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July Competition



Image of the Month - Heidi Bester

Our competition night on 12th June 2024 saw a larger-than-normal number of entries at 126 images, handled well by our guest judge, Graham Cam. Our monthly challenge was “Down Low”, and the Image of the Month was taken out by member Heidi Bester with her excellent shot above. It tells so many stories in one image - congratulations Heidi!

Heidi's story behind the Image

“We went out for the day to look for images for Down Low theme, and I came across this bird on the steps of the Opera House. I looked at it and thought it was a worthwhile shot with the people in the image as well, so I sat and waited for the right moment and then took the photo.

I turned the image into B&W and added a linear gradient to create the effect and then added a radial gradient to brighten the bird up”.

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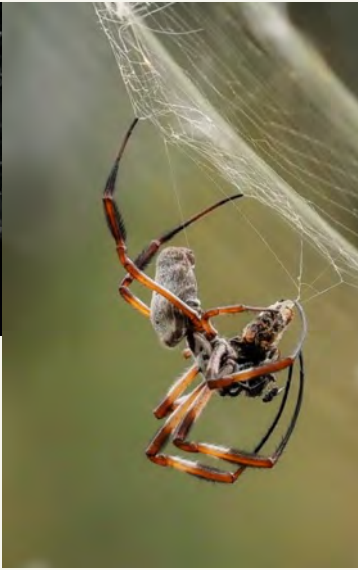
Nikon Z50

F-stop f/3.5

ISO 100

Focal length 18mm

Exposure time 1/600 sec





PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

As you will know by now, I have been out of action for the last number of weeks as I have undergone a major medical procedure. Recovery has been taking a bit longer than expected due to some complications, but I will get there in time.

In the meantime, it has been a huge relief knowing that the rest of the committee is able to chip in together and make sure that all the meetings and events have been able to run as smoothly as usual for the enjoyment of the members.

There have been a couple of committee members out of action and there will continue to be a couple missing either through health issues or well-deserved time away. It is a good sign of a great committee that jobs can be re-distributed amongst other committee members and carry on as usual. I would like to thank the current committee for their understanding, work ethic and dedication to the Society to keep things moving in a positive way.

With the AGM on the horizon on 24th July, it is a great time to consider what position you may be able to take on. It does take a bit of work to keep a Society like ours going but with a group of dedicated, conscientious and amicable position holders it makes it easy to organise a great range of activities for the members. It is not about standing back and expecting other people to do all the work and just turn up to reap the benefits. Everybody has something that they can offer the Society, so think about what you could do.

While all positions will be declared vacant and any person who has been a member of MPS for more than 12 months can be nominated, there will be some committee members who will not be re-standing and therefore numerous positions will not have the previous holder re-nominating.

As soon as is practical, I will be moving out of the area to be a grandparent so I will not be re-nominating for any of my positions including President, Programme Co-Ordinator and Webmaster, and while not an official position I will also be unable to host the post production meetings moving forward. So, start thinking about what you or someone else may be able to assist the Society with and submit a nomination form that the Secretary has forwarded to all members.

Kind Regards,

Neil Loomes

MPS President July 2004

UPCOMING DATES

JULY

July 3

Post Production Meeting (**cancelled**)

July 10

Competition Meeting

Judge: **Denis Cale** Technical Skill Challenge: **Dark and Moody**

July 17 (Wednesday)

Outing - **Maritime Museum and Fish Markets**

July 17

Themed Project

Tony Naumovski

July 24

MPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024

July 24

Presentation Meeting

Presenter: **Peter Sherlock** Topic: **What Judges Want**

July 27

Photo Walk

Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden (followed by sunset at Luna Park)

[SEE MORE DATES](#)

NEWS AND INFORMATION



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Out From The Mist - external competition

Out From The Mist is an international competition that celebrates photography, short films, and music, providing a meaningful platform for individuals with lived experiences of mental illness. When words fall short, images and music become powerful mediums of expression. This competition is open to photographers, musicians, and short filmmakers who wish to explore their own experiences or those of someone close to them. Whether a professional or an amateur, every story is valued and encouraged.

If you are interested in exploring this further, please visit the website using the button below, which will give you more detailed information. Please bear in mind there is a fee to enter and you would want to ensure you retain copyright of your images.

Post Production - July 3



The post-production meeting that we normally have on the first Wednesday of the month is unfortunately **cancelled**.

Competition Meeting - July 10



This month our Competition meeting will be judged by Danis Cale, from the NSW South Coast. See below for some background information on Denis -

"I received my first camera, a Baby Brownie, in the fifties, and I've been passionate about photography ever since. These days, I enjoy sharing my photography knowledge with both novice and experienced photographers, motivating them to enhance their photography skills.

I currently offer personalized One-on-One Photography Courses and Photography Field Workshops tailored to my clients' specific photographic interests and camera equipment.

Throughout my career, I taught courses and delivered lectures at community colleges, public schools, and a private university. Additionally, I operated a video production company for 25 years.

I am honoured to be recognized as a Lifetime Member of the Shoalhaven Photographic Club for my contributions, and I have served as the "Field Trip and Social Coordinator" for some time. My first DSLR was a Nikon D80.

Today, I use a Nikon D750 and Z50, along with a range of lenses, flashes, filters, and various other accessories."

www.instagram.com/caledenis43/

Outing - Wednesday July 17

On Wednesday July 17 we are visiting The Maritime Museum in Darling Harbour, to view their Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition, featuring Juliette Pavy, the Sony World Photographer of the Year 2024.

After viewing the exhibition, we will catch a tram to Sydney Fish Markets where we can take photos of fish and enjoy a (probably fishy!) lunch.

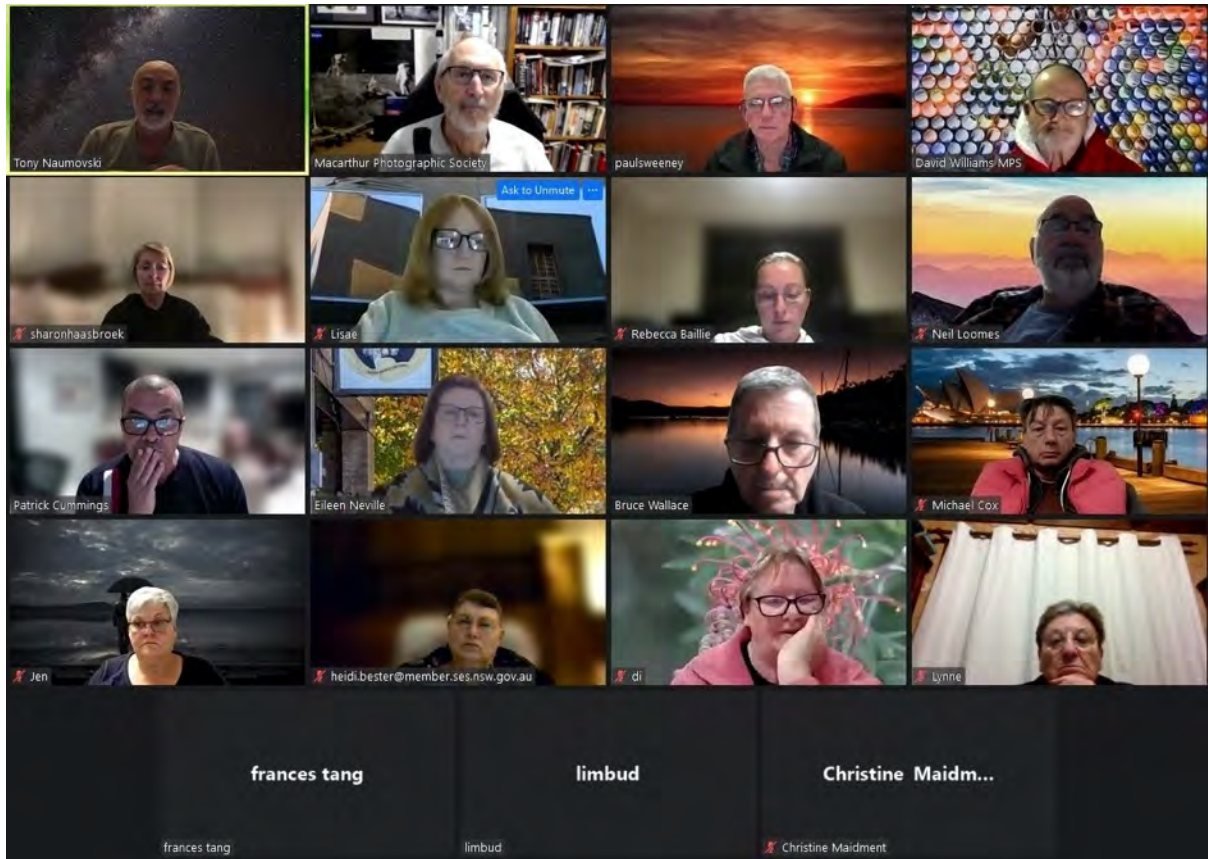
To begin, we'll catch a train from Campbelltown Station at 8:30am to Circular Quay and then a ferry to Pyrmont Bay. After viewing the exhibition and having lunch, we will catch a tram back to Central Station and then home.

Entry to the Museum is \$20 (\$15 with concession card).

If you're interested in attending please let our Social Secretary Lynne know using the button below.

[Social Secretary](#)

July 17 - Themed Project



On **Wednesday night 17 July** we have Tony Naumovski's zoom meeting, to work further on our Themed Project.

Our Treasurer, Tony Law, will send the Zoom link via email to the confirmed attendees prior to the meeting. If you have any questions please email the Secretary (via button below).

[MPS Secretary](#)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2024

The AGM will take place on 24 July 2024 at the Currans Hill Hall, commencing at 7:30pm. At the AGM, all committee positions will be declared open. We strongly encourage members to volunteer for positions on the

committee - it is very rewarding to be a part of planning and organising activities for the society, and contributing to other administrative tasks, which is all part of being a valued member of a great club.

To volunteer you need to complete the Nomination Form and have it seconded by a financial member, or you may volunteer on the night (conditions apply, please see attached documentation for more detailed information). We look forward to seeing you on 24 July 2024 at 7:30pm at the Currans Hill Hall.

Please see the buttons below for more detailed information about the AGM,

[Notice of AGM](#)

[AGM Agenda](#)

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[Nomination](#)

[Form](#)

Presentation Meeting - July 24

For this month's Presentation Meeting, which will take place immediately following the AGM, our MPS Publicity Officer Peter Sherlock has kindly agreed to give a presentation on "What Judges Want".

This should give us an invaluable "heads up" when we are preparing our images for competition nights.

July Photo Walk



For our July Photo Walk, we will be visiting Wendy Whiteley's Secret Garden in Lavender Bay, Sydney, and then on the Luna Park to photograph a sunset with the Sydney skyline as your backdrop.

Plan:

- 11:27am train from Campbelltown Station
- Arrive at Milsons Point 12:17pm
- Grab some lunch at Sidando Cafe, 1B/110-116 Alfred St S, Milsons Point
- Walk to Wendy's Secret Garden (approx 10 minutes)
- Arrive at garden around 2pm and take photos there for around 2 hours
- Walk along the foreshore of Lavender Bay and into Luna Park by around 4.30pm and take some sunset shots (sunset at 4:57pm)
- Back to Milsons Point Station and home

If you are interested in attending, please let our Social Secretary, Lynne, know by emailing her using the button below.

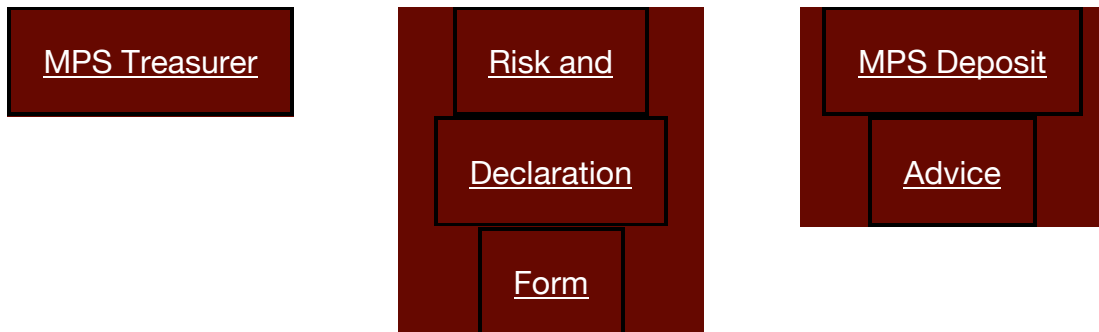
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Membership Fees

If you have not already done so, please organise payment of your MPS Membership Fees for 2024/25. The cost is \$70 per annum and gives a member the right to enter images in competitions, participate in all club activities, and vote for committee members at the Annual General Meeting each year.

The fees were due **30 June 2024**, but we have extended the deadline to **15 July 2024**. You need to forward your annual fee of \$70 to the Treasurer, Tony Law (see email button below).

You also need to complete the Risk and Renewal Form and the Deposit Advice Form when submitting your payment to the Treasurer (see buttons below)



COMPETITIONS

REGULAR COMPETITION INFO

Digital entries to be submitted by the Wednesday before each Competition Meeting.

Entries to be sent to: entriesmpsinc@gmail.com.

Print entries \$1 ea, digital entries \$2 ea by EFT or bank deposit.

Payment remittance forms to be sent to: treasurermpsinc@gmail.com.

The Hall will be open from 7.00pm and print entries will need to be submitted by 7.20pm and the meeting will commence at 7.30pm.
Assistance in set up and pack up is highly appreciated.

[ENTRY REMITTANCE FORM](#)

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MPS 2023-2024 Committee Members

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