

Society Xmas BBQ at Bundeena House, Bundeena (Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2015) Greg Ford (S.A.P.S.)

## **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,

Wow, what a great day we had again this year at the Society Xmas BBQ on Saturday. Thanks to all the 82 people that attended - What a great turnout, and only 2 or 3 cameras to be seen. It is so great to hold an event like this, and find that we had so many people attend for the social side of our Society. Makes me feel very proud ... A special thanks to Barbara and Graham, and Ally for their tireless work in making the day such a success, and thanks to all the other people who helped in the kitchen on the day, or who made dishes and brought them along. Also David & Eileen for arranging the use of Bundeena House again this year - What a great venue. Have to do it again next year ...

I gave a **BIG CONGRATULATIONS** last newsletter when we covered the cost of hooking up the solar hot water for the n'Kwazi village pre-school 'Mayana'... but your generosity has overwhelmed me ...

## A BIGGER CONGRATULATIONS now as our total

donation has now reached \$2,500 (N\$28,450) where only a week ago it was \$1,000 (N\$11,380).

The Mayana Village people will now have the opportunity to start building another water weil to allow water to be piped to the village and establish further vegetable gardens, as well as buying gardening tools to tend to the gardens.

Thank you again for your support in this special Society Appeal, that so many of us can relate to first hand. Be assured that I will be keeping you up-to-date with correspondence related to the appeal, and again have a complete record of your donations, amounts and dates for anybody that is interested.

Just so you know, the Appeal container at the Society Xmas Meeting collected \$410; the USB's sales generated \$240 (thank you John for donating them for the appeal), and the Appeal container at the Society Xmas BBQ raised a further \$340. The balance of the money has been raised by individual donations into the Society account.

I have spoken to Arne again tonight, and she is taken back by the generosity of her Australian friends, who have dug deep into their pockets, for this Xmas Appeal a BIG thank you ...

So the appeal is going till Tuesday night (15<sup>th</sup> December, 2015), if there is still some of you who would like to contribute.

Payments - For those wishing to participate can be made to the Photographic Society Account.

Sutherland Shire Photography

Bank: St George BSB: 112-879 Account: 043579198

Your Reference: Surname or last 3 digits of your mobile number, then email gfphoto@optusnet.com.au to notify me the amount of your donation.

Note: ALL money collected will go directly to the community, and NO deductions will be made except for a small international transfer fee, which will be disclosed to ALL contributors.

Any donation would be appreciated ...



Marcus in the village



**JANUARY** 

14th (Thur) SOCIETY MEETING - Club on East (SUS Club) 1st floor 7pm

26<sup>th</sup> (Tues) 8am Taralga Rodeo (details later)

**FEBRUARY** 

Note: NO Meeting or activities in February due to me having knee replacement

**MARCH** 

SOCIETY MEETING - Club on East (SUS Club) 1st floor 3rd (Thur) 7pm

20<sup>th</sup> (Sun) 8am OUTING - t.b.a.

Keep well, keep safe and stay happy, and put your feet up and have a rest - I will I promise ...

Greg



## Participating in our Society

Membership (2016) \$20 (Calendar year)

\$ 5 (Visitors may attend 2 meetings before membership is required) Meeting attendance

Outing attendance \$ 5 (Members only – Insurance Requirement)

 Night Mystery Tours \$25 (Members only – Insurance Requirement)

Day Mystery Tours \$35 (Members only – Insurance Requirement)

Social Bike Rides (No membership required - Anybody can attend incl. family & friends)

Theatre Parties (No membership required - Anybody can attend incl. family & friends)

Trips Away: (Full Members only – Insurance Requirement). Active members take precedence, but 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. Note: All people going on Trips Away must be full members of the Society.

o Activities: Activities are not formally run by the Society. They are activities that some of the Society members, friends, and families join in together as a social activity.

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