Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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



Hi Everybody ...

OUTING - Sunday 15th December

Rushcutters Bay & Darling Point - Walk

Meeting at Jannali Station at **7.40am** for a 7.54am train to Edgecliff

or

meet us on the corner of New South Head Road & New Bridge Road, Rushcutters Bay at 9am.

Morning Walk around Rushcutters Bay, Darling Point, McKell Park and St Mark's Church, before catching train home from Edgecliff.

Weather

Not looking good at this stage ... but it does not mean that it won't end up sunny S.

Sunday 15 December

 Min
 18
 Max
 24
 Sydney area

 Shower or two clearing.
 Cloudy. Isolated showers contracting to the west in the late afternoon. Light winds becoming easterly 15 to 20 km/h in the evening.

I will send email by 6.30am Sunday morning to confirm if outing is on or cancelled due to weather etc. (website cannot be updated at present ... don't ask ... !)

Lightroom

Yet another problem with purchasing Lightroom for my Students!

At the December Society Meeting, 20 names were gathered from students who wanted to purchase Lightroom 5.

The next day, I bought 20 copies (\$2,100) of the product from Student Discounts (on PayPal) for those students. Monday this week, a person rang me from Student Discounts and said did I know that Adobe will NOT allow on-selling of their Student versions, even if you are selling it at the same price as you bought it. In this situation, he cannot take back software if there is a problem, and he was worried I would get stuck with 20 copies (*nice bloke for thinking of his customer over profit*). He cancelled order...

Also I was told that Adobe could pull the plug on my student I.D.'s at any time, and then YOU will get stuck with a student version that you will NOT be able to activate.

Because of these developments, I am not continuing with purchasing Lightroom, or you using my Photography School Student I.D.'s for Lightroom purchase. Sorry for the inconvenience ... I tried

1st OUTING for 2014

Taralga Rodeo

Sunday 26th January, 2014 (Australia Day)

Meeting at Jannali High School (Sutherland Road Jannali) at 6.30am, for the 220km trip to Taralga (just out of Goulburn).

We are carpooling to save a lonely drive ...

A suggestion ... if you get a lift is to give the driver \$20 towards fuel ... Discuss with drivers, what time you're happy to come home – can be late for some ...



More info during January ...

1st MEETING for 2014 (Thursday 6th February)

• 7pm 1st floor Sutherland United Services Club (SUS Club), Sutherland (all welcome) \$5 entry

Images to review at 6th February Meeting

- . NIGHT Mystery Tour (Saturday 19th Oct) Gladesville
- . DAY Mystery Tour (Sunday 20th Oct) Macquarie Rivulet
- . NIGHT Mystery Tour (#5) Newtown, White Bay and Anzac Bridge
- . DAY Mystery Tour (#14) Camp Quality Convoy, Kembla Heights & Port Kembla
- . TASK (November) Fences and their impact on the landscape image

Images from above Mystery Tours or the Task, can be put in Greg's letterbox (7 Eisenhower Place, Bonnet Bay) till Monday 27th January, or can be given to Greg at Taralga Rodeo.

Hand in at 6th February Meeting

- . **OUTING** (Sunday 15th Dec) Rushcutters Bay & Darling Point Walk (up to 5 images)
- . OUTING (Sunday 26th Jan) Taralga Rodeo (up to 10 images)
- . TASK (December) A subject lit predominantly by torchlight (up to 5 images)
- **TASK** (December) The letter B ('B' either featured in the subject or is the first letter describing the subject taken (up to 5 images)

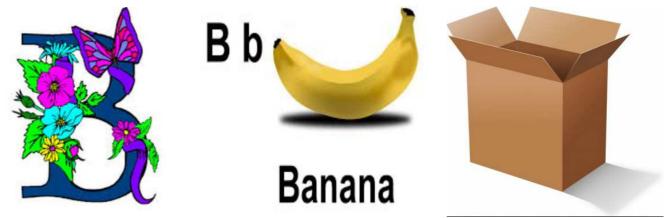
Note: A selection of images will be chosen from the images you submit, thank you ...

2 TASKS to photograph over Xmas

#1 Torch light

Lighting subjects using torch light as the primary light source. Perhaps using a cone to direct the light (vignette), might create some interesting effects.

#2 The letter B



Shooting images where the letter B is either featured in the subject or is the first letter describing the subject your take ...

LIGHTROOM LESSONS

2014 Lightroom Lessons on the Develop module will be held on Wednesday and Friday nights. The 2 ½ hour lesson is for 3 people. I can arrange others to come with you. The cost is \$50 ea. I get you to bring along 20 RAW images to enhance while learning the program.

Please send me an email showing your interest to do this lesson, and your preference to night. I have 14 people who have given me their names to learn lightroom this way, in the New Year already.

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP (2014)

Below is the Society Membership form for 2014.

People wishing to renew their membership for 2014 or become new members, can fill in the attached Membership Form *(electronically),* print it, and bring it to the February Society meeting on the 6th February.

If you are intending to go to the Rodeo at Taralga on the 26th January, then you will need to be a member for 2014 first (insurance requirement). You can bring membership form to Jannali meeting point, or to Taralga (in an envelope)

The last couple of years, having you're Membership form and money in an envelope marked with your name makes it easier.

	2014	4 Membe	rship	Form		\$20
Name						
Address						
Email						
Contact No's	Mobile					
	Home					
Camera/s	Make/s					
	Model/s					
	Lenses					
Flickr Screen	Name					
How did you find out about Society						
List your favourite photographic subjects						
What computer do you use? (Mac or PC)						
<i>What program do you use to enhance your photos?</i>						
Other info						

Please fill out this form electronically, and then print.

Print your name on an envelope and put this form and 2014 membership fee (\$20) inside, and hand in at next meeting you attend.

(note: Meeting attendance is additional \$5 and outing attendance is \$2)

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2014 Provisional Calendar

January 2014	
Jan 26 th	1 st Society Outing 2014 – Taralga Rodeo (meet 6.30am Jannali High – Sutherland Road)
February 2014	
Thu 6 th	1 st Society Meeting for 2014 (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 15 th	Night Mystery Tour (#5)
Sun 16 th	Day Mystery Tour (#15)
Sun 23 rd	Society Outing
March 2014	
Thu 6 th	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 15 th	Night Mystery Tour (#6)
Sun 16 th	Day Mystery Tour (#16)
Sun 23 rd	Society Outing
April 2014	
Thu 3 rd	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sun 13 th	Society Outing
18,19,20,21	Easter
Fri 25 th	Anzac Day
May 2014	
Thu 1 st	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 10 th	Night Mystery Tour (#7)
Sun 11 th	Day Mystery Tour (#17)
Sun 18 th	Society Outing
Thu 29 th	Society Meeting (June's Meeting - 7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
June 2014	
* * * *	Society meeting for June will be held on 29 th May due to two trips to Central Australia
1 – 10	Trip #1 Central Australia
17 – 26	Trip #2 Central Australia
T.B.A.	VIVID Outing
Sun 15 th	Society Outing
July 2014	
Thu 3 rd	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 12 th	Night Mystery Tour (#8)
Sun 13 th	Day Mystery Tour (#18)
Sun 20 th	Society Outing
August 2014	
Thu 7 th	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sun 17 th	Society Outing
September 2014	
Thu 4 th	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 13 th	Night Mystery Tour (#9)
Sun 14 th	Day Mystery Tour (#19)
Sun 21 st	Society Outing
October 2014	Seciety Meeting (Zee CUC Club, Systematics)
Thu 2 nd	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 11 th Sun 12 th	Night Mystery Tour (#10)
	Day Mystery Tour (#20)
Sun 19 th	Society Outing
November 2014 Thu 6 th	Seciety Meeting (7mm CUS Club Sutherland)
	Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sun t.b.a.	Society Outing (Sculpture by the Sea)
December 2014 Thu 4 th	Ymas Society Meeting (7nm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 6 th	Xmas Society Meeting (7pm SUS Club, Sutherland)
Sat 6 th Sun 14 th	Xmas Party/BBQ (Bundeena House)
Sull 14	Society Outing

Following on from the article in the last newsletter ...



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Important Password Reset Information

As we announced on October 3, Adobe discovered sophisticated attacks on our network involving the illegal access and removal of a backup database containing Adobe IDs and encrypted passwords. We are writing to let you know that your Adobe ID was in the database taken by the attackers -- but, importantly, your current password was <u>not</u>. As a result, we did not reset your password. We have no reason to believe that your Adobe ID account is at risk or that there has been unauthorized activity on your account. The database taken by the attackers came from a backup system that contained many out-of-date records and was designated to be decommissioned. Adobe's authentication system of record, which cryptographically hashes and salts customer passwords, was not the source of the database that was taken.

However, if you use your old passwords on any other websites, you should change those passwords. We also recommend that you follow password best practices to help ensure your current password is secure:

- Don't reuse passwords: Your password should be unique to your Adobe ID account. Don't reuse a
 password you have previously used with your Adobe ID or a password you are using on any other
 website.
- Make sure your password is difficult to guess: Your password should be at least eight (8) characters in length. It should contain a mix of different character sets, such as upper case letters (A-Z), lower case letters (a-z), digits (0-9), and special characters (# \$ % & { }). It should not use all or part of your name or your Adobe ID.

We deeply regret any inconvenience this may cause you. We value the trust of our customers and are working aggressively to prevent these types of events from occurring in the future. If you have questions, you can learn more by visiting our Customer Care page, which you will find <u>here</u>.

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Our last Society activity was the Xmas BBQ at Bundeena House on Saturday 7thDecember. Thanks to everybody who attended - what a great location, looking over a great Shire vista – and great weather to boot. Again, thanks to David & Eileen for organising the venue, and Barbara and Graham for their tireless effort on the day to ensure it's success.

It has been too hectic for me in 2013, and this has prompted me to decide to reduce my professional shooting and my Term photography classes coming into 2014. Many of you will be glad to hear this I'm sure ...

It has been a great year with the Society meetings growing to an average of 100 people. I have had 300 students participate in my Term classes this year, with some students showing great potential in their imagery.

The Society had 36 activities this year including meetings, outings, Night & Day Mystery Tours and the trip away.

Our second book of Society member images was published in 2013 (Steer Clear), and thanks has to go again to Sophie and her team (Barbara, Graham & Ally) for another fantastic publication. They have already put their hands up to create another publication in 2014, so start looking through you images from Society Outings, Tasks or the Trip away in 2013, to select your image to submit for the 2014 publication.

Unfortunately, sadness for our Society community during the year, with our good friend Steven Smith's wife Robyn, passing away suddenly – a tragic loss.

We had a great trip away to Kangaroo Island, with the friendship of Society members, and some of the best coastal scenery around. I cannot wait for the two trips to Central Australia coming up in June 2014. There has been some hick-ups with the organisation, but the photographic opportunities will certainly be worth it.

I'm looking forward to 2014, with new ideas and possibilities bouncing around in my head already, but for the moment, my daughter's heart operation on 23rd December, and some down time a priority.

Thank you for your support, your friendship, your motivation, and your fantastic images. I am proud of the Society that you have allowed me to nurture, and can only look forward to the future, sharing with you, our hobby and our passion – photography ...

Have a safe, healthy, relaxed Christmas break, and look forward to your continued friendship in 2014,

Happy shooting, and remember, Photography motivates life,

Greg

Participating in our Society

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- *Membership* (2014)
- *Meeting attendance*
- Outing attendance
- \$20 (Calendar year)
- *\$*5 (*Visitors may attend 2 meetings before membership is required*)
- *\$2* (Members or associate members only Insurance Requirement).
- Night Mystery Tours 0
- *\$20 (Members or associate members only Insurance Requirement).* \$35 (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement).
- Day Mystery Tours Trips Away (Members or associate members only – Insurance Requirement). Active members take precedence 0 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)