

NEWSLETTER



“A great photograph is one that fully expresses what one feels, in the deepest sense, about what is being photographed.”

— Ansel Adams

At long, long last, Spring is nearly here. The buds are swollen, ready to burst forth into bloom, and the weather is slowly warming up. Hopefully, we'll still get some spring showers to keep everything fresh and green and take the gardens through summer.

Each month, I try to suggest a range of activities, suitable for photographic opportunities, (on the last two pages of this Newsletter). This month, there's a special exhibition that may appeal to some of you:

THE CONTACT PRINT – SEPTEMBER 21

ACME etal Gallery & Studio, 17 Bell Street, Yarra Glen, Victoria 3775

The Contact Print is an exhibition of images captured using a large format view camera and hand-printed using traditional palladium/platinum and photogravure processes.

In these prints, the landscape and architecture of Central Victoria have been beautifully preserved and printed in methods that capture the delicate detail and tonality of these subjects.

Stephen Tester is a fine art photographer and printmaker. He has a passion for landscape photography and is attracted to photograph those places he connects to and engages with. His use of film, particularly with large format view cameras, and hand coated papers using palladium, platinum and gold provides the means to create unique, individual photographs unconstrained by proprietary processes. Living in central Victoria Stephen is attracted to the historic nature of the architecture of the the gold rush period that continues to define the characteristics of many towns today.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT!



A note from the President's Desk.....

How many of you have used 'special' filters in your photography or thought about using them? There is a large range of filters for all sorts of uses. Many of them are simply to change the colour temperature of the light. With digital cameras having auto-white balance these filters are rarely used.

For those who have tried Infrared photography, you may have used an infrared passing filter. This blocks most of the light except for the infrared. In the movie world, they may sometimes use a dark blue filter, so they can shoot in what is called "day-for-night" mode. At night the light tends to have what we perceive as a faint blue cast, so by putting on a dark(ish) blue filter, you can sometimes shoot during the day and make it look like night time. In the movie industry this is done to save time or when access to a location is limited. A lot of the scene will appear like a bluish black and white scene. Keep an eye out and see if you can spot it in some movies.

Neutral density filters have a far more common use. They are grey so they affect all colours in the spectrum equally. Basically, they are used to lower the light level when it is too bright with the highest aperture and fastest shutter speed, or when one wants a longer exposure (very slow shutter speed) for effects like the 'silky' appearance of moving water. There are also graduated neutral density filters. These mount in front of the lens with an adaptor, so that they can be rotated to the angle that matches the scene. There are website tutorials on this topic and:

["http://www.digitalcameraworld.com/2012/04/15/nd-grad-filters-what-every-photographer-should-know/"](http://www.digitalcameraworld.com/2012/04/15/nd-grad-filters-what-every-photographer-should-know/) is just one.

Most often they used to cut down the brightness in the sky when it is otherwise difficult to get an even exposure throughout the entire image.

This can of course also be achieved in post processing in Photoshop.

Happy snapping everyone!!



CLUB MERCHANDISE

Don't forget to take advantage of the opportunity to purchase your own Club Polo shirt and/or Club Jacket. Please bear in mind that the idea behind this is to have a uniform appearance, when we go on Club outings and also helps identify each of us as a Camera Club member, not just a crazy person with a camera!

Unfortunately, it is not possible to accommodate all members, who may have special requirements when it comes to clothing composition, type of article or individually preferred colours.

Thanks to Jill Fidler, the Committee is proud to offer the following to Club Members:-

Polo Shirt with Club logo: \$28.50 each

(With Club subsidy: \$18.50 each)

This is in Light Blue and Navy with Grey piping

Quality "moisture wicking material" in both

Mens and Ladies sizes

Stencil Soft Shell Jacket with Club logo: \$68.00 each

(With Club subsidy: \$58.00 each)

Colour: Navy

This is in a quality windproof and water resistant material

Mens and Ladies sizes

The best news of all is that each member is eligible for a \$10 subsidy for one of EACH garment they order. This means that if you order a polo shirt and a jacket - you will only pay \$76.50 instead of \$96.50!!!

Jill will have samples of each garment at the next meeting, so you can get an idea of what size to order. (If you have a favourite polo shirt at home, please bring that along to help compare to the size guide available.)

We will be taking orders for garments at each meeting until Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 30. All payments must be made by this date. You can purchase either a jacket, a polo shirt or both; if you choose not to buy anything, that's fine, too.

Delivery is expected to be two weeks from the end of September.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

PLEASE NOTE: Membership Fees of \$40
are now due.

Any members who have not paid will not be eligible to
enter any competitions.

September
Member of the Month:

ERNEST DE VLIEGER

*Please see the Gallery on our website for some
examples of Ernie's great work*

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WHAT'S ON IN SEPTEMBER.....

Don't forget - Father's Day - Sunday September 7

We all know September in Melbourne can only mean one thing:
FOOTY FINALS!

There's also the Melbourne Fringe Festival
Sept 17 to October 5.

The Spring Racing Carnival starts on September 22.

Mount Hotham Spring Carnival - Sept 1 to 5

Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival - Sept 4 to 14

Kyneton Antiques Fair - Sept 5 to 7

Ferny Creek Horticultural Society Spring Show
September 6 and 7

Warratina Wood Wonders - Wood turning and Carving
Wandin - Sept 6 to 21

Memories of Wartime - Ballarat - September 6

Wangaratta Orchid Show - September 6 and 7

Naturally Loddon Spring Festival Launch
Barraport - September 7

Tesselaar's Tulip Festival - Sept 7 to October 11

Rock 'n' Roll - Puffing Billy - September 13

Red Hill Spring Garden Festival - September 13

24th Annual Wedderburn Rally - September 13 and 14

Boort Wetlands Tour - September 14

Annual Wildflower Weekend & Art Show - Anglesea
September 20 and 21

150 Years of Rail to Echuca Celebration - September 20

Kidsfest - Mooroopna - September 20 and 21

Metcalfe Vintage Tractor Pull and Woodchop - September 21

Children's Festival Skyhigh Mt Dandenong
September 22 to October 2

Stawell Orchid Show - September 25 to 28

2014 Inline Hockey National Championships North Geelong
September 26 to October 4

Mildura Country Music Festival - September 26 to October 5

Coal Creek Pirates' Day - September 28

Spring into Nature - Killawarra - September 28

