

GEELONG CAMERA CLUB INCORPORATED

Information Sheet

About the Club

Geelong Camera Club was established in 1888 and is the oldest camera club in mainland Australia. We are one of only two camera clubs in Victoria to have their own clubroom facilities. Geelong Camera Club is affiliated with VAPS (Victorian Amateur Photographic Societies).

Meeting Times

Our Club meets every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm, with a summer break from mid-December to late January. There is also a morning coffee group which meet every 1st and 3rd Wednesday morning from 10.00am to midday. This is an informal gathering where members discuss photographic and other topics. It also provides an option for any who are unable to attend our evening sessions.

Syllabus

Our Club syllabus includes a wide variety of activities and guest speakers, as well as field trips and social events. It includes two annual weekends away. We encourage members' families to also participate in Club events.

Competitions

On the first Wednesday of each month, we hold a Club competition that is judged by either a local, Melbourne or country judge. Sections vary month to month and include:

- Open Prints (Grades A and B)
- Set Subject Prints (Grades A and B)
- Creative/Experimental Prints
- Digital Images (for projection) (Grades A and B)
- Open Slides

Throughout the year we also compete against other camera clubs in 3 Inter-Club Competitions, as well as the annual VAPS competition which involves all the camera clubs in Victoria. The Geelong Camera Club is currently ranked very highly in State competition.

Courses

We offer two annual courses - "Introduction to Photography" and "Introduction to Photoshop". Each course is run in the first half of the year for one night per week (usually Tuesday) for 2 hours, over an 8-week period. The instructors are talented and experienced photographers from our Club. There is an additional fee for each course.

Facilities

- **Dry-Mounting Press** : A large Press is available to assist in preparing prints for display. All mounting tissue and release paper is to be supplied by the user. Fee is \$2.00 per session.
- **Library** : Instructional, special interest & general photographic books and magazines are available for borrowing, in addition to special editions by prominent photographers. Limit of 3 books for 2 weeks. Register to be completed. Honor system applies.

After a qualifying membership period of 3 months:-

- **Studio** : The main hall of the clubroom is also used as a studio, and we have our own lighting equipment and backdrops. Studio facilities are available for hire to members after a 3-month qualifying period of active membership. Hire fee is \$10.00 per session.
- **Darkroom** : A fully equipped darkroom is also available for hire to members. All paper and chemicals are to be supplied by the user. Hire fee is \$6.00 per session.

Membership Fees : for financial year starting July 2009

Adult \$50.00

Concession Single/Full-Time Student \$40.00

Family \$70.00

Concession Family \$55.00

Members are entitled to discounts from participating businesses. A list is displayed in the foyer.

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