



Meetings: 1st Monday of the month 1.30 - 4pm (**Easter & Cup Day weekend exceptions**)
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CALENDAR DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Below is a list of the proposed dates for Camera Club functions so that you can pencil them into your diary. Please check our Facebook page or your emails for any changes due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

Date	Function	Date	Function
5 th May	Open images for the June evaluation and Vegetable Monthly Challenge images due to Ken Anderson ken02407@gmail.com by 5pm. A selection of the Open images will be used for the Warragul Interclub exhibition.	17 th May – 23 rd May	PICC 30 th anniversary exhibition of photography (prints and digital) and display of memorabilia. Opening of the exhibition is on 17 th May (time to be confirmed).
6 th May	General Meeting at 1:30pm at Newhaven Yacht Club. Afternoon tea – BYO cup and gold coin donation. Lunch prior to meeting is at the Vietnam Vets Museum Café. RSVP to Lorraine by text 041 933 1630 or email tranlorraine@gmail.com by Friday 3 rd May.	22 nd May	PICC 30 th anniversary celebration dinner at Cowes RSL commencing at 6pm.

PICC 30TH ANNIVERSARY

Photography exhibition and memorabilia display

During May 2024, PICC will celebrate its 30th anniversary. A week-long photography exhibition and display of memorabilia will be held at Berninnet Cultural Centre in Cowes, with the opening on 17 May (time to be confirmed).

We are hoping to display 2 – 3 images (print) or unlimited number (DPI) from each member.

Please contact Graeme if you have photographs or memorabilia to exhibit. Photographs (prints) need to be mounted and include your name, title of image, whether the image is for sale and if so, price asked.

Soft drinks and nibbles will be available at the opening. Alcoholic beverages can be purchased at the Berninnet Cultural Centre Bar, close to the exhibition space. To assist with catering for the opening please RSVP via text to Lorraine on 041 933 1630 or email tranlorraine@gmail.com

Dinner

A celebration dinner will be held at the Cowes RSL on 22nd May commencing at 6pm. Partners are also invited to attend. An entrée, main and gluten free cake will be served. Attendees will need to RSVP to Lorraine and provide their choice of entrée and main meal a week prior to the dinner. We are still waiting for the RSL to provide a list of choices available, but hope to have this information available at the May meeting. Beverages will need to be purchased at the bar. To confirm numbers, payment will need to be made into the club's bank account. Details to come.

2024 SYLLABUS

The 2024 syllabus for PICC is shown below. The intent behind the syllabus is to provide a varied choice of topics that will, hopefully, encourage members to expand their photography skills. We have, within PICC, an incredible range of photographic skill sets that we would like to draw on and share. With that in mind, members are encouraged to participate in our challenges and share their personal photographic passions. Above all, though, enjoy your photography.

Meeting	Topic for Evaluation or workshop	Monthly challenge	5 mins of fame	Challenge brief
6 th May	Reflections	Vegetable		Water drop
3 rd June	Open evaluation	Water drop		The moon – <i>full moon 22nd</i>
1 st July	Presenter – Peter Fogarty	The moon		Sunsets
5 th August	Animal Portrait	Sunsets		Balanced
2 nd September	Workshop – Manual Mode	Balanced		Manual Mode
7 th October	Open evaluation	Manual Mode		Patterns
11 th November	Workshop - TBA	Patterns		PICC 2024
2 nd December	Portfolio	PICC 2024		

MAY CHALLENGE: VEGETABLE

The May Monthly Challenge is 'Vegetable'. Please submit your (up to five) Vegetable images to Ken Anderson ken020407@gmail.com by **5pm Sunday 5th May**. Thanks to Ken who is stepping in to receive the images while Gary is away.

Vegetable

Our challenge for the May meeting is Vegetable.

The Definition:

This is reasonably self-explanatory but just to cover all bases, we will be looking for images that showcase any and all manner of vegetables. This may be a single specimen or an artfully arranged grouping.

An important point to consider when taking your images is the lighting of the subject. We looked at this during our April meeting workshop.

Also try to highlight the textures and colours of the produce; there are some tips and tricks for this, most of which involve spraying the vegetable to create a sheen, or perhaps get in close with a macro shot.

This challenge presents a lot of scope for experimentation and innovation. Our focus is on vegetables, however, if some fruit slips into the equation, maybe to add a splash of colour in an arrangement, it will be overlooked. The main thing is to get the shot and show us your images.

Some links below to help you on the way.

<https://digital-photography-school.com/vegetable-photography-tips/>

<https://expertphotography.com/vegetables-fruit-photography/>

Happy snapping.

JUNE EVALUATION

The June evaluation topic is Open and images are due to Ken Anderson ken020407@gmail.com by **5pm Sunday 5th May**. A selection of the Open images will be used for the Warragul Interclub exhibition.

UPDATE TO CLUB HANDBOOK

The Club Handbook is updated from time to time by the PICC Management Committee. As an Incorporated Organisation, we are bound by the framework set out by the Consumer Affairs Model Rules for Incorporated Associations if rules are not covered in our own documentation. The model rules can be found at:

<https://www.consumer.vic.gov.au/clubs-and-fundraising/incorporated-associations/running-an-incorporated-association/rules>

We also have legal obligations under the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission. This includes the requirement to have policies and procedures to address various issues within the club.

Updates will progressively be made to the handbook which is available on our website, to cover the following aspects:

- Broaden the scope of general meetings to include self/club evaluations, workshops etc.
- Permission to use club members' images in club publications including social media and the website
- Permission to use personal representations of members in publications including social media and the website
- Members to provide emergency contact details and medical information and secure storage of that information (this will be done as part of the renewal of, or application for membership).
- A grievance procedure (based on the Model Rules, but a more condensed version). The only acceptable procedure for grievances is to contact the PICC Management Committee via email phillipislandcameraclub@gmail.com. This allows the committee as a whole to consider grievances.

If you wish to make any comment on the above, or other issues, please email the committee using the club's email account.

APRIL CHALLENGE:

Thanks to all who submitted images for the April Monthly Challenge 'Single Colour'. Below is a selection of Single Colour images. To see all the Single Colour images go to

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&fbclid=IwY2xjawCBbZwBHZ-52P8jhZu7LxnjTWJSWNoOePf3uSCELLEsqCQKxWcEJAifNMsl9508Jg&v=owtYntYbAHc&feature=youtu.be>



EXCURSIONS, CONFERENCES EXHIBITIONS AND WORKSHOPS

The VAPS Annual Convention June 2024 will be held at Federation University, Berwick from Friday 14th – Sunday 16th June. It is hoped that a couple of representatives from our club will be able to attend. For further details about the conference, please go to <https://vaps.org.au/convention.html>. Selection of images for the VAPS Convention has been completed. Thanks to the selection committee for their work, particularly Jenny Skewes. Congratulations to the following members whose images have been selected for the **VAPS Interclub Exhibition 2024**.

EDPI

Title	Maker
Water Splash	James Millward
Bottles	Jenny Skewes
Bringing Dinner	Graeme Lawry
At End Of Day	Joanne Linton
Rose After Rain	Ken Anderson
Mcgrub	Andrew Keir
Watchful	Ronda Roda
Butterfly	Judith Meier
Icm Tulips	Ronda Rodda
Sunset Colour	Kathryn Shadbolt
Road Train	Robert McKay
Boats	Jenny Skewes
Hibiscus	Colleen Johnston
Adelaide Arcade	Ken Anderson
Hi and Dry	Lynne Cook

Prints

Title	Maker
Rosemary Grevillea	Ken Anderson
Swallow	Andrew Keir
Lake Tyrrell	Judith Meir
Ss Speke	Graeme Lawry
Tulip Trio	Colleen Johnson
Farm Night Sky	Frank Zulian
Nose First	Will Hurst
Bedford	Ken Anderson
Clarinetist	Robert McKay
Just Emerged	Will Hurst
Floral Abstract	Joanne Linton
Wasp	Robert McKay
Wilson's Promontory	Susan McLaughlan
Ocean Racing	Rhonda Buitenhuis
Newhaven Morning	Rhonda Buitenhuis

- Warragul Interclub – images from the June Open evaluation will be used for this exhibition
- VAPS/Gippsland Interclub to be hosted by South Gippsland Club and held at Coal Creek (opening on 17th August) and followed by a dinner afterwards.
- Great Ocean Road Excursion October – November, Rob is seeking expressions of interest.

Thanks to Graeme for organising the portraits and use of light box workshop conducted by Trevor D’Ambrosio at our April meeting. Thanks also to those brave members who posed for their portraits to be taken. Hopefully all who attended gained some new experience and skills. As the meeting was taken up by the workshop, there was no monthly evaluation provided by a judge.

CAMERA CLUB UNIFORM

Thanks to those who ordered items of the ‘30 Years’ club uniform. Uniform items will be distributed at the May meeting. Please contact Lorraine if you are not able to come to the May meeting so alternative arrangements can be made.

VAPS NEWSBRIEF

The Victorian Association of Photographic Societies (VAPS) April Newsbrief is available at <https://mailchi.mp/cd16ac84cc53/vq5hq99cbx-8254775?e=18ecb6469a>

It contains information about the VAPS Conference which will be held at Federation University, Berwick from Friday 14th – Sunday 16th June.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SUBMITTING IMAGES FOR EVALUATION

DIGITAL IMAGES (EDI):

- Images may either be created with a digital camera (including a mobile phone camera) or created with a conventional camera and scanned into electronic format.
- Images may be enhanced or manipulated using image editing software, but the original image must have been made by the entrant.
- As per VAPS specifications (www.vaps.org.au), maximum horizontal dimension is 1920 pixels and the maximum vertical dimension is 1080 pixels.
- Each image file must be in sRGB JPEG format and a maximum of up to 5 Mb in size (5000kb).

Name your data image with Title of photo and your Club member number, separated by an underscore, followed by the topic and month when the judge will present the images to the members at the monthly meeting eg: **Sunset on Woolamai Beach_126_Open_Feb2022.**

Maximum of **three** entries in total either in PRINTS, EDPI or a combination of the two.

NOVICE CATEGORY REINSTATED:

To encourage new members to participate in the monthly evaluation, it has been decided to re-instate a NOVICE section. This will be in the EDPI (Electronic Digital Projected Image format. We would like to emphasise that this is not a competition but a learning opportunity. If you need assistance to get started please speak to one of the Committee Members, who are only too happy to help. Maximum of three entries.

Label your entries NOV_(Title of image)_(PICC membership number)_Topic_Month2020

ARE WE HAVING PRINTS?

Prints may be submitted for the evaluation topics in 2024. A total of **three** images only can be entered into the evaluation. **Three** prints or **three** EDPIs or a combination prints/EDPIs totalling **three** can be submitted. The exception to this is the Portfolio topic, where a combination of four prints or four EDPIs or a combination of prints/EDPIs can be submitted.

When entering prints, we ask that an EDPI of the print be entered also as our plan is to have the prints displayed but to show them in the slide-show so that everyone can see the detail on screen. It is important that print EDPIs be labelled with PRINT e.g. **PRINT_Title of image_Membership No_Open 202_Feb2022**

Please bring the actual print of the image along to the Newhaven Yacht Club Clubroom on the day of the meeting for it to be displayed for the judge's final perusal and for members to view.

PRINTS

- Prints may be ANY size, up to a maximum of 40cm x 50cm (16in x 20in) when mounted.
- ALL prints MUST be mounted.
- Panoramic print formats are acceptable, but must fit on a 40cm x 50cm (16in x 20in) board.
- Prints mounted to a total thickness greater than 5mm will not be accepted.
- Please also include a digital image of the photo you send in labelled as for the EDPI, but starting with **PRINT: e.g. PRINT_Sunset on Woolamai Beach_126_Open_July2018**

Please note: If an image does not receive Highly Commended, it can be submitted into only one more club evaluation. This allows the maker to adjust the image following the judge's recommendations. **Please go to the PICC website for the judge's evaluation**

NEWSLETTER ITEMS

If you wish to contribute to the monthly newsletter, please send items to Lorraine Tran at tranlorraine@gmail.com

Please help make this newsletter informative for everyone.