Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

'Our aim is not to compete against each other - rather, to learn from each other'



Hi Everybody,

Here is a new look letter head ready for the launch of the BLOG ... yes it's days away from finally going online ... don't believe it ... neither do I. It won't be pretty – yet, but it will be functional – pretty comes later. Watch out for email with instructions on how to subscribe as this is the only way to receive all the Society updates as they are posted. The usual web site you have been going to for over 5 years will close but the new site will have the same web address: <u>www.sutherlandshirephotography.com.au</u>. More real soon ...

ND (neutral density filters)

At the May Society meeting, we looked at the advantages, uses, and options when it comes to Neutral Density filters for slowing down shutter speeds in brighter situations. The results of using this technique are brilliant, allowing us to capture stunning images without the necessity of low light. Check out the images that some of the members have been posting on our flickr site and you will see what I mean ...

I will be writing an article on ND filters to start off a new section that is contained in the BLOG under 'Shutter Talk' – *Photographic Articles so look out for that.*

Next meeting: Thursday 6th June

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

(western side of Sutherland Station – opposite multi-level carpark) \$5 entry – All welcome

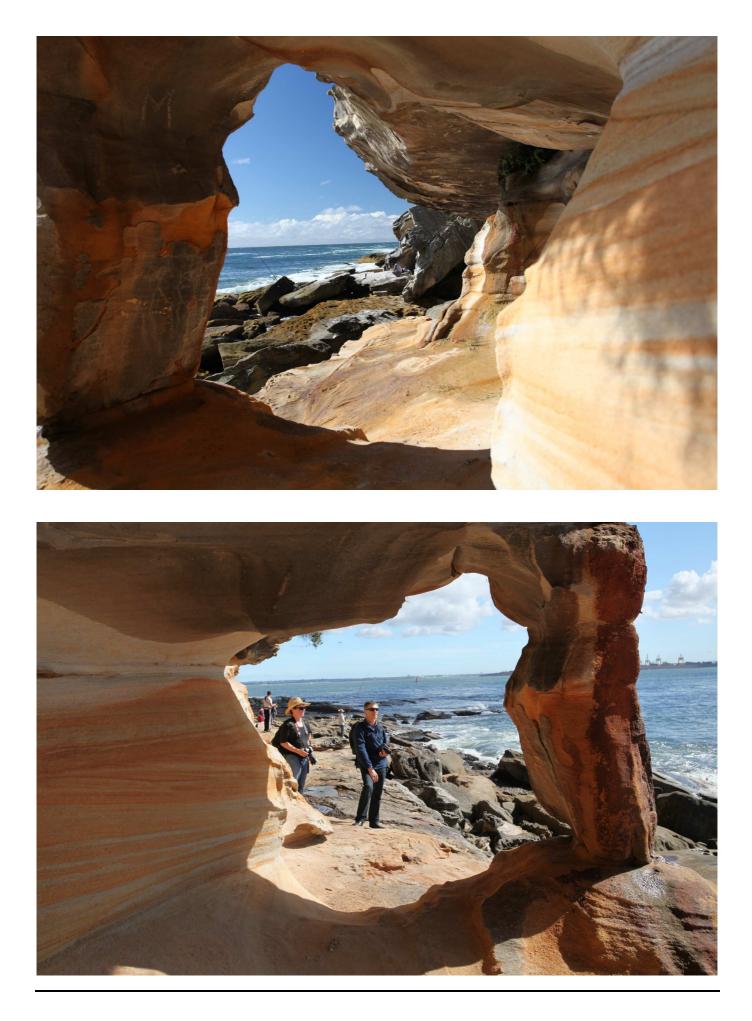
PRESENTATION – Looking at Composition

We will be reviewing some images I took on the Society Trip Away to New Zealand – South Island in 2011

Another short meeting of the people going to Kangaroo Island will be held directly after the Society meeting to fill you in on the latest for the trip.

TASK to shoot in May and hand in at the June meeting: NATURAL FRAMING

Shoot a natural foreground subject that frames your main subject in the distance. The examples over are from the Outing to Kurnell in April (see over for example)



Don't forget VIVID 2013

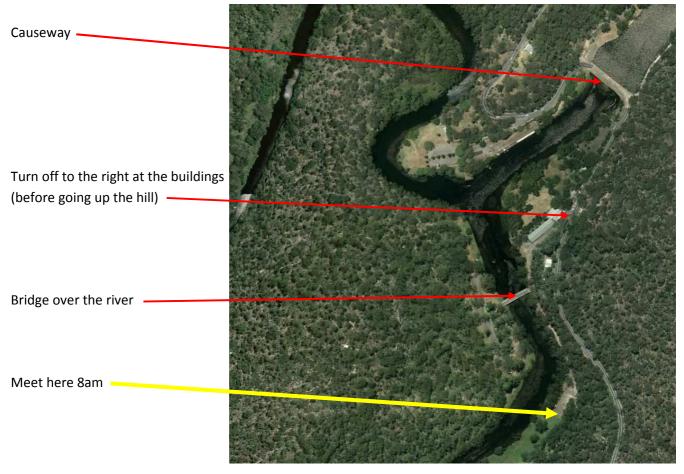
We are going into the City for VIVID on Tuesday 4th June (wet alternative Wed 5th June). STOP PRESS will be sent out with details to meet at Jannali Station or in the City a week before ...

NEXT OUTING

Outing:	Audley (Royal National Park)		
Date &Time:	8am SUNDAY 19 th May		
Meet:	Carrington Drive gate		
Cost:	(\$2 Donation that goes towards Xmas BBQ & Xmas Party Meeting)		
Confirm:	Check website from 6.30am on Sunday 19 th May, to confirm that outing is on re weather etc		

A morning walking along Lady Carrington Drive (adjacent to the river). Probably a little cold to start, but if a nice day, a great time of year for a bush walk. Bring walking shoes, snacks and a drink as there are no facilities available.

Starting from the gate that closes Carrington Drive to traffic.



Cronulla Central Gallery

We have enough people that would like to exhibit at the Cronulla Central Gallery for a 3 month period either at the end of 2013 or early 2014. The images need to be of the Shire and we need to submit

examples of the images we wish to exhibit to the committee before we will be excepted for the exhibition.

For those who put their name on the interested list, please pick your image that you wish to exhibit, and give to me on USB at the next meeting. I will resize images to a uniform small file size and submit that to the committee for approval. It is more to see that the quality will be of the standard that the Gallery would like to display (our image quality won't be an issue).

Contacting Greg ...

Please don't post messages to me on Facebook as I only comment on your images or post images myself there, and never look if I have messages. I had an important message posted the other day and missed it I would prefer people ring me on **9528 3475** rather than emailing. I have been getting up to 40 emails a day, and I'm finding it a bit overwhelming to reply to all. In saying that, please email me with any link, attachment or images of interest as I often use this at meeting or reference.

CALENDAR of Upcoming Activities

- 19th May (Sunday) Outing 'Audley Walk'
- 4th June (Tuesday) Outing VIVID 2013
- 5th June (Wednesday) (wet alternative for VIVID 2013)
- 6th June (Thursday) Society Meeting
- 23rd June (Sunday) Outing t.b.a.
- 29th June (Saturday) NIGHT Mystery Tour
- 30th June (Sunday) DAY Mystery Tour
- 4th July (Thursday) Society Meeting

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 <u>catalyst6@optusnet.com.au</u> (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

I'm sure members would love to hear your comments on the images, after they have been loaded onto these sights, so rather than looking, or ticking 'LIKE', and a word or two for encouragement cannot hurt ... (a pat on the back always helps motivation)

Email, Flickr & Facebook Chat - Links and Info



Donna Hewitt

Thx Greg I am all remotivated after the filters talk at the meeting the other week.

This is a 9 stop filter. I love this filter especially since I don't need to go out at night for long exposure.. I have just trialled the program HDR darkroom for bracketed exposures and is great for those looking for cheaper alternatives, easy to use HDR effects at \$59 or \$89 for the pro version.





Australian Geographic

Do you know any budding photographers? Our newest reader photography competition is here! The topic: SEASIDE. Send us your best photos of life around Australia's coastlines and you could be

published in Australian Geographic. Enter here: <u>http://bit.ly/15qOZx5</u> and please SHARE if you have talented friends!

I think I have talented friends ... Greg

(thanks Graham for the heads up ...)

http://www.australiangeographic.com.au/journal/reader-photo-contest-seaside.htm

Reader photo contest: Seaside Control of the sease With over 19,000km of coastline, it's no wonder around 85 per cert of Australians live by the sea. We want to see your best photos of life around Australia's coast. From martime to mud crabs, we want images of anything found within proximity of Australia's oceans and waterways. To enter, simply submit up to three of your best photos - jroeg, 1600 parels wide, no buger than 5 MB - by Ulling out the form below (Firefox and Imamet Explorer are the preferred browses). Don'toget to 111 out at detailed photo caption, as we want to know about the subject and how the photo came about.	Submit Your Ded Required feat "First liame: "Sumane: "Email Address: "Date of Birth: "Contact Number: Address 1: Address 2: Saburb: State: Post Code: Photo Caption:	tails
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We want real images. Digital or other manipulation is not in keeping with the spirit of Australian Geographic photography and we will will only accept images that are largely unallered (other than cropping and adjustments for bightness and contrast to ensure the image reflects the original scene). Stitched images are acceptable of they were taken around the same time, but please let us know if that's the case. See our photography tips from AG photographers. And don't forget to check out the previous reader photos	*Select file to Submit:	Bowee Bowee Passe subscribe me to the Australan Geographic new statter: Passe subscribe me to the Australan Geographic Destinations newsletter: Passes to: tryo with to receive information about special offers from ACP Magacities or Is partners. Passes sign me up for information about AD Education (recommended for parents and doucations) Yes, Ive read and accepted the Terms and Conditions of this competition
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9:30pm May 9

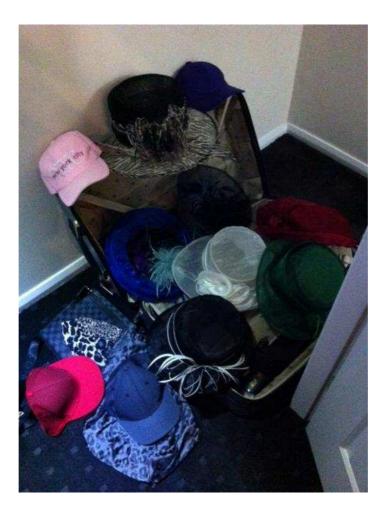
I access this site a lot – good articles – Bob East suggested I give you the link to see what you think. You can receive emailed tips and articles which are worth a read ... Thanks Bob

http://digital-photography-school.com/

Try searching for 'Beautiful Amazing World' to see some truly amazing images – Thanks Bronwyn for the heads up



Who in the Society goes on a working holiday and takes HATS ...?



Hope to see you at the outing on the 19^{th} at Audley, VIVIV Outing on Tuesday 4^{th} June or at the next meeting on THURSDAY 6^{th} June,

Greg

Photography motivates our lives ...

Participating in our Society

- Membership (2013)
 Meeting attendance
- \$20
- \$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)