



In Camera

The Newsletter of the Hawkesbury Camera Club Inc.

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WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

October 5	PRESENTATION By Club Members
October 12	COMPETITION Illustrate a Song & Final Portfolio Presentation
October 19	COUNCIL GARDEN COMP PRESENTATION NIGHT [WINDSOR RSL] No Club Meeting
October 23	OUTING Out West Nature Photography
October 26	WORKSHOP – PS/LR

FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have enjoyed the arrival of Spring and the new photographic opportunities that come with the colours nature presents at this time of the year.

The Council's garden competition has been judged and photographed. Alan Sadlier, Charles Sutton and Ian Cambourne donated their time and expertise to produce exceptional photographs of the gardens this year and, on behalf of all club members I extend our thanks to these stalwarts of the club. A total of 36 hours of photography in three days is a huge effort. Well done!

The Presentation Night of the annual Hawkesbury Council Garden Competition will be held at Windsor RSL Club, Cnr Mileham & Argyle Streets South Windsor on Wednesday, 19 October. As discussed throughout the year, this is a major event for our club and our financial backbone, so all members are encouraged to attend on the night, the more that turn up on the night, the more promising future competitions will be.

At this time I would like to thank a small group of dedicated members who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to bring this event to fruition again this year. In no specific order other than ladies first, they are Marian Paap, Charles Sutton, Alan Sadlier, Jonathan Auld and Ian Cambourne. The hours and effort put in by these members are incredible. Thank you very much Marian, Alan, Charles, Jonathan and Ian.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and any suggestions for our end of year function would now be greatly appreciated.

Also rapidly approaching is our AGM on November 16. At our last committee meeting the concept of the 2017 program (amongst other matters) was discussed.

It is proposed that we begin the formulation of the next year's program in July of the current year. As you are aware members are asked to complete a questionnaire regarding preferred subject matter for competitions, topics to be presented by invited speakers, and locations for organised club outings. This requires a lot of work behind the scenes with the bulk of the leg work being done by the competition manager, club secretary and events co-ordinator, and all of this is compressed into the few weeks between the commencement of the new year in February and our first competition night on the 3rd Wednesday of February. The development process would be less rushed and there would be greater opportunity for members to contribute to the program. In reality we should bear in mind that the program may have to be changed at a moment's notice due to illness and other circumstances beyond the control of the committee. However, failing to plan is planning for failure.

If any member wants to contribute to this discussion on our future programming please feel free to contact myself, or any committee member at your convenience.

Happy snapping,

John Hughes

MONTHLY COMPETITION GALLERY

We are falling behind uploading Merit images to our website. All the Merit winners are encouraged to upload their images regardless of the year.

This is a simple task to do - . Login to the Admin section and follow the "Submit Photo" link –

<http://www.hawkesburycameraclub.com.au/admin/submitGalleryImage.php>.

For any assistance, contact one of the committee members or the Webmaster – Jonathan Auld.

LANDSCAPE PRESENTATION NIGHT

7 SEPTEMBER

PRESENTATION BY JAMIE PLAZA



PHOTO RALLY WINNER ANNOUNCED

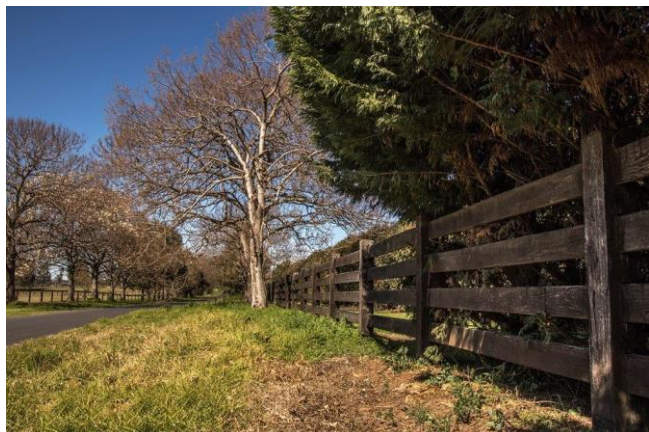
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THE WINNER OF BEST PHOTO PRESENTATION

So we have it, lots of great work by our adventurous photographers.

But the winner is... Barry Matthews!

Barry used the elements from the historic paintings of the area applying his own interpretation in creative ways. He often took the photos from a low angle causing his images to show an individuality and refreshing approach. Well done!



A close runner up was our very own John Hughes who was creative in using panoramas, leading lines and often placing the information signs within the photo he took.

Works from all who entered will be on display at club meetings.

Outing Coordinator – Paul Hulbert

UPCOMING OUTINGS

NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY AT DARLING HARBOUR 9 NOVEMBER

ADVANCED NOTICE

Wednesday Night 9 November

Instead of our normal meeting night we will go to Darling Harbour for a night photoshoot.

Limited seats on the bus, so book now with Pete Burford!

OUT WEST NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY OR WOLGAN VALLEY DISCOVERY TRAIL SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

Get your camera charged up for a true feast of photographic delights.

We start with a charming old church and buildings in the little village of Lidsdale, then rolling green fields with sheep, cattle and wallabies, steep winding road with falling rocks on one side and steep drop on the other, spectacular views of the cliff-bound Wolgan Valley, then through the lush valley floor with the Wolgan River following our road all the way to the remains of historic Newnes.

As we stop along the way to photograph these sights, each photo is eclipsed by the next one.

How:

- Meet at Richmond Club to car pool.
- 7.15 for 7.30am departure,
- Convoy to Kurmond shops, then Kurrajong Heights (new) shops for others to join convoy,
- Stop at 'Vanilla Cafe' for coffee and refreshment (32 Main St Lithgow),
- You can take great architectural photos of old buildings at this end of Lithgow.
- Then Lidsdale where we begin our photographic journey -
- No longer in convoy, we take our time to stop and photograph to our hearts' delight.
- The road ends at Newnes where we meet up.

What to Bring:

- Lunch & drinks as there are no shops in Newnes,
- chairs or picnic rug,
- Sun block-out and hat.

Some info:

- Dirt road is suitable for 2WD cars,
- Not much traffic, but be alert when photographing from the road.

Coordinator: Paul 0402 9415

PHOTOS ON INSTAGRAM

Sharing photos on Instagram

By Michelle Nichols

Have you thought about sharing your images on Instagram? What is Instagram and how can it help you?

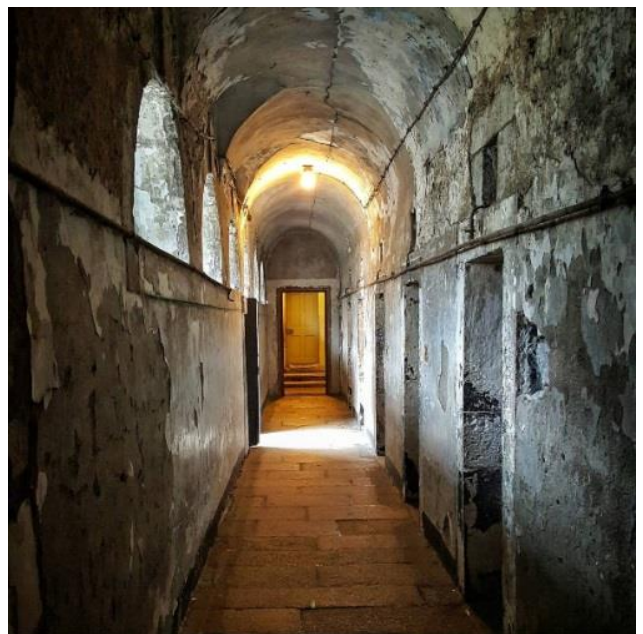
Instagram is a free app where you can share photographs online. It is a form of social media to keep in touch but the difference is, rather than words, a memory is captured through a photograph. *So what has this got to do with serious photographers?* A large number of photographers today use a variety of mediums to capture images including mobile phones and tablets and Instagram can be used for business as well as personal use. Mobile phones have had cameras for many years but since the introduction of 'smart phones' over the last few of years the cameras have improved remarkably and can now take some impressive images, with high resolution.

Instagram allows you to transform and personalise your images with a selection of tools and filters and then share instantaneously on the internet to your followers. You can also share to a number of other social media platforms such as Facebook and Flickr. You can check it out at www.instagram.com and if you are keen create yourself a profile. A number of members in the Hawkesbury Camera Club have accounts including myself, Jonathan Auld, Paul Hulbert and Marianne Hodgkins. Also many of the presenters we have at the club have accounts. If you like a particular photographer – check their website more than likely they will advertise their social media accounts. Organisations such as the Sydney Morning Herald, 702ABC etc have accounts.



The Long Room, Trinity College, Dublin. Photo: M. Nichols 2016.

There are two ways to create an Instagram account. You can set it up from your mobile device. Just download and install the Instagram app for Android from Google Play Store, iOS from the Apple Store or Windows Phone from the Windows Phone Store. Sign in using your email address or log in using your Facebook account. Create a brief profile and link to any accounts you may want, i.e. Facebook, Flickr and Twitter etc. Then snap away. To upload your image to Instagram is pretty much the same as adding an image to Facebook. Click on an image in your gallery, and select share, then share to Instagram.



Kilmainham Gaol Prison, Dublin. Photo: J. Auld, 2016

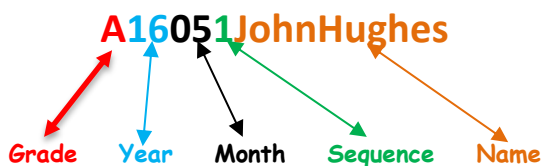
Once your photo is in Instagram you are given the option to keep the image at its original rectangle size, or make it square. (Originally all images were cropped to a square format but this has recently been updated). You can then add a filter if you want and also edit. Edit allows you to change the brightness, contrast, add a vignette. When you are happy with the outcome, add a caption and location. You can also add #hashtags and then share your photo. A small presentation will be shown at the Camera Club meeting on Wednesday 5 October.

HOW TO NAME PROJECTED IMAGES

- Images are to be labelled accordingly: entrant's grade (**A or B**),
- Two digit year of comp (ie. **16** for 2016),
- Two digit month of comp (ie. **05** for May),
- Sequence number of entry in category (**1, 2, 3 or 4**),
- Entrant's name [example A16051**JohnHughes**.jpg].

A16051JohnHughes

Grade Year Month Sequence Name



QUOTE

"There are always two people in every picture: the photographer and the viewer."

Ansel Adams

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Do you have an article, story or tips that you would like to share with other members through the monthly newsletter?

Contributions can be submitted at any time to the Editor Marian Paap Marian@secureaz.net. The newsletter is distributed prior to the first meeting of each month.

CONTRIBUTIONS DUE DATES:

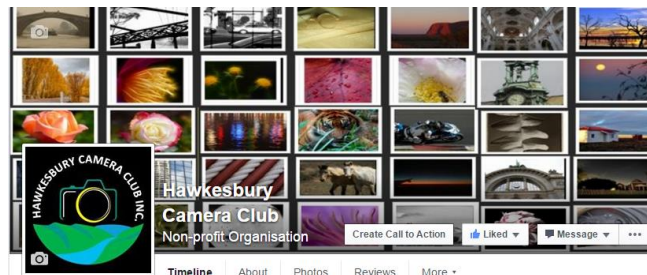
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MACQUARIE MARSH - WARREN

SEPTEMBER

On the 14th September six members of the Club ventured into the wilds of The Macquarie Marshes, 640k sort of North from Richmond. First stop was at Ruth Nielsen' "Guest House" at Eugowra, near Forbes to break the journey into two shorter runs. Upon arrival at Willies Retreat Camp we encountered an interesting 80 metres of mud on the entrance road. The 4 x4 Hilux had no problems and much to everyone's surprise the All wheel drive Mazda sailed thru with a very excited Marian at the wheel.

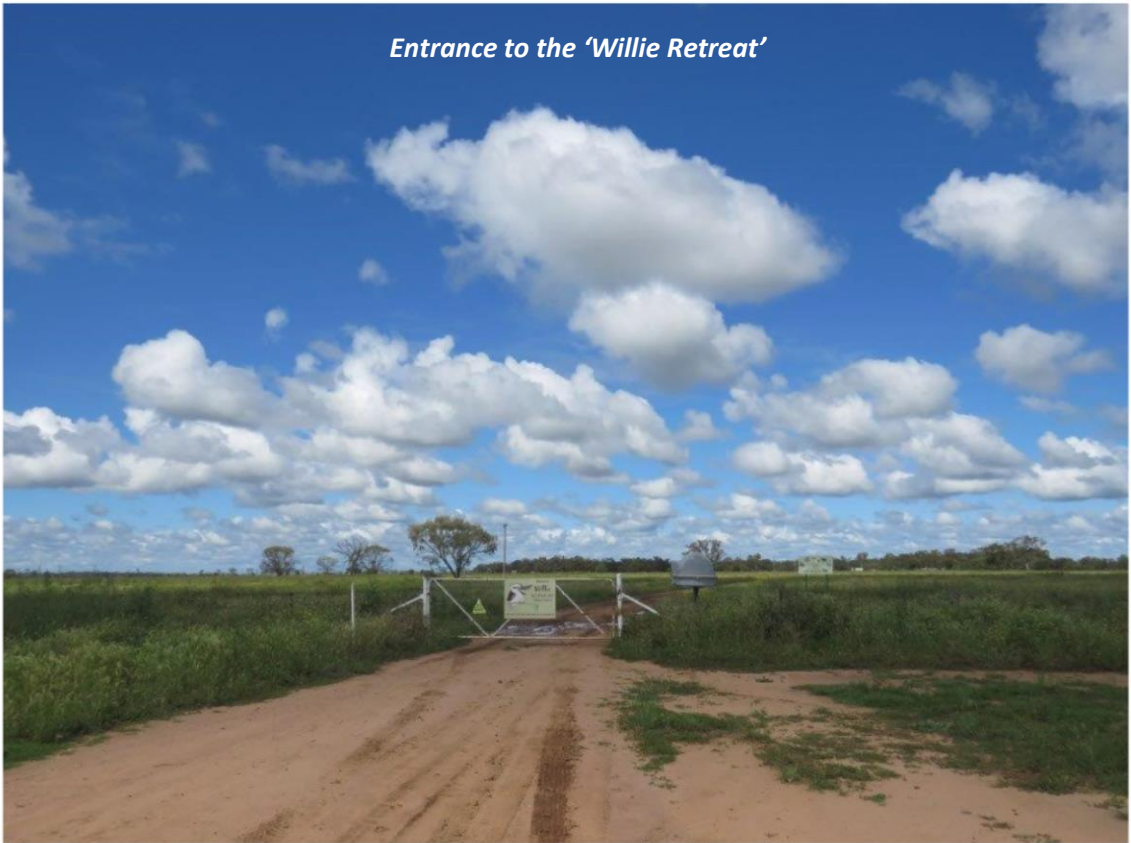
Due to flooding in the area we were restricted to a few K's of dirt road ending at a flooded causeway which turned into a great spot for reflections and some birdlife, (the reason for the trip). Big fast lenses where required, like 600mm f4, of which Geoff Higgins had just acquired, the rest of us did what we could with 300/400mm gear. Big problem, MOSQUITOES, not only biting but hovering in front of the lenses!! Photos turned out looking like dust on the shot but in fact it was out of focus Mozzies!

The accommodation proved quite comfortable with all amenities, though a bit "rustic", fitted the bill. We managed to have one sunny day before the weather looked threatening. As it turned out we had to vacate about 4am as the rain returned, turning the tracks very greasy but we all managed to avoid the bog and make it back to the sealed road. From there it rained all the way back to Richmond and a few days later the whole district near Warren was isolated. We timed that well!

By Pete Burford



Entrance to the 'Willie Retreat'





All Ready to Go – let's start shooting!

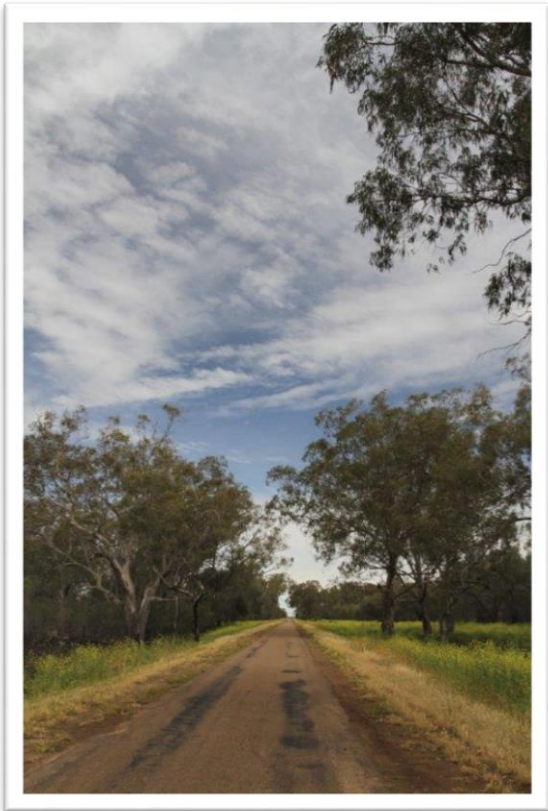




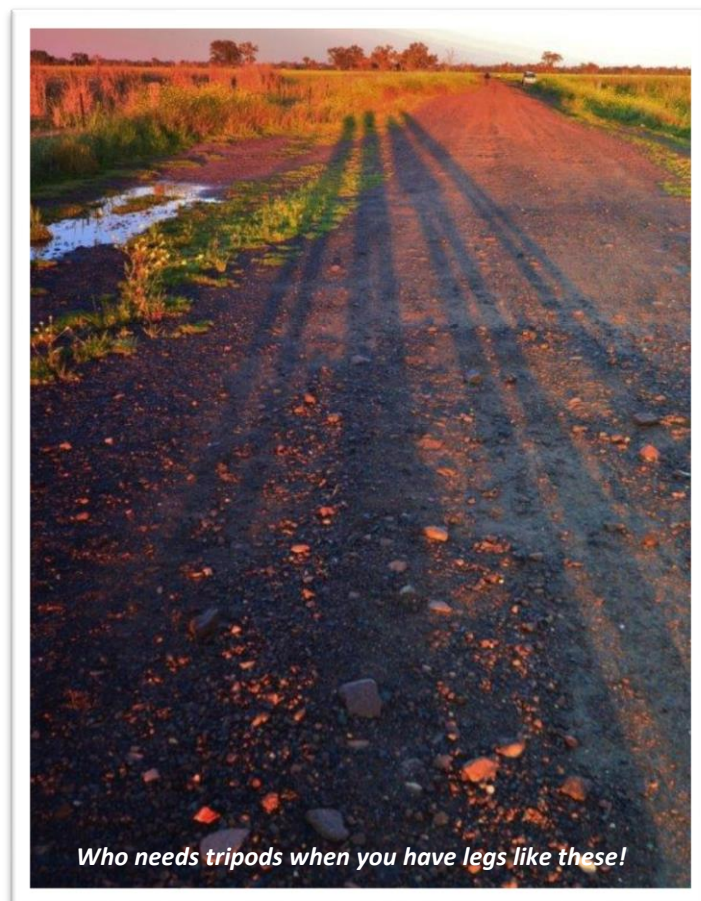
Three Amigos!



Jenny with her Drone









Which one – hard to decide!!



Our Host - Myra

Photos by Pete Burford & Marian Paap

Outings continued...

Taronga Zoo
23 September

The Taronga Zoo outing was well attended and turned out to be a fine day and perfect timing, just before school holidays commenced and being a week day it was not very crowded. After enjoying coffee we broke up into our own little groups stopping to photograph many of the animals which in some instances put on some great displays. We agreed to work our way down to meet at the ferry wharf at 2.30 pm. It was easy walking with many stops to take photographs. If you were lucky enough to have a birthday on the day, you received a free entry pass and one of the group did just that. A good time was had by all.



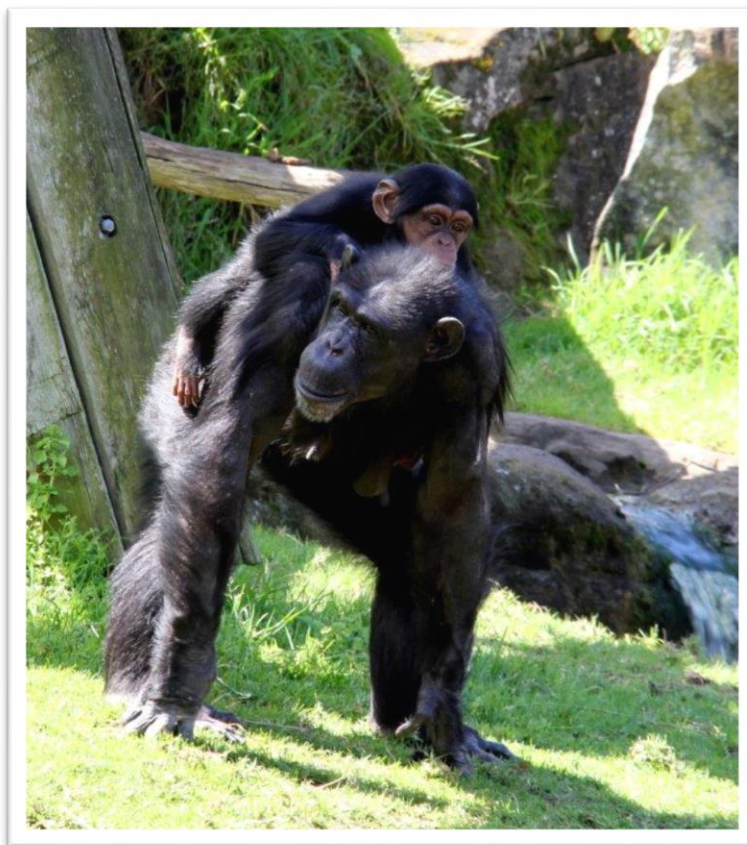
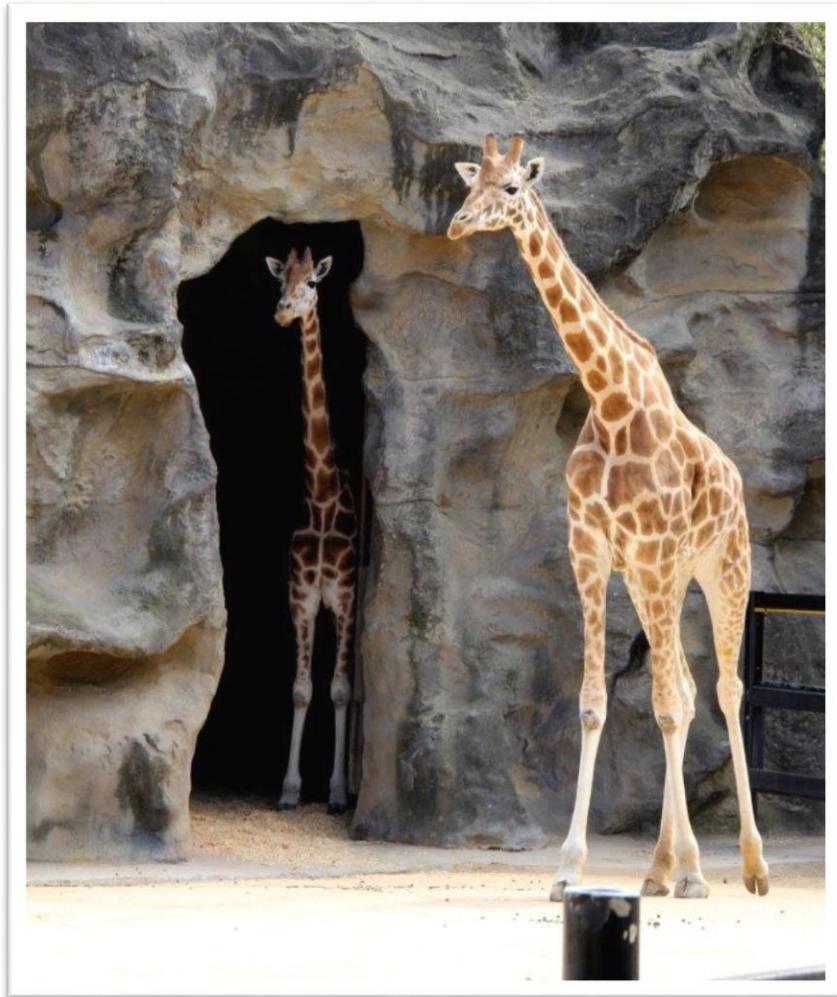


Photos by Ron Milosh





Photos by Alan Sadlier





Photos by Tina Simm

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