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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

NEXT MEETING.....September 11, 2017

BOARD MEETING.....September 14, 2017

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### **COMPETITIONS**

- Selective Focus ...... October 9th
- The Eyes Have it..... December 11th

#### **EXHIBITIONS**

September.....K Boyd Library, SCC

#### **WORKSHOPS**

#### **FIELD TRIPS**

• Fall Trip ......Outer Banks, NC

#### **DAY TRIPS**

• TBD

## PRESIDENTS NOTES Tom Fagan

Welcome to September, kids are back to school, roads are congested and it is still hot but that has not deterred our Club Members from enjoying fantastic photos at our last competition. If my memory serves, Mark Buckler, our judge, had over sixty



**Tom Fagan** 

photos to review. The candid critiques were both helpful and appreciated by everyone. After the judging was over, he took a number of photos from the portfolio and shared with the audience the changes that he would have added in Photoshop to make them better. Quite a creative eye. He is going to be our guide for the Outer Banks and I would strongly recommend that you sign up.

At our last Board meeting, we approved a \$5.00 increase in dues for individuals and a \$10.00 increase for families. Per our By-Laws, Alison will send out an e-blast to the membership and will bring it to the entire membership for a vote.

**Jim Brown**, **Gary Magee** and I are hoping that we can find a knowledgeable instructor for Light Room and Photoshop tutorial.

Please keep shooting and stay safe

Congratulations

**Marti Derleth** and **Susan Capstick** each submitted two photos in the Juried Print Competition sponsored by the JC Raulston Arboretum and the Triangle Carolinas Nature Photography Association. They each had one chosen to hang in the Exhibition which will be at the JC Raulston Arboretum from August 12 through Saturday, October 7.

#### PROGRAMS, Jim Brown

The program for September will feature several of our club members giving brief explanations - complete with examples - on how they process images for competition in Class C. This will NOT be a workshop on Lightroom or Photoshop, but a somewhat thought out process on how we take a "normal" or "not so normal" image and create something that is a bit different.

Using the initial image, along with 2-3 images depicting the process, we will arrive at the final image ready for Class C competition. Sometimes you may arrive at a result that was not what one might have planned from the beginning, but one that works just as well.



JIM BROWN

Participating will be **Neva Scheve**, **Donna Ford**, **Matt Smith**, and **Jim Brown**, with the possibility 2 others. This is meant to be an educational experience for those attending the September meeting. Thanks to **Scott Duvall** for suggesting this at the last board meeting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT - Grace Hill

#### **Checking Account:**

Starting Balance for June 30, 2017	\$3135.68
Check	
Deposit	
Interest	
Balance Ending July 31, 2017	\$3102.73

#### **SAVINGS ACCOUNT:**

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TOTAL IN BOTH ACCOUNTS JULY 31, 2107 ...... \$7989.29



GRACE HILL



Sandhills Photography Club Exhibition

## **FAVORITES**

August 28 - September 28 **Opening Reception** 

Thursday, September 7, 3-6 pm Photographers' Talks Begin at 3:30

Talks by Donna Ford, John German, and Matt Smith

**Hastings Gallery of Art** Katharine L. Boyd Library



Don't Forget



#### SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB'S WEBSITE

WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG

#### Website

Since Competitions, Workshops, Day Trips all have their own galleries, I have set up a gallery for Exhibitions. This provides a history for the club and if you would like to participate, sometime from now until the exhibit at Hastings Gallery, SCC is finished, please upload your exhibition images to the link on the home page of the website or at this link:

<u> Upload Exhibition Images Here</u>

We will also upload images taken during the opening reception for anyone wishing to share. Thank you for participating.

Notes

This month's featured member gallery on the club website is for <u>Jill Margeson</u>. Click the feature button on the home page for his gallery.

Just a reminder, there are links to Adobe CC Cloud Photography Plan and to Google's free Nik Collection at the bottom of the home page of the website.

There is now a "Subscribe Now" button on the home page to subscribe to the club's monthly newsletter. As of this month we have 24 subscriptions from non-members.

#### **Member Galleries**

Members who would like a personal gallery should let me know at website@sandhillsphotoclub.org, 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@sandhillsphotoclub.org

#### **COMPETITIONS** submitted by Steve Hoadley

On behalf of the Competition Committee

The "Backlight" competition was a great success. Mark Buckler did a great job judging and educating us on being better photographers.

Congratulations to the winners of the "Backlight" Competition:

#### CLASS A

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dave Powers	Aglow
2nd	Jennifer German	Sure Footed Bighorn
3rd	Diane McCall	Aspen Glow
1 <sup>st</sup> HM	Matt Smith	Window Seat
2 <sup>nd</sup> HM	Bill Matthews	Toronto Sunset
3 <sup>rd</sup> HM	Steve Hoadley	Eyeing Dinner

#### CLASS B

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dennis Snipes	Thousand Lights
2nd	Bonny Henderson	Lemonade with a Cherry
3rd	Daniel Dodd	Wall of Life
1 <sup>st</sup> HM	JR Ramos	Fight Night

#### CLASS C

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jim Brown	Morning Mowing
2nd	Donna Ford	Sunset Silhouette
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Neva Scheve	Day's End

The next competition is scheduled for October and is titled "Selective Focus". An email blast will be sent with information and when the galleries will be open.

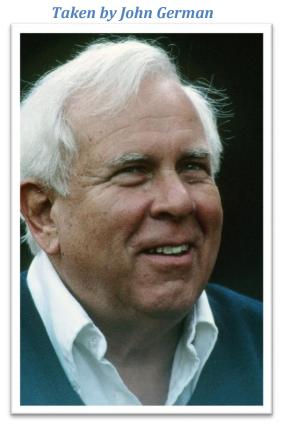
Some friendly reminders from the committee:

- 1. Please check your IPEG image prior to submission to smugmug. Make sure that the metadata is there and includes the date photo was taken. When exporting from Light Room verify that during export the metadata is retained. We disqualified around a dozen images for this omission.
- 2. Don't wait until the last minute to submit your image. If there is a problem you may not have enough time to resubmit. The committee tries to inform you within 24 hours if there is a problem.
- 3. If you receive an email from the committee with a question, please respond as quickly as possible. We want everyone to have an opportunity to be involved in the competition.
- 4. Use Google images to get some ideas for competition photos. It really does help!

Thanks,

Teresa Bruni **Steve Hoadley Dennis Snipes** 

## Bill Stoffel's class in about 1988



### MEMBERSHIP NEWS, Judy Nappi:

As of the August meeting the Sandhills Photography Club has 100 members. This breaks down 68 into individual memberships, 30 family memberships and 2 honorary memberships.

If you have a friend that has been considering joining, now is the best time! We are offering a great deal with the membership 1/2 price coupon!



CLASS A WINNERS



1st - Dave Powers - Aglow



2nd - Jennifer German - Sure Footed Bighorn



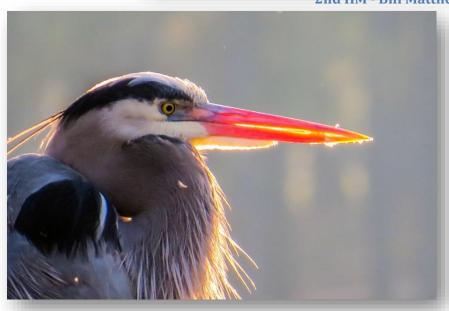
3rd - Diane McCall - Aspen Glow



1st HM - Matt Smith - Window Seat



2nd HM - Bill Matthews - Toronto Sunset

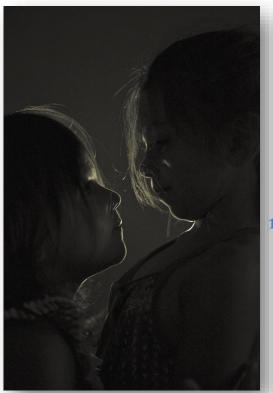


**3rd HM - Steve Hoadley - Eyeing Dinner** 

### CLASS B WINNERS



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1st HR - JR Ramos – Fight Night

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2nd - Donna Ford - Sunset Silhouette



3rd - Neve Scheve - Days End

#### EXHIBITS, Marti Derleth and Susan Capstick

The 25 photographers have dropped off their 51 pieces of artwork and **Betty Hendrix** has hung our fall show at the Hastings Gallery in the Boyd Library at the Sandhills Community College. We hope to see many of you with friends and family at the **Opening Reception on Thursday, September 7 from 3 to 6. John German, Donna Ford, and Matt Smith** will be giving brief talks/slide shows at 3:30 about their photography. Thanks to all who have participated and assisted us in this event. The show will be in the gallery until Thursday, September 28.

Marti Derleth and Susan Capstick

#### NEWER CLUB MEMBER LOOKING FOR MENTORING

**Sandra Eriksson** is looking for a fellow Club member who would provide photography mentoring. In exchange, she would provide free golf lessons.

If you visit her website <a href="www.SANDRA-LPGA.com">www.SANDRA-LPGA.com</a>, you will see that Sandra is a teaching professional in the LPGA (the women's professional golf association). Several of her "kids" are on the big tours. Morgan Pressel and Lexi Thompson are stars on the Women's Tour. Brooks Koepka is on the Men's Tour and won the U. S. Open in June.

Phone: 910-693-0062 or email serikssonc@gmail.com.

#### MOORE COUNTY ON FACEBOOK

**Lana Rebert** shared that you can keep up with activities in Moore County **if** you're on Facebook. Check out: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/moorechoicesnc">https://www.facebook.com/moorechoicesnc</a> Thanks, Lana!!!

Also note: Go to www.moorechoices.net if you are not on Facebook.!



## August Meeting: Backlit Competition

























Mark Buckler, Judge

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**Bonny Henderson** 

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**Grace Hill** 

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