

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

(Sutherland Shire community group, that gets together to share their common interest and hobby – Photography)

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Hi Everybody,

Great start to the year with again an **attendance up** at the meeting – thank you ...

It was disappointing to briefly lose our normal room for the meeting, but we are back to the big room again next meeting (7th March).

Great images presented again at the meeting with the main presentation the images for over 50 members that attended *Sculpture by the Sea* in October 2012. The images submitted for the B&W Task – Backlighting had a lot of us thinking of new ideas using a bright light source behind our subjects. This month the Task is 'Giants' ... Check out the Task guidelines & samples under 'Next Meeting' in this newsletter.

The **Trip to Port Macquarie** (Sat 6th – Sat 13th April) is looking great. Waiting for final confirmation on accommodation at Crescent Head – Great Sunrise coastline – Staying in cabins right on the beach with rustic charm in a bush setting – complete with fire pit to toast our marshmallows, then dip them in melted chocolate ... The budget is even better than expected ranging from \$550 to \$750 (depending on concessions with XPT). This includes 1st class XPT up and back, accommodation for 7 nights, Bus hire & fuel, insurances etc. We will arrange our own meals as there are full kitchen facilities in the cabins (incl. BBQ facilities). (TRAIN BOOKED – COACH BOOKED – ACCOMODATION 90% confirmed). Day trips covering South West Rocks, Crescent Head, Port Macquarie, Laurieton, Kempsey, Lake Cathie & Wauchope.

Common, limited places available – **you will enjoy the company, the scenery, oh and the photography**

Greg

Apology ...

At the February meeting one of the groups of images we looked at was the Task 'Backlit (B&W)', well thanks to somebody asking where their images got to ... I looked only to find another folder with 40 more images, so I'm assuming there are a lot of you that were disappointed ... My sincere apologies.

I will add them to the PP Presentation for March Meeting ...

Greg

Contacting Greg ...

I would prefer people ring me on **9528 3475** rather than emailing or ringing my mobile (0415 412 244) unless you want to send me an emailed link or attachment etc.

URGENT

PORT MACQUARIE TRIP AWAY (Sat 6th April – Sat 13th April)

Hi Everybody,

SPACES AVAILABLE ... I am short of the minimum number of people necessary to make the trip workable re bus hire and accommodation so have a read below and if interested, please contact me by THIS FRIDAY (22nd Feb).

Please ring me on 9528 3475 rather than emailing

Train – (up and back BOOKED)

Train Central to Wauchope - Group booking - First Class XPT (CLK35)

Departs Sat 6th April - Central 11.35am – Arrives Wauchope 6.16pm

Train Wauchope to Central - Group booking - First Class XPT (CLK36)

Departs Sat 13th April – Wauchope 9.59am – Arrives Central 4.38pm

Return fare:	Pensioner (voucher)	\$ 32
	Senior/Pensioner	\$114
	Standard	\$194

Coach (BOOKED)

(25 seater) Rosa

Accommodation (BOOKED)

I try to make the accommodation different (not Motels in towns). The Wallum Cottages are share accommodation (no bunks) in a bush setting, with the beach just across the road. There are verandas if it rains, and fire pits with seating to cook our BBQ's or toast marshmallows. A rocky sculptured coastline awaits discovery. Sunrises galore (by coaching or walking). If you prefer to sleep in, that's fine – we will be back for breakfast before heading off for the day.

Wallum Cottages – Point Plomer Road, Big Hill (via Crescent Head)

Budget (for trip)

The budget varies depending on your train travel fare:

Pensioner using voucher	\$575
Senior/Pensioner	\$660
Standard	\$740

Budget Includes

Train up, bus transfer, coach hire, fuel, insurances, accommodation 7 nights, dinner (food cost for 4 evening meals – BBQ's etc - Group meals), bus transfer, train back.

Not included

3 evening meals, breakfasts & lunches

Cottages include linen, towels and full kitchen facilities

Places to go

Places we could be visiting include: South West Rocks, Trial Bay Goal, Kempsey, Port Macquarie, Wauchope, Lake Cathie, Laurieton, Crescent Head and much, much more ...

The 3 cottages marked (red, blue & yellow) are our cottages:



Your cottage is fully self contained and contains a CD Player / DVD and TV as well as basic essentials such as soap, toilet paper, cleaning liquids, salt & pepper, foil. The kitchen has a microwave oven, gas cooktop and gas oven and most cooking utensils including a coffee plunger and there is both a gas BBQ and a fire pit with BBQ plate (we supply timber and axe!) The laundry has a washing machine with septic tank friendly laundry detergent provided. Our waste water goes into a BioCycle septic system so we ask that you do not put any other chemicals down the toilet or through the washing machine (eg bleach).

The beds all have quilts with quilt covers, mattress protectors and pillows provided.

Mobile reception and WiFi (Internet connectivity) are not available at your cottage. Mobile coverage is available a short stroll away at the beach; or nearby at Big Hill or Racecourse Headlands. If Internet is required ask and we can provide a password but our coverage here is quite slow and limited to small downloads.

We have a small café on site in the corner of the block – open most days during school holidays and weekends at other times – with great coffee, smoothies, cakes etc!

Crescent Head has a great butcher, top bakery, small supermarket, chemist and bottle shop which, between them, handle most items. There are also several places to eat in Crescent Head – including the Tavern, Country Club, Chinese (downstairs in Country Club), Thai at the Mediterranean Motel during summer & Crescent Head Resort.

Kempsey has both Coles and Woolworths Supermarkets (Woolworths will deliver on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays).

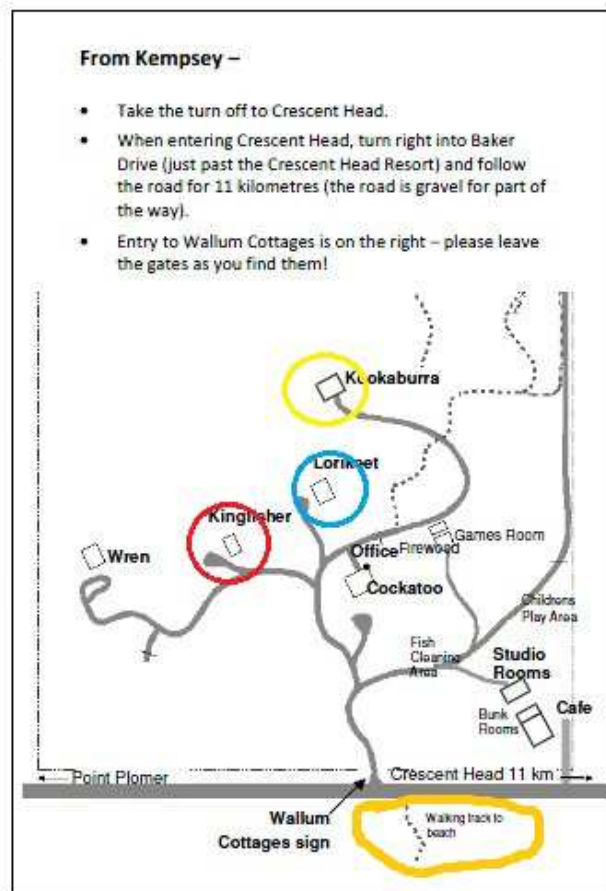
Be sure to bring a torch with you especially if you are interested in viewing the local fauna at night.

Opposite are directions to assist you. On arrival, follow the signs to your cottage. The main door will be unlocked with the keys on the table.

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us via email or phone.

Enjoy your stay

Jane & Fred
Managers



Kookaburra



Kingfisher



Kingfisher



So are you in ...

Give me a ring 9528 3475 ... Greg

NIGHT Mystery Tour #1 (23/02/13)

Green denotes that you have confirmed your going – If your name is NOT green ring (9528 3475) to confirm or cancel, thank you

STARTERS
Greg Ford
Bobby Johnson
Bev Scott
Ray Willey
Mark Nolan
Susan O'Grady
Michele Smith
Leanne Olson
Ally Bennett
Jo Carmichael
Linda Worton
Bronwyn Clarke
Michael Tannos
Bob East
Steve Economides
Nicole Low
Warren O'Rourke
Janelle Haffenden
Yolande Wright
Cheryl Speechley
Jayne Robertson
RESERVES
<i>Max Jamieson</i>
<i>Kathy Jamieson</i>
<i>Sarah-Jane Lucas</i>
<i>Yvonne Jones</i>
<i>Stewart Douglas</i>
<i>Anne Ting</i>
<i>Keira Morgan</i>
<i>Robyn Doherty</i>
<i>Phil Grainger</i>
<i>Jessica Davis</i>
<i>Ian Davis</i>
<i>Emma Buttigieg</i>
<i>Chris Lucas</i>

DAY Mystery Tour #9 (24/02/13)

Green denotes that you have confirmed your going – If your name is NOT green ring (9528 3475) to confirm or cancel, thank you

STARTERS
Greg Ford
Martin Pearson
Col Haywood
Kym Haywood
Wendy Whorrod
Maria Franklin
David mills
Emma Buttigieg
Heather Turner
Helen Rosoux
Ally Bennett
Sophie Brown
Graham Grocott
Barbara Grocott
Karyn Eyles-Balukea
Donna Brotherson
Tamara Hidayat
Leanne Munro
Margarette Looney
Barbara Danielli
Susan O'Grady
RESERVES
<i>Jayne Robertson</i>
<i>Nicole Low</i>
<i>Max Jamieson</i>
<i>Kathy Jamieson</i>
<i>Sarah-Jane Lucas</i>
<i>Yvonne Jones</i>
<i>Stewart Douglas</i>
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<i>Keira Morgan</i>
<i>Robyn Doherty</i>
<i>Phil Grainger</i>
<i>Emma Buttigieg</i>
<i>Ian Davis</i>

NEXT MEETING – Thursday 7th March

7pm - 1st floor United Services Club (SUS Club), Sutherland

(western side of Sutherland Station – opposite multi-level carpark)

\$5 entry – All welcome

TASK to shoot in March

'Giants' – Big & little people ...



Presentation

March Meeting's presentation will be on 'Filters can make the difference'

Society Member Portfolio

David Mills is going to present images that he enjoys capturing at our first member Portfolio for 2013.

Images to Review

OUTING – Wattamolla Sunrise (16th December)

TASK – Freezing Water – Taking water in flight at fast shutter speeds

TASK – Using flash with slow shutter speeds to record movement (can use rear curtain sync)

OUTING – Taralga Rodeo (27th January)

Images to hand in at MARCH meeting

OUTING – Clovelly to Coogee Coat Walk – 3rd February *(submit up to 10 images)*

NIGHT MYSTERY TOUR #1 *(submit up to 10 images)*

DAY MYSTERY TOUR #9 *(submit up to 10 images)*

TASK – 'Giants' Images submitted of Giant people with little people *(submit up to 10 images)*

NOTE: These Task & Outing images can still be handed in on USB, by putting into Greg's letter box at 7 Eisenhower Place, BONNET BAY) till SUNDAY 3rd March. Alternatively, give to Greg at next outing or Mystery Tour.

Meeting Presentation DVD's

At our meetings the format you see on the screen is a PowerPoint presentation. This presentation is available to buy for \$5 and gives you the opportunity to review the images you see at the meeting and to learn techniques and composition by reviewing these images next week, next month or next year. If you like you can have a standing order to receive the PowerPoint from each month's meeting.

'Shire Amateur Photographers' Society' (S.A.P.S) The Book – 2012

Last year we created the first Photo Book for S.A.P.S. called 'Automatic Door'. 'Automatic Door' included over 50 images from members and was a great way of recording the wonderful images that the members capture throughout the year. 'Automatic Door' was also a great way to say 'Thank You' to Greg Ford for his dedication to all the members. We hope you can contribute an image to 'The Book – 2012'.

Thank you
Ally, Sophie, Barbara & Graham

THE IDEA:

- To create a hardcover, coffee table Photo Book with images submitted by the 2012 Members of the Shire Amateur Photographers' Society (S.A.P.S.)
- The Book will be available to General Public and will be submitted to the National/State/Sutherland libraries – therefore, 'photo release' needs to be signed by members who submit an image.
- Ideally priced between \$75-\$100 (depending on number of submissions & quantities ordered)

WHAT IS REQUIRED:

- 2012 Members of S.A.P.S. are invited to submit one image to be included.
- Members should choose their favourite image based on the 2012 Outings & Tasks
- **1 x high-resolution image (JPEG format)**
- Image to be cropped to member's desired size e.g. portrait, square, panorama
- No border on images (this will be done in the design process if required)
- No watermark on images (photographer details will be included with each image)
- Include:
 - Photographer's Name,
 - Title
 - Relevant task/outing,
 - Description (25 words or less)
 - Camera/Setting details, (ie. Camera, Focal Length, Aperture, Shutter Speed, ISO) e.g. Canon EOS60D, 18mm, f/5.6, 1/100, ISO200)
- Images & descriptions to be emailed to: Sophie Brown – photo@sophieb.com.au or USB can be handed in at next meeting (Thursday 7th March). Please clearly label your USB.

COMMUNICATION:

All updates etc. will be done via the Society Newsletter and the Facebook Page.
You can also contact any of the Team Members directly.

Ally Bennett (normally@bigpond.net.au)

Sophie Brown (photo@sophieb.com.au)

Barbara Grocott (Barbara@bundeena.com.au)

Graham Grocott (graham@bundeena.com.au)

DRAFT TIMELINE:

Thursday 7th March: Submit image on USB at meeting.

Sunday 17th March: All submissions to be received (by email or USB)

March/April: Design the Book.

Thursday 2nd May: 'The Book 2012' available for purchase/ordering.

Thursday 6th June: Delivery of the Book.

Below is a list of Outings/Tasks for 2012 to assist with selecting an image to submit to 'The Book – 2012'.

We love the variety of images that were included in 'Automatic Door 2011 and we are really excited about the variety of images that will be included for 2012.

Simply put...we'd like you to choose your favourite image to be included. There is no 'judging' or 'competition'...simply your favourite image that relates to the 2012 Outings & Tasks listed below.

We look forward to receiving your image!

also ...

Below is the link re: The Head On - Momento Photobook competition. Our book - Automatic Door 2011, will be entered into the 'Open Photobook' category.

<http://headon.com.au/product/head-momento-photobook-awards-entry>

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OUTINGS (2012)

2012-01-29	Taralga Rodeo
2012-02-12	Mystery Tour #4 (Picton)
2012-02-19	Sightseeing Bus Trip
2012-03-18	Lavender Bay Walk
2012-04-15	Mystery Tour #5 (Robertson)
2012-04-22	Cremorne Walk
2012-05-20	Woronora Walk
2012-06-05	VIVID
2012-06-17	Mystery Tour #6 (Box Vale)
2012-07-15	Gosford
2012-08-12	Mystery Tour #7 (City to Surf & Eastern Suburbs)
2012-08-19	Woronora Causeway
2012-09-10	Broken Hill
2012-09-23	Karloo Pools
2012-10-21	Sculpture by the Sea
2012-11-11	Mystery Tour #8 (West Head)
2012-11-11	Sydney on Fire
2012-12-01	Bundeena Xmas BBQ
2012-12-16	Wattamolla (Royal National Park)

TASKS (2012)

January	Wide Angle Panoramic Landscapes
January	Light on a String
January	Compress the Background
January	An Egg in the Strangest Places
February	Doors / Doorways
March	People and their shadows
April	Cocktail Umbrellas
April	Just the Reflection (water Reflections)
May	90°
June	VIVID'S Changing Colours
July	'Splash'
August	'Miniature'
September	'Old is New Again'
September	Panning Blur
October	Backlit (in B&W)

'WHAT'S ON' - EVENTS, EXHIBITIONS AND COMPETITIONS

Compiled by Society member John Cole ...

'AROUND EVERY CORNER' – Photographic Exhibition – Peter Easterway: Cronulla to 28 February 2013.

http://www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/Recreation/Cronulla_Plaza/Whats_on_at_Cronulla/Photographic_Exhibition_Around_Every_Corner

THE GREATEST WONDER OF THE WORLD: Holtermann Collection. Historical photographs from the gold rush. State Library. 23 Feb' – 12 May 2013. <http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/exhibitions/future.html>

TWILIGHT PARADE (CHINESE NEW YEAR): 17 February 2013

<http://www.sydneychinesenewyear.com/events/chinese-new-year-twilight-parade/>

DRAGON BOAT RACES, Darling Harbour: 23 & 24 February 2013

<http://www.sydneychinesenewyear.com/events/dragon-boat-races/>

'DRAGON 2000 – 2012' (CHINESE NEW YEAR): PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION:

<http://www.sydneychinesenewyear.com/events/dragon-2000-to-dragon-2012-4/>

AUSTRALIAN OPEN CANOE AND KAYAK SLALOM: 23 February 2013 <http://www.canoe.org.au/>

SYDNEY MARDI GRAS: 2 March 2013 <http://www.mardigras.org.au/event-category/parade/>

MUDGEES SHOW & RODEO: 1 & 2 March 2013 <http://www.mudgeeshow.org.au/>

CASTLE HILL SHOW: 8 March 2013 <http://www.castlehillshow.com.au/>

MOSS VALE SHOW: 8 – 10 March 2013 <http://mossvalshow.com.au/show.html>

CAMDEN SHOW & RODEO: 15 & 16 March 2013 <http://www.camdenshow.com/>

NATIONAL SHEEP DOG TRIALS, Canberra: 11, 12 & 17 March 2013 <http://nationalsheepdogs.webone.com.au/>

HOT AIR BALLOON SPECTACULAR, Canberra: 9 -17 March 2013 <http://canberraballoons.com.au/flight-info/events/>

SHANNON'S WHEELS: 17 March 2013 Car Show, Canberra - 1200 vehicles

<http://actmotorclubs.wordpress.com/events/wheels/>

MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW: 20 – 24 March 2013

<http://www.melbflowershow.com.au/>

SYDNEY ROYAL EASTER SHOW: 21 March – 3 April 2013 <http://www.eastershow.com.au/>

KURRI KURRI NOSTALGIA FESTIVAL: 22 – 24 March 2013 <http://www.kurrikurrinostalgiafestival.com.au/>

ULLADULLA BLESSING OF THE FLEET FESTIVAL: 30 March 2013 <http://www.blessingofthefleet.info/>

ACCESS TO LIFE PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION: <http://www.powerhousemuseum.com/accesstolife/>

SHOOT THE FACE: MONTHLY INTERNATIONAL PORTRAIT AWARD: <http://shoottheface.com/>

SYDNEY SPEEDWAY: Regular Events <http://www.sydneysepedway.com.au/>

MARKET PLACE

Want to sell your unused photographic gear. Send me email (SUBJECT line – **Market Place**). Write add with contact details ... you never know ...

1. Canon EFS 17-85mm zoom lens with image stabiliser, f4-5.6 with UV filter, neutral density filter and circular polariser. Lens recently serviced and diaphragm replaced \$350
2. Canon 70-300 zoom lens with image stabiliser, f4-5.6 with UV filter, neutral density filter and circular polariser \$250

9526 8474 sparks1@optusnet.com.au Peter Sparks

CALENDAR of Upcoming Activities

- Sat 23rd Feb - Night Mystery Tour #1 (\$20)
 - Sun 24th Feb – Day Mystery Tour #9 (\$35)
 - **Sun 3rd March – Wet alternative for Clovelly to Coogee Coast Walk**
 - Thu 7th Mar – Meeting
 - Sun 17th Mar – Outing
 - Thu 4th Apr – Meeting
 - 6th – 13th Apr – Port Macquarie (North Coast) Trip Away (places available)
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Stay in touch with Society members by showing them your images during the month ...



S.A.P.S. (Sutherland Amateur Photographers' Society)

Contact: Susan to get instructions on how to join our Flickr group
catalyst6@optusnet.com.au

(this is a private group and only Society members may join)



Go to Facebook.com and in search bar type in:

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

then, in centre click, Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

Martin Pearson (member)

Martin is Going to Morocco - November 10th to 21st (cost \$3,700 au)

The cost includes most meals and accommodation plus travel but NOT international air fares. \$1700 – \$2000.

The trip starts in Marrakech 2 days photographing and then on to the Atlas Mountains, Kasbah at Teouet, Ait Benhaddou Morocco's best example of a fortified village then on to Dades Valley visiting several villages in the mountains then into the desert staying in a Berber camp photographing amazing sand dunes. The group is always small 8-12 people. Lee Frost's site info@photoadventures.co.uk

Interested – Give Martin a ring 95010709.

Don't forget to see if there are any ATTACHMENTS ...

Cronulla Central Gallery

The Cronulla Central Gallery is an exhibition space for amateur and professional photographers, new media artists, community groups and commercial exhibitors. For information about exhibiting in the gallery please contact Karyn Loughnan at Cronulla Beach CBD Management on 9527 2100 or email kloughnan@ssc.nsw.gov.au.

John Cole suggested that maybe some of the Society Members might like to participate in a combined exhibition. Good idea John. If anybody is interested I will ask for interest at the next meeting.

TARALGA RODEO Photo comp closes SOON ...

SOCIETY Membership for 2013

Attached is the Society Membership form for 2013.

With varying costs of running the Society, including Insurances, monthly meeting costs including projector etc, I have found it necessary to increase the Yearly annual membership to \$20.

People wishing to renew their membership for 2013 or become new members, can fill in the attached Membership Form (electronically), print it, and bring it to the February Society meeting on the 7th February (or if you wish, to the December meeting on the 13th).

Last year having the form and membership money in an envelope marked with your name, fast tracked the process on arrival. Meeting attendance (\$5) is NOT to be placed in that envelope, thank you.

Hope to see you at the next meeting or upcoming outing,

Greg

keep shooting - keep learning - keep enjoying ...

Participating in our Society

- Membership (2013) \$20
- Meeting attendance \$5 (Visitors may attend 2 meetings before membership is required)
- Outing attendance \$2 (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement).
- Night Mystery Tours \$20 (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement).
- Day Mystery Tours \$35 (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement).
- Trips Away (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement). Active members take precedence as so many people want to participate. Family and friends can go on waiting list so that if additional numbers are required (closer to departure), they are welcome to fill the gaps.
(family, partners, friends can attend outings etc, but to do so, need to become associate members (\$10 calendar year)