



## Calendar of Events

**Ballarat National Exhibition  
- 4 December - 15 January.**

**Maitland International  
Salon of Photography  
closes 16 January 2012.**

**Newcastle National  
Exhibition of Photography  
closes 23 January 2012**

**VAPS Half Year Meeting  
25 March 2012 at  
Melbourne Camera Club.**

**VAPS 2012 Convention  
Ballarat - 19-21 May 2012**



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By now all clubs would have received the information pack containing the VAPS re affiliation forms, updated rules and Interclub entry forms for the 2012 Convention.

I do urge club secretaries to open the disk and distribute the entry forms to your club members.

Also included in the pack are the Year Bar and Service Award application forms, please take time to recognise your members for their year bar award and where appropriate SSVAPS or Meritorious service awards.

The Ballarat Convention is shaping up well with a range of presenters and workshops being planned.

We are working to send out the registration forms and tentative programme in January.

As this is the last Newsbrief for the year may I take this opportunity on behalf of the VAPS Committee to wish you and your family members, friends and partners, a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

I look forward to 2012, and to working with Victorian Clubs to further our enjoyment of photography.

Peter Kewley  
President

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It rained a lot on Wilson's Prom during the Melbourne Cup weekend. However that didn't stop some determined photographers from Foster and Caulfield.

For many years the two clubs have had an annual interclub competition. Initiated by the late John Commin prints and an imposing shield travelled between the two clubs. Last year when it was all getting a bit too difficult we began a digital comp. with very cooperative judges who have generously commented in print on the EDPI's for us.

Last year we had a wet picnic together in Walhalla; this year 16 members of the Caulfield group travelled down to celebrate their conquest and to visit the Foster annual exhibition.

We were envious of their delightful gallery and their impressive display of prints. Obviously photography is alive and well in Gippsland; this was just a few weeks after the splendid seminar in Bairnsdale.

As if this was not enough we were given a tour of the area by members of the Foster group led by Graham Hancock including some spectacular 'wind sport' at Sandy Point and glimpses of the nooks and crannies of the Prom and its environs. So green, with dogs and ducks, wet webs and waterfalls. We had a lovely time in spite of the weather.

The joys of membership in a Photographic Society!  
Such exploration of the State; such camaraderie;  
such Fun!







## Southern Suburbs Photographic Society (SSPS) is moving to a new home

After a short stay in Highett, we are moving to Cheltenham.

This move has been brought on because of the redevelopment of the Scout Hall in Livingstone Street Highett, our home since May 2010.

The new home of Southern Suburbs Photographic Society will be the St. Matthews Anglican Church Hall at the corner of Park Road and Nepean Highway Cheltenham.

This will see SSPS return to the City of Kingston from the City of Bayside after an absence of many years and will fit in nicely for our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year, 2012.

The last meeting at the Scout Hall in Highett will be on 15 November, 2011 and the following meeting on 6 December will be at the new location.

Please note the entrance to the Hall is from Nepean Highway, off the service road, next to the Cheltenham Police Station.

There will be no change to the meeting nights and times; the first and third Tuesdays at 7.45pm for an 8pm start.

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Bob Clothier

Vice President (Acting President)

### FROM THE BADGES AND AWARDS DIRECTOR

By now all Clubs should have received their "hard" copies of application forms for Year Bars as well as nomination forms for Meritorious Service and SSVAPS Awards.

Year Bars are intended to acknowledge years of active involvement in a Camera Club, whilst Merit and Service Awards are given to Club members in acknowledgement of their outstanding service and contribution to photography.

The VAPS Meritorious Service Award (sometimes confused with that for SSVAPS) is for people who have worked basically within their own Club and the local Community. The Award of SSVAPS (**S**tate **S**ervice **V**ictorian **A**ssociation of **P**hotographic **S**ocieties) however, is for those people who have worked not only within their Club, but outside it at a wider, Statewide and even National or International level.

Most Clubs will have people who are well and truly deserving of either a Year Bar or an Award, so, Club Committees, start thinking – is there someone in **YOUR** Club worthy of acknowledgement in this way???

If more copies of Year Bar application forms or nomination forms for Merit and Service Awards are needed, please go to the VAPS website and download whatever you need more of.

Lin Richards ssvaps

VAPS BADGES AND AWARDS DIRECTOR

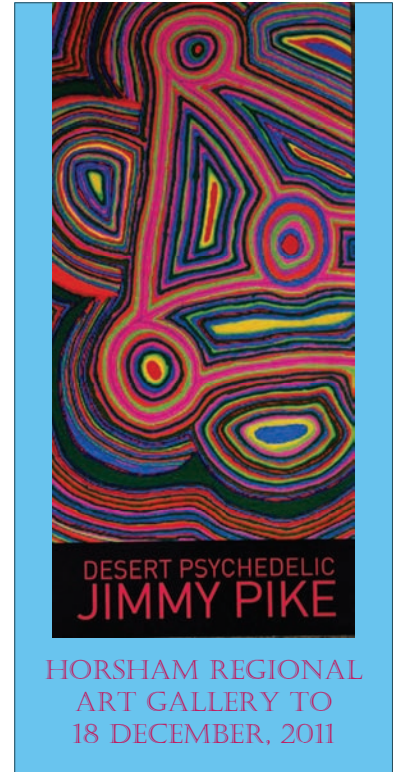
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# BALLARAT

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### AMAZING ANAGRAMS

#### **Christmas**

When you rearrange the letters

#### **Trims cash**

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#### **Achievements**

When you rearrange the letters

#### **Nice, save them**

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## **.Congratulations to our Victorian Photographers**

At the recent **APSCON** Convention many Victorian members were represented in the Photographic, Digital and Audio Visual exhibitions.

We congratulate all of the successful entries to the APS competitions, specifically we congratulate;

**Peter Dwyer:** Most Successful Exhibitor, APS Print & A/V Exhibition of Photography.

Champion Print of Exhibition,, 15 Acceptances, including 1<sup>st</sup> in Open Monochrome, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Nature, 1<sup>st</sup> in Photojournalism and 4 Highly Commended.

**Adrian Donoghue:** Most successful Exhibitor, APS National Digital Exhibition.

First and Second placings, plus two certificates of Merit and a further six acceptances.

**Barb Butler:** Champion Sequence of Exhibition, Audio Visual.

1<sup>st</sup> Place Documentary

### **Herbert Medal Recipients:**

Adrian Donoghue

John Llatse

Peter Hammer

Janet Rogerson AIPC Competition

There are many other Victorian members who received 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>, Highly Commended, Merits and Acceptances. We say well done to you and congratulations on your success.

### **AIPC ( Australian Interstate Photographic Competition ) Results**

QLD 467

NSW 466

VIC 462

SA 439

WA 187

TAS 422

ACT 416

## **DAVID HARRADINE COURSES 2012**

David Harradine is again offering VAPS Affiliated Club members a significantly discounted rate of \$195 to attend full day courses on Lightroom and Photoshop in 2012.

The first course will be Lightroom on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February, followed by courses on 24<sup>th</sup> March and then April 21.

Interested members can contact Peter Kewley at [pwk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:pwk@optusnet.com.au) to register for the **February 18<sup>th</sup>** course. A minimum of 4 and maximum of 6 is required for the day course to proceed.

All courses start at 9.30am and are conducted in a fully equipped classroom with computers provided for each participant.

Many club members have enjoyed and learnt through the David Harradine presentations this year so I am sure that the 2012 season will be just as successful and many members will benefit from the VAPS discounted cost.

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