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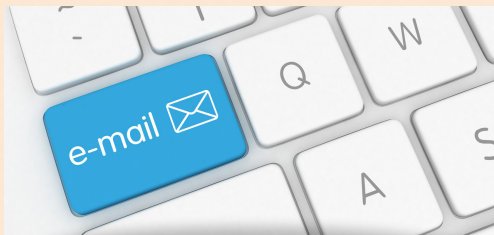
Keep posted for other exciting member's opportunities

Mention that you are a member of Wollongong Camera Club
for a discount - instore only at Miranda

NEW MEMBERS INFORMATION

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Max O'Donoghue (July)
Andrew Hay (July)
John Dengate (September)



Helpful contacts

Secretaries (Kerry Gilmore and Sue Curtis)
secretary.wollongongcameraclub@gmail.com

Grading: Bruce Shaw

Fees: Sue Martin and Ian Ruddiman (Treasurers)
treasurer.wollongongcameraclub@gmail.com

Links: <https://wollongong.myphotoclub.com.au/>
Facebook: Wollongong Camera Club Members

NEED SOME HELP?

MY PHOTO CLUB

My Photo Club is the website where you can find the calendar showing events coming up, the competition schedule, plus lots of other information via the tabs on the screen right.

You will need to sign up to MyPhotoClub separately to the membership application. This information will be sent to you on joining.

GRADING

All new members are encouraged to submit their grading photos soon after joining, so you can start entering competitions. You will receive information from Bruce Shaw, our grading officer on how to do this.

Please ask if you need help selecting images, resizing them or uploading to MyPhotoClub.

You could ask at one of our club meetings, email the club secretary or follow up with Bruce.

COMPETITIONS

We run monthly photo competitions, on the 4th Tuesday of the month. The schedule is on the website and in this newsletter. You will need to upload your images before 11:45pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month on the MyPhotoClub site. We are happy to walk you through the process.

If you are unsure of how the competitions work - why not come to a comp night to see what happens?

Volunteer needed

We need a volunteer or volunteers to coordinate the Guest Speaker program for 2024.

This program is a popular part of the club's activities.

No experience necessary - help and support provided.

This would be a rewarding way to get involved with the club and meet some fantastic photographers



**Volunteer position open:
SPEAKER SEEKER**

We need someone to plan, select and book our guest speakers for 2024. Resources and assistance are available.

Please contact Kaz Childs at marketing.wollongongcameraclub@gmail.com

Thank you!



What a fantastic exhibition held by the club at The Old Court House, Wollongong Harbour

Curated by (the amazing) Kaz Childs

A team of enthusiastic volunteers helped set up and hung the prints on Friday. The Exhibition was opened at 5pm on Friday 1 September with a welcome by Kaz Childs and then the official “ribbon cutting” and an entertaining speech by the Lord Mayor Councillor Gordon Bradbery AM with food and drinks prepared by the exhibitors.

The exhibition was open over the weekend Saturday 02 & Sunday 03 Sep 23 From 10am – 4pm with Father’s day on Sunday taking advantage of the family atmosphere around the harbour foreshore

312 attendees visited the exhibition

For fun activity, a People’s Choice Award encouraged visitors to view and vote on their favourite displayed prints. Tallied by Les Schumer
Won by Sue Curtis “Old Ute Lights up the Milk Way”

Several framed prints were available to purchase, along with a huge selection of matted prints. Many of our Members volunteered their time during the weekend to chat with and assist the visitors.

Videos and AVs contributed by our Movie Makers were featured in the Jury/Witness room. Wollongong Lions Club ran a sausage sizzle on Saturday morning

The i98 Street Fleet crew visited on Saturday morning!

Thanks to the many club members who volunteered their time for the exhibition

Kaz Childs
Les Schumer
Greg Powell
Colin Marshman
Jim Ollis
Kerry Gilmour
Dawne Harridge
Sue Curtis
Sue Martin
Clara Soedarmo
Tim Porteous
Ross Bembrick
Ian Simpson
Monika Oakman

and sorry if I did not include you on this list



Club sponsor Malcom Fackender attended the opening function

Some photos setting up the exhibition





**Opening Day and thank you to
Lord Mayor Councillor
Gordon Bradbery**

Get involved with our Special Interest Groups

MOVIE MAKERS Special Interest Group

Meet 1st Tuesday of the Month at Figtree Heights Public School Hall at 7:30 pm
For more information contact John Devenish or the WCC Secretary

Combined Club Challenge
Topic "Ocean"
36th Combined Clubs Meeting
Shoalhaven Movie Club

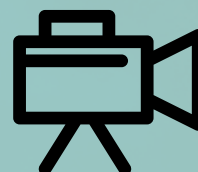
Link to program [HERE](#)
Read Ian Simpson's Report on the Day [HERE](#)
Link to the Wollongong Movie maker's Contribution "Ocean Tales" video
[HERE](#)

Contributors for the Ocean Video

Kaz Childs
John Devenish
Noel Downey
Chris Dunn
Tom Hunt
Ian Simpson



Click on the icon below for
a link to the
Australian MM Spring Newsletter
Volume 19 - which sadly will be the
FINAL EDITION for this newsletter



Report on the Combined Clubs'

prepared by Ian Simpson.

Meeting 14th October 2023

On the 14th of October, four members of the Movie Makers attended the 36th Combined Clubs Meeting of the South Coast Movie Making Clubs at the Bomaderry Bowling Club. The meeting was hosted by the Shoalhaven Movie Club and it welcomed us and members of the Milton-Ulladulla club. The three clubs have met twice a year since 2005.

The program consisted of two speakers before lunch and after lunch the viewing of the clubs' contributions of the challenge topic or theme.

The first speaker is one that the PG would appreciate (if they have not had him as a speaker already). Matt Karrama gave a very interesting talk on composition, and I use the word "interesting" in its true original meaning and not its current usage of meaning politely boring.

I say the PG members would have liked it as he shot down a few of the sacred rules of composition – he is quite happy to place the subject at the centre of the image – forget the rule of thirds also. Put photographers in an exciting location and you get exciting pictures – put photographers in a boring location and you get boring pictures. He was pretty standard on the importance of lines, texture, form, perspective (the old trick of someone wearing red in the foreground of a landscape to create colour depth), scale, symmetry, POV and BOKEH.

Matt defined composition as

- SHAPE
- LINES
- FORMS
- SYMMETRY
- BALANCE
- SCALE
- CONTRAST
- COLOUR
- TEXTURE
- PERSPECTIVE AND AERIAL PERSPECTIVE
- POV (POINT OF VIEW)

The second speaker was a revelation of a different kind. He was supposed to give a talk on his life as the official photographer for Rugby League, but instead, we got his life story which included tips on how to lay bets so you would never lose. Taught the etiquette of shouting drinks by Frank Hardy (author of Power without Glory), how often the races are rigged, especially mid-week races, and how he avoided a contract on his life because he asked a stranger to put out his cigarette in a non-smoking area.. As you can see not much on tips for taking sports photographs other than to take a low angle so the sports person has the sky as background.

After lunch there was the viewing of each club's contribution to the topic of OCEAN. M-U had their normal acted video with lots of copyright material included. The story is about a man washed ashore and how he conveniently finds the things he needs, including the girl, as he stumbles along the beach. See it at this link: <https://vimeo.com/874454351/c6f6475d62>

We decided to share amongst ourselves footage we had taken of the ocean, its wildlife and human activity. Each member was then asked to make a short, up to two-minute video, which was then joined together to make up our allotted 10 minutes. The video was introduced by footage from Brian, then a punchy promo-type video by Tom, followed by Chris' footage of dolphins at play, then shots to music by John, followed by an audio-visual by Bruce and ending with footage cut to music by Ian. The is can be seen at this link: <https://vimeo.com/872841559>

John or Ian didn't have a chance to explain the concept of our contribution until halfway through the screening, which may have spoilt the viewing for others.

Shoalhaven Movie Club did an update on Max Davies's Marine Rescue, which went well.

The next meeting is at Ulladulla Bowling Club on the 16th March 2024 and the challenge topic is The Recipe.

Recent Field Trips

Gledswood Farm Day

Attended by Monika, Clara, Cheryl, Kaz, Sue C

Weekend in the Blue Mountains

Attended by Cheryl and friend, Matt and Alex, Sue M, Kaz, Sue C

Astrophotography at Gerroa

Attended by Joe, Sandra, Kerry, Les and Sue C

Tulip Trail Southern Highlands

Attended by Ian R, Kaz and Sue C



If you attended these trips -
do you have any photos to share?



Guest Speaker Presentations



Peter Eastway: September

Peter is an Australian photographer known for his landscape photography and creative use of post-production.

At the guest speaker night in September. Peter shared some of his favourite images and locations and explained how he is able to capture the essence of a place in a shot.

He also had some of his fine art books available for purchase.

<https://www.petereastway.com/>

Check out his Youtube channel for some of the videos shown on the night
[@MrEastway](#)

[Facebook](#)

[Better Photography](#)

Brad Chilby: August

Brady Chilby is a multi-award-winning professional photographer based in Wollongong NSW

Brad has been many years travelling and exploring Australia and the world for his outstanding landscape photos.

He entertained us with his experiences and many tales of what happens behind the scenes when his out photographing.



<https://chilby.com.au/>

[Instagram](#)

[Facebook](#)



Photo Group Guest Speaker: Simon Hodsden – Focus on Ability

WHEN:

November 14, 2023 @ 7:30 am – 9:30 am

WHERE:

Figtree Heights Public School Hall

Using technology to overcome quadriplegia and enjoy the art of photography. Simon will also talk about his injury and how a photo shop workshop started him on the photography trial since his injury.

September Judge Street Photography

Meredith Schofield BIOGRAPHY

Meredith aka Mez is an Australian / Estonian photographer, based in Wollongong on the South Coast of New South Wales, Australia.

Her passion is in telling stories and capturing images that evoke a response – visually, emotionally, intellectually or otherwise.

Specialising in landscape, travel and documentary photography her work has a distinctive style which is instantly identifiable and full of impact.

As well as her photographic work, Meredith is a presenter and qualified educator working with design schools, RTO's, photographers, community groups and people with disabilities – teaching, leading workshops, lecturing and providing 1:1 tutoring.

“I strongly believe in the power of photography as a tool for self expression, communication and social change.”



Do you have a

- Photo related story
- Some photos from a field trip or meeting
- Equipment review

Share your stories and information with your fellow Wollongong Camera Club members by contributing to the newsletter.

Newsletter will be distributed during the final week of each month). Closing date for submissions will be comp night.



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secretary.wollongongcameraclub@outlook.com

or chat to Sue Curtis at a meeting

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CONTACT
Dawne Harridge
Mobile: 0401540699

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Club Competition Schedule

Date	Theme	Judge
24 October	Open (Smart Phone Photography)	Paul Spinelli
28 November	Product Shoot	John and Leanne Alessi
12 December	IOTY	Malcom Fackender

Please ensure your prints are on the display by 7.15pm

**Unsure how to mount your prints?
Check out this video by Brian Harvey which
can also be found under the “Quick Links”
tab on the [WCC website](#)**



Photo competition results can be viewed on
our club website and Facebook



<https://www.facebook.com/wollongongcameraclub/>



F/STOP

OCT 2023

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE FEDERATION OF CAMERA CLUBS (NSW)

[Click here for link to the September issue of F/Stop](#)

[Click here for link to the October issue of F/Stop](#)

The Interclub Exhibition and presentations to winning clubs will take place from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm on Sunday 29 October 2023 at the Sovereign Room, Castle Hill RSL, 77 Castle St, Castle Hill.

All Clubs and members of the public are welcome.

This is a great opportunity to meet other Club Members and see what else is happening in the Camera Club scene!

Here are the upcoming photography competitions hosted by MyPhotoClub and approved by APS

29 Oct 2023

**APS AV Spring National
29 October 2023 -11:55 pm**

Opening Date: 1 October 2023
Closing Date: 29 October 2023

APS Approval # 2023/27

12 Jan 2024

**Maitland International Salon of Photography
12 January 2024 -11:55 pm**

Opening Date: 10 October 2023
Closing Date: 12 January 2023

APS Approval # 2024/01

11 May 2024

**Outback International Photography
Exhibition
11 May 2024 -11:55 pm**

Opening Date: 1 February 2024
Closing Date: 11 May 2024

APS Approval # 2024/02

Reduce landfill and help the club

**Please bring your own coffee/tea cup to meetings at
the Figtree School Hall**

**This helps reduce the number of paper cups used
(non-recyclable).**

**Donations for supper can be place in the jar (cash)
or electronically using the square terminal. Just
need a debit or credit card.**



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Miranda

Wollongong Camera Club Uniforms

We have a range of clothing with the Wollongong Camera Club embroidered logo.

This is a great way to promote our club when we attend club functions and field trips. It also helps identify us and adds that professional look.

Choose from

Ladies' Short Sleeve Polo Shirt - \$35.00

Men's Short Sleeve Polo Shirt - \$35.00

Ladies' Softshell Jacket - \$65.00

Men's Softshell Jacket - \$65.00

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