

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ESSENDON CAMERA CLUB

28 July 2025

The meeting started at 7:34 pm.

Present

Committee

Sue Newton, Matt Wings, Allan Hine, Malcolm Grebert, Douglas Golob,
Alan Wilson

Members

Monica Bonnici, Geoff Woden, Steve Plowman, Carolyn Sant, Martin
Vargas, Neil Anderton, George Trifunovic, Clive Williams, Joseph Haber,
Kevin Phelan, Clem DeSilva, Keith Watt, Leanne Price, Alex van Hamelen,
Daryl Cox, Mendo Cvetkovski, Benjamin Gofron, Diane Sharman, Margaret
Greenwood, Martin Greenwood, Jennifer Swanton, illegible – member 34

Visitors

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Apologies

Pam Kreuger, Leo McGuire, Carmen Caruana, Michael Kemp

Minutes

The minutes of the 2024 AGM, having been distributed, were accepted.

Moved, Allan Hine, seconded, Matt Wings

President's report, 2024-2025

Committee acknowledgements 2024

Secretary: Alan Wilson

VP: Matt Wings

Webmaster: Doug Golob

Comp Secs: Allan Hine

Malcolm Gerbert

Engagement officer : Pam Kreuger

Events: Chelsea Trewarne

General/ comp sec : Tony Gravina

Events / Presentations :

Monica Bonnici

Toni Mason

Chelsea Trewarne

Photography Course 2025 - Trainers & Mentors

Matt Wings

Alex VH

Carmen C

Tony Gravina

Support Crew : Steve Mallia ; Tony Zorzi; Malcolm Gerbert

Tea & Coffee Crew :

Tony Zorzi

Steve Mallia

Welcoming new recruit : Steven Plowman

Reflecting on 2024/25

Throughout the course of 2025, a lot of time was dedicated to strengthening procedures and consolidating the functioning of the club. Unless you are involved in some way, this may not seem very evident . . . but rest assured that a lot of work, time, effort and thought has been dedicated to creating a more efficient running club. The coordination, commitment and support of the committee has been pivotal in bringing this club back to standing strong.

Our aim continues to be one of moving forward ; to continue reviewing and refining. As with any growth, progression may initially require some level of discomfort; appreciating that our members remain central to what we do helps ease this transition. Members can feel confident that any and all changes are considered carefully. We will continue to consult and be open to your suggestions and opinions. We would also love your help. - Consider supporting what you believe in, in whatever way you are able.

Some of our achievements through the last 12 months :

Membership risen to 107 from 58

Significant advances in procedures :

Streamlined / refined processes for Interclub Comps : Establishment of Image Selection Team

Web presence significantly enhanced

Establishment of Mission Statement

Community Engagement/ Involvement 2025:

Moonee Valley Festival

Intro Photography Course

Macedon Ranges (Matt)

The vision forward :

Presentations ; an added focus on skill building & workshops.

External Presenters to be of a more professional level. - A reduction in paid presenters to make way for workshops.

60 year anniversary: Goal to have **photographic exhibition** ; with this, a requirement for a small team to curate.

Continued review & refinement of processes

- Competition entries numbers under review. This has been as a result of both increased membership and the seeming inequity of current system - Members will be provided with an opportunity to share their thoughts.

Closing remarks :

Acknowledgement of member support and input. Opportunity for questions or responses.

Secretary's Report

It has been my pleasure to be secretary of the Camera Club for another year. I enjoyed, as usual, taking the minutes each month. Given that I still write the occasional letter, I am used to taking notes, you might say. Also, there is quite a bit going on, so I have got to keep alert during meetings. As a Club, we have been busy during the year.

Treasurer's Report, Financial Year 2024-2025

I present the following report to the members of the Essendon Camera Club as part of the

Annual General Meeting requirements.

Opening balance as at the 29th June 2024 was \$ 28,438.47

This was made up of \$4,762.82 in the general statement account, \$ 453.49 in the credit card account and \$ 23,222.16 in the term deposit.

The Rental for ECC for use of Aberfeldie Baptist Church - \$ 3,196.65

Bendigo Bank sponsored Essendon Camera Club for \$2,000.

The ITP Course income for this year, which was \$ 3,110.00

As of the 29th June 2025 the Essendon Camera Club has accumulated funds of \$ 28,126.89

consisting of \$ 3,578.68 in the general statement account,

\$ 221.59 in the debit card account and \$ 24,326.62 in term deposit.

Interest for term deposit was \$ 1,104.46 for 12 months

The Profit and Loss statement indicates an overall decrease of

\$ 311.58 for this year.

Sue Newton

Treasurer

Essendon Camera Club Inc.

Moved, Leanne Price, seconded, Tony Gravina

Nominations for the ECC committee for 2025-2026

(as of 22 July 2025)

President Carmen Caruana

Vice-president Matt Wings

Secretary Alan Wilson

Treasurer Tony Gravina

Competition secretary/ Allan Hine

Interclub secretary

Competition 3IC Malcolm Grebert

Webmaster Douglas Golob

General committee

Pam Krueger

Carolyn Sant

Joseph Haber

Alex van Hamelen acted as the returning officer. There being no more than one nomination for any position on the committee, no elections were needed. The above members were declared elected to the committee for 2025-2026.

The meeting ended at about 8:15 pm.

(See the next two pages for further documentation.)

CERTIFICATE

This certificate attests that the financial statements presented to the AGM of the Essendon Camera Club, on Monday, 28 July 2025, are true and accurate.

Name: Alan Wilson

Signed: Alan Wilson

Name: Joe Newton

Signed: [Signature]

Submission of financial statements to annual general meeting –
incorporated associations

Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012

Sections 94(3), 97(3) and 100(3)

I Alan Wilson being a member of the committee of the
Essendon Camera Club certify that –

“I attended the annual general meeting of the Essendon Camera Club held on the
28 July 2025 and the financial statements of the association for the
financial year ending on 30 June 2025 were submitted to the members of
the association at that general meeting.”

Signed: Alan Wilson

Date: 28 August 2025