

BELLARINE CAMERA CLUB 2026 SYLLABUS

IMPORTANT

For the latest syllabus information, competition rules, and image naming conventions
please refer to our website: bellarinecameraclub.org.au

JAN 2026		Images Due Jan 19 for Feb Comp
JAN 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club 'Get Together' Picnic Tea for all members and partners, at Princess Park Queenscliff– BYO – at 6:00 pm. Bring your camera if you like! Bring Prints for Feb Comp. 	
FEB 2025	SET SUBJECT: Open	Images Due 16 Feb for March Comp
FEB 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BYO Gear – Back to basics for new members also Photo Stacking/Bracketing/Filing/Cataloguing/Still Life practice for upcoming comp. 	
FEB 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MONTHLY COMPETITION - Open 	
FEB 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Outing) – Indented Head - practice with ND filters if you own some. 	
FEB 23	COMMITTEE MEETING	
MARCH 2025	SET SUBJECT: Scapes	Images Due March 16 for April Comp
MARCH MAR 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drysdale Library Exhibit with Lynne Pearce and Kevin Robley – 2nd – 30th March Guest Speaker – Gary Smith – The Philosophy of Photography & Composition 	
MAR 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Outing) Bellarine Agricultural Show - Portarlington 	
MAR 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MONTHLY COMPETITION - Scapes 	
MAR 23 MAR 30	<u>COMMITTEE MEETING</u> Social Night TBA	
APRIL 2025	SET SUBJECT: Open	Images Due April 20 for May Comp
APR 4-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drysdale Easter Art Show / Photography Exhibition 	
APR 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BYO Gear – High Key Workshop 	
APR 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MONTHLY COMPETITION – Open 	
APR 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Outing) Liberator Bomber Restoration – Werribee \$10 entry 	
APR 27	COMMITTEE MEETING	
MAY 2025	• SET SUBJECT: Interclub Subject	Images Due May 28 for June Comp
MAY 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guest Speakers/Demonstration – Portrait Lighting / Color Grading 	
MAY 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (Outing) Birds of Prey- Miners Rest – \$60 per person – Limited to 15 people 	
MAY 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MONTHLY COMPETITION – Inter Club Comp Set Subject TBA 	
MAY 25	COMMITTEE MEETING	
JUNE 2025	SET SUBJECT: Open	Images Due June 15 for July Comp
JUN 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guest Speaker – Darren Henry 	
JUN 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MONTHLY COMPETITION – Open 	

JUN 22 JUN 29	COMMITTEE MEETING Social Night TBA
JULY 2025	SET SUBJECT: Action Images Due July 20 for Aug Comp
JULY 6	• TBA
JULY 20	• MONTHLY COMPETITION – Action
JULY 27	• COMMITTEE MEETING
AUG 2025	SET SUBJECT: Open Images Due Aug 17 for Sept Comp
AUGUST AUG 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drysdale Library Exhibit with David Brewster 4th – 25th August • AGM & Social Night (bring a plate to share) –Share your photo books, sales tables. Members Choice Award - Submit maximum 1 print & 1 EDI by 21st July. Must be no more than 12 months old.
TBA	• Interclub Competition: Corio, Colac and Bellarine Camera Clubs – Set Subject - TBA
AUG 17	• MONTHLY COMPETITION – Open
AUG 24 AUG 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COMMITTEE MEETING • Social Night TBA
SEPT 2025	SET SUBJECT: Still Life Images Due Sept 21 for Oct Comp
SEPT 7	• TBA
SEPT 21	• MONTHLY COMPETITION – Still Life
SEPT 27	• (Outing) Botanic Gardens
SEPT 28	• COMMITTEE MEETING
OCT 2025	SET SUBJECT: Open Images Due Oct 19 for Nov Comp
OCTOBER OCT 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drysdale Library Exhibit with Debbie Hallows – Portraits - Oct 6th – Nov 3rd • VIGEX Images
OCT 19	• MONTHLY COMPETITION – Open
OCT 25	• (Outing) TBA
OCT 26 OCT 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>COMMITTEE MEETING</u> • CAMERA CLUB EXHIBITION – Set up Friday 30th Oct
NOV 2025	SET SUBJECT: Quiet
NOV 1	• CAMERA CLUB EXHIBITION – Set up Friday 30 st October
NOV 2	• TBA
NOV 16	• MONTHLY COMPETITION – Quiet
NOV 22 NOV 24 NOV 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outing (Sunday) TBA COMMITTEE MEETING Social Night TBA
DEC 2025	Awards Night & I.O.Y. Award
DEC 7	• Awards & Christmas breakup – please bring a plate to share

2026 Set Subject Definitions

Scapes - March

- sea: where the sea or waves predominate. Coastal features, people, boats, & man-made objects may be present but the last 3 should be incidental to the photograph.
- land: natural scenery with land and sky-based elements. Other elements should be incidental, and not dominate the image.
- city: a scene of urban buildings which are the main point of interest. It is not about the individual architecture or structures.

Interclub subject - May - yet to be determined

Action - July

- an image depicting a person, people, or animals doing something in a non-leisurely manner. Eg sport, an emergency, at play or at work.

Still Life - September

- the depiction of inanimate subject matter, typically a small group of objects, either natural or artificial. There are 2 types:
- found still life: a random collection of things that are arranged without any outside help. Meaning you don't move them to make your image. Eg. a yellow leaf against brown dirt; products arranged in an outdoor market; or even junk that has been placed aside a dumpster.
- created still life: inanimate objects (natural or man-made) that have been arranged to look a certain way. Synthetic scenes made up from models/figurines are excluded from Still Life.

Quiet - November

- a motionless, quiet and tranquil image that suggests peacefulness.

Abstract (as backup)

- An image that depicts a visual image that does not have an immediate association with the object world.
- An arrangement of colours and shapes which are not recognizable as known objects.
- Abstract can generally be used to describe photography that is not representational or based on external reality or nature.