



NEWSLETTER

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The Next Event – May 19 – 2pm – Members-only market at AMRA Hall

A now-traditional members-only market will be held at the AMRA Hall on 19th May from 2pm. Bring along your better items to sell to our collecting membership. As usual there will be light refreshments. Paul Ewins is running the event this week.

June 16 – 2pm – Meeting at AMRA Hall

We are looking for a presenter and subject for the June meeting – any subject relevant to the collecting of cameras and photographic equipment. And of course, there will be opportunities to buy and sell items in the mini-market that is a feature of all APCS meetings.

July 21 – 2pm Annual General Meeting AMRA Hall

Our AGM is for the purpose of receiving reports, electing a committee for the next year and dealing with specific items of business to be determined. The Annual Report will be in the pages of Back Focus which is planned to be in the mail to you before the end of June.

The Society is run by the committee and we would benefit from a few new faces to assist in making decisions for the future as well as being part of the management of the monthly events. These days most of those decisions are made in an email forum and physical meetings of the committee have been largely replaced by on-line ZOOM meetings – allowing involvement from anywhere in the world.

August 18 – Noon – Members-only auction AMRA Hall

An auction is planned for 18th August. Inspections will be from 2pm on Saturday 19th and from 10am on the Sunday morning. All items will be photographed and you will be able to view them from the catalogue via on-line links. The auction will start at NOON on Sunday. A sneak summary of what will be on offer – Lots of makes including what will possibly be the largest offering of CANON film SLR camera to appear in a single auction – including several that are considered to be uncommon and even rare. Plus Retinas, Russian, Voigtlander etc.

September 15 – 9am – Public market at the Box Hill Town Hall

For details and booking procedures for the September market go to <https://www.apcsociety.com.au/market.html> Register early as recent history shows that the tables are all booked very quickly.

October 20 – 2pm – Members-only market at AMRA Hall

A members-only market will be held at the AMRA Hall on 20th October from 2pm. Bring along your better items to sell to our collecting membership.

November 17 – Social Dinner

We are going to attempt another social dinner in 2024 but it will depend on interest – check the newsletters – or contact the committee with ideas about how we can make that happen.

Date to be announced – the Adelaide market.

The Adelaide market for 2024 will be different. The traditional venue – the Hungarian Club in Norwood – is undergoing a huge redevelopment and is not available this year. But there will be a photographic market in Adelaide in 2024 so keep watching for details.

Members-only auction held on April 21 - Results

It was a very successful day for buyers and sellers at the members-only auction on 21st April, The results of the auction can be downloaded from <https://www.apcsociety.com.au/April24Results.pdf>

Back Focus

Back Focus No.119 will be published in June 2024 along the lines of the last few years. The theme for 2024 is “important images from photography”. Please consider writing a full article for Back Focus. This is also a way of making a bit of money from your hobby – we pay \$50 per page for articles if you ask for it. Submissions should be provided electronically and illustrations should be in colour if appropriate and at least at 300dpi when printed.

Membership renewals for 2024

Annual renewals are due on 31st May each year and the fee for 2024 is \$50. If you got a link to this newsletter by eMail, check the message and it will indicate if you have paid in advance (or are a Life Member), if membership renewal is due AT THE END OF THIS MONTH, or if you are overdue and became unfinancial in 2023. Renewals can be made at any time by direct deposit into the bank account:

Account name: Australian Photographic Collectors' Society. BSB: 083166 – Account: 515315423 and put your name or membership number in the reference field.

Alternatively you can pay at any APCS event or you can send a cheque (made out to the Australian Photographic Collectors' Society), to the Treasurer at P.O.Box 126, KANGAROO GROUND, VIC 3097. If you have changed any of your contact details, please let us know by mail to the Treasurer or send an email to web@apcsociety.com.au. You can use the membership application form which you can download from <http://www.apcsociety.com.au/membership.html>

Technical Note – heritage lenses on Mirrorless DSLRs

Have you noticed that interest in fitting heritage lenses designed for film cameras has dimmed in the last couple of years? When Mirrorless DSLRs were introduced 15 years ago there were very few lenses available that could be used. To fill the gap and utilise those older lenses, experimenters made adapters to couple many lenses to the Sony NEX5 etc – very successfully – and many manufacturers made adapters that could couple just about any old lens designed as interchangeable to the Sony E-Mount, Micro Four Thirds, and quite a few other camera systems. Some adapters also emerged for a couple conventional digital SLRs as well. And some of those adapters were far from simple offering coupling of automatic aperture, autofocus and similar system dedication.

But the scene has changed somewhat as the makers of those mirrorless cameras, and quite a few third-party manufacturers, have now produced a huge range of very high quality dedicated lenses, with many of them utilising the image enhancement that is possible with the software that is now in those cameras. Sure we can still use those heritage lenses but some of the adapters are becoming hard to find as the demand diminishes.

Classified Advertisements

This column is available to you to publicise what you wish to buy and sell. To place an ad, send an email including all the details to adverts@apcsociety.com.au with a JPG photo if you wish. Please try to keep the text down to under 50 words per item. We request that for successful sales you remit a fee of 3% of the sale value, with the fee capped at \$15 for items sold for \$500 and above. This is an honour system and you may electronically transfer such fees in the same way as for membership fees – just mark the reference with your membership number and the word “Sale”.

Wanted

Old Photographs - cartes de visite, cabinet photos, tintypes, glass plate negatives, photo postcards & street photos from all Australian states and New Zealand. Also 19th century family albums with photo contents. I am an avid collector who has conducted decades of research into 19th and early 20th century Australian and New Zealand photographers. Contact: Marcel Safier, Brisbane, msafier@ozemail.com.au 0411 238 612

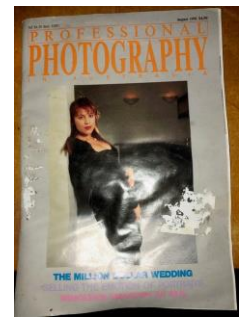
Photoshop and Lightroom Tuition

Do you need help furthering your understanding of Photoshop and Lightroom? I can visit your home or office. You are welcome to visit my Melbourne home studio or we can do an online session if you are further out of town. Details at www.photoshoptutor.com.au or

call and speak to me directly 0402562267 – Your personalised tutor David Ewing.

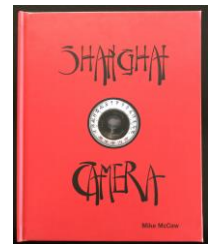
Wanted

Member Sandy Barrie is looking for a copy of the Australian Magazine “Professional Photographer” for August 1991 to replace his existing copy that has gone solid as a result of the February 2022 floods. You can contact Sandy at apbarrie52@dodo.com.au



For Sale SHANGHAI CAMERA - Mike McCaw

Written by APCS member and long-time Chinese Camera collector Mike McCaw, Shanghai Camera is a definitive record of the cameras produced by the Shanghai Camera Factories between 1958 and 1986. The 76-page, hard cover book details 63 cameras from this period and contains 101 photographs. The book is priced at AUD\$65.00 plus postage. Contact Mike at mccaw@cbl.com.au or mobile 0407 774489



For Sale

A few copies of the British Journal Photographic Almanac are available at \$5 each. 1940, 1941, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1951, 1953, and 1954 – mostly in yellow covers.

Email to president@apsociety.com.au or call Rod on 0408 173662.

For Sale

PHOTOGRAPHERS OF AUSTRALIA Dupain, Sievers and Moore covered In Film Australia production (1992) Narrated by Ruth Cracknell: DVD 43min new \$20.

Also, various surveys of Australian film history. Prices include postage. David Donaldson Ph 08 8267 5069 filmart@dodo.com.au

Wanted

Copies of Leica News and Technique British from January 1933, LEICA TORPEDO Finders, and copies of the Morgan & Lester Leica Manuals with publication dates of December 1936, May 1942 & 1943, January and October 1944, July 1962 and 1963 and December 1973. Phone Steve on (03)94292152

For Sale

Yashica Super 40K Super 8 film CINECAMERA with case, remote control lead and instruction manual. In good condition and working, \$75 plus postage (Est. \$18). Please contact Peter on robinsonpeter1929@gmail.com or phone 0491 483 959 anytime.