

WELCOME  
TO  
YOUNG CAMERA CLUB



*FUN, FRIENDSHIP  
& LEARNING*

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## YOUR CURRENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## MEMBERSHIP COSTS

ADULT	\$25.00
FAMILY	\$35.00
PENSIONER	\$20.00
JUNIOR	\$20.00

Membership is due 30 June each year.

## CLUB BADGES

Are available at Kays Trophies & Engraving cost \$9.90

## CLUB SHIRTS

Red T/sports shirt from Baileyania Embroidery—Cootamundra  
Service Cost \$35.00 with logo

## 5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE :

Shall consist of all aforementioned officers who shall be elected at the annual general Meeting , and shall hold office for a period of 12 months. The committee shall have the power to investigate and make recommendations on all matters relative to the running and governing of the club, and co-opt the services of any Club member considered necessary.

## 6. MEETINGS:

- The Annual General Meeting shall be held in June of each year.
  - Ordinary General Meetings shall be held in accordance with the date shown on the club syllabus.
- Special Meetings may be called by the President on application of 25% of the financial members of the club handed to the Secretary in writing.

## 7. QUORUM:

The quorum at any Annual, Ordinary or Special General Meeting shall be 25% of the financial members present in person. A Quorum at any Committee Meeting shall consist of half of the elected members of the committee plus one.

## 8. FINANCE:

- The Annual Subscription shall be determined from time to time by the club and shall be payable in advance. As the financial year ends on 30 June, all subscriptions shall become payable on this date.
- The Club shall approve of all payments as considered necessary.
- Moneys received by the club shall be paid to the credit of the club to a selected bank account and operated by two of the following;  
The Club's President, Treasurer or Secretary
- All financial records shall be available to the Executive Committee on demand.

## 9. CONSTITUTION ALTERATIONS:

Notice of motion shall be given two weeks prior to any proposed alterations to this constitution the matter shall be dealt with at any Special General Meeting. When a resolution sanction such alterations has been passed by two thirds majority of the members present and entitled to vote, it shall be binding on all the members of the club.

*WE DO HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH THE CAMERA CLUB AND  
IMPROVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY AS WELL AS BEING A GOOD ACTIVE  
MEMBER.*

## YOUNG CAMERA AND VIDEO CLUB CONSTITUTION

1. The Club will be known as the Young Camera & Video Club.

### 2. OBJECTS:

The aim and objects of the Club shall be;

- (a) to further the advancement of the technical and pictorial photography in both still and video mediums.
- (b) To promote the social relations with in the club.

### 3. MEMBERSHIP :

Shall be open to any person. Subscription shall become due and payable immediately upon election to membership. Applications for membership shall be proposed and seconded by two standing financial members at any general meeting. The club at its discretion may reject an application without given reason.

In order to protect administrative procedures the principal member of a family subscription shall be the voting member, except in their absence one other member of the family may vote.

A person shall cease to be a member:

- (a) If the person is unfinancial for a period exceeding two calendar months.
- (b) Upon notice of resignation in writing to the Secretary.
- (c) If he or she be expelled by the decision of the club.

### 4. OFFICERS:

The officers of the club shall be elected for a period of 12 months, at the Annual General Meeting and consist of:

President, Vice-President , Secretary, Treasurer and Publicity Officer.

The President shall be the chairperson at all meetings and in their absence the Vice President shall act.

Should any officer be absent without valid reason from 3 consecutive meetings their seat shall be declared vacant.

The vacancy shall be filled as early as possible by election of another officer.

## WHAT IS OUR CLUB ABOUT?



This booklet is designed to help new members understand the workings of our club.

The motto of our club is “Fun, Friendship and Learning” in that order.

We all take up photography because we enjoy this medium and like to be around people who also enjoy it. When you do something that you enjoy you are having fun. When you mix with others who enjoy the same hobby as you, you make friends, if you are enjoying what you do you like to learn more.

Our programme officer works very hard to organise very experienced photographers and guest speakers to help us learn more and see different ways of using our cameras. Over the years we have had some very interesting guests and had some very exciting workshops which will continue throughout the life of the club. We are very much a learning club so everything designed in the club has a learning aspect to it.

From guest speakers at meeting nights, club competitions and weekend workshops. All designed to improve your photography.

We are often lucky enough to be invited to places that the general public are not.

If you have a problem or don't know something please ask, someone should be able to help you or find someone who can. There are no silly questions we all started at the beginning.

Our major event of the year is our Photographic Exhibition/Competition which runs for 8 days during the Cherry Festival. We are very proud of this exhibition and members work very hard to make this the success it is. This is one time of the year we ask all members to be on deck, helping with the setting up and manning of it.

## MEETING NIGHTS

7 pm to 8pm

All clubs have a certain amount of business and decisions that have to be made, we feel that this is your club and you should be involved with the decision making.

If you do not want to be involved with this aspect of the club you can come at 8pm when the guest speaker arrives. All members are asked to be respectful of this meeting time and do not carry on conversations that disrupt the meeting.

8pm to 8.30

**SUPPER:** This is a great time that gives you the chance to stretch your legs have a cuppa and a chat with others. When you are finished your tea or coffee it is up to you to wash, dry and put away your own cup. This is also the time to buy your raffle tickets. This also gives the guest speaker time to judge the club competition photos.

8.30 to 9.30 pm

Most meetings have a guest speaker who will talk on a different aspect of photography each month. This is a great opportunity for you to learn a little about a wide range of subjects. It is always a good idea to bring along a note pad to take notes. Please bring your camera along as lecturers are encouraged to give practical exercises. After the guest speaker has finished his/her talk you will have the opportunity to ask them questions. Even if you only learn one thing out of each lecture it is one thing more that you know.

When the Guest speaker finishes their talk we ask them to make some brief comments on the photos. And tells us who wins, these wins are recorded and added up at the end of the year and trophies are awarded.

This is basically the end of the evening so you are asked to put Your chair away. If everyone does for themselves no one person has to do the lot.



## PUBLIC OFFICER

Being an Incorporated Club we must have a Public Officer who is responsible for overseeing that the meetings are run by incorporation rules. Fill in Incorporation papers by the due date after AGM always having a copy of the Constitution with them at meeting to resolve any disputes. Also to make sure our Insurance is paid through the FCC and a certificate of Currency is received.

## PROGRAMME OFFICER/S

Is responsible for the next 12 months programmes. Organising Guest Speakers, Workshops, outings and the production and printing of the calendar. Publicity information to be given to the Publicity Officer.

## EXHIBITION CO ORDINATOR

Has the major task of organising the Cherry Festival Competition. Collecting sponsorship, Raffle prizes, Entry forms, programmes, Judging, Special Guests, Opening Night.

It is best that they have a small committee of helpers and then ask at the meeting when they require extra hands.

## COMPETITION SECRETARY

This person organises photos to go to shows or competitions. Members are to give their photos in plenty of time for the secretary to get the photos to that competition complete with entry fee and cost toward postage etc.

Recording point scores at monthly meetings, Organising trophies for December Meeting.

## PUBLICITY OFFICER

This is the person who keeps the town informed about what we do. Advertise workshops, write stories of our achievements, Advertising of the exhibition etc. All these positions are open at the Annual General Meeting held at the June meeting, if you would like to take on one of these positions please inform the President or secretary before the June meeting.

Keeper of the photo Album of 1st place photos from club competitions. To be used to put in paper as well as reminding us for interclub competition in Western Districts.

## POSITIONS IN THE CLUB



Being a large and very active club there are many positions to be filled. As with any club the more others do to help the easier and more smoothly it runs.

If you would like to take a position in the club please volunteer don't wait to be asked. These next pages will show what the position is and what the job entails.

### **PRESIDENT**

Chairs the meetings and oversees the clubs wellbeing. Prepares an Annual report for the AGM.

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Assists the President and fills his /her role when not available.

### **SECRETARY**

Takes the Minutes at the meeting and sees to all correspondence. Keeps a register of financial members names and addresses with the date they joined.

### **TREASURER**

Takes all money and keeps cash book, reports financial situations at the meetings, pays all accounts. Prepares Annual Financial Report for Incorporation, organises the books for Audit.

### **LIBRARIAN**

Responsible for the library recording all movements of books and magazines as well as keeping library tidy. Chasing up people who do not return books.

## HOW AND WHY

### **RAFFLE**



We hold a small raffle every meeting night and members are obliged to buy 2 raffle tickets at \$1.00 each, this is to help cover the cost of rent on the room, coffee, tea and sugar and insurance. The raffle prize is valued around \$5.00 and is supplied by the person on raffle duty for that month. This is a wrapped surprise package and only the buyer knows what it is before it's drawn. This doesn't necessarily need to be photography based. If you look in your calendar you will see who is on duty each month. When everyone takes a turn you are not on duty very often maybe once every 2 years.

### **SUPPER**

A supper monitor is elected at the AGM and will be responsible for providing supper at each meeting. This person has an account card from IGA and can book up goods for our supper, including coffee, tea etc. It is their responsibility to arrange for someone to take over if they are not available for a meeting.



### **ENTRY FORMS**

Any entry forms for competitions or workshop information will be photocopied and available at each meeting.

### **ATTENDANCE BOOK**

You must sign this book at every meeting for insurance purposes. Please note any apologies you know of any.

## COMPETITIONS

### CLUB COMPETITIONS

The club competitions are divided up into two groups, A and B grade, when you join the club you nominate which grade you wish to compete in. If you enter B grade you have to have 4 first place wins during the year, February to November which will automatically put you up to A grade the following year.

We also have a junior section for school students.

The competitions have two sections Open and Subject. The subject for each month is in your calendar. These competitions are decided by the members at the December meeting in time for the programme manager to put in the calendar the following year. Open is for any photo you have taken. The size of photo in these Competitions is 6"x4" to 5"x7" to be mounted and placed on the screens when you arrive. You may put up to 3 prints in each section each month.

### Large Print Competition.

A large Print section allows you to put 3 print in each month, there is no limit on size.

### POINTS.

Points will be given for 1st 3 points  
2nd 2 points  
3rd 1 point

Highly commended awards can also be given.

These points are added up at the end of the year and trophies are given in each section. If there is an equal win then the highly commended will then be added to find the winner. Decembers competition does not receive points.

### ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD

This award is given out by the executive committee for the person who didn't win any competitions but has been a consistently good member of the club and tries hard all year. This trophy is also given at the December Meeting.



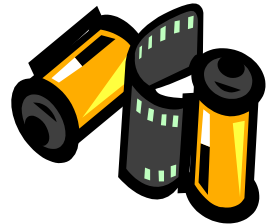
## LIBRARY

The club has an extensive library and members may borrow 3 books and 3 magazines at a time at the monthly meetings which must be returned the following month. To borrow books you must see the librarian and these books must be recorded at the time of being borrowed, as well as being checked back in when you return them. The library is kept locked at all times, ask the President or Secretary who the librarian is if you don't know.



## DARK ROOM

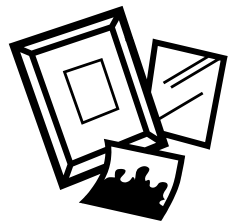
Members have access to the dark room as required. You must bring your own chemicals and paper, and leave the darkroom tidy. You must make arrangements to pick up the key and return it on the same day or the next.



## MATT CUTTER

The club owns a professional matt cutter that is available to members. This matt cutter is not to leave the Camera Club. Arrangements must be made with either the Secretary or President to have access to the room.

Workshops are held to teach members how to use it. A charge of \$2.00 is required to help pay for new blades.





## NATIONAL CHERRY FESTIVAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION

This exhibition is the pinnacle of our year members are working all year to make this a success. Opening night is at the start of the Cherry Festival and is open for the next 8 days. The exhibition is held upstairs in the Millard Centre each year.

An exhibition co-coordinator is elected early each year who forms a committee who meet outside the camera club meetings and up dates at each Club meeting on the progress being made.

All hands need to be on deck for organising for the opening night , supper, hanging photos and hosting the night. This then has to be manned from 10am to 5pm each day it is open. Members are asked to put their name on a roster. Remember the more help we get the less time you each have to spend there.

### **WILL SIBLEY MEMORIAL AWARD**

This award in memory of our first baby born in the Camera Club who met with a terrible accident in 1999 he was only 2 years old. This award is given to the best print of the show deemed by the judges.

### **JUDGING**

Judging takes place 3 weeks prior to opening night on a Saturday or Sunday depending on the Judge.

## **WORKSHOPS**



The club holds regular weekend workshops, both one day and two days. Sometimes just an afternoon. When these workshops are on the cost is \$10 for 1 day & \$15 for 2 days for members and \$15 for 1 day or \$20 for 2 days for non members. This may change depending on the cost of the venue or

expenses involved. This helps pay the cost of the lecturer, rent on the room and advertising as we

always like to invite non members to come along and take advantage of these days. Juniors club member free and non members \$10 for 1 day & \$15 for 2 days.

Entry fees, materials etc will be decided for each separate workshop as they are all different.

Members are obliged to bring a plate for lunch and afternoon tea, when asked.

Sometimes members are asked to help with setting up and taking down for these workshops putting up the curtains on the windows etc. Please don't be backward in volunteering it's too much for one person and the more volunteers the easier the job.

Please let the programme officer know if you will be attending the workshop, and if you have to pull out for any reason please give them the courtesy of letting them know.

### **OUTINGS:**

Being a member of the Camera Club we are often invited to places that the general public never get to see. We have some lovely days out and as a thankyou our programme manager puts together a small album of photos from members to send to our host as a thankyou gift.

Members are asked to donate 1 or 2 photos taken on the day to go in this album.

If you are car pooling please offer some money for petrol to the driver, especially if it is a long trip.

### **SMOKERS:**

If you are a smoker, there is an ash tray on the windowsill on the verandah, please use this and do not throw butts over the rail. Smoking is not permitted in the Meeting or Darkroom.

## WESTERN DISTRICTS COMPETITIONS

Western Districts is an interclub competition of all the camera clubs in the western area. This competition is hosted by a different club every year.



There are several competitions through out the year starting with Windows on the West which is a slide competition with entries due in by the end of March. This competition has now gone to electronic. This is a slide competition allowing each member to enter 2 slides.

There is also an Interclub slide open section competition which allows each club to enter their best 10 slides per club. Entries in by end of March.

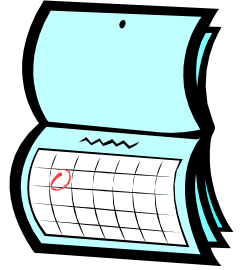
The next competition is a slide competition with 3 categories People, Pictorial, Nature allowing each member to enter 3 slides in each category. These are due in by the end of July.

In August/September each year the host club holds a one day or weekend for all members of all clubs to attend for the final judging and prize winning trophies to be awarded. On this day there is also a print competition, small prints 6x4 to 5x7 and large print section 6x8 to 16x20 Subjects being People, Pictorial (open) or Nature. Colour and Monochrome. As well as an interclub competition Open Colour and Monochrome of the Clubs 10 best prints in each section.

These are great days where all the clubs get together and see the photos, have a nice dinner and they have a really interesting guest speaker. As these competition dates come you will be advised at the meetings.

## THE CALENDAR

When you pay your fees this entitles you to a calendar, which will tell you what the monthly competitions are. When your turn for raffle duty is. What competitions and shows are on, and other important dates. We ask members to bring their calendar to each meeting to add any important information and dates given out at the meeting this way all your club information is in one place. It is also a good idea to keep a tally of your points.



## PHOTO RALLY

On the second Sunday in October the club holds a Photo Rally. This is a day where you are given a disposable camera and a list of topics, you have 3 hours to complete the list then return to the organiser. This is followed by a BBQ lunch. The organiser is usually the person who won the year before. The cost of this day is usually \$15.00. The object of this rally is that you only get 1 chance to take the photo this teaches you to stop and think before clicking. Photos are judged by the members at Octobers meeting. There is a shield that the winner takes home and returns the next year.



## BRIAN HARGRAVES MEMORIAL AWARD

This is a competition held at the December Meeting to honour the memory of one of our foundation members. Members are only permitted to enter 1 photo 6"x8" that has never been shown before. The club has a special trophy which is returned each year.

## ANNUAL DINNER

As there is no meeting in January we start off the year with our annual dinner. The venue and date of this night out is set at the December Meeting.

