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Wishing Bill & Ellen Matthews all the very best as they leave the Sandhills and head to Arizona to be nearer family.



Bill & Ellen Matthews



Toronto Sunset



Look Out Below

A few of Bill's images



Curves and Spirals

Make sure to see some Members comments, appreciation, and wishes for a wonderful journey to Arizona in the Membership Committee report!

PRESIDENT'S NOTES - NEVA SCHEVE



I know most people are happy when Summer is over and Fall arrives, but I am always sorry to see Summer go. It's never long enough for me. I do love the fall colors and cooler weather, but then Winter comes and Spring always seems to take a long time to allow Summer to take over.

But there are photography opportunities during each season, and SPC is moving right along. The field trip to Wilmington starts September 30 and Susan Bailey has arranged quite a few outings for the fall season. Our upcoming competition is Golden Hour/Blue hour. I can't wait to see the images.

Our October meeting will again be on Zoom, but we have high hopes that November will bring us back together again and we are still going forward with the Holiday Party as circumstances permit. November is our General Membership Business Meeting, and we will be voting for the officers for 2022. The slate of nominees will be presented at the October meeting.

Longtime member **Bill Matthews** and his wife, Ellen are moving to Arizona to be closer to family! I am happy for them, but sad for us. I became friends with Bill when he served with Donna Ford and me on the Competition Committee a few years ago. Bill has been an important contributor to the success of our club, and he will be missed. I hope he remains a member and comes to our meetings through Zoom once they get settled. Best of luck to you and Ellen, Bill!

See you all at the October meeting!

Neva

Treasurer's Report - FINANCIAL REPORT 2021

August 2021

TOTAL FUNDS		
	Checking	\$3,563.18
	Savings	888.26
	CD	4,045.63
Grand Total of all Accounts		\$8,497.07



JUDY NAPPI

MEMBERSHIP – *JO ANN SLUDER*

For our September 13th, meeting 33 members and 5 guests attended viewing via Zoom. We are receiving frequent inquiries from new arriving residents to our vicinity and are inviting guests monthly. Watch for and welcome our new members and guests. We welcome **Bob Mobsby** and **Robin Frye** as new family members joining this month. Bob recently retired from a legal research job in NYC and moved to Pinehurst with his wife, Robin Frye. Once upon a time Bob shot 35 mm and 4X5 film but he has been away from the hobby for more than a couple of decades. Bob's primary interest is landscape photography and Robin's is anything that strikes her fancy with her phone. Bob recently obtained a Nikon D850 and is busy trying to divine its digital mysteries. Robin teaches both voice and piano and both of them are classically trained singers; Bob a baritone and Robin a mezzo soprano. They are delighted to be here and ready to learn and make new friends.



Jo Ann Sluder

Involve, Inspire, Invite, Introduce

Remember to share your love of photography/SPC to all you meet!

Expressions Of Appreciation

As Bill & Ellen Matthews move from the local area, we wanted to do a special send off for them. Soon, we will not see them in person locally, but we suspect and anticipate Bill will continue to be a member and participant of Sandhills Photo Club, just remotely. Of course, we will continue to see him and he us.... via Zoom!

Bill has done so much to grow and improve SPC we wanted Bill to hear from his fellow members and friends, their words, memories, and expressions of appreciation for his contributions, leadership and friendship.



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Below are words about Bill Matthews from just a fewwhich says what EVERY member of our Club feels:

Read and enjoy!

“A mere “Thank You” is so inadequate to express my sincere appreciation for Bill Matthews, both as a friend and as a fellow Photography Club Member. Bill and a few others established the foundation for the club’s success that we still enjoy today. He has always been available to help those of us who followed him in leadership positions and, I for one, will always be grateful for his guidance and willingness to do whatever was needed to keep our club great. I wish only the very best for Bill and his family as they begin a new chapter. We will miss you greatly. May God be with you always.”

Dave Powers

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“I met Bill for the first time when he came and helped hang an exhibit of our photos at the Golf Hall of Fame that was located in Pinehurst at that time. Bill had joined the Photography Club but hadn’t attended his first meeting, if I remember correctly. We all spoke highly of our new member.

Bill is knowledgeable in all phases of photography and has freely shared that knowledge with our members.

I’m sad to see Bill and Ellen Matthews move away but I know they want to be closer to their family. I wish them good health and happiness in their new home. He will certainly be missed!”

*Linda Piechota*

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“Bill Matthews has been a great member and awesome Go To Technical Guy. He really understands all the digital photography stuff and has always been willing to share his knowledge. Both Bill and Ellen will be missed. Good Luck and Godspeed.”

Jim Davis

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"I have known Bill since I joined the club. In the early days all our competitions were presented as mounted prints and slides. Bill was always the support person to make sure the equipment and processes were setup for a smooth presentation. I learned a lot from Bill on mat cutting and mounting photos.

I also had the pleasure of having Bill and his wife join one of my travel groups to Ireland. We will miss him, and I wish he and his wife all the best in their new venture."

*Gary Magee*

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"I have known Bill for about 10 years here at Penick Village and he has been a powerhouse of photographic effort for the Administration and Residents during that time. He created over 400 videos of a large variety of subjects since Covid arrived on the scene. Additionally, he contributed routinely to photos for all of the Annual Penick Art shows to support charity and organized many photographic displays to decorate the campus."

Wendell Dance

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"Bill I would like to wish you the best in your new adventure to Arizona. I hope your time there will be as interesting and productive as your years here in Moore County, NC. I would also like to thank you for all your help during my time as Program Chair and President of the Sandhills Photography Club as well as for your service in all the positions you held through the years. Take care."

*John German*

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"During my two-year term as President, I was lucky to be surrounded by capable and knowledgeable individuals. Bill was a stalwart, trustworthy and apolitical force who could always be relied on. Knowing he was there made my life a lot easier.
Will miss you,

Tom Fagan

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"I started working with Bill Matthews shortly after I joined the club to assist with projector setup / teardown. I heard that Bill had been doing it for a long time and could use some help. It was sometime later that I learned (not from Bill) that he had been involved with most of the positions in the club (some more than once). When he eventually decided he wanted to step down and relinquish the lead position he had certainly earned it. His skills and dedication to the club have been an example for all of us."

*Dennis Snipes*

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"I recall and want to recognize Bill's outstanding work on obtaining our Projectors for SPC which have been invaluable. Bill also dedicated unsurmountable time researching specifications and performance to display the Club's photos in the best possible quality.

Jim & Judy will miss you and wish you much enjoyment in this new chapter of your life."

Jim Smith

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"Who is Bill? (defined from just these members sharing thoughts) respected, dedicated, invaluable, example, guide, willing, knowledgeable, sharing, awesome, Go To Guy, supportive, powerhouse, decorator with photography, organized, stalwart, trustworthy, apolitical force, reliable, researcher.....

Bill and Ellen...Here is to making new friends in your new location and to new photography opportunities!"

*Jo Ann, Dennis & Alan*

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**And from ALL of us.....
we wish the very best to Bill & Ellen
as you move into a new chapter in your lives**

PROGRAMS – *JACQUES WOOD*

The Competition Committee has announced the 2022 Topics: Black & White, Faces, Abandoned/Decay, Arches, Long Exposure, and Round Things. My goal for programs for the coming year is to schedule presentations that will provide technical information and artistic guidance for shooting completion topics. The following presentations have now been scheduled:



JACQUES WOOD

November 8, 2021: Black and White Photography by Brian Osborne

Brian Osborne is the owner and lead instructor of the Photo Classroom. He is also the founder of the Professional Photography Group, Charlotte's largest photography team.



January 10, 2022: Portrait Photography by Lolly Nazario

Lolly Nazario is a family and newborn photographer located in Pinehurst. You can see her stunning "Fine Art Child" and "Heirloom" galleries on her website at: www.lollyslens.com



May 9, 2022: Long Exposure Photography by Kate Silvia

Kate Silvia is a nature photographer and photo educator located in Charleston, South Carolina. Her work can be seen at: www.katesilviaphotography.com



2021 OUTINGS – SUSAN BAILEY

OCTOBER OUTING FESTIVAL D'AVION MOORE COUNTY AIRPORT



Susan Bailey



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2021

All Day
Event Set-Up
Aircraft Fly-In

4:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.
Celebration Concert
On The Border: The Ultimate Eagles Tribute Band
(Concert Begins at 5:30 P.M.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2021

7:00 A.M.-8:30 A.M.
Aircraft Fly-In

7:30 A.M.-9:00 A.M.
Runway 5K presented by R.I.O.T.

10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.
2021 Festival D'Avion

3:30 P.M.-4:00 P.M.
Aircraft Fly-out

Our outing will be on **Saturday, October 30th**. You can see the aircraft fly in from 7am-8:30am but the gates do not open until 10am. The aircraft will fly out starting at 3:30pm. It may be difficult to roam about as a group as this is a very popular group but I think we can get some amazing photos.

- Static Aircraft exhibits honoring the military
- Classic Car Corral
- Special Activities
- Displays
- Entertainment
- Food and Beverage

The Saturday only ticket is \$15 and you may want to get your ticket ahead.
<https://ticketmesandhills.com/events/2020-Festival-D'Avion-4-17-2020>

Weekday Outing

Friday, October 8th
Meet: 10:45am at the main building
Aberdeen Sardine Festival
301 Lake Park Crossing
Aberdeen, NC

We will enjoy the activities, people photography, some sardines and moon pies! Looks like there will be some classic cars plus the beautiful lake. <https://www.thepinestimes.com/event/28th-annual-sardine-festival/>

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Upcoming Outings

- October 8 – Aberdeen Sardine Festival
- October 29 – Festival D’Avion – Pinehurst
- November 6 – Ederville Train and Tractor Show - Carthage
- November 25 - Blessing of the Hounds – Southern Pines
- December 11 – Shaw House Christmas – Christmas parade downtown Southern Pines alternate
- January 2022 – Jordan Lake Dam Tailrace for eagles and other birds

Scavenger Outing Images in Pinehurst

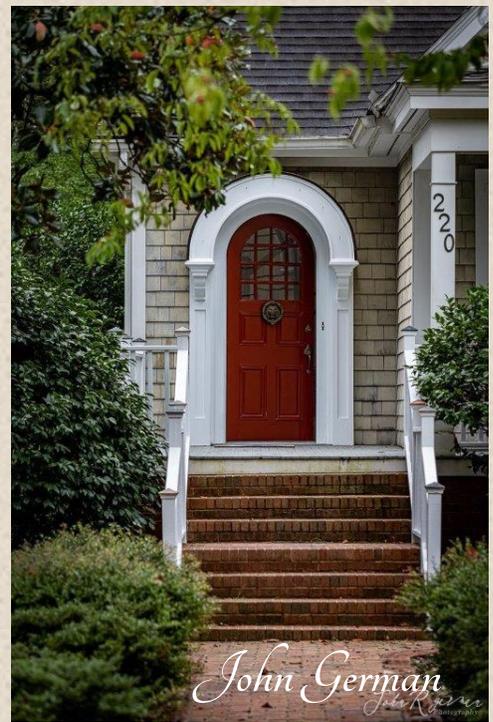


Flowers





Lana Rebert



John German
John Rebert Photography



Susan Bailey

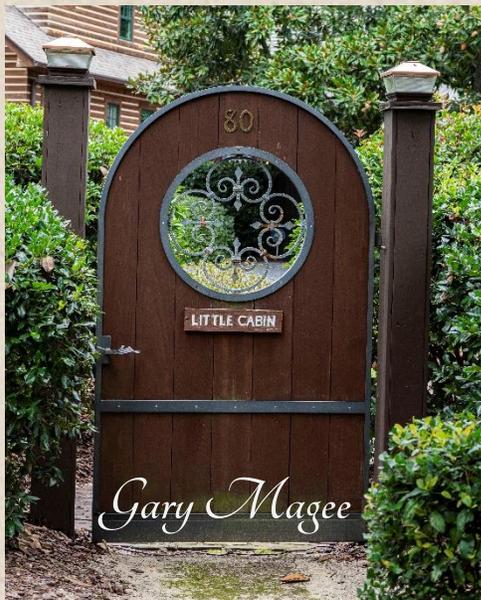
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Windows



Tom Batts



Dave Powers



Gary Magee

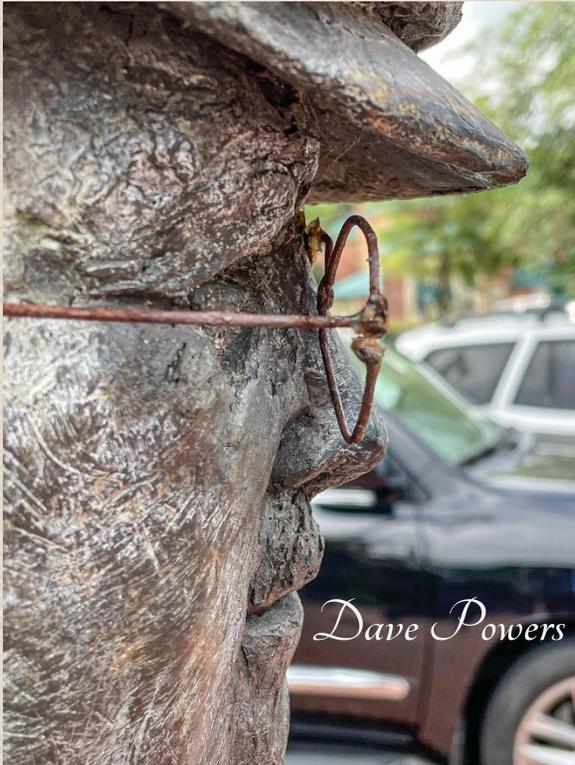


John German

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Dave Powers

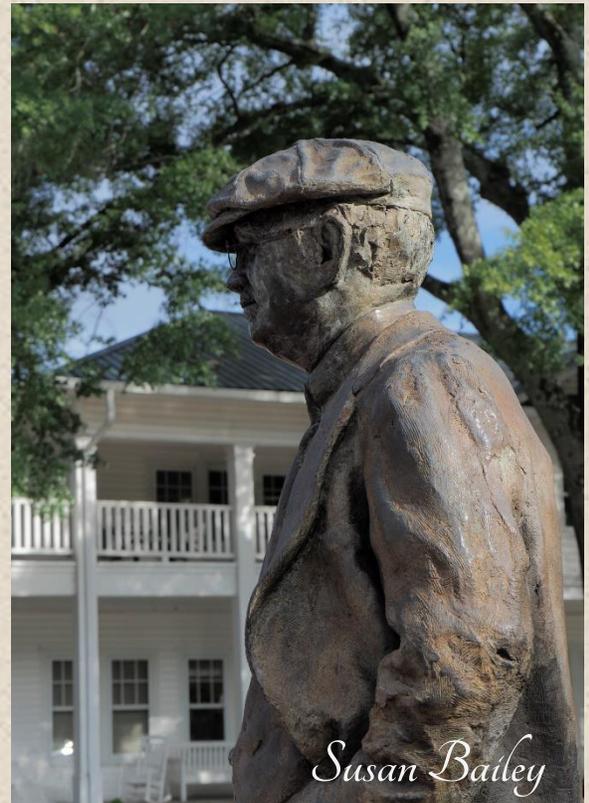


Dave Powers

Statues



Gary Magee



Susan Bailey



Tom Batts

Low Perspective



Susan Bailey



Susan Batts

People



Dave Powers



Susan Batts



John German

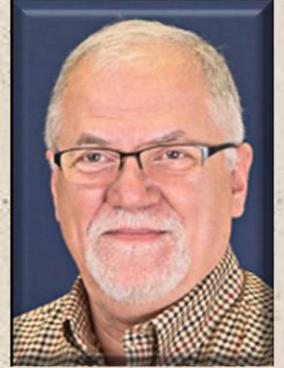
COMPETITION COMMITTEE



BONNY HENDERSON

Bonny Henderson and Jerry Kozel

Our upcoming competition is Golden Hour/Blue Hour so join us at the meeting on Monday, October 11 at 7:00 pm. Our judge will be Niki Dunlap of Tallahassee, Florida. Her website is alookaboutphotography.com. We will be Zooming, so look for the link in your email.



JERRY KOZEL

Our final competition is “Industrial” and it will be a member voting competition held in December. The description is: **Submit an image with anything having to do with industrial plants, heavy transportation, mining, utilities, farm production, etc.** YOU will be the judge and YOU, the members, will choose the winners!

Also in December, the Stoffel awards will be presented. Members who have earned the highest number of competition points in each tier are awarded the Stoffel award. If you would like to know more about these awards, go to the website (www.sandhillspgphotoclub.org) and click on “About Us” and then choose “Board Members.” On the right side of the page, is a photo of Bill Stoffel and click on the topics below to learn more about him, the award, and see the list of previous Stoffel award winners.

And, finally, the topics for 2022 are as follows:

- Black & White
- Faces (Critters, Statues, People)
- Abandoned/Decay
- Arches
- Long Exposure
- Round Things

Although they are fairly self-explanatory, we will be sending descriptions for these topics in the next newsletter. Our first competition will be in February and the galleries will open January 8, so keep the topics in mind during the holiday season.

Stay safe and keep shooting,

Bonny & Jerry



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WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG



Website

<https://sandhillsphtoclub.smugmug.com/Day-Trips/2019-Sandhills-Gardens-Day-Trip/>

Notes

This month's featured member's gallery on the club website is **[John German](#)**. Click his name to view his gallery or the link to his gallery on the website homepage.

You may view the club directory at: **[Club Directory](#)**. If you would like to have your photo added to the directory, or change the one in the gallery, just send a favorite to me at **[John German](#)**. I will add it to the gallery.

Member Galleries

Members who would like a personal gallery should let me know at **website@sandhillsphtoclub.org** **<mailto:jojegerman@outlook.com>**, and I will send an upload link for their use. See the website "Member Galleries" page for instructions on sizing, etc. This link will continue to work but if you wish to change images, I must delete the old ones. You can upload at will. If you have lost your link, just let me know and I will resend it to you.

If you have a personal website, please let me know and I can provide a link on the "Member's Galleries" page for you. Please view the member's websites & galleries on this tab on the club website.

Thank you,
John German

PS: Please email any errors that you may notice on the website. I will correct them as soon as possible. **website@sandhillsphtoclub.org** **<mailto:jojegerman@outlook.com>**

WORKSHOPS, *FRANK LIPSKI*

Two Workshops Coming Up:

1. **2 Part Night Photography by Kate Silva,**
Introduction Wednesday Oct 27 7pm-9:30,
Image Evaluation Session Wednesday
November 17 7:00pm – 9:30.



Frank Lipski

Cost is \$78/person (covers both sessions) A link from club website is available to register and pay for the workshop.

<https://www.sandhillsphtoclub.org/work-shops>

Night Photography On-Line Workshop with Kate Silva

- Instruction via Zoom:
Wednesday October 27, 2021
7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.
- Image Evaluation Session
Wednesday November 17, 2021
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.



During this on-line workshop, you'll be learning about all aspects of night photography.

Topics Covered Include:

- Settings
- Equipment
- Preparation and research
- Apps that will help you
- Advanced techniques
- Using a sky tracker
- Image blending to reduce noise
- Image blending to incorporate foreground and sky
- Pinpoint stars and Star Trails
- Focusing at Night
- Light Painting
- Photographing the moon
- And more...

I hope you can make it!

2. Getting it Right in the Camera:

A hands-on workshop developing critical photography and camera skills

SPC In-Person Class

Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 9:00 am- 4:30 pm

Presented by Brian Osborne, The Photo Classroom

This brand new workshop option will take participants through our Killer Checklist of camera settings that matter and will help everyone, not only better understand the concepts but help them getting better about getting the right settings quickly to capture images that are great out of the camera.

We will walk through elements such as modes, exposure (with a good understanding of the histogram), white balance,

focusing options, flash use (both indoors and outdoors) and much more. Students will leave feeling more confident of not only the right settings for certain situations but how to execute those quickly and precisely. There will be written materials as well as a laminated checklist provided to each person as well as lots of hands-on practice times both inside the classroom and outside.

Pricing & Details:

- \$ 125 for SPC members and \$150 for non-members
- Workshop limited to 14 participants
- Presented at Sandhills Community College Horticultural Gardens Visitors Center Meeting Room - 3395 Airport Rd, Pinehurst, NC 28374
Registration and payment is required in advance of the workshop date and can be done at <https://book.peek.com/s/0c1dcd96-f3fa-4c3f-ab72-00efdfc59470/emPX7>





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