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UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT MEETING January 13, 2020

PROGRAMS Chris Odgen
Essence of Place: America's Southwest

COMPETITIONS 2020

February: Anything OLD
April: Dominant Yellow
June: 25 Mile Radius
August: What's in the Kitchen?
October: Spontaneous Public Scenes
December: Less is More

WORKSHOPS February 1, 2020
Lightroom "Classic", Brian Osbourne

OUTINGS January 10-12
Pungo Lake and Lake Mattamuskee

..... February 8
Downtown SP for Black & White

..... March 14
SCC Horticultural Gardens

(See Newsletter Article for more info)

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

NEVA SCHEVE

It's a brand-new year and a brand new decade for the Sandhills Photography Club, and I am excited about what's to come for 2020.

We have a splurge of new ideas and every office and committee chair has been filled.

This year, we have new rules for the competitions. We have 3 "Tiers" instead of "Classes". No longer will there be restrictions on post processing. Thank you to the past and present competition committees for working hard to make these changes to the manual. **Bonny Henderson** and **Jerry Kozel** are ready to take over the reins. You can find the new manual on our Sandhills Photography Club website under Competitions.

Vice President, **John Patota** has lined up some super presentations for the year, and he and our Publicity Chairperson, **Bess Fulcher** have been busy publicizing our group in the local media.



Susan Bailey and her Outings Committee have already been planning some day trips and they have been well attended and lots of fun. She has more planned for us and lots of new ideas. We will most likely be having field trips again this year.

Jacques Wood has taken over the Workshop chairmanship with great enthusiasm and has put together a team who has been putting together a plan to bring some exciting workshops over the next year. Our first one will be a Brian Osborn Lightroom workshop on February 1. This committee has been working hard on a survey that will be presented to the general membership the first week in January. They want to know what YOU want so they can best meet the needs of the membership in planning their workshops. So please take the time to respond.

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We have quite a few new members who have jumped in to participate in the committees, day trips, and competitions. And of course, we have our long time members who have kept this club running smoothly for years. **Lana Rebert** is our new secretary, **Judy Nappi** will step in as Treasurer and **Dennis Snipes** and **Joanne Sluder** are the new Membership Team. **Marti Derleth** has taken over the Hospitality spot for me. **Pat Anderson** and **Drew Steidinger** are working on Exhibitions and **Dave Powers** will continue as our PSA representative. Thankfully, **John German** will stay in charge of our award-winning Website and **Alison Earl** continues to do our amazing Newsletter. Thank you all!

I personally want to thank **Marilyn Owen** who voluntarily stepped up to take over the presidency for the last few months of 2019 after Past President Jim Brown moved away. She has been a great help to me.

And thank you to **Jim Brown** for his work as President for two terms. I hope he and Vancine are enjoying their new life in Greenville.

I have confidence the SPC is on track for a very fun and educational year.

Neva



Family Membership- \$75

Individual Membership - \$55

Student Membership - \$20

There are several ways to pay:

Bring a check or cash to the November meeting

Mail a check to: SPC P O Box 763 Southern Pines, NC 28388

Pay by Paypal – go to our website www.SandhillsPhotoClub.org and the link is on the homepage

TREASURER’S REPORT – *Bonny Henderson, Treasurer 2019*

NOVEMBER 2019



BONNY HENDERSON

Checking Account

Beginning Balance-10/31/19	\$3011.19
Deposits	\$1132.37
Checks	\$ 755.34
Ending Balance-11/30/19	\$3388.22

Savings Account

Beginning Balance-09/30/19	\$ 888.04
Interest	\$.01
Ending Balance-10/31/19	\$ 888.05

TOTAL FUNDS

Checking.....	\$3382.22
Savings	\$ 888.05
CD.....	\$4000.00
Total.....	\$8270.27

MEMBERSHIP NEWS, *JUDY NAPPI*

I hope that you are all having a happy and peaceful holiday season, as we head into the new year. Membership remains robust at 106, but there's always room for more. So if you know someone that would be interested in joining, please invite them to attend a meeting. Dues need to be paid before participating in the competitions or activities, so if you haven't paid as yet, remember to send them in before the next competition.



JUDY NAPPI

Our newest member to highlight is **Tom Swantkowski**. Tom has been in the area for over 35 years. He started out moving to Chapel Hill in 1978 and in 1985 made the jump a little further south to Pinehurst. Tom has taken 2 courses with **John Patota** at SCC and considers himself an intermediate photographer. Tom's current camera is a Canon Rebel, soon to be upgraded to a Canon M50. When not using his M50 or Rebel to photograph wildlife and landscapes (especially sunsets), Tom works at Pinehurst Medical Clinic as a gastroenterologist. Please introduce yourself to Tom at the next meeting and make him feel welcome.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

[BONNY HENDERSON & JERRY KOZEL](#)



Happy New Year! Lots of “new” going on-a new year, a new Competition Committee, and a new competition! The topic for the February competition is Anything Old. Just as it says, the subject can be anything that gives the sense of being old. There is no time limit on this competition and please keep your titles short without exclamation points or hyphens. One or two images may be submitted. The judge for this competition is Rob Byron of Piedmont Photo in Fuquay-Varina (www.PiedmontPhoto.com).

Also new this year are the competition classes: Tiers 1, 2, & 3. Class A, Class B, and Class C will no longer exist.

Tier 1: Members with little or no experience in photography and/or who are new to competitions. Tier 1 members will be moved into Tier 2 when they have accumulated 15 award points in competitions. Members who are currently in Class B will now be in Tier 1.

Tier 2: Members who have advanced through Tier 1 or for new members who have already had prior photography experience and elect to be in Tier 2. Tier 2 members will advance to Tier 3 when they have accumulated 40 award points in competitions. Members who are currently in Class A will now be in Tier 2.

Tier 3: Members who have advanced through Tier 2 by accumulating 40 points in competitions. There are 15 members who have been awarded 40+ points and we will notify these members by email in the next few days. Post-processing is no longer restricted, and members are free to do as little or as much editing to make the image express the member’s vision for the finished image. Members can use specialized cameras (infrared, ultraviolet, microscope, telescope, x-ray, electron beam, or any electro-optical device). Members can only use their own photos when merging multiple images and the subject photo must be within the time frame for that competition. Use of textures, frames, borders, which are part of editing software, taken by the photographer, or acquired with permission are allowed, but images taken from other sources that were created by someone else are not allowed. You must still include in your metadata the date the photo was taken or your photo will not be accepted.

Titles should start with OLD_T1_Smith_Joe_Title. Links for entries will open on Saturday January 11 at 4:00 pm and close on Saturday January 18 at 4:00 pm. Links for submitting entries will be sent by a newsblast no later than January 8. There is no time limit on the image, but the date of the photo still needs to be included in the metadata or it will not be accepted. Jerry and I would like to express our gratitude to the “old” competition committee members: Lana Rebert, Dennis Snipes, Gisela Danielson, Neva Scheve, and Donna Ford. They have spent an abundance of time showing us how to prepare for the upcoming competitions and they have been excellent teachers. We will continue to call on them for advice and help over the next several months!

If you have any questions regarding competitions, please email us at competitions@sandhillsphtoclub.org. Do not reply to this newsletter. Happy shooting and good luck in the upcoming competition!



1st - Dale Jennings - Rising Tide

**WINGS Competition
Class A Winners**



2nd - Debra Regula - Wing and a Prayer



3rd - Pat Anderson
Proof that Man Can Fly



HM1 - Jim Davis - We Have Lift Off



HM2 - Darryll Benecke - Drying Out



HM3 - Carroll Williams - Beauty is in the Details



HM4 - Grace Hill - Please Mom

WINGS
Competition
Class B Winners

1st - Diane McKay
Just Before the Launch



2nd - Diane McKay
Early Morning Walk with Friends

3rd - Susan Batts
In Preparation





HM1 - Bess Fulcher - Rest in Peace



HM2 - Tom Batta - Sunday Dinner

WINGS
Competition
Class C Winners

**1st - Dee Williams
Just Landed**



**2nd - Donna Ford
Heaven Sent**

**3rd - Dee Williams
Down the Hatch!**



JANUARY PRESENTATION, *JOHN PATOTA*

The January presentation will be 'Essence of Place: America's Southwest' by Durham, North Carolina photographer Chris Ogden.

Always a dynamic and engaging speaker, Chris Ogden will take us on a pictorial, fun, and informative journey via his outstanding photography about what makes the Southwest unique in the world and behind-the-scenes stories. He will explore how we can improve our photography through intentional use of the top 10 elements of place, moment, and light. We'll see how to expand beyond snapshots and postcards to bring your unique perspectives to life.

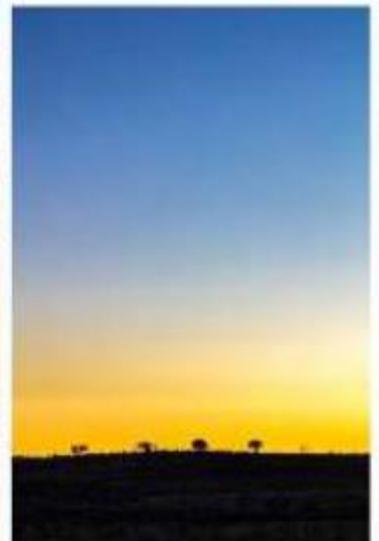
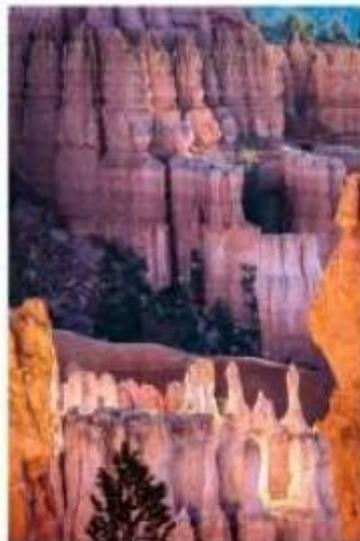
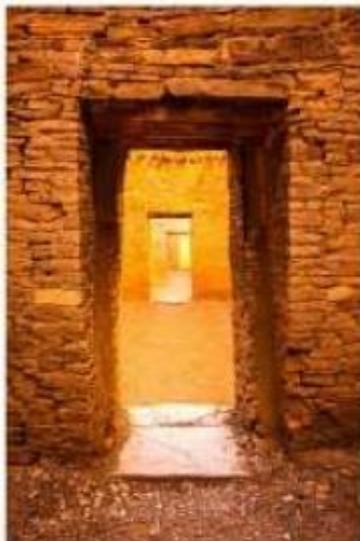


JOHN PATOTA

Come experience the Southwest's wonderful combinations of big skies, empty roads, and vast vistas; magical land forms of hoodoos, tents, spires, buttes, arches, slots, potholes, moquis, fins, varnish, stripes, waves, and sherbets; inhospitable yet inspiring dunes, deserts, badlands, salt, craters, calderas, and malpaíses; mysterious mines; scarcities amidst torrents of water; mazes of land ownership; gnarly, prickly, rugged, tenacious flora; highly adapted critters; and "Hand of Man" impacts (from the obvious to the implied) making Wilderness Lost.

It should be fun to hear about a warm Southwest on a cold Sandhills night.

Visit www.ChrisOgden.com and www.Facebook.com/ChrisOgden1 to see his work.





SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB'S WEBSITE

WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG



Website

The club is going on an outing to Pungo Lake and Lake Mattamuskeet Led by John German January 10-12 in 2020. **Click here for more info**

Susan Bailey led a day trip to the Shaw House in Southern Pines. This outing was well attended and many nice photos were uploaded in the gallery. Click the link below to see them.

View Images for the Shaw House Daytrip

Notes

This month's featured member's gallery on the club website is for **Nancy Brown**. Click her name to view the gallery.

You may view the new 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**, 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**

WORKSHOPS, *JACQUES WOOD*

Workshops Committee:

David Brooks, Frank Lipski, Gary Magee and Jacques Wood



Jacques Wood

SPC 2020 Workshops Survey

On January 6 club members will receive an email with a subject heading of "SPC 2020 Workshops Survey." The email will contain a link to a ten question survey designed to obtain member input for the planning of future workshops. The Committee wants to know what members would like in the way of workshops, content, timing and cost. Please let us know your preferences by completing the survey by January 10.

Workshop on Adobe's Lightroom Classic Photo Editing Program

This workshop will be led by Brian Osborne from the Photo Classroom on Saturday, February 1, at the SCC Gardens Visitor Center. At present there are a few remaining openings for this workshop. The cost is \$125 for club members. If you wish to register for this workshop or want more information about it please send an email to Jacques Wood at JWoodADR@gmail.com.

Street Photography Team Challenge Workshop

This workshop and outing will start on Saturday, March 14, at the SCC Gardens Visitors Center. Workshop participants will be exposed to the legal constraints of "street shooting", camera settings and strategies for effective street photography. Workshop participants will then be divided into three teams and given assignments for street photography within Moore County. Each team will be required to complete the shooting assignment on Saturday, March 14. Subsequently each team will develop a slideshow for a showing at a dinner meeting on Saturday, March 28. Details for this workshop will be forthcoming in late January.

Jacques Wood

Chair of SPC Workshops Committee

2020 OUTINGS - *Susan Bailey*

January 10-12, 2020

Pungo/Mattamuskeet Outing

John German

joiegerman@outlook.com

February 8, 2020

Black and White

Southern Pines downtown

Susan Bailey

susanbaileyphoto@gmail.com

March 14, 2020

Street Photography: Workshop and Outing

Sandhills Horticultural Gardens

Jacques Wood

jwoodadr@gmail.com



DETAILS:

February

On February 8 we are going to focus on black and white photography. We will park downtown and meet at 10am at the train station on the platform. We will have a brief discussion of black and white and suggested subjects.

Lunch at 11:45AM at Chapman's on 157 E New Hampshire Ave, Southern Pines, NC 28387.

Menu available on their website: www.chapmansfoodandspirits.com

Winter is a great time to think in black and white!

March

Please mark the calendar for our joint Workshop and Outing on March 14th. Jacques Wood is leading the discussion on Street Photography at the Sandhills Horticultural Gardens' Ball Visitor Center starting at 9am. We will then break into 3 groups with a designated team leader who will lead you to a location for shooting and lunch.

More information will follow in upcoming newsletters.

OUT AND ABOUT – WITH JOHN PATOTA

(ALSO SENT AS EMAIL BLAST)

Put on your calendars for Thanksgiving 2020 Saturday:

Looking for something different next Thanksgiving weekend? Check out the boat parade and fireworks at Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina. Now in the 34th year, it attracts visitors and locals on the Saturday after Thanksgiving for a holiday parade of boats decorated for Christmas as they slowly make their way in a large loop while 50,000 people line the route.

Get there early and claim your spot on the South Banks Channel Bridge for the best views as more than a dozen festive boats pass in review for this family friendly event. Be sure to bring chairs, blankets and something warm to drink. Then, stay for the fireworks display and marvel as they reflect off the water.

A good photo opp for sure.

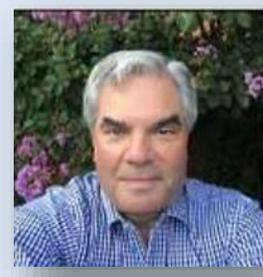


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