.

This coming year the digital exhibition will also be on view at the Gallery as well as at the Showground. It is very obvious that a great number of print salons, world wide, have dropped their prints and are now digital only. This is a concern for us, especially when numbers went down slightly last exhibition, particularly in Nature. It is our hope that we can keep our print exhibition so the purpose of this mail is to ask you to forward this to all your clubs.

Maitland International is Australia's Exhibition and we need all the support we can get.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours in Photography,

Jim Thomson, Chairman, Maitland International

Email: Enquiries@maitlandsalon.com

www.maitlandsalon.com

MELBOURNE LIBRARY SERVICE COMPETITION

The Melbourne Library Service is running a photographic competition closing on the 30th September. The idea is to find an old Melbourne photograph and take a new photograph of the same place today. Shortlisted photographs will be exhibited at the Gallery @ City Library in November.

Details at: www.melbournelibraryservice.com.au

*** Note: Email address in last month's edition was incorrect.**

**SPECIAL OFFER TO CLUB MEMBERS - WE STILL HAVE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR
LIGHTROOM/PHOTOSHOP - BOOK THROUGH YOUR CLUB ASAP.**

VAPS is pleased to announce that it is teaming up with Photoshop and Lightroom expert David Harradine to present a series of one-day courses in Lightroom and Photoshop.

There are four courses on offer; Lightroom and Photoshop Levels 1, 2 & 3. Each course will involve around six hours of instruction. VAPS has arranged a SPECIAL DISCOUNT price of \$195 pp, per full day course. Normally priced at \$395 this offers exceptional value for camera club members.

Clubs have been provided with a full brief on the courses, so see your Club Secretary and register your interest through your club.

Items for Publication deadline:

Strictly 25th of the month : vapsnews@inbox.com.

Commercial advertisements cost \$50 for a half page.

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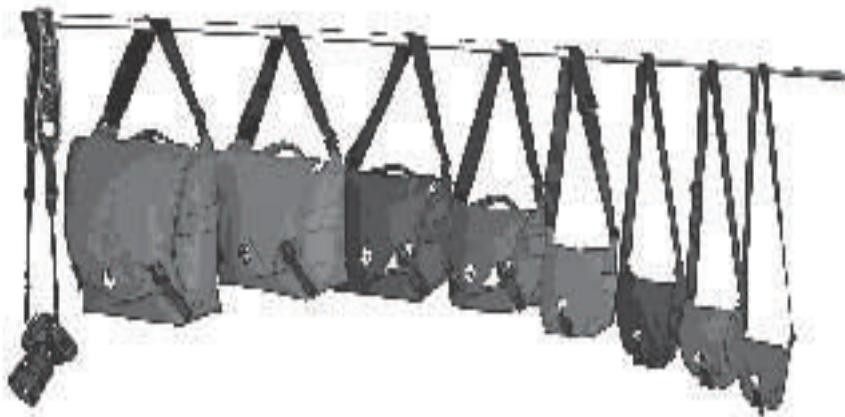
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