

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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

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Shire Amateur Photographers' Society (SAPS)
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/shireAmateur/>

NEWSLETTER No 278 (21/08/2025)

Hi everybody,

Do I sense that occasionally I feel some warmth in the air ... No must be imagining ...

Again, the weather has played havoc with planned outings, but Spring is on the horizon (2 weeks away).

Thanks to all that attended the 7th August meeting at Tradies. It was good not to have rain on a meeting night for once. Probably because of this, we had the best roll-up of the cooler months so far, and this was great to see, because we released the 2020 eAlbum, finally ...

Being the COVID period, it was interesting to see this reflected in the images submitted. Congratulations to Nicole Low for being voted the most favourite image submitted for that year (for the second year running), with her entry 'Connection' as voted by the Society Book Committee. Thanks again to the committee for their efforts ...

If you would like a copy, just send me a message and I will email it to you ...

Nicole's 2020 eAlbum Book Cover image:



Thanks again for those members that submitted images ...

Nicole's image was closely followed by runner up image of Karen Swansson's entry titled 'Water Droplets'



followed by ...



Paul Breadner 'Whales Star Trail'



Ellen Ray 'Staircase UTS'



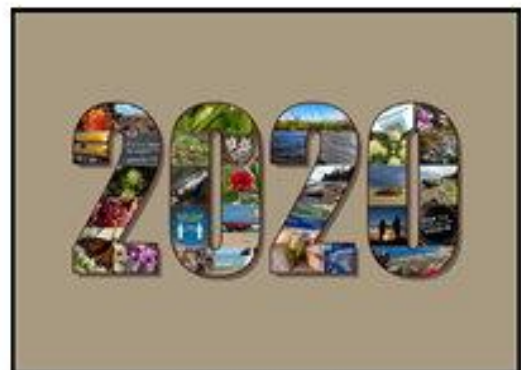
Greg Ford 'Wombarra Pool'



Lindsay Young 'Canoe Sunrise'



Lindsay Young 'Drowned'



Deb Unwin '2020 Collage'

Calling for Members to Send in images

Now that the 2020 eAlbum is completed, we are starting to collect images from Members for the next eAlbum that will incorporate your images you taken over the two-year period of 2021- 2022.

Images can be from Society activities, or from your own personal holidays or activities. If you have become a member since 2022, it does not matter, your most welcome to submit.

You can send up to 10 images in and depending on number of submissions, some could be culled.

To make the presentation more interesting you can if you like send in your images named in the following way, or just add your name, or I will.

Naming your files

Your Name 'Title' Country .jpg (note: You only need to add this info if you wish)
 4 spaces 4 spaces

Example of how the named file will look:

e.g. Greg Ford 'Uluru Sunset' Northern Territory.jpg

- Send full size images – No need to resize, in .jpg format.
- Any size format: 2:3, 1:1, 4:3, pano etc

Outing – Sri Venkateswara Hindu Temple, Helensburgh



The Temple has a very colourful Festival coming up on Sunday 31st August. The procession and colourful clothing will be certainly great to photograph and enjoy.

Because of the numbers that could attend we will car pool if you wish to make parking easier.

<https://www.svtsydney.org/>

Please if your interested in attending, please send me a message, and I will keep you informed of the arrangements and meeting point. gphoto@optusnet.com.au (0415 412 244)

Intending to arrive around 10.30 and leave by 1pm or so. Those interested could continue to the 2nd part of the festival at Stanwell Park Beach (*see link for details*).

Please note: Ignore any reference to donations – It's free, and photography is fine outside the temple in the grounds, but not allowed inside ...



Next SOCIETY Meeting - Thursday 4th Sept (7pm) Tradies

TASK for August 'Split Images'

A Task to do when you're stuck inside in the rain ...

The thought behind this Task is to realise how much cropping effects composition, and to see how the story changes when you include or exclude certain elements of an image ...







Send me up to 4 x images (complete image, and 1 – 3 crops of that image).
You can send me 3 sets of images

Send through for the 4th September meeting by **Tuesday night the 2nd September** by 'transfernow' or 'we transfer' to me at gphoto@optusnet.com.au.

Spring Outing to look forward to ...

Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden and Lavendar Bay Walk ...

2025 Membership

If you have not joined the Photographic Society yet for 2025, your membership would be appreciated to continue with our Community group ... Greg

This year, I need people to fill in a Membership Form, so I can update any changes to your details like mobile numbers or email addresses ... thanks

You can just print form next page, fill in, and bring to the meeting, fill out a form at the meeting, or email through, thank you ...

2025 Membership Form (over page) ...

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2025 Membership (\$35)

Name		Date paid	Cash	EFT	
Suburb					
Email					
Mobile					
Office use ...	Joined	Mailchimp	Email	Message	Name tag

NOTE: NEW Bank deposit details ... Don't use old details

Bank: Westpac
Account Name: Gregory Ford
Account Number: 611205
BSB: 732-112
Reference: your surname or last 3 digits of mobile number
Amount: **\$35 per person**

Please fill out this form and email back to gfphoto@optusnet.com.au then message me to let me know you have made payment. I will message you confirming receipt of payment, thank you

SAPS Membership & Meeting Attendance

Membership (2025) \$35 (calendar year)
Club Meeting attendance \$5 (you can attend 2 meetings before becoming a Member)

Outings and Trips Away

The Photographic Society does NOT run its own activities like trips away or outings. Instead, when I (Greg Ford) decide to go on my own photographic trip away or outing, I offer an open invitation to any 'Shire Amateur Photographers' Society' member to join me if you're interested. You join me accepting that you are doing so at your own responsibility, and risk.