

F22: Southside Camera Club newsletter



Volume 26 – Issue 3: April 2018

Contents

What's on this month	1
Next meeting 3 April: High speed photography; Russell Field	1
Reports	2
President's report	2
Treasurer's report	2
Secretary's report	2
Portrait Interest Group outing	2
Future events and meetings	3
Online resources	4
Focussing options for Nikon	4
New Nikon releases	4
Avoiding bright edges	4
Exhibitions and workshops	4
National Library of Australia	4
Introduction to photography workshop	4
Photographic competition and display: 5 April to 15 May	4
The Club online	4
Web site	4
Facebook	4
flickr	4
Excursion reports	5
Equipment list	5
Office bearers	5
From the Editor	6
F22 gallery	6

Meetings

7:30 pm: Deakin Soccer Club, 3 Grose Street, Deakin

First Tuesday of the month for general meetings; fourth Tuesday for DIG SIG

Next meeting 3 April: High speed photography; Russell Field

Richard has been involved in photography most of his adult life. In 2009 he moved to the Illawarra and joined Dapto Camera Club and attended a number of Federation of Camera Clubs NSW (FCC) workshops and judging courses. In 2012 he was elected FCC Treasurer and also took over the management of the FCC competitions. As competition Secretary he has worked with many judges over the past 5 years and has been judging club competitions across NSW for the past 7 years.



What's on this month

Date	Meeting, excursion, walkabout or group event	Speaker/convenor
Tues 3 April	Meeting: High Speed Photography	Russell Field
14–15 April	Guthega: A w/end photography in the Snowy Mountains	Rob Wignell
Thurs 19 April	Jerrabomberra wetlands	Alison Milton/Helen Dawes
Tues 24 April	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 28 April	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson

Reports

President's report

As mentioned by Paul Kowalski earlier this year, we are fortunate in this area to have an amazing range of photographic subjects within a short drive of our homes. Taking advantage of this, our excursion and walkabout convenors have been very active lately, coming up with many options for members – thanks to the convenors (Helen, Rob and Laurie) and the other members who come up with ideas for the variety of photographic opportunities organised for the club. I hope you have been able to get to photograph balloons, lights, fireworks, the rodeo and the other activities on in our region in recent weeks.

For those who missed the last Club meeting, we are now officially the Southside Camera Club Incorporated as from 1 March 2018. In addition, the Club has also been accepted as a member of the Federated Camera Clubs of NSW (FCC) and is now covered by its insurance policies.

At our next Club meeting Russell Field from the Dapto Camera Club (and also Treasurer of the FCC) will give a presentation on fast shutter photography. Russell is hoping the President of the FCC, David Miller, will also attend our meeting to tell members about the FCC and how our Club can take advantage of its membership.

We still need to plan for presentations at Club meetings for the second half of 2018. If members have ideas for what photographic aspects they would like to hear about, or have a topic they would like to present on, or know somebody who might like to present to the Club, please let me know at the meeting or via email.

Thanks to all the members who have contributed photos for the Club's Yearbook – it should be a good one this year. I plan to have the book published on Blurb by the time we meet on 3 April and be able to show members a slide show of the content as in previous years.

Rod Burgess
President

Treasurer's report

Cash at bank as at 6 March 2018: \$3594.57

Unbanked funds: nil

Outstanding liabilities: nil

Significant payments since January 2018 meeting

28 February: \$186 covering incorporation of the Club as Association in the ACT

2 March: \$765 to Federation of Camera Clubs (ACT) based on \$5 Club fee plus \$5 per financial member (80 as at 2 March 2018) plus \$4.50 Public Liability insurance per member (80). This would cover Club membership until 1 July 2019

It was noted that annual membership fees (\$30 Family, \$20 Single and \$10 Student) would now be payable on 1 July of each year and that, under the requirements of Club Incorporation and membership of the Federation of Camera Clubs (NSW), new and existing members would be requested to complete a revised Southside Camera Club Incorporated membership application that is available on the Club website. This will be used to update relevant contact details on the Club membership register.

It was agreed that new members joining post 31 December would only be liable to pay half of the relevant annual fee.

Tim Heenan
Treasurer

Secretary's report

Welcome to the first Secretary report ever. I have never done this before and wish to get it right. Please send your suggestions for improvement to the Secretary email address.

The following are some details related to incorporation and handling of the Club bank account.

Club incorporation

- 28 Feb 2018 9:41 am: Online application submitted to Access Canberra including constitution and rules checklist
- 1 March 2018 11:24 am: Received confirmation of Incorporation from Access Canberra
- Certificate and letter; Cost of \$186.00

Tim Heenan officially took over as Treasurer on 28 February 2018, 3:30 pm.

Access to the Club's Beyond Bank account

- 2 March 2018 10:15 am: Forms submitted to allow Rod and Tim access to the Club account
- Form submitted to remove Peter and Helen
- President, Secretary and Treasurer can access the account (same as 2017)
- President and Secretary will only use the account if Tim is unavailable

Motion from 6 March 2018 General meeting.

- Members who join after 31 December will pay half of the normal fee. (\$10)
- Membership Master List (ongoing item)

There has been some discussion, suggestions and testing of how to handle the members list. It needs to be easily accessible to those who send emails to Club members and updatable to ensure member emails are accurate. In 2017 the list was maintained by a number of people on their own computer systems and did become out of date. With the Club incorporated the list will need to be handled better.

By the next report I hope to have this item resolved.

Jim Grigg
SSCC Secretary

Portrait Interest Group outing 24–25 March

The Portrait Interest Group wanted to do something a little different for this month's outing, and decided on an overnight trip down to the coast. So a group of 7 photographers and 2 models took to the road on Saturday morning. Mark Stevenson prepared an amazing itinerary ranging from old buildings to waterfalls and beach shoots, including special arrangements for well-priced accommodation at Jervis Bay.

First stop, the old deserted brewery at Mittagong where we had ample opportunities for portraits as well as many general graffiti and building shots. The flying foxes in the neighbouring trees also provided their share of entertainment. Then on to Fitzroy Falls for some portraits 'on location with nature' this time.

Saturday evening brought a sunset shoot at Abrahams Bosom beach – carefully chosen by Mark for it's aspect providing us with a view of the sunset over the sea.

The evening ended with dinner at the lively Huskisson Pub.

Early Sunday morning some of the photographers (and models!) headed for the Cape St George Lighthouse, after which, we all met for breakfast in Huskisson

It was then off to the old schoolhouse and buildings at Nerriga for more photos. Followed by a windy drive back to Canberra with storm clouds brewing.

Thanks to Mark for the enthusiasm and for finding such special places for us to photograph in. And Sara and Kristine for their patience modelling for us. It was a great weekend!

Juanita Moolman



Future events and meetings

Subject to change. Forward queries/suggestions to outings@southsidecameraclub.org

Outings & excursions cannot happen without your help. If you are able to fill the gaps contact:

outings@southsidecameraclub.org

Date	Meeting, excursion, walkabout or group event	Convenor/speaker
Tues 1 May	Meeting: Astrophotography	Ian Williams
Sun 6 May	Collector Pumpkin Festival	Alison Milton
Thurs 17 May	Nara Peace Park	Rob Wignell
Tues 22 May	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 26 May	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 5 June	Meeting: TBA	
June	? Night sky	
Thurs 21 June	National Zoo	Convenor needed
Tues 26 June	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 30 June	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 3 July	Meeting: TBA	
Thurs 19 July	ANZAC parade	Peter Keogh
Tues 24 July	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 28 July	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 7 Aug	Meeting: TBA	
Sat 25 Aug	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
24–27 Aug	Burrawang	Laurie Westcott
Tues 28 Aug	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Tues 4 Sep	Meeting: TBA	
Sep	Red Rock Gorge	Alison Milton
Tues 25 Sep	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 29 Sep	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 2 Oct	Meeting: TBA	
Thurs 11 Oct	Contour, Sculpture by the Lake	Helen Dawes
23–25 Oct	Oberon/Mayfield Garden's	Bev Bayley/Laurie Westcott
Tues 23 Oct	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Sat 27 Oct	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 6 Nov	Meeting: TBA	
Sat 11 Nov	War Memorial poppy display	Jean Herring/Helen Dawes
Sat 24 Nov	Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson
Tues 27 Nov	DIG SIG	Norman Blom
Dec	Christmas party	

Online resources

[Digital Photography Review](#)

[Photoaccess](#) – Manuka Arts Centre

[Red River Paper](#) – sign up to receive emails that contain good articles that are primarily about photographic printing but also on a wide range of photographic topics.

[Seven simple photo composition tips to improve your photography by Nigel Danson](#)

Danson is a very accomplished landscape photographer and makes a lot of sense. His [YouTube channel](#) has some very good videos

[Lightroom editing tips: post processing a landscape image to enhance depth and drama](#) by Andrew Marr. For those struggling with Lightroom this has some great tips.

Focussing options for Nikon

Shane Baker sent this regarding a really good, detailed yet succinct explanation of focussing options with recent Nikon cameras: <http://www.capetowntours.photography/best-nikon-d850-autofocus-system-settings/#comment-124>

New Nikon releases

Also from Shane Baker; Nikon has released new firmware updates for the D4, D4s, Df, D800, D800E, D810, D810A, D7100 and D7200 cameras.

<https://nikonrumors.com/2018/02/26/nikon-releases-new-firmware-updates-for-the-d4-d4s-df-d800-d800e-d810-d810a-d7100-and-d7200-cameras.aspx/#ixzz58lHCcpE>

As I understand it, the cameras involved can't use the new P series Nikon lenses without this update.

Avoiding bright edges

Rob has sent a link to an article on avoiding bright edges from Michael Frye. He strongly recommends to landscape photographers that Michael Frye is a good person to get emails from. They are always thoughtful and he is generous in the way he shares his approach to photography. He also sends out some great images.

From Paul Livingston

Paul has been a regular online resource and also a former President of the Club.

[A normal person's guide to buying an old film camera](#)

[As a side note PhotoAccess has the only publicly accessible photographic black & white darkroom in the ACT & NSW region](#)

[Phlearn free photoshop and lightroom tutorials](#)

[How a sSigma art lease messed up my ferrari photo shoot](#)

[Five tips for a successful and enjoyable photo walk](#)

[Fifteen amazing photos that will show you how silhouettes can be used creatively in photography](#)

[So this devices \(sic\) literally uses shock therapy to improve your photography](#)

[World's most expensive camera sells for \\$3.75 million](#)

Exhibitions and workshops

National Library of Australia

See the [National Library's web site](#) for more of 'What's on'.

Introduction to photography workshop: Saturday 19 May from 9 am–4 pm: Cost \$150

The Friends of the Botanic Gardens Photographic Group is very active and open to all members of the Friends who have an interest in getting the best out of their camera. The Group usually meets on the last Friday of the month and information can be found on the Friends website.

The Group is offering a new 'Introduction to Photography Workshop' for anyone who wishes to know the workings of their camera and take better photos.

The Workshop will be a full day in two sessions: morning classroom and afternoon practical application, photographing around the gardens. This workshop will be conducted as a Friends fund raising exercise.

This workshop is perhaps beyond the skills of the SSCC but if you know of anyone who may be interested they can get further information by email at photo@friendsanbg.org.au

Photographic competition and display: 5 April to 15 May–CSIRO Discovery Centre, Black Mountain (Science Road Acton)

The Atlas of Life in the Coastal Wilderness will have a display next to their 2017 Wild Eye photography competition in the CSIRO Discovery Centre at Canberra from 3 April to 15 May.

Canberra Nature Map held their own recent competition for varying categories and will be displaying the winning photos as well.

Launch and Prize Giving: 4 pm Thursday 5 April, by Ian Walker the new Conservator for Flora and Fauna

You will need to RSVP to attend the launch, (RSVP mulvaney@netspeed.com.au by 3 April), but are otherwise invited to visit the exhibition.

The Club online

Web site

www.southsidecameraclub.org/

Please send material for the web site to webmaster@southsidecameraclub.org

Facebook

flickr

[Links](#) to the Club's Facebook and flickr pages are available on the Club's web site under the [images / members on line](#) page.

To join you will need a Facebook and/or a flickr account.

- Go to the groups page
- Search for Canberra Southside Camera Club
- Click on the 'Join Group' button.

The request to join will be sent to the president as the group moderator. If you don't get a confirmation within a day or two email president@southsidecameraclub.org

Excursion reports

Queanbeyan rodeo outing – Saturday 10 March

Bev Bailey and I went to the Queanbeyan Rodeo. Although I had never been to a rodeo previously, Bev it seems is a rodeo fan so she was able to explain the different events to me. She selected a good spot in the grandstand with an excellent views of the gates from which the participants would enter the arena and one that gave us good lighting. Mid-afternoon the sun was shining directly into the performers and later in the afternoon we got more dramatic lighting.

This was a practice for me in taking action/movement shots = something bigger than birds! Before leaving around 7 pm, we did a quick lap of the trailers and participants behind the stands. This is something I always like to do as you see a different side of an event.

Thanks to Bev for an enjoyable afternoon.

Ann Gibbs-Jordan

Canberra Balloon Festival

A small band of Southside Camera Club members joined a massive crowd for the first morning of the Canberra Balloon Festival on Saturday 10 March 2018. The balloons took off a little bit later than usual because, being the first day, all the pilots were given an extended briefing. The later start meant that there was a lot more light while the balloons were being inflated so, for myself, it presented different photo opportunities to those in past years. However, being fascinated by fire, this extra light made it more difficult to get the effects of the balloon gas lighting up the inside of the balloon or any of the wonderful flame patterns that go with testing the gas burner before the balloon is inflated.

For the balloonists, the weather was excellent with clear skies and a very light breeze. As the balloons rose there was a scramble towards the coffee and breakfast caravans, which quickly got overwhelmed by the demand.

It was interesting to see the balloons take off a little bit later than I had seen in the past but I did make a mental note for next year to try and go during a week day when there would be fewer people crowding around the balloons and perhaps more opportunity to engage with the pilots and crew needed to get these balloons in the air.

Thanks to Brian Moir for convening this outing and for grabbing a table for coffee at the end.

Rob Wignell

ANU Enlighten walkabout, Thursday 15 March

Fifteen or so members met for an evening meal, enjoying street food from Vietnam, India and various other places. The sun was scheduled to set at around 7.20, and we moved off as darkness fell to capture the colourfully-lit trees and buildings around the ANU.

Trees were flooded in purple, blue, red and other colours, buildings were covered in colourful abstract designs, photographs and other images. We passed outdoor eateries and drinkeries, some featuring live music.

This was the first time the ANU has turned on a show for Enlighten. Hopefully it will get bigger and better in future years, and we will have further opportunities to photograph it.

Thanks to Helen for organising this most enjoyable walkabout.

Brian Moir

Equipment list

Item	Custodian	Contact email
Elinchrome studio lighting equipment	Julie Taylor & Mark Stevenson	shinboner266@gmail.com
Colour Munki screen and printer calibrator	Rod Burgess	canberrarod@hotmail.com
Fixed lighting kit: stands, light sources, extras	Claude Morson	claudemorson@gmail.com

Office bearers

Committee			
President	Rod Burgess		president@southsidecameraclub.org
Treasurer	Tim Heenan		treasurer@southsidecameraclub.org
Secretary/	James Grigg		secretary@southsidecameraclub.org
Ordinary member	Brian Moir		
Ordinary member	Julie Taylor		
Ordinary member	Nicky Bazley-Smith		
Non-committee positions			
Walkabout/excursion	Laurie Westcott, Rob Wignell, Helen Dawes		outings@southsidecameraclub.org
DIG SIG	Norman Blom		
Portrait Interest Group	Malcolm Watson	0451997 376	colm.watson@gmail.com
Newsletter Editor	Alison Milton	6254 0578	newsletter@southsidecameraclub.org
Website Manager	Brian Moir	0414 834 249	webmaster@southsidecameraclub.org

From the Editor

Once again there are some great photos in the following photo gallery.

While Ann may have only met up with Bev at the Queanbeyan Rodeo, obviously Iain Cole was there also and has some fantastic action shots. Ann also captured great action shots at varying rural events, including the sheep dog trials.

The Portrait Interest Group had its first 'away' trip with visits to some very interesting places. Just a shame there were not more photos posted to their web space for me to choose from, particularly from photographers other than Malcolm and Iain. You can of course send them to me direct rather than load them to Malcolm's site.

Earlier in this newsletter I have mentioned the upcoming photographic exhibition at the CSIRO Discovery Centre, featuring photos from two competitions, The Atlas of Life in the Coastal Wilderness and our own Canberra Nature Map.

Just a small boast, my photo of a blue banded bee won the Other insects category so will be on display

So please drop by some time. I'm sure there will be many more great nature photos on display.

Alison Milton
Editor

F22 gallery



*Racing the clock: Queanbeyan rodeo
Iain Cole*



*Queanbeyan rodeo clown
Ann Gibbs-Jordan*



*Singing Honeyeater, Ellenbrook, WA
Shane Baker*



*Brown Honeyeater, Ellenbrook, WA
Shane Baker*



*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Helen Hall*



*Sorry folks
Helen Dawes*



*Early birds, Warren, NSW
Bob McHugh*



*Philip Island
Norm Fisher*



*Philip Island
Norm Fisher*



*Portrait Interest Group
Malcolm Watson*



© Iain Cole

*Portrait Interest Group
Iain Cole*



*Portrait Interest Group
Iain Cole*



*Queanbeyan rodeo tag event
Ann Gibbs-Jordan*



*Sheep dog trials, Hall
Ann Gibbs-Jordan*



*Equestrian event Yass
Ann Gibbs-Jordan*



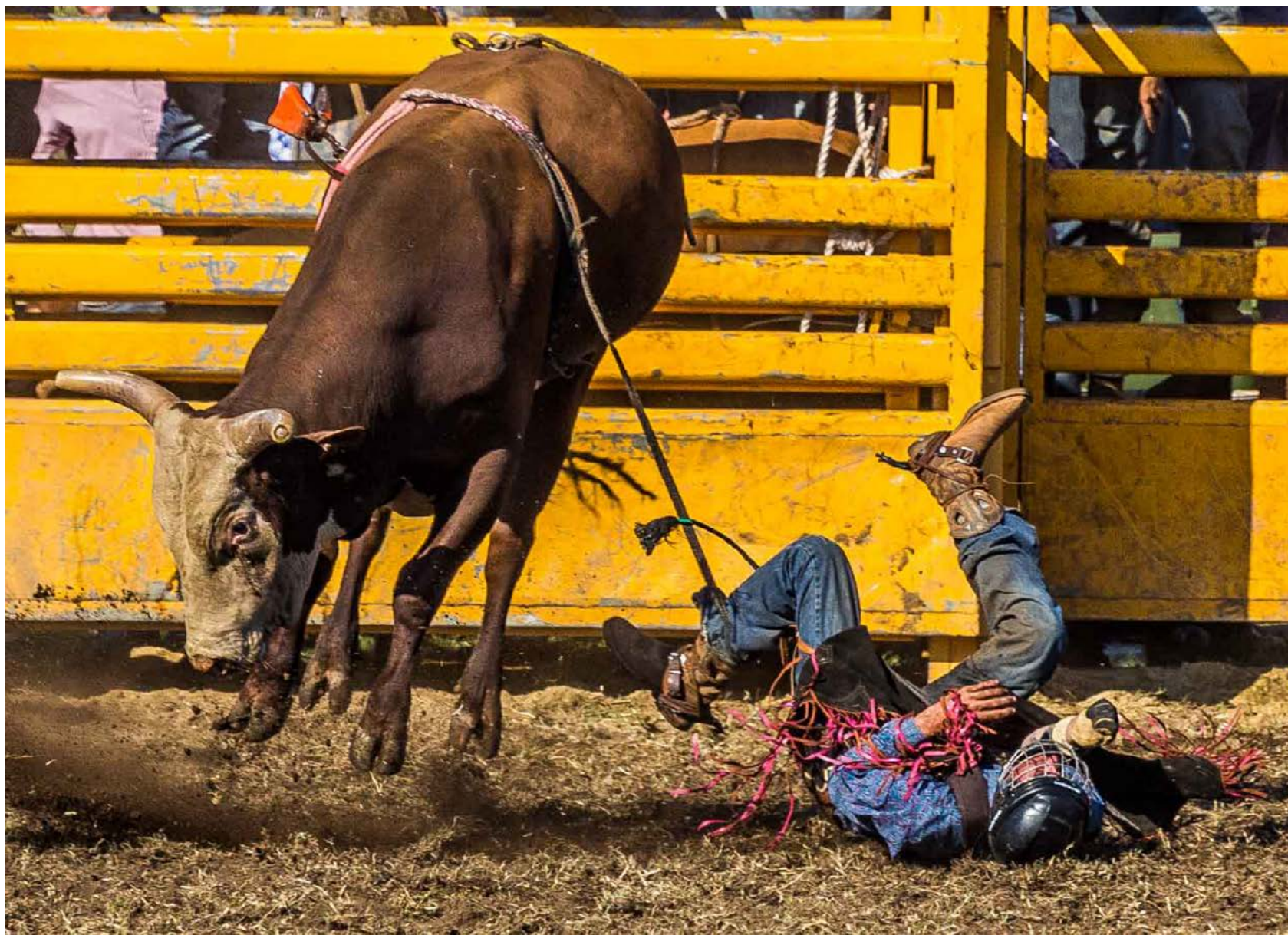
*A perfect cast: Queanbeyan rodeo
Iain Cole*



*Taking precautions: Queanbeyan rodeo
Iain Cole*



*Dances with bulls: Queanbeyan rodeo
Iain Cole*



*Not a happy ending: Queanbeyan rodeo
Iain Cole*



© Shane Baker 2018

Pelicans in formation
Shane Baker



*Get off my back
Helen Dawes*



*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Helen Hall*



*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Helen Hall*



*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Helen Hall*



*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Peter Keogh*



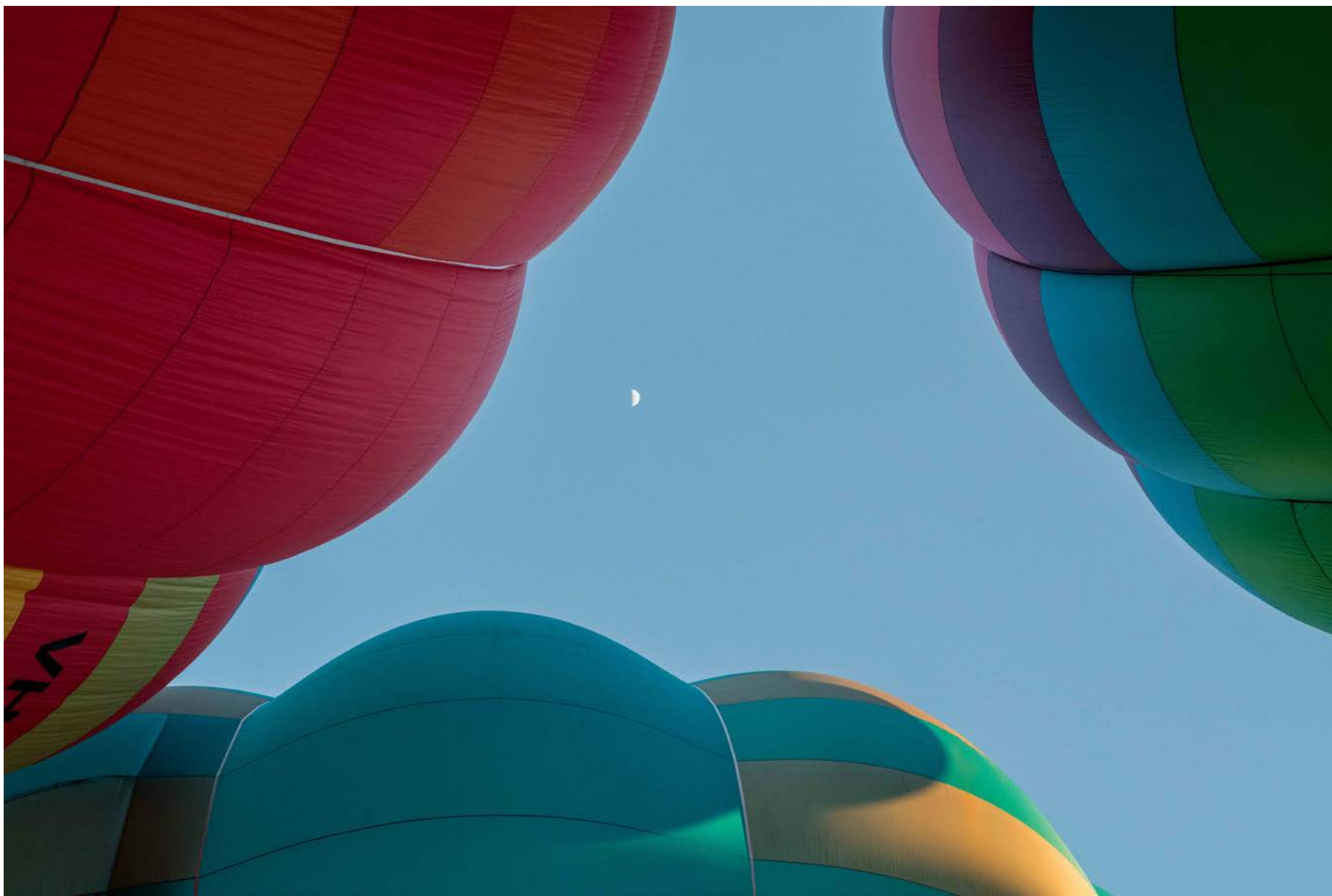
*Canberra balloon festival 2018
Peter Keogh*



*This takes concentration
Rob Wignell*



*A team effort
Rob Wignell*



Balloons around the moon
Rob Wignell



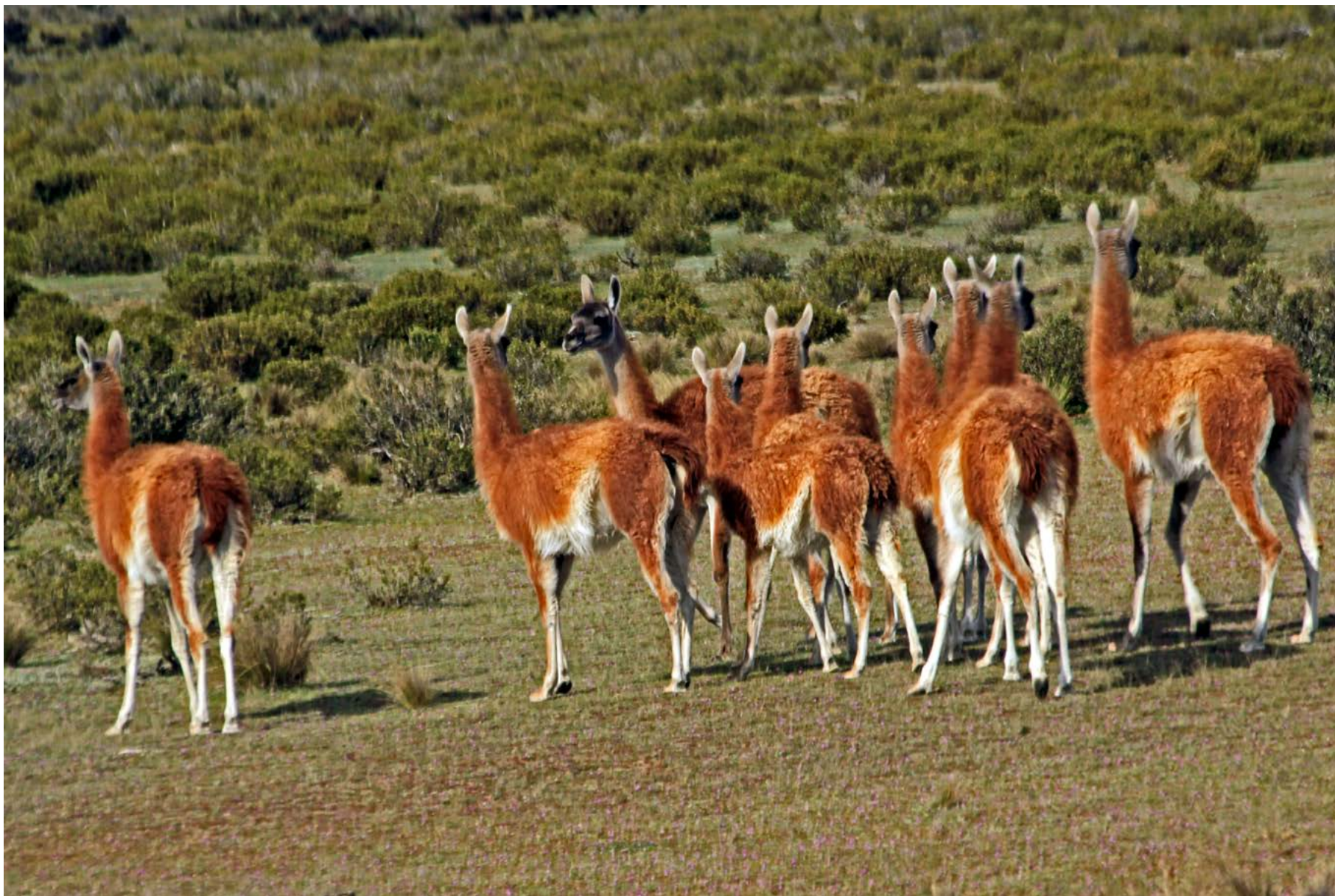
*Some early starters at the Balloon Festival
Rob Wignell*



*Some of the well fed participants, ready for action; Enlighten ANU
Brian Moir*



*Just resting
Alison Milton*



Llamas in the wild, Patagonia
Luis Bonilla



*Seals breeding beach, Patagonia
Luis Bonilla*



*Torres del Paine, Patagonia
Luis Bonilla*



*Lake General Carrera – Marble Caves, Patagonia
Luis Bonilla*



*(Valley of the Moon) San Pedro de Atacama; Chile
Luis Bonilla*



*Philip Island
Norm Fisher*



*Philip Island
Norm Fisher*



Fall at your feet, South Bank Brisbane
Bob McHugh



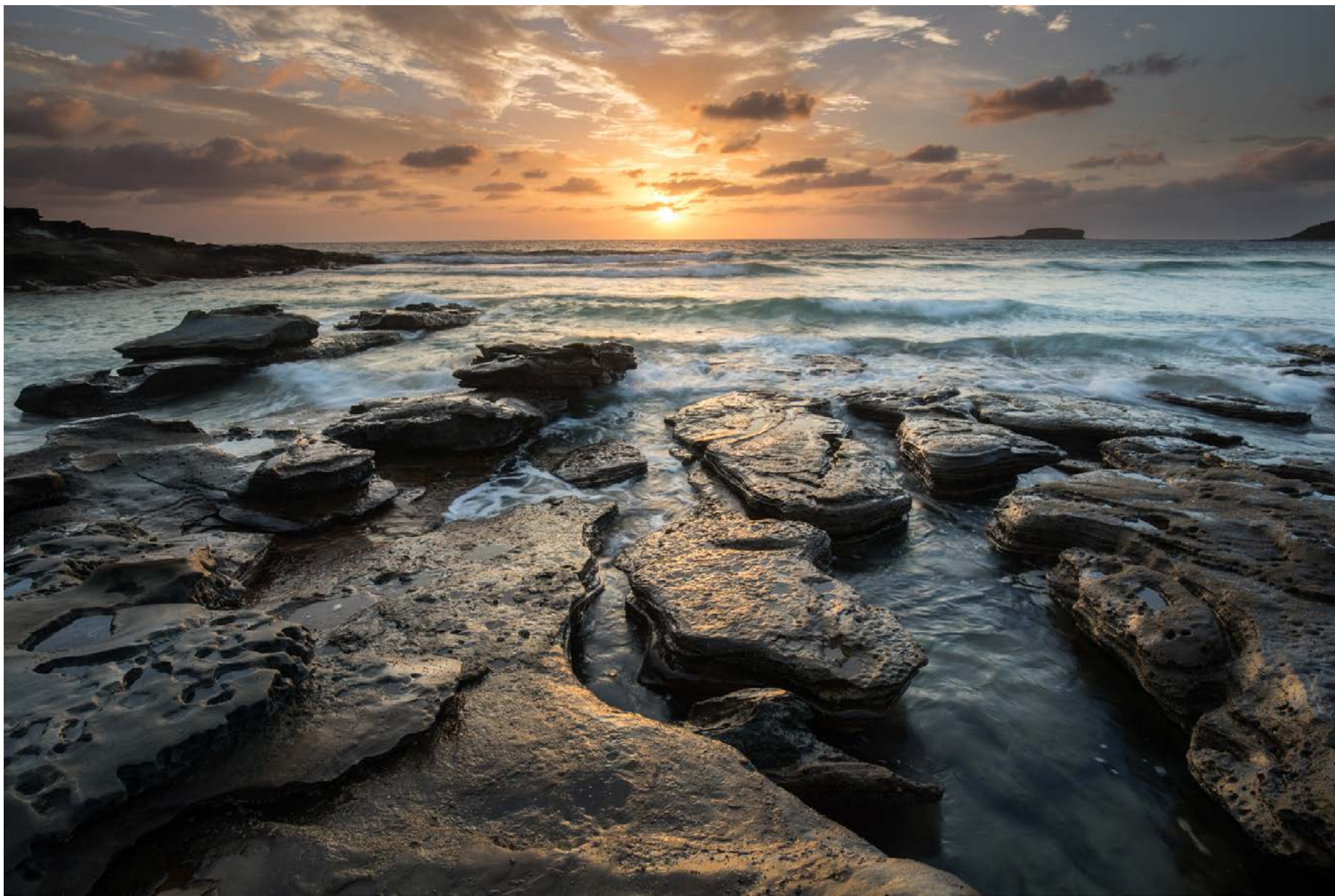
*Good way to start the day, Brisbane
Bob McHugh*



*Last light on the lake, Tuggeranong
Bob McHugh*



*Skeleton trees, Warren, NSW
Bob McHugh*



Cookies Beach rockshelf, South Durras
Rod Burgess



*Portrait Interest Group
Iain Cole*



*Portrait Interest Group
Malcolm Watson*