



The *Optic Nerve*

## Monthly Newsletter of the Wodonga Albury Camera Club

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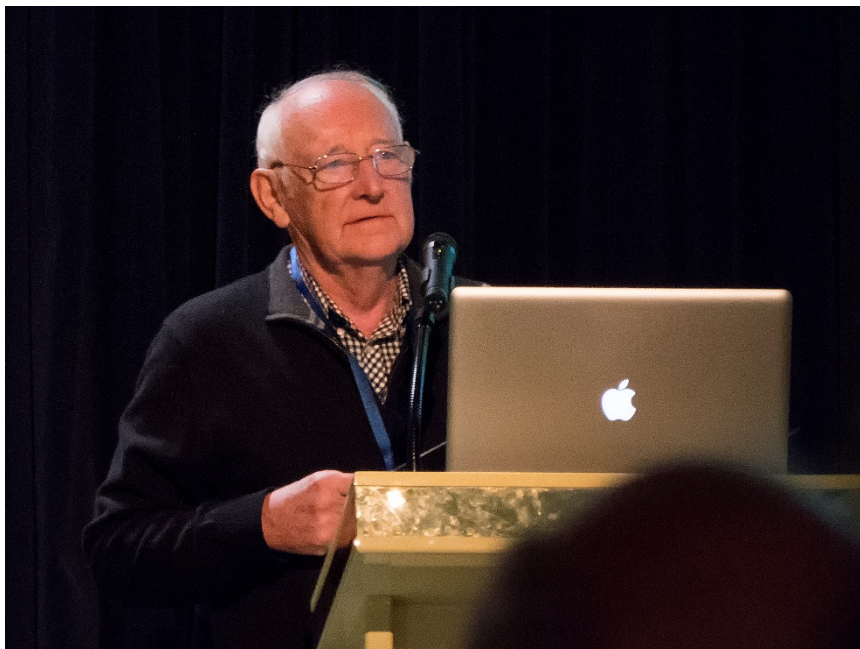
### June 2016

#### V.A.P.S Convention

Wodonga Albury Camera Club proudly hosted the 2016 V.A.P.S convention from Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June to Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June at the Albury Commercial Club. The convention was well attended by people near and far, and it showcased an outstanding range of print and EDI photos, and AV presentations.

The convention commenced with a traditional welcome to country, followed by a warm welcome by Brian Paatsch. Mark Slater caught up with photographer and guest speaker David Taylor, to discuss a few techniques when shooting from above and Debbie Shephard and Sharon Alston, were some of many, whom made their friendly service available at the reception desk.

David Woolcock and Neville Bartlett joined forces and guided conference delegates around a wet and cold Kremur St Wetlands, whilst Louise Peacock and Brian Paatsch led an architectural photo shoot down the main street of Albury.



#### Diary Dates

##### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

@ Boomerang Hotel

**7:30pm** General Meeting

Judging – Image of the  
year presentations

Entries due – Open

##### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016**

**7:00pm** Committee Meeting @

Sean King's residence

##### **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

@ Boomerang Hotel

**7:30pm** General Meeting

Judging – My Favorite  
Place

Entries due – Portraiture

Photographic challenge:

Macro

##### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

**10:00am** Paatsch Shield Pioneer

Museum Jindera

The weekend was highly successful thanks to the number of club members who supported the convention either through attendance or volunteering their time.

Wodonga Albury Camera Club would like to thank in particular, Brian Paatsch for the many hours he contributed to make this convention happen here in Albury Wodonga.

We also thank Mark Slater for supporting Brian and the club in the organisation of this event.



Congratulations to all our club members who submitted photos for the exhibition. The exhibition was opened at 2pm on the Friday and many members of the general public in addition to conference delegates enjoyed the variety of photos on display.



## HELPFUL TIPS

### Macro Photography

Close up macro photography is great for really bringing out the detail of your subject. Here are a few tips to help you with our next photographic challenge.

**1 Use apertures to control depth of field** – to get the most out of available depth of field select a small aperture.

**2 Use a third hand** – a ‘third hand’ device is an essential macro photography accessory. It will enable you to support or position subjects where you want them.

**3. Point of focus** – It is imperative to consider the actual point of focus when working close up with tiny subjects. You can dramatically change the appearance by where you chose to focus.



**Photo left:** Club members Debbie Shephard and Sharon Alston volunteering at the reception desk.

**Photo right:** Traditional welcome to country – convention opening.



### Future Club Competitions:

#### July:

Judging - My Favorite Place  
Entries Due - Portraiture

#### August:

Judging - Open  
Entries Due - Open

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