



In this presentation you will learn the following information:

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#### About the HPG



The group was formed in 2010 and since then has grown in size and ambitions

It is an incorporated club with an active committee

Current membership is 50, July 2024

Membership is open to any person, whether a beginner or an experienced photographer who wants to develop their photography skills in a friendly club environment

#### Where and when we meet?



On the first and third Tuesdays

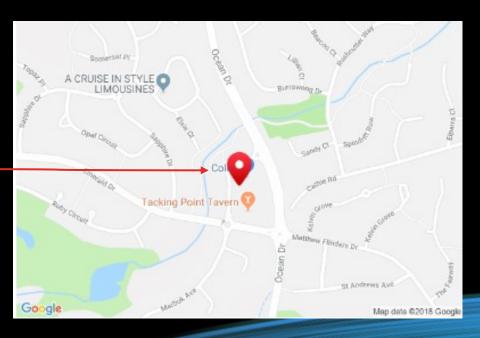
January to November

7:00PM at the Emerald Downs Community Centre located behind the

Lighthouse Plaza Shopping Centre

100 Ocean Drive

or 2pm at Laurieton United Service Club (please see events calendar for more details.)



Note: Some meetings are held at alternative venues. Please contact Karen Phelps HPG Secretary at <u>secretary.hastingsphotography@gmail.com</u> for the latest information.

### Major objectives of the Association

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TO PROVIDE for, arrange and encourage meetings of members to facilitate the exchange of ideas for their mutual improvement in the knowledge and practice of photography and allied processes

TO PROMOTE and encourage the knowledge and uses of photography

TO PROMOTE the holding of exhibitions and competitions and to conduct exhibitions and competitions

TO ENTER member photographs in any form into regional or national competitions where entry is at the club level

For full list of objectives see the HPG Constitution

# Meetings · Workshops · Field Trips



Club Meetings – first Tuesday of month

Digital Nights – third Tuesday of month

Photography demonstrations - on club meetings and digital nights

Photography and photo editing workshops i.e., Photoshop are as required and will be organised on a one on one basis or small group

Field trips could be any day of the week or weekend with assistance for those needing help

Social activities – Coffee mornings – Competition celebrations – Christmas lunch or whenever we feel like having fun

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# **Photography Training**



When the HPG was formed in 2010 the founding committee placed a high emphasis on photography skills training which has continued

Club activities have a strong emphasis on teaching a wide range of photography skills from beginner to advanced levels, and form the major feature of our club activities



### **HPG Photo Album**





Coffee mornings

**Competition Winners** 

Activities and location of HPG Meetings

Judging Competitions

Happy Members

HPG Meeting Rooms









# Photography Competitions

Photography competitions are a learning tool and an effective way of developing photography skills

The HPG runs monthly digital photography competitions in the following categories; Open Colour, Open Monochrome, Nature and Set Subjects

Members upload images to the HPG website Uploaded images are assessed on-line by independent photography judges

Judges write comments about the images and nominate members for *Accepted, Credit and Distinction* awards

The HPG also competes in regional and national photography competitions

### HPG Membership Profile



Some of our members are working in their careers, others are semi retired or retired.

The HPG is open to people of all ages

The unifying force is our members' interest and passion for photography in all its forms

Members have a wide range of cameras, lenses and photo equipment

It is not necessary to have expensive camera or lenses and new members should not rush out and buy a new camera to join our club.

Our members have a wide range of photography skills from beginner to advanced levels and new members will settle in quickly

Note: Phone photography is also becoming increasingly popular.

#### **HPG** Communications



The HPG keeps members up to date with club activities using the following media:

- HPG website
- Emailing members
- An SMS service
- Verbal briefings at meetings by committee members
- Newsletter issued quarterly and which includes upcoming events, tips, industry news and other articles

### How to join the HPG



Come to any first or third Tuesday monthly meeting, see what we do and meet our members. No fees required

If you are interested in joining our group, please request an Application Form from a member of the committee at one of our club meetings, or email our Club Secretary: Karen Phelps at <a href="mailto:secretary.hastingsphotography@gmail.com">secretary.hastingsphotography@gmail.com</a>

After formal approval of your membership by the committee, pay the annual membership fee of \$50.00 (pro-rata rates apply) by EFT to the HPG bank account

You may continue to attend meetings as a non-member until formal approval by the committee

## Conclusion



I hope you have found this information helpful and perhaps an incentive to join a friendly photography group

You are welcome to visit us on one of our Tuesday meetings

Steve Phelps
President

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