

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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

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Hi Everybody,

OUTING's to INTERNATIONAL FLEET REVIEW - October Long Weekend

From Thursday 3rd October Sydney Harbour is hosting an Armada of Tall Ships & Warships to celebrate 100 years since the first Naval Fleet sailed into Sydney Harbour.

Activities in brief included in this feast of photographic opportunities:

- Thursday 3rd October - Tall Ships sailing into Sydney Harbour on Thursday morning from 11am – 2pm.
- Friday 4th – 40 Navy Warships from all over the World arrive in Sydney Harbour.
- Saturday 5th – Full day of activities:
 - 9.50am – 10am 100 gun salute from Garden Island
 - 3 x reviewing lines of ships will proceed through the harbour (nose to tail) from 10am till 2.30pm.
 - The first 2 review lines will pass by Kirribilli House where the review ship, the HMAS Leeuwin will be stationed.
 - 10am the first review line of minor war vessels will proceed past the review ship.
 - 10.30am, the second reviewing line will come into the harbour compiled of seven RAN warships lead by HMAS Sydney, and this line will represent the original 7 warships of the 1913 fleet. They will proceed up the Harbour and file past Kirribilli House.
 - 12.30pm the third reviewing line compiled of HMAS Leeuwin, HMAS Advance, STS Young Endeavour and the Lady Hopetoun will move through the harbour to review all the other countries warships that are moored at various points within the harbour.
 - 2.30pm on the Fleet Air Arm and Royal Australian Air force will conduct flypasts over the Harbour.
 - Also from 2.30pm – 6.30pm, naval helicopter Search & Rescue displays will be held.
 - Then International Fleet Review Fireworks and Lightshow.
 - . The Lightshow will be projected onto hulls of the Warships anchored in the Harbour together with displays on the Harbour Bridge & Pylons as well as the Opera House sails.
 - . The Fireworks will be set off from various locations in the harbour including off four of the Warships.

I am intending to have a few outings over this time. Here are some of my ideas that we can discuss at the meeting Thursday night.

1. IDEA - Thursday morning 3rd October - Catch train into City, then Ferry over to Taronga Zoo, then walk (or bus) up the hill then walk in to Bradley's Head for the Tall Ships entry into the Harbour (11am – 2pm). With morning light, photographing the ships from the southern shoreline will be spoilt by flaring, and because the ships come so close to the northern shore as they round Bradley's Head, it's the perfect vantage point. They are moving through the harbour and birthing in and around Darling Harbour, so hopefully they will be under full sail coming up to, and passing by Bradley's Head.

2. IDEA – Friday morning 4th October – Catch train into City buying a day tripper ticket (multiple ferry trips). Catch a ferry to Manly and return to coincide with fleet Warships entry into Harbour. Catch the ferry again to Manly return, to get more opportunities.
3. IDEA – Saturday Options:
 - a. Catch train in early to go to vantage point of either Opera House or Mrs Macquarie’s Chair
 - b. Pay \$85 and go on a 4hour Cruise in the Harbour with a BBQ lunch (11-3)
 - c. Then after either option above, go to or back to Mrs Macquarie’s Chair mid-afternoon to wait for the Light Show & Fireworks, then walk back to Martin Place Station.
 - d.

We will discuss options at the meeting , and I will have more info about cruises available ...Greg

Some links to websites associated with the activities that are on:

IFR Schedule of Events <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/events>

Tall Ship Information <http://www.tallshipfestival2013.com/>

International Fleet Review <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/>

HMAS participating Warships <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/participants/warships>

Participating Tall Ships <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/participants/tall-ships>

Participating Aircraft <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/participants/aircraft>

Go to the dark blue footer on some of the web pages for more information ...

With ten weeks to go until the commencement of the Royal Australian Navy’s International Fleet Review (IFR) Sydney 2013, two more ships have been announced and a redesigned IFR website has been launched.

The United States Navy guided-missile cruiser USS *Chosin* (CG 65) and the People’s Liberation Army Navy’s *Qingdao*, a Luhu-class guided missile destroyer from China have confirmed their attendance taking the total number of visiting warships to 23. With the combined might of the Royal Australian Navy’s ships and the tall ships there will be a fleet of 60 ships arriving in Sydney Harbour for the event.

During Open Days on 6 and 7 October 2013 members of the public will have the opportunity to visit both warships and tall ships at Garden Island, Barangaroo and Darling Harbour. Australian and foreign warships plus the tall ships will be open at these events for what is a rare opportunity.

Images of the all the participating ships can be seen on the newly relaunched IFR website – <http://navy.gov.au/ifr/> – which provides more detail and information about this significant, commemorative event. The website is the primary source for finding out about the combined fleet, events and activities for the IFR. It is also where information can be found on how to purchase official IFR merchandise.

Some IFR events such as the warship open days, tall ship day sails and harbour vantage points during the IFR Fireworks and Lightshow Spectacular will be ticketed to assist with crowd management. Details and the booking process for these events will also be available on the IFR website, once confirmed.

There is a latest news section in the new site providing news updates and goings on in the lead up to the event. Quick links to useful external sites are included, along with those to the IFR Twitter and Facebook page. An IFR app for Apple and Android phones is being developed and will be available to download free from the Apple Store and Google Play from mid-September.

The IFR will place on Sydney Harbour from 3 -11 October 2013, to commemorate the centenary of the first Royal Australian Navy fleet entry into Sydney Harbour on 4 October 1913.

History	Events	Participants	News	Gallery	Retail	Get Involved	Contact	FAQs
About IFR 2013	IFR Schedule of Events	Warships	Newsletter	Image Gallery	Merchandise	Sponsorship		
Fleet Review History	IFR Spectacular	Tall Ships	Publications	Latest Video	Tickets	Competitions		
1913 Fleet Entry	Tall Ships Program	Civilian Ships	Media Room			Naval Personnel		
1913 Fleet Descendants	Aviation Program	Aircraft				Reservists		
Historical Maps	Band Program	Bands				Ex Naval Personnel		
	Associated Events					Volunteers		
	Vantage Points					Naval Cadets		
	Maps					Navy Families		
						Salute the Sailors		

International fleets head to Sydney

» **TIM BARLASS**

It will be a not-so-subtle display of naval military might, and the most diverse armada of international warships ever to sail into Sydney Harbour.

Bristling with weaponry, some 21 nations will be represented in the October Fleet Review, including China by a Luhui Class destroyer, Qingdao.

Russia will send the RFS Varyag cruiser capable of carrying long-range surface-to-air missiles and anti-submarine torpedoes. At 186 metres it will be the largest ship on the harbour.

Britain will send HMS Daring, a guided-missile destroyer and America will deploy the USS Chosin, a guided-missile cruiser.

All will assemble at Garden Island and across the Harbour marking the centenary of the first entry of the Royal Australian Navy's fleet into Sydney on October 4, 1913.

On that occasion tens of thousands of people lined the foreshore to greet the flagship, the first HMAS Australia, as Australia came of age with its own defence capability.

Captain Nick Bramwell, director of the International Fleet Review, said it was a big undertaking for most countries to send ships to Australia.

"The Chinese now tend to visit Australia every 12 to 18 months, more unusual ones from India, Russia and Nigeria. This is



Shipshape: The review is expected to generate \$50 million in revenue.

the first time the Russian Navy has been to Sydney since 1903, and this is the first time the Nigerians have been to Australia," he said. "It's a great amphitheatre for this event."

The foreign navies are not required to reveal what kind of weapons they have.

"Just because a ship can carry a certain number of missiles or shells for its guns doesn't necessarily mean they are carrying them at full capacity," Captain Bramwell said.

"There are standard procedures in not having explosives on upper decks in confined waterways, and they are pretty much internationally

recognised." Planning for the final berthing arrangements will continue right up until the review, expected to generate revenue of more than \$50 million.

The celebrations will also include tall ships from eight countries, along with a home fleet of vessels including the James Craig and HM Bark Endeavour.

Navies from India, Canada, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore and Spain will also send ships.

Sydney is a nuclear-free harbour, so none of the vessels will have nuclear weapons or be propelled by nuclear power plants.

Next Meeting: Thursday 5th September

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

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

IMAGES to REVIEW AT SEPTEMBER MEETING:

1. OUTING (July) Birchgrove
2. NIGHT MYSTERY TOUR – 20th July
3. DAY MYSTERY TOUR – 21st July
4. TASK - Repetition

HAND IN AT SEPTEMBER MEETING:

1. NIGHT MYSTERY TOUR (Eastern Suburbs - Harbour Views) – 10th August (5 images)
2. DAY MYSTERY TOUR (Minnamurra Falls) – 11th August (5 images)
3. OUTING (25th August) Botany Bay National Park (Northern Headland)
4. TASK (August) Bubbles

Don't forget to add your name to the list at the meeting if you're interested in the TRIP AWAY 2014 to Central Australia ...

Photographic Society

Trip Away (June 2014)

Central Australia

10 days

Attractions

Flying Doctor, School of the Air, Telegraph Station, Aboriginal painting, Old Ghan Railway, Solar Station, Simpsons Gap, Standley Chasm, Ellery Creek Big Hole, Ochre Pits, Ormiston Gorge, Glen Helen Gorge (opportunity for helicopter flight – extra \$), Emily Gap, Jessie Gap, Corroboree Rock, Trepina Gorge, Kings Canyon (Rim Walk & Garden of Eden), Mt Conner, Lake Amadeus, Uluru (Ayers Rock), Kata Tjuta (Olgas)

and much, much more ...

and the cost ...

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Including:

Accommodation, Airfares (estimate) transfers, permits, transport, entries to attractions & incl. 3 evening meals)

\$1,500

(10 days)

KANGAROO ISLAND Meeting after Society Meeting ...

For those going to Kangaroo Island on the 20th September, we will be having a meeting for the trip after the Society Meeting (9.45pm). It is hoped that everybody going on the trip will attend. Send any questions to Greg by email BEFORE the meeting please.

*If you don't have your images ready to hand in at the meeting, you can drop into my letterbox at 7 Eisenhower Place, Bonnet Bay by **Sunday 29th September.***

Photography motivates life ...

Greg

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)