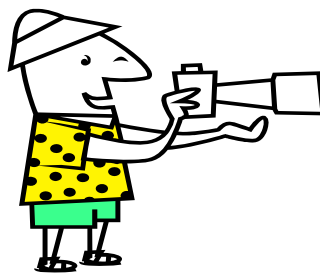


Thru The Lens



March 2008



The official
newsletter of
Parklands
Photographic Club

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Sorry about this late "March" edition of our newsletter – the days whizzed by before I knew it!

Since the last newsletter, we have run the successful 'Photoshop Basics' workshop which was attended by a dozen attentive photographers. The March meeting witnessed almost 40 entries for the 'MY Melbourne' competition, which kept our judge busy! There was a great variety of entries of a very good quality.

Starting preparing your images for the May meeting (and hand them in at this month's meeting!) – the theme; "The Dark Side", allows for plenty of creative interpretation: think shadows, silhouettes, 'dark'/seedy themes, Star Wars, etc!

On a personal note, I had a photo published in the current (April) *Australian Photography* magazine – they have a regular 2nd-monthly competition – you can enter too if you are a subscriber of this useful magazine.

Cheers, Paul

What The Duck



2008 membership

A reminder to all members, who haven't yet paid up, that the yearly membership fee is now due. \$30 per person for the whole year, or \$50 for couples. This will be the last newsletter sent to non-financial members.

Upcoming events

- **April monthly meeting:**
Thursday 10th April, from 7.30pm. The competition theme is 'People'. Our guest judge, Jim Weatherill, will provide a presentation about *portrait photography*.
- **Westgarthtown excursion**
As discussed during the March meeting, this event has been delayed as the weather's not currently conducive.
- **VAPS Muster – Mornington Peninsula**
VAPS (Victorian Association of Photographic Societies) have an annual weekend conference which includes lectures, workshops, entrance to the Print display, Interclub slide presentation and the VAPS Annual Dinner. This year's Muster is held on the Mornington Peninsular and the dates are: Saturday 31 May - Sunday 1 June 2008. I have attached a couple of pages at the end of this newsletter – with information and the registration form. There'll be a few of us attending – last year's weekend was lots of fun!

Information for New Members

Each member is allowed to enter a total of 4 pieces of work each competition. That is 4 prints or 4 slides or a combination of both prints and slides totaling 4 pieces of work. Each piece of work must be labeled with your maker/competition number, subject and image title. If you do not have your maker/competition number, see Joe Gizzi and he will allocate one for you. In addition, slides must be spotted in the bottom left corner when viewed correctly. For full details of print and slide labeling refer to information sheet. The competition subject for May is "The Dark Side".

2008 VAPS interclub – call for entries

We still have seven (7) spots still available to fill in the 'novice' section for this year's interclub competition. Maximum of two entries per person and you are limited to a maximum 5x7inch print (mounted on a 8x10 board). Our club already has filled our 'open' quota. If you have a photo or two to enter, please give it to Kath or Nick on Thursday 10th's meeting.

March competition results – *My Melbourne*



First place – Matthew LaSala



Second Place – Kath Kelly



Third place – Paul Grinzi



Highly Commended- Kath Kelly



Highly Commended – Matthew Lasala



Highly Commended – Katriona Fahey

Exhibitions, Events & Competitions

- **Role Play: Portrait Photography**

National Gallery of Victoria until April 6th 2008

A new exhibition will explore the notion of 'role playing' in portrait photography from Italian, American, Welsh, French, Australian and German photographers.

- **Friday 18 April - WIDE ANGLES - artists and curators talk portraiture**

'In a different light: artists portrayed' is an exhibition that mines the MGA collection of many enigmatic portraits. Curators and artists in this forum will survey the development of individual practices and the enduring power of photographic portraiture in Australia.

TIME: 3.00 - 5.00pm; VENUE: Monash Gallery of Art

COST: FREE; Bookings: 03 - 9562 1569

- **Pakenham National Photographic Exhibition**

This National Photographic Exhibition is a competition open to all residents of Australia. The 4th Exhibition will be held in September 2008 at the Cardinia Cultural Centre in Pakenham. [Entries for this competition close in mid July.](#) Secretary : Mrs. Pauline Preston - Ph. 5629 2488

<http://www.pakenhamcameraclub.smugmug.com/>

- **"SURF CLUB"**

Craig Golding has been a photographer with the Sydney Morning Herald for 22 years covering the last 4 Olympics as well as many major sporting events. He is recognised both nationally and internationally and exhibited, (as part of World Press exhibitions), in over 30 countries around the world. See a slideshow of 12 images of surf lifesavers.

Click on the link - www.craiggoldingphotos.com

- **New Scientist Eureka Prize**

Entries are now invited from both amateur and professional photographers for the Australian Museum Eureka Prize for Science Photography.

If you've taken a great photo, you can enter it in the [New Scientist Eureka Prize for Science Photography.](#)

Quote of the month

I almost never set out to photograph a landscape, nor do I think of my camera as a means of recording a mountain or an animal unless I absolutely need a 'record shot'. My first thought is always of light.

- GALEN ROWELL; [1940-2002] American photographer

VAPS MUSTER 2008

Blairgowrie - Mornington Peninsula

Saturday 31st May and Sunday 1st June

Venue: Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron (Melway 167 E1)

Presentation Dinner : Portsea Golf Club (Melway 156 C2)

Total cost: \$80

Accommodation: Caravan parks, motels, hotels, holiday houses.

**Make new friends and meet up with old ones.
Photograph the seals, boats, bathing boxes, and jetties.
Explore the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, Point Nepean,
the beaches, the piers (Dromana & Rosebud), the Eastern Lighthouse,
and Blairgowrie Jetty (very close to the Muster venue).**

Muster Activities:

Saturday Morning
Briefing -

9.30 a.m. at Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron,
"Who, what and when"

VAPS Statewide INTERCLUB Exhibition – all day

Susan Gordon-Brown - Photographer: "56 Faces"

Andrew Chapman - Photographer: "Shearers", "Campaign"

Lunch – self catered.

Saturday Afternoon

Joel Strickland - Photographer: "Teds"

Digital workshop - Photoshop

Photograph models at a local winery

Interclub AVs

Possible trips to the Quarantine Station of boat trip to photograph seals.



Saturday Evening

Presentation dinner, Portsea Golf Club, 6.30 p.m. (neat casual)

Sunday Morning
Lunch

David Neilson - "Antarctica with a Large Format"

BBQ (Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron) (provided)

Interclub Slides

Make it the BEST EVER Muster

Register ASAP

(Limited dinner places on Saturday night)

Registration forms available from:

1. VAPS website www.vaps.org.au
2. Your club secretary
3. E-mail Fred feverett@dcsi.net.au or Rob msec@optusnet.com.au
4. Phone Fred (03) 5625 2155 or Rob (03) 9761 2107

**REGISTRATION FORM - VAPS 2008 Muster on the Mornington Peninsula
Saturday 31 May - Sunday 1 June 2008**

Saturday Morning: Official Opening and Briefing at: 9.30 am
Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron
2900, Pt. Nepean Road, BLAIRGOWRIE, Vic. (Melway ref. p167, E1)

Full Registration: Morning, afternoon tea, Saturday/Sunday lectures, workshops, entrance to the Print display, Interclub slide presentation and VAPS Annual Dinner. Barbecue lunch on Sunday. (Commercial excursions not included)

Annual Dinner: Annual Dinner. Saturday night 31 May 2008.
Portsea Golf Club
Relph Avenue, PORTSEA 3943, Vic. (Melways ref. p156, C2, D2)

Newsbrief Subscription: Annual Subscription to *Newsbrief* (Hard copy or e-mail). 1 July to 30 June

Payment: Full payment required by closing date 30 April 2008.
Please make cheques payable to VAPS Inc. and send to:
Fred Everett,
71 Longwarry Road DROUIN 3818 Vic.

Further information: Fred Everett : (03) 5625 2155 email feverett@dcsi.net.au
Lyn Sloane : (03) 9761 2107 eMail: lynandrob@optusnet.com.au
Emergency phone number: 0401 943 354

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Send this part **WITH FULL PAYMENT**
REGISTRATION CLOSING DATE 30 April 2008

Surname.....

First Name (for name tag).....

Club.....Phone:().....

Address

Post Code..... eMail Address.....

Registration Charges:

Applying for (Refer inclusions above):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amount	Included
Full registration (2 days attendance + dinner)		\$ 80.00	\$
Muster - 2 days attendance only		\$ 40.00	\$
Annual Dinner *		\$ 45.00	\$
Newsbrief Subscription: (Please tick one)		-	-
By post		\$ 16.00	\$
By Email			
Please send self addressed stamped envelope if a receipt is required.		TOTAL:	\$

* People wishing to attend the dinner ONLY will be considered only after all award winners, full registrants and their spouses/partners have been accommodated.

DO YOU NEED: Special meal requirements?.....