

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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

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S.A.P.S. (Shire Amateur Photographers' Society)
<https://www.flickr.com/groups/saps/pool/>



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

NEWSLETTER No 282 (26/06/2026)

Hi everybody,

Life is changing for many of us but having the social connection of the Society friendships & activities is an important part of our lives for many ...

Although outings have been limited at the moment due to some health issues, but this will change shortly.

A couple of non-photographic activities that might interest you to share with us:

- Walking Group – You are welcome to join us on a Sunday afternoon at 4pm, starting and finishing at the carpark on the western side of the old (low level) Woronora Bridge.
We walk for about 1h at a leisurely pace, in a loop over the walking bridge, and on around the loop where the Woronora Heights road is closed, returning past the Woronora RSL and the eastern side of the river back to the bridge. Some of us then share fish & chips at the takeaway ...
It finishes off the week with some positive exercise that won't hurt us (not sure about the takeaway though) ...
- Coffee Chat Groups – The Society has both a Ladies Coffee Chat Group and a Men's Group that meet to share a coffee, and chat about how we will change the world over a coffee (for a couple of hours).
The Ladies – Meet weekly (10am) at the Gynea Bowling club
The Men – Meet fortnightly (10am) at Tradies
They are regular social get togethers that many of us look forward, and you are most welcome to join us ...
Ladies contact: Katie Scotland (0422 463 688)
Men's contact: Greg Ford (0415 412 244)

Next Society Meeting is Thursday 2nd July (7pm) Tradies

TASK for June is 'Slo-Mo'

With this Task it is meant to use your phone or camera to take a/some short video's of slow-motion action. Just as another way of using our cameras in a different ways.

Send to me (gphoto@optusnet.com.au) by Transferrnow or WeTransfer by Wednesday 1st July.

Upcoming Camping Trip to the North-West

Murrurundi's 'King of the Ranges' Stockman's Challenge and Bush Festival together with 'Lightning Ridge' Road Trip ...

The trip will start on Thursday 17th September and finish on Monday 28th September (12 days)

- It is not necessary to go on the whole trip, just Lightning Ridge, or the 'King of the Ranges' is fine ...
- You might like to come but would like a lift, or drive and would like some company. You might not want to camp, instead stay in a cabin, hotel or motel at the same locations.
- Here is the proposed itinerary for your interest.

Thu 17	Shire – Gulgong	297km
Fri 18	Gulgong – Coonamble	240km
Sat 19	Coonamble – Lightning Ridge	193km
Sun 20	Lightning Ridge (and surrounds)	-
Mon 21	Lightning Ridge (and surrounds)	-
Tue 22	Lightning Ridge (and surrounds)	-
Wed 23	Lightning Ridge – Narrabri	252km
Thu 24	Narrabri – Murrurundi	212km
Fri 25	Murrurundi (King of the Ranges)	-
Sat 26	Murrurundi (King of the Ranges)	-
Sun 27	Murrurundi (King of the Ranges)	-
Mon 28	Murrurundi - Shire	337km

		1,530km

- The costs of the King of the Ranges Stockman's Challenge & Festival
 - Attending for 3 days (Fri, Sat, Sun)
 - Total:
 - Adults - \$40
 - Seniors - \$20
 - Camping for 4 nights (Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun) \$130
 - Camping and tickets start being sold on Wed 1st July ...
 - We can camp all together if we arrive and go into the camping area together (similar to what we did at Barellan a couple of years back).
- There will be a Webinar to discuss the trip on Tuesday 30th June at 7.30pm with the thought of booking the next day (1st July).

Link to *any* Sutherland Shire Photography ZOOM Webinars is:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWwhaTHpPQzIzTTNORlhSQTO9>
- Alternatively use:
 - Meeting I.D. **889 9368 3116**
 - Password **040331**
- Hoping to have you join us for all, or part of this country life experience, so just join in on the Webinar on the 30th June, ring me (0415 412 244), or email (gfphoto@optusnet.com.au),

2026 Membership

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Bank: Westpac
 Account Name: Gregory Ford
 Account Num: 611205
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 Reference: your surname or last 3 digits of mobile number
 Amount: **\$35 p.p. (Membership)**

Please fill out this form and email back to afphoto@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 (2026) \$35 (calendar year)
Club Meeting attendance \$5 (per meeting)

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.