**HHCC TARONGA ZOO OUTING, APRIL 9, 2022**

**Convenor:** Marion Anstis, **Mobile: 0429 456 169**

**Meeting Point**: Outside Taronga Zoo entrance, Mosman.

**Meeting Time:** 9.30 am (Zoo hours 9.30-5pm)

**Tickets:** Available online, pre-booked price for Adult: $44.10; Concession: $35.10 Use Service NSW voucher for $25 discount (and Dine vouchers are probably usable too). Check website and click on link to include your voucher before you hit the checkout.

**General Info:**

* First up I’d like us to go to the walk-in Rainforest bird aviary, because we can sit or stand quietly there and see a wide variety of birds feeding, bathing, preening etc. at closer distances.
* Seals shows, on display and being fed – shows at 11am and 2pm. With a tele lens, you may get some interesting action shots there.
* Free flight bird shows are great for action shot practice. Shows are on at 12pm and 3pm. Afternoon would probably be better for them, and we need to get there 15 minutes before to get a better seat as they fill up fast.

**Suggested Camera gear:** You will need a longer lens, including a zoom, anything within a range of 80 to 600mm. Also a portrait lens may be useful for closer shots of large animals. Flash won’t be allowed in the nocturnal house, so you will then need a slower shutter speed and a pretty high ISO with your widest aperture if you wish to try in there.

**What else to bring:** A sunhat, sunscreen, sunglasses etc. and I will probably have a long sleeved shirt for arm protection. Water bottle essential. Lens cleaners.

**NB: PLEASE TEXT MARION BY APRIL 4 IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND. WE WILL KEEP IN A GROUP INITIALLY, BUT THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF CHANCES FOR YOU TO ROAM ON YOUR OWN. MEETING FOR LUNCH AT CAFÉ ARE TO BE DECIDED ON DAY.**

**IF THE WEATHER IS WET, WE WILL HAVE TO CANCEL, SO IF I HAVE ALL YOUR MOBILE NUMBERS I CAN LET YOUY KNOW BY THE DAY BEFORE.**