

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/shireAmateur/>

NEWSLETTER No. 247 (19/08/2021)

Hi everybody,

Keeping well and active I hope – There is a light and it is at the end of the tunnel – I can see it – Can you ... Firstly, I must apologise for the wrong cut-and-paste of the link for Friday night Webinars, previously sent out. *Note: Links for the Webinars are CORRECT in this Newsletter – again sorry ...* Check the end of this Newsletter for ALL the Society links to connect with our activities.

LET'S Get MOTIVATED – We need too ...

Below is a list of **15 Tasks and Activities** that you can be involved in with Society either **RIGHT NOW**, or as soon as COVID restrictions are lifted ... Something to look forward to ...

1 Friday Night WEBINARS (Let's Talk Photography)

1. Webinars run every Friday night 7pm using the link below (*same link every week*)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWWhaTHpPQzIzTTNORlhSQT09>
Alternatively use: Meeting I.D. **863 5998 9121** Password **278840**
2. **NOTE: Webinar format has changed recently, and we are getting 30-40 people logging in weekly ...**
3. Missed the Webinar - Replay or Download the mp4 video of the meeting for the following week:
<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/zoom/webinar-meeting.mp4>

Although we still don't use video at the Webinars, you can NOW add your comments any time, simply by:

- Using the '**Raise Hand**' menu option, then '**Unmute**' your mike
- I will ask you then to comment ...
- When finished '**Lower Hand**' and '**Mute**' mike again ...

2 Current Photographic TASK

Monthly Photographic Tasks run each month, with the current Task being '**Balance**'.
'WeTransfer' up to 5 images of this task to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before the end of August.

3 Upcoming Photographic TASK

Motivated by Tracey Clifford, the upcoming Task for September is '**Light & Paper**'

Technique:

Tracey uses a piece of Perspex covered with a piece of white paper, and elevated off a flat surface, so that a light source can be placed underneath. Some type of coloured transparent filter could be used to create a coloured light source. She uses a second light source above (hand-held) to create an additional light source. These should be the only light source/s when taking the images.

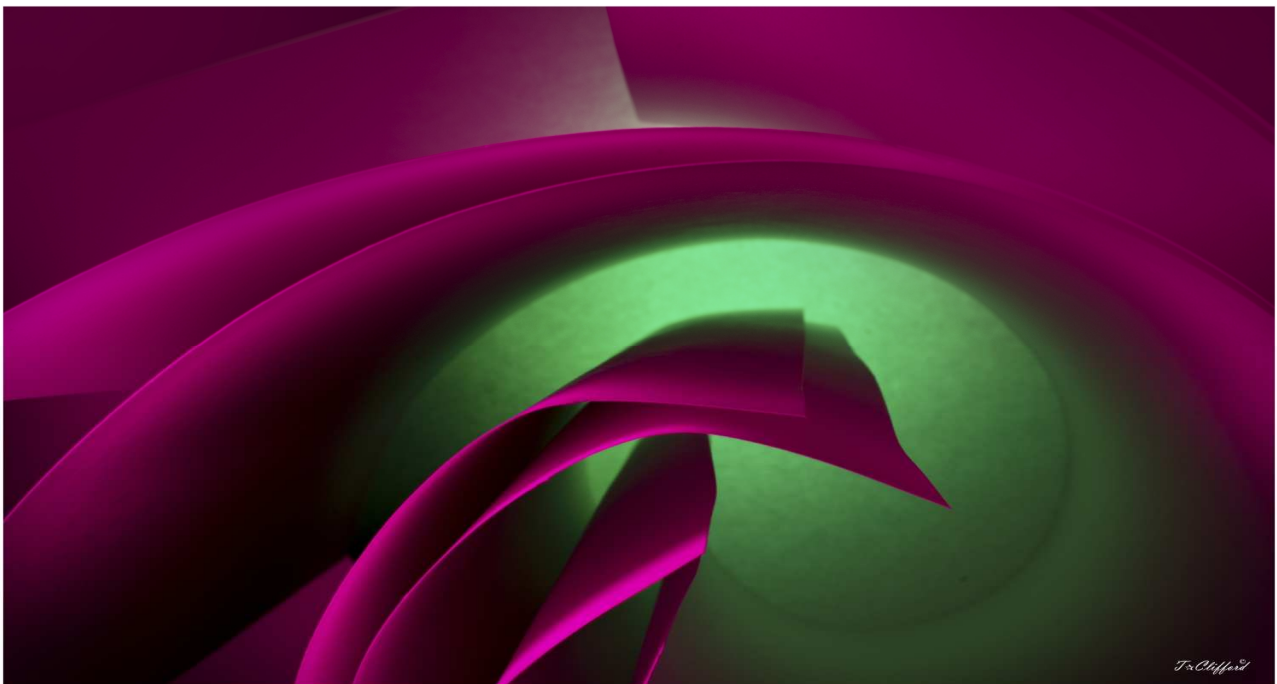
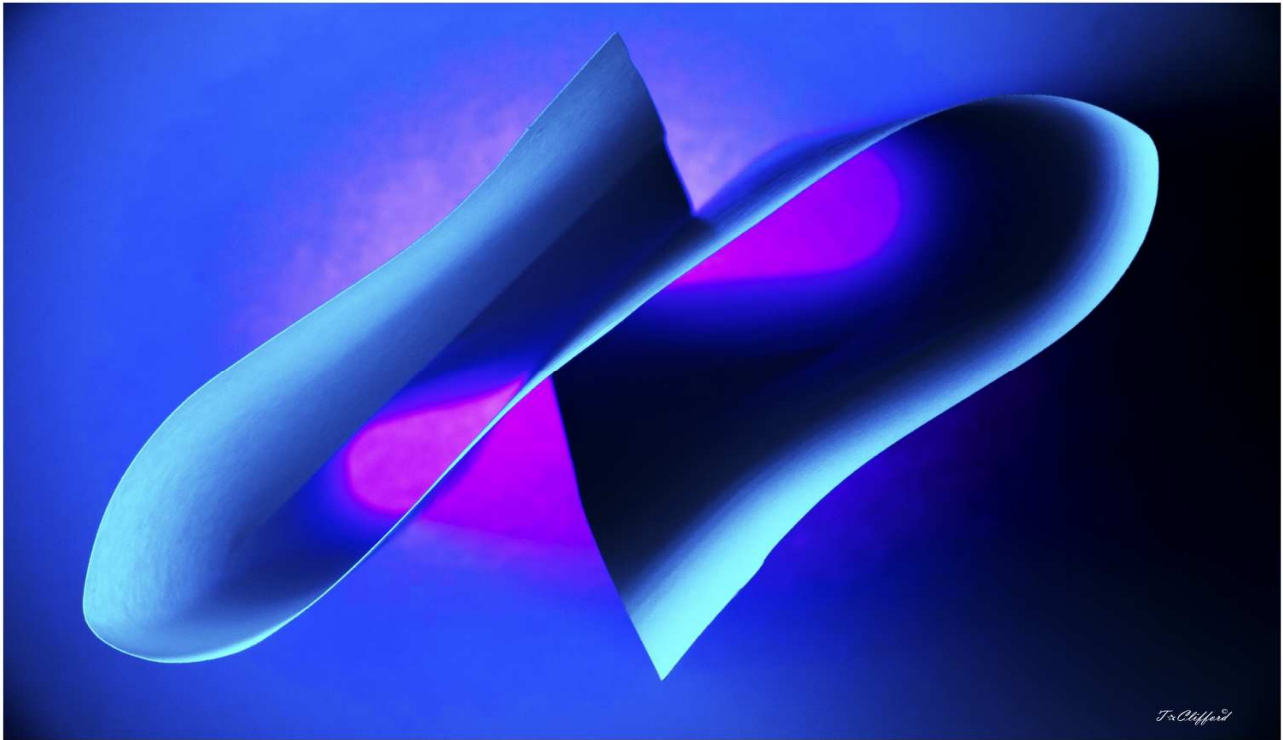
Suspend your camera above paper on a tripod. Using a wide angle lens and a small aperture (e.g. f16) to gain a good D of F. Blending these light sources create an interesting transition from the coloured and white light sources.

'WeTransfer' up to 5 images to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before the end of **September**.

Here is Tracey & Eddie's setup and some of Tracey's recent images ...



You can also use 2 different coloured light sources like these of Tracy's ...



4 📷 Enhancement TASK

If you would like to do the Enhancement Task monthly, use this link to download RAW file, then enhance in your style, and 'WeTransfer' up to 3 images to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before the end of each month.

At the beginning of each month, a new image will be available to download ...

Download Last Enhancement File:

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/zoom/enhancement.RAF>

5 📷 Your 'Image of the MONTH'

Everybody can submit their favourite Image from your achieves, or taken during that previous month. With this image, it can be of any subject, any location, manipulated in any way, just a favourite of yours ... Send image/s to gphoto@optusnet.com.au by WeTransfer. Make sure that you message to let me know that you have sent it for 'Image of the Month' segment.

6 📷 Add your Story through Images to our Webinar's

Why not SHOW some of your images at our Society Webinars

Perhaps:

- A project you have been working on (like Tracy's Light & Paper)
- Some images of what you have been up to
- A few special images that you would like to show others
- Perhaps a Powerpoint slideshow – Travel or photography project or subject
- You don't need to add a commentary, but if you wish, it will be appreciated
- Just give me a ring to discuss (0415 412 244)

7 📷 SOCIETY Image Albums - UPDATED ...

This Society Flickr page contains thousands of images to review from Society activities and presentations. By clicking on the header image of an Album, you can view all the images submitted. Then, just click on an image to view it full screen, which could include the exif (camera settings) for that image (*when available*).

The link to view these Society Albums is: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/187501073@N07/albums>

The screenshot shows a Flickr album page for 'S.A.P.S.' (Shire Amateur Photographers Society). The header image is a sunset over a lake with boats. The page includes navigation tabs for About, Photostream, Albums, Faves, Galleries, Groups, Stats, and Camera Roll. Below the header, there are 10 album thumbnails arranged in a 2x5 grid. Each thumbnail shows a preview image and text including the album title, date, and photo/view counts.

Album Title	Date	Photos	Views
Crown Syd Twilight/Night (Outing)	2021-06-12	51	
Crown Sydney AM (Outing)	2021-05-03	57	
Yellow (Task)	2021-07	83	33
Enhancement (Task) 06		15	27
Steps (Task)	2021-05	70	24
Enhancement (Task) 05		13	24
Bonna Point (Kurnell) Sunset	2021-05-15	26	21
Dolls Point (Outing)	2021-05-10	13	16
Enhancement (Task) 04		11	20
Vanishing Point (Task)	2021-04	83	19

ACTIVITES to look FORWARD to ...

When COVID restrictions are lifted, and it safe to do so, these activities will resume or start ...

8 MONTHLY SOCIETY Meetings at Tradies

At least it was great to establish our association with Tradies (Gymea) as our new monthly Society Meeting home prior to the latest lockdown.

Yes, it is very disappointing when the member's momentum was so high, but we WILL return to share our friendships and our passionate photographic hobby SOON ...

Outdoor Activities will be the first opportunity for us to get together ...

We will follow health guidelines re numbers, and QR code registration, together with any other requirements obviously ...

9 Weekend OUTINGS

Weekend Outings will resume fortnightly, followed by a chat over a coffee. These outings will vary between Sat & Sun, AM & PM.

10 Mid-Week OUTINGS

Weekly we will be meeting again in or around the Shire, at chosen locations at 9.30am, to continue our 2h social photography mid-week outings, followed by a chat over a coffee.

11 Trips Away

It is planned to regularly go on 'Trips Away' within 200km of Sydney. These trips will vary from 2 day weekends, to 3 or 5 day trips mid-week.

When these trips are planned, anybody can attend. You will be informed of the location we are going, then we can liaise as to where people are staying (accommodation wise). It will be then up to you to book your accommodation as you prefer (camping, caravan, cabin, motel etc).

We will then meet regularly to socialise, sit around a fire, or do some photography, while we're away.

The last time we managed to get away (between COVID outbreaks) was to Wombeyan Caves in late February (2021) with 19 attending for the 2 or 3 days of the trip. Some tented, some in campers, and others in cabins, but all enjoyed each other's company over meals, around the open fire, or on walks ...

If you're interested, send me a message (0415 412 244) or an email gfphoto@optusnet.com.au and I will add you to an 'Interested List'. This means you will be messaged whenever trips are planned, to see if you're interested.

BRING it ON ...



12 📷 Sunday Afternoon Bike Ride (NEW)

Every Sunday afternoon at 3.30pm we will be having a 1 hour casual ride at Woronora (8km). It will comprise of a couple of loops (*see map below*), starting & finishing at the carpark on the western side of the old road bridge at Woronora. For those that are interested, you can follow on with the walking group that meet same place at 4.30pm.

Interested in joining in ...

Send me a message (0415 412 244) or an email gphoto@optusnet.com.au and I will add you to an 'Interested List'. This means you will be messaged every Sunday (1pm), confirming that the ride is on re weather etc.

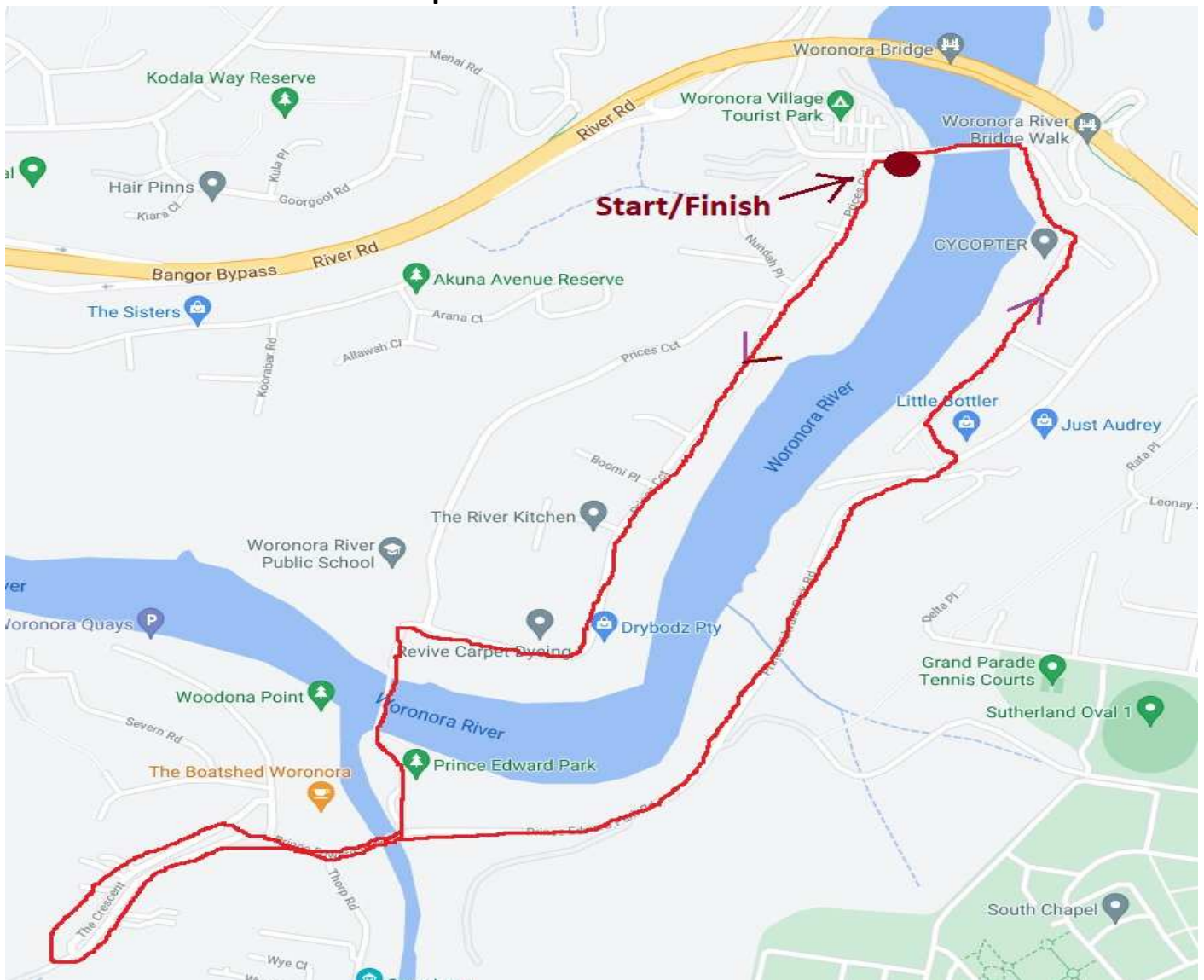
13 📷 Sunday Afternoon Walk

Every Sunday afternoon at 4.30pm, an established small group of Society members meet for a 4km walk around a loop of Woronora. The walk starts & finishes at the carpark on the western side of the old bridge at Woronora. Everybody welcome, with slower and faster walkers participating ...

Interested in joining in ...

Send me a message (0415 412 244) or an email gphoto@optusnet.com.au and I will add you to an 'Interested List'. This means you will be messaged every Sunday (1pm), confirming that walk is on re weather etc.

Woronora Walk or Ride 4km loop



C'mon ... We need to exercise to be able to look forward to the future, so how about you plan to join us when restrictions ease - Would love to have you join us ...

In the meantime walk near home a little each day - It's worth it for so many reasons at the moment ...

14 📷 Let's go Paddling (NEW)

For those that own a kayak, canoe, sit upon, or paddle board, we will be starting paddles mainly mid-week (but some weekends), in the Shire, shortly after restrictions are lifted.

For those that don't own a craft, but are interested, the first time we get together, will be an open day (morning), where those of us that own craft, can bring them to a location, so that others may try-before-you-buy. Hopefully there will be a variety of craft, to see what you feel is more suitable. More later ...



Interested in joining in ...

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15 Society LINKS

All these links will remain current, so can be added to your favourites, or keep this document to link page in future ...

Link to **Next LIVE Webinar: UPDATE CORRECTION to this link ...**

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWWhaTHpPQzIzTTNORlhSQT09>
- Alternatively use: Meeting I.D. **889 9368 3116** Password **040331**

Download **Last Tradies Club Meeting Powerpoint:**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/zoom/club-meeting.pps>

- It will take about a minute to download and open on your screen ...
- Progress slides by using arrow keys, space bar or Return key ... (forwards & backwards)
- Using menu bar bottom of screen you can save this presentation if you wish
- This link will be updated with the new meeting after it is held

Replay/Download **Last Webinar Video:**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/zoom/webinar-meeting.mp4>

- To Download, when video starts, right-click on screen, and then 'Save video as ...' or just watch it ...
- It will take about a minute to download, and will go to your download folder ...
- This link will be updated with the new meeting after it is held

Download **Last Enhancement File:**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/zoom/enhancement.RAF>

- Downloads file to enhance for this month
- This link will be updated with the new image each month

Society Task & Outing **Albums Link:**

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/187501073@N07/albums>

- To access all the albums of past Tasks & Outings

Flickr – S.A.P.S Group

<https://www.flickr.com/groups/saps/pool/>

- Member images posted to the Society Flickr page by Members

Facebook – Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/shireAmateur/>

- Society social media page for members to interact, and post as they like ...

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society WEBSITE

<http://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/photographic-society-2/>

- Section of Sutherland Shire Photography to access Society information

Greg's Flickr 'Photographers Thoughts' Link:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/13286489@N07/>

- Greg's site to view some of his images

Sutherland Shire Photography - Photography Classes WEBSITE

<http://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/digital-photography-classes/>

- Here you can research the Photography Courses that are run by Greg (0415 412 244)

Hi everybody,

Keep safe and well, and I look forward to sharing our friendships and experiences again shortly,

Greg & Janice

Participating in the ‘Shire Amateur Photographers’ Society’ (SAPS) Activities

- **Membership (2021)** \$30 (calendar year)
- **Club Meeting attendance (when resumes)** \$ 5 (you can attend 2 meetings before needing to join)
- **Society Outings & Trips Away (postponed till restrictions re COVID ease)**
 - . You attend these at your own risk ...
 - . Be familiar with the Society COVID-19 Safety Plan and comply – Copies available
 - . The Society has a QR code, and it is suggested that you scan this on arrival to an activity, thank you
 - . A Risk Warning, Release and Waiver form must be filled in if participating in a Society activity.
(This Waiver will remain on-going as long as you are a member of the Society).