

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society

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

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NEWSLETTER No. 251 (19/01/2022)

Hi everybody,

Hope you shared cherished times with family and friends over Xmas and the holiday period.

Our last two activities for 2021, December Tradies Society Meeting (2nd) and our annual Bundeena Picnic (4th), were supported, but by a reduced number of members, with the hesitancy approaching Xmas, due to the new Covid outcomes. *This was understandable...*

May I say a big thank you to all those who have supported me, with my health issues, and with the Society, in the past difficult two years – *really appreciated ...*

Letting you know that Deb Unwin is the latest member of the Society Steering Committee – Thanks Deb

Just confirming, as mentioned at the last Society Meeting on 4th December, 2021, and in the last Newsletter (No. 250) 24th November, 2021, the 'Shire Amateur Photographers' Society' no longer runs its own activities.

- *The Society, from 1st December, 2021, no longer runs its own activities like outings, trips away etc*
- *Instead, when I (Greg Ford) decide to go on my own personal photographic excursions, activities, or trips away, I offer an open invitation to any 'Shire Amateur Photographers' Society' member to join me if you wish.*
- *When joining me, you accept that you are doing so at your own risk and responsibility, and are aware that the activity, photographic excursion, or trip away, is not run by the Society.*
- *If you come along, I ask that you comply with all COVID-19 guidelines by the N.S.W. Health Dept, at that time.*

Note: In summary, this is only a legal change, and ongoing photographic and social opportunities will not vary, in fact, are planned to increase.

2022

Let's welcome 2022 as a year of hope for a promising future, and happier life experiences for all - *Time to start living again ...*

Let's kick off the year with a focus on sharing more activities together, safely, both Photographic and Social.

Webinars to EXPAND in 2022

Our Society Webinars, 'Let's Talk Photography', were established in early 2020 to fill the gap after Covid restrictions stopped our monthly club Society Meetings and Outings, and the 83 that have been held, have worked well in keeping us in touch with each other, and in doing so, motivating our photography interest and passion.

In 2022 the Friday night webinar is taking on a new name: **'Let's Talk Composition'**
With the new name comes a new format, and now Friday night's will be based on the composition of images, reviewing and discussing different elements, that make an image appealing, or hinder their potential.

From Wednesday 9th Feb a second webinar is being added, and it is going to look at the technical aspects of our hobby. This regular Wednesday night webinar will be called **'Let's Talk Camera Settings'**

In the past, discussing the how's and why's of the technical aspects of photography, has not been covered all that much by the Society, but now this new webinar will give you the opportunity to go to the next level of learning and understanding.

This new Webinar will be conducted as a discussion group, based on a Q&A format, intended to be a way of filling in the gaps we might have, in our technical understanding of our hobby. We will use mic's with these webinars.

A lot of people never get the chance to go to the next step of the learning curve – That will get them past just understanding the core basics.

With this webinar, we will chat about the way to use, modify, and combine settings on our cameras, to achieve better outcomes, and how to make better sense of our gear.

Feel free to ask questions, from the most basic, to more advanced, and remember, this is giving YOU the chance to fill that gap by understanding what to change, why, and forecast the outcomes you will achieve.

Here is the link that BOTH the Wednesday night webinar, or the Friday night webinar

* We use the same link for both webinars (*it's the same as you have used in the past*).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWWhaTHpPQzZTTNORlhSQTO9>

Alternatively use: Meeting I.D. **889 9368 3116** Password: **040331**

Note: Webinars won't run every week, but you will be messaged weekly, on a Friday morning outlining the activities for the following 7 days, which will include if the webinars are running during the next 7 days ...

Upcoming Activities

Activities during 2022, will be held regularly, but not necessarily every week.

To keep informed of dates for next activities, please check details outlined in your weekly Friday morning message 'Photographic Society Activities Update'.

This will give you a list of Greg's activities that you are welcome to attend ...

If you don't currently receive these weekly messages, please let me know (0451 412 244).

SPECIAL NOTICE for 2022 Activities

- 1. You must always message Greg (0415 412 244) if you intend to come to an activity, that way additional info may be sent to you if required, or I can send you a message if activity cancelled.**
- 2. You don't need to notify me re attendance to the monthly Tradies Society Meetings or the Wed or Fri Webinars ...**

In 2022 you are invited to these following regular activities:

Photography

- Society Tradies Meeting - 1st Thursday of the month (7pm)
- Society Webinar's
 1. 'Let's Talk Camera Settings' (Wednesday nights – 7pm) **NEW**
 2. 'Let's Talk Composition' (Friday nights – 7pm)
- Outings (weekend) - Can alternate between Sat/Sun, AM/PM
- Outings (mid-week) 9.30 to 11.30am
- 3 day trips away
- 10 day trips away

Social

- Walking the Wonnie – Every Sunday afternoon 4.30pm
- Let's Paddle (mid-week) 9.30 to 11.30am **NEW – starts shortly ...**
- Men's Health Coffee group – t.b.a. **NEW – starts Tue 8th Feb ...**

Dates for Next Activity

Date	Day	Time	Activity
23 rd Jan	Sunday	4.30 - 5.30pm	Walking the Wonnie
26 th Jan	Wednesday	9.30 - 11.30am	Mid-week Outing – Bungoona Lookout (National Park)
28 th Jan	Friday	7pm - 8pm	'Let's Talk Composition' – Friday Night Webinar
3 rd Feb	Thursday	7pm – 8.30pm	Tradies Monthly Society Meeting
8 th Feb	Tuesday	10am	Men's Health Coffee Group NEW
9 th Feb	Wednesday	7pm - 8pm	'Let's Talk Camera Settings' – Wednesday Night Webinar NEW
19 th Feb	Saturday	t.b.a.	Weekend Outing (Sunset) t.b.a.
	Not scheduled yet		'Let's Paddle' Mid-week Paddle (Kayak's etc) NEW
	Not scheduled yet		3 Day Trip Away
	Not scheduled yet		10 Day Trip Away

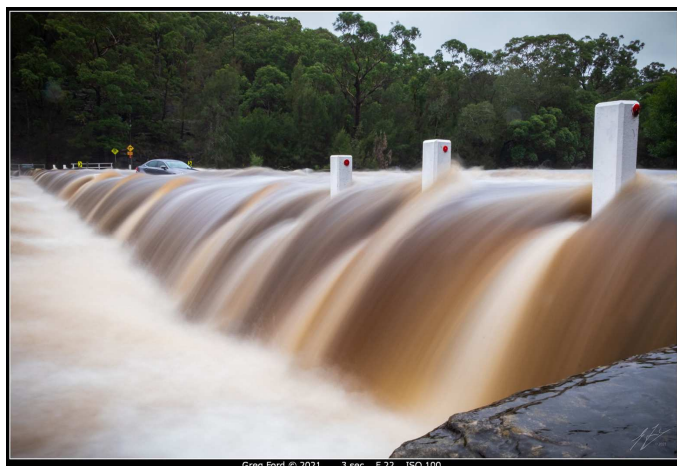


TASKS for the HOLIDAYS (as outlined at the December Society meeting)

Task No. 1 'Perceived Movement'

With this Task, submit images that due to a slow shutter speed the resulting image demonstrates part of the image blurred, creating a 'Perceived Movement' technique. Using a tripod and slow shutter speeds can help ...

For example: A bee with just the wings blurred, or a seascape with a blurred breaking wave, or ...



'WeTransfer' up to 5 images to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before Wednesday 2nd February

Task No. 2 'Stop Motion Photography'

This is an interesting Task that can be done with any subject, large or small, inside or out. What you do is take a series of images, on a tripod, of a subject that you move, a little between every image you take.

- Put your camera on a tripod
- Set up exposure of the scene (using manual better), so exposure does not change between shots
- Once you set the background, zoom, and exposure, don't move anything except the subject, a little bit at a time ...
- You need to take probably a minimum of 20 images, but more is better ...
- Then put them one-after-another in a slideshow at a fast transition rate
- A Powerpoint Presentation works well, and keeps the file size down
- Here is the duration timing in a Powerpoint that I think works well ... but experiment ...



Here is a link to a video by Kevin Parry that is a great way to start understanding 'Stop Motion Photography'. Although this video uses a phone, it explains the technique very well, and is an alternative to what I have listed above using Powerpoint ... enjoy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JOeMZFKGxOA>

As an idea, I got my granddaughter to help me walk her pink joggers along, then make them dance, without her wearing them ...

'WeTransfer' up to 2 slideshows to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before Wednesday 2nd February or ring me if you need some help (0415 412 244)

IMAGES to send in 'FROM the PAST'

Over the past few months I have asked you to send me any images (archival) you might have of the following subjects. This is the last call for the following ...

1. Audley Boat Shed
2. Trams & Tram Sheds
3. Gundagai Bridges

'WeTransfer' up to 5 images of each subject to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before Wednesday 2nd February

MEN'S Health Coffee Group (NEW)

For men, we can face challengers over the years, and life can drag us down a bit. This is what I have found myself during the past couple of years, so I've decided to start a Men's Health group, just to have a social time-out, mid-week, just blokes, who find life a bit hard sometimes, just to share a coffee and a chat. Talking about nothing specific – photography if you like ... but the opportunity is there, with other like-minded friends.

So if you're interested, just send me a text, and I will let you know where we are meeting at our first get together on Tuesday 8th February, at 10am.

It will be anonymous except for those that turn up. Nobody will know how many we get, or who has been coming. There is no commitment to attend, and if two people get together, it will be worth the effort.

Sometimes the little things make all the difference ...

NEXT Tradies Society Meeting (3rd January, 2022 – 7pm)

I will send out a text message to you couple of days before the Meeting, updating you on the Meeting ...

Tradies Society Meeting Room is the Elouera Room (downstairs)

- Past Reception there are stairs going down to your front-right
- Go down, then at bottom turn right, and right again to access our meeting room (Elouera room)
- You are allowed to take food and beverages into the room

Society Meeting Attendance & Membership (Calendar year)

- Meeting attendance - \$5
- 2022 Society Membership - \$30
- *Note: Society Membership Form at the end of this Newsletter or available at the meeting*

The Photographic Society would like to thank Tradies Gynea for generously offering their facilities for our Meetings ...

NOTE: Tradies accept NSW Government \$25 Dine vouchers ...

Current Enhancement Task

The current enhancement Task for the month can be downloaded from the link below:

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

'WeTransfer' up to 3 images to gphoto@optusnet.com.au before Wednesday 2nd February

Membership 2022

2022 Membership of Photographic Society is \$30 (calendar year).

- Membership Form is at the end of this Newsletter, or available at Tradies Meetings.
- Why not print and fill in before meeting (to save time)

NEW Bank deposit details ...

- *Bank:* Westpac
- *Account Name:* Gregory Ford
- *Account Number:* 502105
- *BSB:* 732-155
- *Amount:* \$30
- *Reference:* your surname or last 3 digits of mobile number

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

Society LINKS Page

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

Photographic Society Links Page – All Links

- <https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/photographic-society-links/>

Link to Next LIVE Webinar:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWWhaTHpPQzIzTTNORlhSQT09>
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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 ...
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Latest Newsletter

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/saps-newsletter/>

Download Last Enhancement File:

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- 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)

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2022 Membership (\$30)

Name		<i>Date paid</i>	<i>Cash</i>	<i>EFT</i>	
<i>Address</i>					
<i>Email</i>					
<i>Mobile</i>					
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SAPS Membership & Meeting Attendance

- **Membership (2022)** \$30 (calendar year)
- **Club Meeting attendance** \$5 (you can attend 2 meetings before needing to join)

Outings and Trips Away

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