IVANHOE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY INC



LIFE MEMBERSHIP CITATION

MAL SPENCE

Mal Spence joined the Ivanhoe Photographic Society in February 1986, quickly established himself as a very willing worker and joined the IPS Committee.

In 1991, Mal became Treasurer, and now for fifteen years, has kept the accounts meticulously and ensured that the Society has remained free of debt.

In more recent years he has taken over as the recorder of almost all of the official records, including all competition entries and results. He has produced information manuals, the annual syllabus and a host of other publications and items for the club. Almost all of our records are now computerized thanks to his painstaking efforts.

Mal instigated the IPS website to further publicise the club and its activities and to allow members to display their work for all to see.

The biennial Basic Photography Course is well established and Mal has always been a key contributor in its organization and conduct, including the editing, printing and distribution of the course booklet.

Your tickets and place names were all designed and printed by him for tonight's dinner.

Another major contribution in recent years has been in the preparation and presentation of digital images on behalf of the club. Mal has put together the audio-visual you are watching this evening -with the help of other members.

Mal's influence in relation to digital imaging and presentations extends beyond the club in addresses he has given to other photographic clubs. Other clubs have followed Mal's lead in digital presentations.

Regrettably, all this activity for IPS has kept Mal so busy that his talents in photography have taken a back seat.

A hard working and highly valued member of this society deserving of the life membership now bestowed on him.

Mal Spence - IPS Life Member

Mal joined Ivanhoe Photographic Society in February 1986, quickly establishing himself as a very willing worker and joining the IPS Committee. In 1991 Mal became Treasurer, a position he held until this year, 2015, 24 years in total. In early days he kept the treasurer's reports by hand. During the later 1990's these were computerised, and he then undertook computerising all the official club records, including all competition entries and results. In 2004 Mal designed and started the club's first IPS website (www.ips.org.au).

Mal's contribution to the club has been immense. He has had input into every aspect of the club. His hard work has been appreciated by all members, and his leaving has left a very difficult hole to fill. Mal has produced information manuals and, together with other members, the annual syllabus, as well as the editing, printing and distribution of many Basic Course Manuals over the years. He has lectured on digital imaging both to IPS members and other clubs. Until this year Mal has been the member to regularly make an audiovisual of competition results for easy viewing by all members. Thanks to Mal, IPS was a leader in digital presentations, and other clubs have followed.

The historic audiovisual shown at the 50th Anniversary of IPS was also made by Mal.

Mal has always taken part in club activities, outings, Easter weekends away, theatre and pizza nights - to mention just a few. Jill, his wife, often joined in as well.

He was awarded his IPS life membership in 2005.