

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 262 (23/04/2023)

I'm running a ZOOM Webinar TONIGHT Sun 23rd April 7.30pm to discuss the trip. Send me a message (0415 412 244) if you want to join in, just to find out details (no commitment)

Hi everybody ...

Firstly, some sad news, Margarette Looney passed away on the 8th March, 2023, and those who knew her, will miss her flamboyant approach to life through her art and photography.



There was some great news as well. Stuart Bucknell & Katie welcomed their first born, Elliot John Bell-Bucknell ...



Newsletters will be every 2 months from now on, unless important info needs to be distributed ...

What Activities you might have missed in March ...

There were 17 Activities in March, to share our hobby with other Society Members

- **Photographic Society monthly Meeting at Tradies** (1)
- **Mid-Week Outings to:** Shiprock Reserve (Port Hacking)
Lambeth Reserve Boardwalk (Picnic Point)
- **Weekend Outings to:** Opera House (Sunset)
Foreshore Reserve (Sylvania) Sunrise
'The Leap' Kurnell N.P. Sunrise
- **Webinars (Friday night)** 'Learning to see as a Photographer' (2)
'Lightroom Workshop' (2)
- **Ladies Coffee Chat - Tradies** (2)
- **Mens Coffee Chat – Tradies** (2)
- **'Walking the Wonnie'** Late Sunday afternoons (3)

I hope you can join us in our activities during April, to enjoy our great hobby, Photography ...

TASK for April ...

'Faceless Portrait'

Send in any of any subject (people, animals etc) where they would not be able to be recognised by their face. Angles, silhouettes, shadows, reflections. *Below is some ideas & motivation ...*

Rename files you send: **'Your name FACELESS 2023-04'**

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2019 eAlbum – AVAILABLE to Download

eAlbums are picking up from where the printed Society Photo Year Books finished. Books were produced from 2011 – 2018 by the book committee's (Sophie Brown, Barbara & Graham Grocott, Ally Bennett, Ralph Dutneall & Nicole Low). I would like to thank them for the time and effort they put in, to be able to have this historical photographic record of members images over that time, thank you very much as this was the eAlbum inspiration I drew on ...

It was decided by the Society Steering Committee, to continue with this photographic tradition, but with the drop in memberships due to COVID, it was not affordable to produce hard copies. Instead, the concept of a digital album was proposed, and it was decided to make up a template to see how it would look, with the intention of starting where the books left off, with a 2019 edition as an eAlbum.

The template was shown at two Society meetings, and the background page colour discussed. It was decided to have the images set out, one images over two pages on a black background.

The new eAlbums are modelled on the format of those past printed Year Books.

It is ready to NOW download from a NEW link below ...

2019 eAlbum

Please note that this is a windows Powerpoint file and therefore cannot be played on Mac, so I am recording the file as a MP4 video, and to get this file just ask me to send it to you

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eAlbum TEMPLATE

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eAlbum WEBINAR on 'How to use the TEMPLATE'

I will be running a one-off Webinar on **WEDNESDAY 26th April at 7.30pm** on using my eAlbum TEMPLATE. This template is available to Members of the Society, to easily make their own eAlbums, without any prior knowledge of the base program, Adobe Powerpoint.

I will also be recording the Webinar and will make it available after this ONE-OFF Webinar.

Enhancement Task – ‘Offshore Islands’

Make **YOUR** own enhancement versions of the DNG image (below)

. The file can be downloaded from the link below ...

To Download this Enhancement File:

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

Download file to enhance for this month

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Rename files: ‘Your name 2023-04’



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Society 2023 Membership

- Thank you to everybody that is supporting the Photographic Society during the start of 2023.
- Regular Meetings, Webinars, Mid-week outings, Weekend outings, Trips away, Sunday walks and Men’s and Ladies coffee chat groups, give you plenty of opportunities to participate ...
- Thanks to all that have paid their Memberships for 2023, and thanks again for your support.
- Let’s plan for even more involvement during the rest of 2023.
- Membership form for 2023 is at the end of this Newsletter, and thank you ...

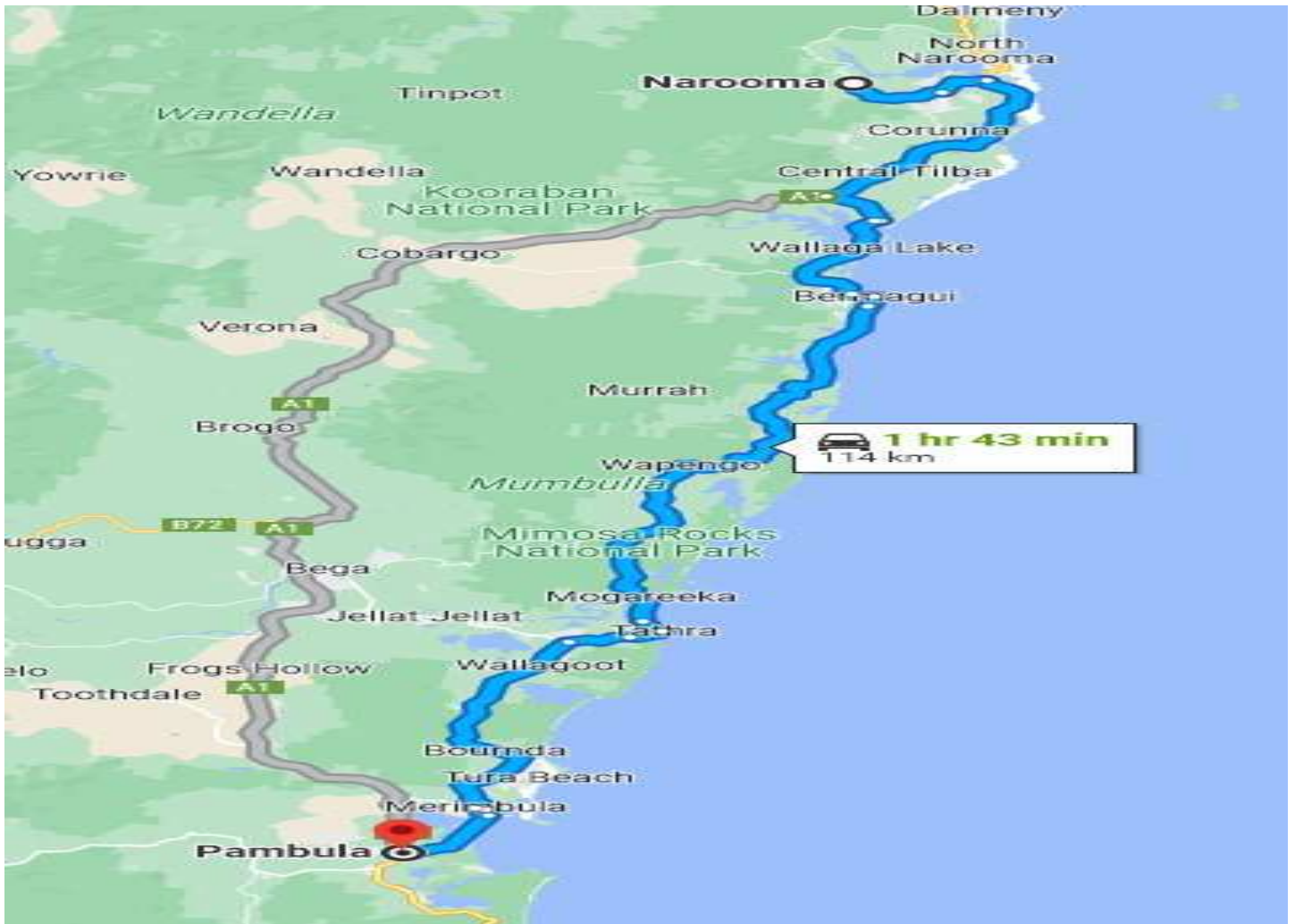
Tag-along Trips Away (2 longer trips are planned for 2023)

#1 ‘South Coast Nomad’

(Tuesday 16th May – Friday 26th May) 11 days

Travelling straight down to Pambula (434km), meeting up, then working our way up the coast, fossicking in and out from the coast whenever we can to places like Merimbula, Tathra, Mimosa Rocks N.P., Bermagui, Wallaga Lake towards Narooma, with a trip (weather permitting) out to Montague Island towards the end.

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#2 'Tracking the Brumbies' (Kosciuszko N.P.) and the 'Good Old Days Festival' (Barellan)

(Monday 18th September – Tuesday 3rd October) 16 days

After the Brumbies, we will be taking in, and staying in places on-route like Tumut, Wagga Wagga, Narrandera, Leeton, Griffith before arriving at Barellan.



Interested in perhaps attending a Tag-Along, or want more details just message me and let me know ... 0415 412 244

There is no commitment with these Tag-along trips ...

- You may join us en-route, part the way through the trip, or stay with us a few days, then continue your own trip.
- Where possible it is suggested, we communicate with UHF radio (alternative is by mobile but limited)

Basically, the way it will work is I will promote dates, our trip itinerary, and locations we intend to visit, or even where we will be staying.

Accommodation

Your options are to camp, caravan, stay in a Cabin or Motel, somewhere at our location, then meet up for some meals and for sightseeing.

Your Transport

- Daily routes to next location might be different for different people.
- Some might be in a 4WD, others towing a caravan that will impact sometimes on route taken.
- You might need to travel a route sometimes that suits your circumstances, or via something you want to see en-route.

Sightseeing days

- A few days we might be travelling to our accommodation, then if you have trailer or van, drop them, then do some sightseeing.
- Other days sightseeing will be the route
- Some might get together for a meal that night, and others just might cook-in
- You might want to do your own thing some days (wineries) etc, and meet us at the next location that night.
- Some might travel in the group, while others might travel individually, or with another person, meeting us at those evening locations.

In some cases you will know the locations, and accommodation where we will be staying some nights, from the itinerary, then it is up to you to book there or somewhere at that location.

Janice & I are planning to do a lot more trips away, as well as more local 3 or 4 days, as well as longer trips, but you are always welcome join us ...

Greg & Janice

Please note re Trips Away

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Next Tradies Society Meeting (Thursday 4th May – 7pm)

Provisional Calendar

APRIL

Sun 23	7.30pm	Webinar discussing the 'South Coast Nomad' Tag along Trip Away (Tuesday 16 th May – Friday 26 th May) 11 days
Sun 23	4pm	NOTE - New Time (Weekly Social Society Walk - Woronora)
Wed 26	9.30am	Mid-week OUTING 'Taren Point Bridge' (try again re weather)
Wed 26	7.30pm	Webinar – eAlbum – 'Learning how to use the TEMPLATE'
Fri 28	7.30pm	Webinar – 'Learning to see as a Photographer'
Sun 30	4pm	Weekly Social Society Walk - Woronora

MAY

Wed 3	10am	Men's & Ladies Chat Groups (Tradies)
Thu 4	7pm	Society Monthly Meeting (Tradies)
Fri 5	-----	NO Webinar held in Society Meeting week
Sun 7	4pm	Weekly Social Society walk - Woronora
Wed 10	9.30am	Mid-week OUTING t.b.a.
Fri 12	7.30pm	Webinar – 'Lightroom Workshop'
Sun 14	4pm	Social Society walk (Woronora)

Naming Files you send me ...

Thanks to all that rename your files for me before you send them by WeTransfer ... it's appreciated, as it saves a lot of time, and reduces the chance of losing your files.

Here is the format I would like you to get used to please ...

Tasks	<i>Your name TASK Year-Month</i>
e.g.	Greg Ford SPOOKY 2022-11
Outings	<i>Your name OUTING Year-Month-Day</i>
e.g.	Greg Ford CRONULLA 2022-11-15
Portfolio's	<i>Your Name</i>
e.g.	Greg Ford
Enhancement	<i>Your name ENHANCE Year-Month</i>
e.g.	Greg Ford 2022-07

In saying this, PLEASE send them if you cannot rename them, as I would love to get them anyway ...



The Society has for since 2012 had a flickr site for ONLY Members to be able to post 1 image per day (if they wish). The site has currently has over 6,400 Society Member images posted onto it.

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

It is available for any member to display their image-a-day, giving others an opportunity to follow your photography pathway.

Opening the SAPS flickr site, you can scroll through the images, or click on an image to open it full screen. Clicking on the image, it magnifies it even more ... You can then click the arrow in the middle on the right to scroll through other posted images.

In **early MAY** I will be running a single Zoom session, showing how to join flicker and how easy it is to post and share your images, so if you're interested in this flickr presentation, just message me (0415 412 244) and then when I'm ready to go, I will be in touch ...

SAPS Membership & Meeting Attendance

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Society LINKS (NEW LINKS as at 2023-04-23)

- PLEASE NOTE: Assume the OLD links you had have ALL changed as well as new ones added ...
- Save the this page & the next so that you can use the links as required ...

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society WEBSITE **CHANGED**

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

- Section of Sutherland Shire Photography website, that access's Society information pages

Link to JOIN the Next LIVE Society FRIDAY Night Webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88993683116?pwd=aXhSMzQ5RWhtaTHpPQzIzTTNORlhSQTO9>

- Alternatively use: Meeting I.D. **889 9368 3116** Password **040331**
- This link is used for ALL Friday night Webinars.

Replay/Download Last Webinar 'Learning to see as a Photographer' Video: **CHANGED**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/download/learn-to-see-like-a-photographer.mp4>

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Replay/Download Last Webinar 'LIGHTROOM Workshop' Video: **CHANGED**

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Download Last Tradies Society Meeting Powerpoint: **CHANGED**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/download/tradies-monthly-meeting.pps>

- It will take a couple of minutes to download onto your computer in downloads folder ...
- Progress slides by using arrow keys, space bar or Return key ... (forwards & backwards)
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Download Greg's Latest eAlbums: **NEW** **Coming SOON ...**

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/download/eAlbums-greg.zip>

- As Greg creates new eAlbums, they will be added to this link.

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Download STOP PRESS File: NEW

<https://sutherlandshirephotography.com.au/download/stop-press.zip>

- Downloads for short notice files that need to be distributed.
- This link will be used due to file sizes, or number of people to access.

Sutherland Shire Photography - Photography 101 Class WEBSITE

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

- Greg runs Zoom on-line 101 courses on-demand.
- Course is 10 lessons (1 ½) 15 hours with only 4–6 students.

Society Member Images

Society Task & Outing Albums

<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 ...

Greg's Flickr Images – 'Photographers Thoughts'

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

- Greg's site to view some of his images

Having trouble with any of these links, please give Greg a ring on 0415 412 244, thank you

Shire Amateur Photographers' Society
2023 Membership (\$30)

Name		<i>Date paid</i>	<i>Cash</i>	<i>EFT</i>	
<i>Address</i>					
<i>Email</i>					
<i>Mobile</i>					
<i>Office use ...</i>	<i>Joined</i>	<i>Mailchimp</i>	<i>Email</i>	<i>Message</i>	<i>Name tag</i>

NOTE: NEW Bank deposit details ...

- *Bank:* Westpac
- *Account Name:* Gregory Ford
- *Account Number:* 611205
- *BSB:* 732-112
- *Reference:* your surname or last 3 digits of mobile number
- *Amount:* \$30 per person

Please fill out this form and hand in at the next Society Meeting, or 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

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