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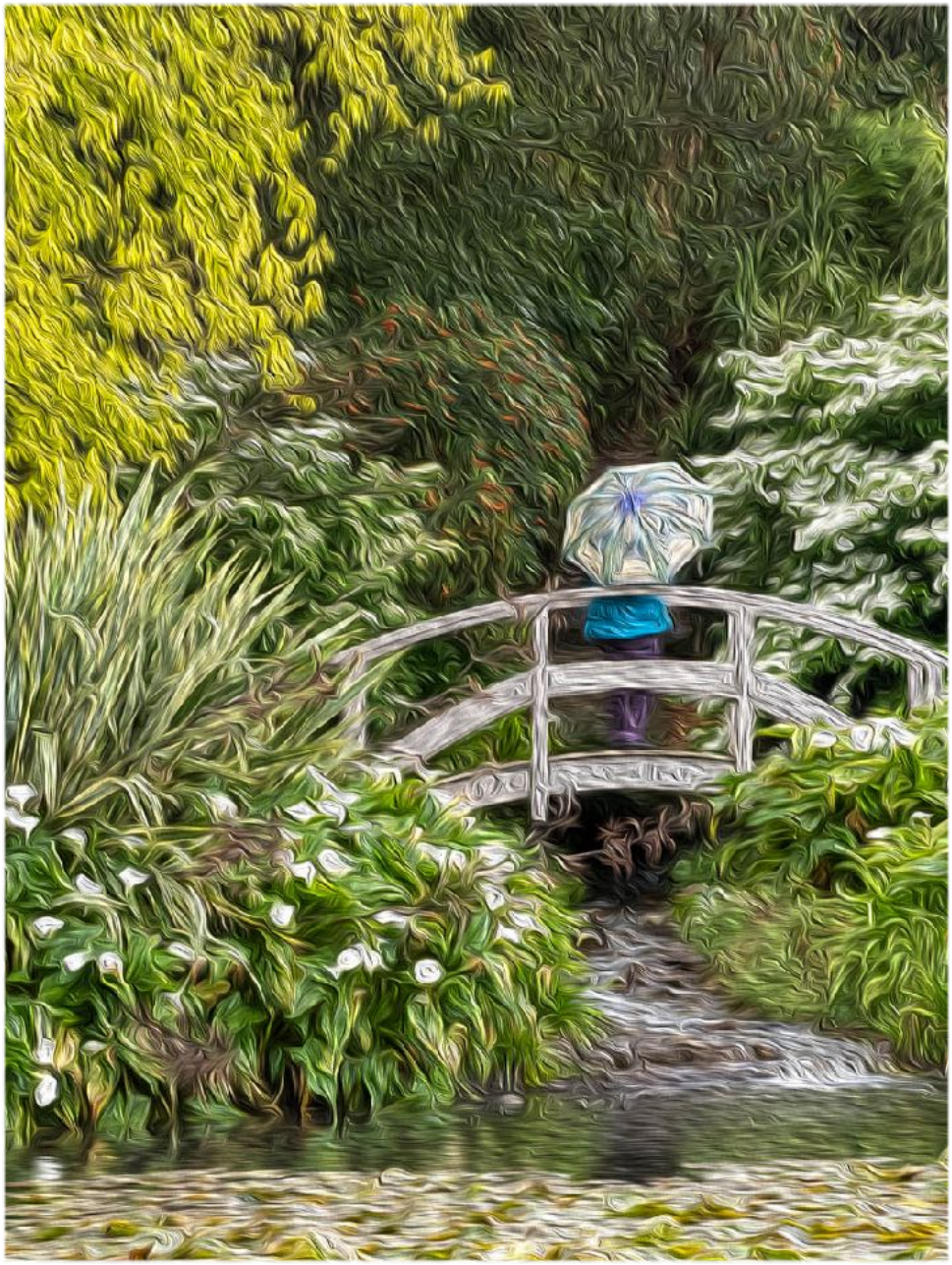

Kath - Oil
By Ron Paynter

FOR YOUR DIARY....

1 February
Monthly Meeting via zoom. See club calendar for log in details

Review of 'still life' entries

1 February
VAPS entries due by 11.30pm

17 February
Mid-Week outing
Contact Robyn Rosenboom for details

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Vice-President's Report

February 2021

I am writing this in Bruce's absence.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Bruce, Cathie, Matt and Eesha as they mourn the passing of Bruce's sister, Sue. At the time of writing Bruce is in Queensland, having spent most of January there with his other sister, Vicki from New Zealand, visiting Sue in hospital.

Meanwhile the business of the Camera Club continues, often with unplanned tasks. Peter Dwyer has advised the committee that he will be resigning from the committee and his position as secretary. We wish Peter a speedy recovery and look forward to his return to Club activities. As a consequence of Peter's decision, we are pleased to inform members that Jan Bennett will be joining the committee as secretary. This is such an important role, and we know Jan will enjoy the support of all members as she takes up this role.

January is a busy time for everyone, whether its commitments over Christmas and New Year, school or other holidays, or returning to work or study. For 2021 this has been further complicated by the various restrictions imposed by COVID 19.

Our members produced some outstanding images for the January competition, *High Key*. Like all photographic competitions, where the evaluation of images is subjective, there will not be universal agreement with the judge's decision. January was no different, but the committee felt that the judging was very thorough, although a little long at certain points. We need to keep in mind that this was the first in depth "live" critique that members have had since the onset of the COVID crisis with limited opportunity for the judge to gauge feedback during her presentation.

One of the judge's important messages was that many images did not fulfil the requirements of the definition, which meant that otherwise, good or high quality images were less successful. A timely reminder to read the definition carefully, and ensure that your image complies.

Our Interest Groups have been busy over December / January, with each of the groups having some form of interaction. Watch the newsletter for reports of activities, and check the calendar on the club website for dates of coming events. All Interest Group events are open to any member, but it's probably useful to make contact with the convenor first.

Interest Group	Convenor / Contact
Audio Visual	Ruth Burleigh
CREX	Geoff Croucher
Competitions	Robyn Wright
Drone	Kayren Browne
Mid Week Outings	Robyn Rosenboom
Print	Russell Monson

As mentioned before, January is clearly a busy month, which in part lead to the cancellation of the January Mid-Week Outing. Planning is well underway for outings in February and beyond. Again, watch the calendar for details. The traditional end of month outing required a change of plan as the quarter-horse events were not taking place. By the time you read this, you will be aware of the alternative plan for Sunday January 31.

The Committee is currently reviewing the Club's Strategic Plan, in particular the areas for focus over the next 12 months. With this in mind, all members have been invited to participate in a brief online survey. (The link has been emailed to all members.) Given the limitations of the online system, members who wish to contribute a comment are invited to do so by contacting a committee member.

One of the issues committee will be discussing is how and when we return to Mawarra for our Monday meetings, accompanied by the return of print competitions. Factors affecting this include the COVID capacity of the room, and the possible reluctance of some members to return to face to face meetings. The February meeting (February 1) will be on Zoom, but watch the newsletter and emails for any future changes.

In the meantime, make sure you are working on entries for the Warragul National Photographic Competition.

Finally, continuing Bruce's tradition, a quotable quote:

To me, photography is an art of observation. It's about finding something interesting in an ordinary place… I've found it has little to do with the things you see and everything to do with the way you see them.
— **Elliott Erwitt**

Russell Monson
Vice President

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Members' Page

Our Heartfelt Sympathy and Loving Thoughts go to Members Bruce and Cathie Langdon and their families.

'*Some members may be aware that Bruce has spent the past few weeks in Queensland sharing time with, and supporting his sister Sue, and other family members.*

Sue died peacefully in her sleep last Thursday night.

She was a warm, loving, kind, generous and beautiful person who we will miss dearly in our lives. We are farewelling Sue at a memorial in Brisbane on Friday (29th Jan) where we will celebrate her life, share photos and stories of lots of good times and wonderful memories.

Thank you to the club members who have supported Bruce and myself through this really sad time. We will hold her in our hearts forever and are grateful she is now at peace.'

Love Cathie Langdon

VANGUARD

Club Calibrator for Hire

Colours and brightness of computer screens and monitors change over time. In order to see images correctly screens and monitors need to be regularly calibrated.

To save club members the expense of purchasing a calibrator (in excess of $600) you can hire the club X-rite i1Studio calibrator for $15 per week. If you are unfamiliar with its usage, a helpful tutorial is available on YouTube. Details of this tutorial have been document and will be in the calibrator case.

Contact Bruce Langdon for bookings.
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Club Competitions

Log in to the club website and see the results of the 'High Key' competition from last month at https://www.warragulcameraclub.org/Competitions/CompetitionResults.aspx

Note that entries for this month's competition: 'VAPS' Interclub, are due this Monday 1 February.

Club Resources

- Nigel Beresford has suggested that members might like to obtain information about Olympus' name change and any adjustments to their operations.

https://www.australianphotography.com/news/olympus-relaunches-as-omd-digital-solutions-corporation?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=APH%20-%20Newsletter%20-%2021%20Jan%202021&utm_content=APH%20-%20Newsletter%20-%2021%20Jan%202021+CID_a38670cf3c9ba6a3c37f094193035cba&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=Olympus%20relaunches%20as%20OMD%20Digital%20Solutions%20Corporation

- **Members are offered a** FREE LIVE webinar with **BenQ Ambassadors** and also a **member plus accredited photographer of the Australian Institute of Professional Photography (AIPP)**, Joshua Holko.

- The event will be held via Zoom, on **Wednesday 17th February 2021 at 6.30pm-7.30pm**

Joshua will shares his knowledge and experience on how to shoot the best wildlife photography, soft proofing for print, why calibration and colour accuracy matters, there's also a chance for viewers to ask him any questions they may have at the end

Link to join/register: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/5616115501363/WN_7JxeGOVhRNixhRz8AEC5_A

For a great summary of various editing software, check out this article, supplied by Russell.
https://shotkit.com/photo-editing-software/

- Mike Moore has shared a link to an article by Alan Walls, who does a lot of macro and ultra macro work. Here, he reviews two, new Nisi close-up lenses. Mike suggests that members might like to consider these as a cost-efficient means of entering macro photography as they are supplied with step-down rings, which can be fitted to a prime or zoom lens.
https://www.allanwallsphotography.com/blog/tag/close-up+lens

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Major Events Report

Please don't forget to submit your images via the club website for the VAPS Interclub competition by the February meeting night. We only need two digital images and you can enter two Audio Visuals in the 3.21 sec category and two in the open section. If you are entering the AV section please make sure you supply all the relevant forms. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

I just want to thank these members for supplying images for the Thru Life display, Paul Robinson, David and Jane Woodcock, Adrienne Cornish, Peter Dwyer, Mike Moore, Carol and Russell Monson, and yours truly. Carol and I will be bumping in this display on Friday 29th February and it will be up for 2 months. If you wish to have a look at the display the location is Thru Life Physiotherapy 100 Brandy Creek Road, Warragul.

The dairies exhibition is in the hands of Phil Hensall who is trying to organise a suitable venue. I will keep you informed as soon as I get any further information.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all the very best and hope 2021 is a better year than 2020.

Cheers Ruth

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WARRAGUL CAMERA CLUB Inc
MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING 8TH JANUARY 2021

Meeting held via Zoom
Present: Russell Monson, Jane Woodcock, David Woodcock, Marshall Cock, Ruth Burleigh. Mike Moore, Ron Paynter.

Apologies: Bruce Langdon, Rose Bosse, Jake Trotman

Minutes of previous meeting.
It was moved Peter Dwyer, seconded Mike Moore, that the minutes of the December meeting be approved.

Business arising
Ruth Burleigh and Bruce Langdon are to check with Mawarra management for its Covid policy, Covid attendance capacity and the club cupboard to ascertain if any contents can be disposed of.
Peter Dwyer reported that he had started on the preparation of an assets register.

Correspondence
Email from VAPS re access to judges list
Email from VAPS re key 2021 dates
Letter addressed to VP from BBSC re unsuccessful application for sponsorship
Letter addressed to VP from Drouin Community Bank re successful application for sponsorship

Treasurer's report
It was moved Marshall Cock, seconded Ron Paynter, that the Treasurer's report for December be approved.

Payments
It was moved Marshall Cock, seconded Ron Paynter, that the following payment be approved.

VAPS	Affiliation	$378.00

Vice President's report.
It was agreed that Russell Monson would conduct a survey of members to ascertain the level of satisfaction with the results of the planning to date and the Zoom meetings and to raise any other issues.
It was agreed that because Russell has been unable to find a suitable venue we withdraw from this year's biennale.
Russell reported that all the National sponsors had agreed to such.

Major events
It was agreed that the club would support a retrospective of the work of Roger Keagle to take the form of a standing exhibition at Coal Creek and a virtual exhibition which would give wider access. The exhibition to be held in July.
Images for the Through Life Physiotherapy exhibition need to be with Ruth Burleigh by the next meeting.
Ruth has sent the dimensions of images to Phil Henshall so he can arrange the exhibition. The venue for the exhibition is still to be decided.

National
Jane Woodcock asked members to test the website which would go live in the following week.
Peter Dwyer reported that emails calling for entries have been sent to past entrants
and those interstate clubs for which an email address is available.

Outings
Ron Paynter reported that the mid-week outing to Broughton Hall was well attended.
He will organise an end of month outing to comply with Covid restrictions.

Competition
Mike Moore reported that judges have been finalised for all club competitions through to January 2022.

Mike reported that the entries for the high key competition were:

37 entries were received in A Grade PDI,
17 entries received in B Grade PDI,
10 entries in A Grade CREX, and
3 entries in B Grade CREX

Tutorials
Russell Monson will discuss the proposed Macro tutorial scheduled to February with Bruce Langdon.
It was decided that the March Tutorial will be on lighting for table top photography with possible presenters being Russell Monson, Mike Moore and Linda Keagle.

Committee

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