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UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT MEETING.....September 12, 2016

BOARD MEETING.....September 15, 2016

PROGRAMS

- SeptemberMark Buckler
- November Members Night
- A night to show your talents

COMPETITIONS

- October 10..... Clouds
- December 12 (ONLINE)Rust

EXHIBITIONS

- Ongoing:..... The Pierce Gallery
- Ongoing:Quail Haven Village

WORKSHOPS

- September 12.....Mark Buckler

FIELD TRIPS

- Fall Trip.....Boone, North Carolina

DAY TRIPS

PRESIDENTS NOTES, Tom Fagan



Tom Fagan

It's almost September and instead of complaining about the blistering heat, we can look forward to a fall season pack jammed with activities. Please save the date for our Opening Reception at the Campbell House, September 2nd, at 6:00 p.m. and don't forget our September meeting and workshop with Mark Buckler.

If you have not done so, please contact Bill Bower regarding our Fall Field Trip to Boone. Bill has been there on numerous occasions and promises me that he has a number of photo opportunities to challenge all levels of ability.

We will soon begin the process of choosing the leadership for 2017. Think about volunteering to be a part of the leadership team of the Sandhills Photography Club. Let me know if you would like to serve in some capacity. It is very rewarding to be a part of something as exciting as our club and

in spite of some pre-conceived notions it is not that time consuming

Keep shooting and have fun doing it.

Check out the return of our FOR SALE items on page 10

PROGRAMS, *Gary Magee*

Presentation (Monday night):

- **A PHOTOGRAPHER'S GUIDE TO THE OUTER BANKS - CRAFTING COMPELLING IMAGES OF THE COAST**

Mark Buckler, a professional photographer and workshop leader on the Outer Banks, will share some of his secrets to creating more interesting images in a coastal environment. You will also learn about the amazing diversity of year-round photographic opportunities available at the Outer Banks



Gary Magee



WORKSHOPS

On **Monday September 12th** we will be hosting a workshop led by our Monday night's speaker **Mark Buckler**.

The workshop will be held at the **Horticulture Center at Sandhills Community College**. It will begin at 8:00 AM and finish at 11:00 AM

The cost of the event is \$30. pp

(Bring your camera)

Please send your check, made out to Sandhills Photography Club, to **PO Box 763, Southern Pines, NC 28388**

I would prefer you mail the check, however we will accept payment at the door, just let me know you are going to attend.

Workshop (Monday morning, September 12, 8am SCC HC:

- **NAILING YOUR EXPOSURES**

Proper exposure is critical to the photographic process, but for many is a challenging concept to understand and apply. We will photograph in the field and simplify the process of getting the right exposure. You will also learn why shooting in manual mode is not as difficult as you might think. At the end of the field session, we will have the opportunity to review images.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS, *Judy Nappi:*

Our membership totals for the month of August remain steady at 101. There are 62 individual memberships, 34 family memberships and 5 honorary memberships.

We had 5 guests that were treated to a fantastic competition of creepy crawlers. They were Ken and Crystal Lentz and their two adorable children from Texas, and Mike Davis of Aberdeen.

**JUDY NAPPI****TREASURER'S REPORT - *Grace Hill***

FINANCIAL REPORT as of July 29, 2016

BANK ACCOUNTS:CHECKING ACCOUNT

BALANCE ENDING JUNE 30, 2016.....	\$3028.16
INCOME: Class and dues:	\$800.02
DEBITS:	
Total Checks Written.....	\$1112.55
BALANCE ENDING JULY 30, 2016	\$2715.63

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

BALANCE ENDING JUNE 30, 2016.....	\$4885.49
Interest Paid.....	\$0.12
BALANCE ENDING JULY 30, 2016.	\$4885.61

TOTAL IN BOTH ACCOUNTS ENDING JULY 30, 2016. \$7601.24

**GRACE HILL**

COMPETITIONS, *submitted by Neva Scheve*

Due to a technical glitch in the sound and light system in the school auditorium, our August **Insects and Arachnids** competition slideshow was almost cancelled. But, thanks to our great SPC technical crew and the O'Neal school troubleshooter, we were able to set up in the lobby of the building and the show went on.

Our judge Susan Bailey was not able to attend the meeting, but she supplied us with thoughtful comments and scores. Congratulations to the winners.



Neva Scheve

This was an interesting competition for us. Two days before the upload deadline, we had very few images entered, but then on the last two days, we received about 85% of the total images entered. Class B really stepped up. There were 32 photos entered in Class B by the deadline. Class A had 19 entries, much fewer than usual. Class C only had 9 entries, so we were only able to award a first and second place.

After the slideshow we opened up the meeting for some discussion of Class C. Members were able to ask the photographers how some of the photos were edited and why they qualified for Class C. Some photos looked like they could have been entered into Class A or B and members were curious why they were entered in Class C. In those cases, backgrounds or major elements had been replaced or the photo had elements cut out and put back together. Others were simply edited with more software than is allowed in the other classes. Then, of course there were those photos that were much more creatively edited and obviously should have been entered in Class C. Hopefully, we were able to clarify a bit more what kind of image qualifies for Class C. An image does not HAVE to look like it has been creatively edited, but if the photographer has made changes that go over the editing rules for Classes A and B, it belongs in Class C even if it looks like nothing was done. Of course extensive creative editing is not only allowed, but encouraged. Almost anything goes.

The next competition is "**Clouds – *The Essence of the photo should be clouds***" The galleries will open at 4:00 Sunday, September 11 and close at 4:00 Sunday, September 18. A blast will be sent before the opening date with the upload links. The competition will be judged by a panel of three advanced SPC members, **Linda Piechota, Jill Margeson, and Betty Hendrix**. Happy shooting.

Lists of winners, pictures of winners (that were at the meeting) and the winning images follow on the next pages.....

Winners of the INSECTS AND ARACHNIDS Competition:

Class A

- 1st Place - Debra Regula – Colorful Caterpillar
- 2nd Place – Dave Powers – Pollen Packing
- 3rd Place – Diane McCall – Follow the Leader
- HM – Gene Lentz – Madame Butterfly



Class B

- 1st Place – Steve Hoadley – Sweet Nectar
- 2nd Place – Bonnie Henderson – Up On a Tight Wire
- 3rd Place – Teresa Bruni – I See You, Too
- 1st HM – Dale Jennings – Dragonfly Headstand
- 2nd HM – Steve Hoadley – Lunch Time
- 3rd HM – Cathy Locklear – Afternoon Stroll
- 4th HM – Janice Huff – Shopping for Pollen



Class C

- 1st Place – Diane McCall – A Coat of Many Colors
- 2nd Place – Donna Ford – Balancing Act



Images of winners thanks to Bill Bower!!!!

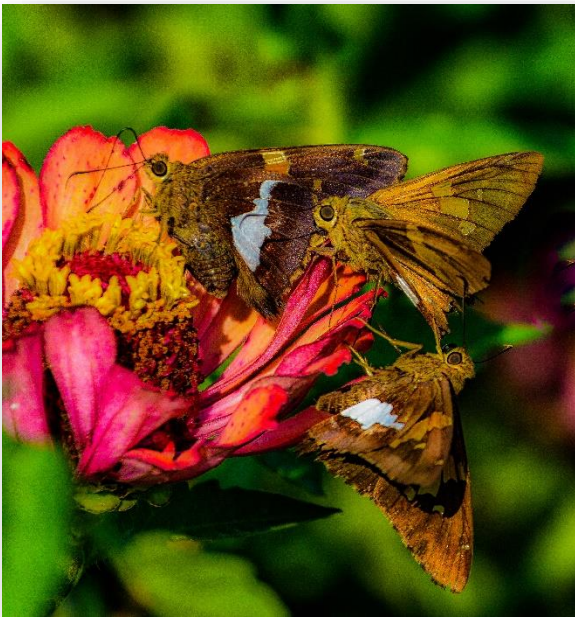
CLASS A WINNING IMAGES:



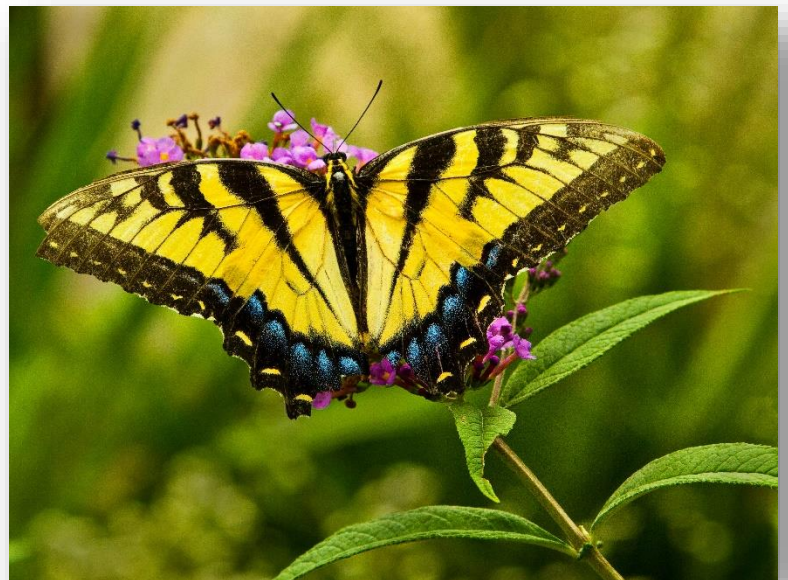
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2nd Place - Dave Powers - Pollen Packing



3rd Place - Diane McCall - Follow the leader

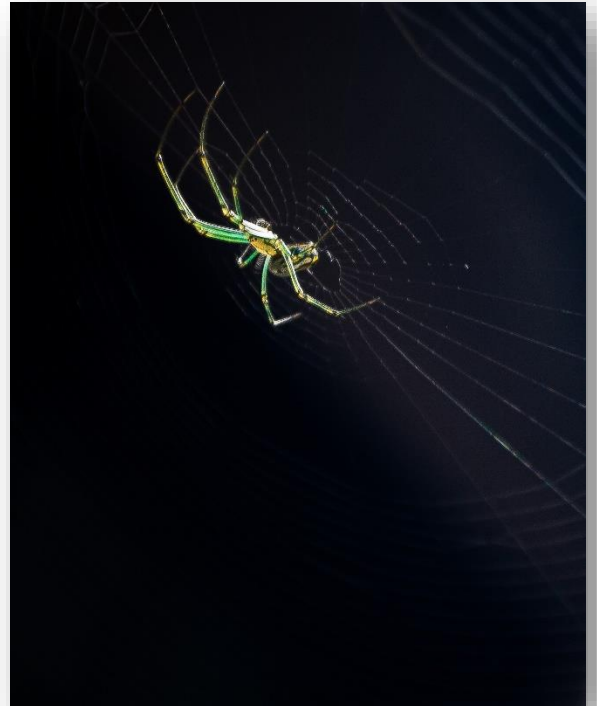


HM - Gene Lentz - Madame Butterfly

CLASS B WINNING IMAGES:



1st Place - Steve Hoadley - Sweet_Nectar



2nd Place - Bonnie Henderson
Up On A Tightwire

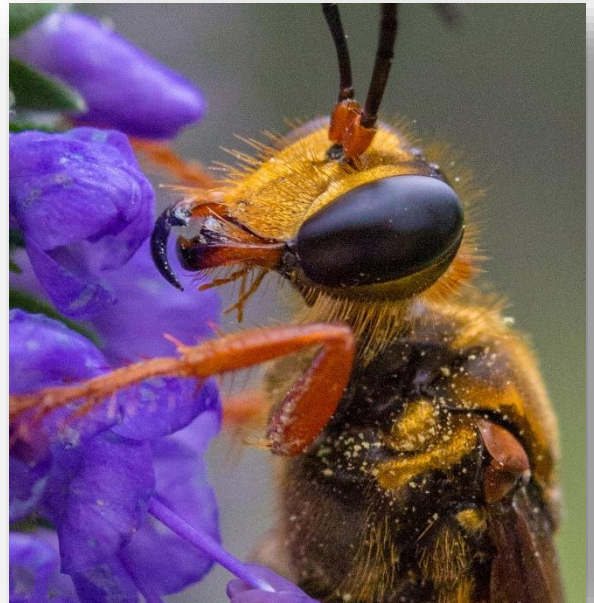


3rd Place - Teresa Bruni - I See You Too

CLASS B HONORABLE MENTIONS



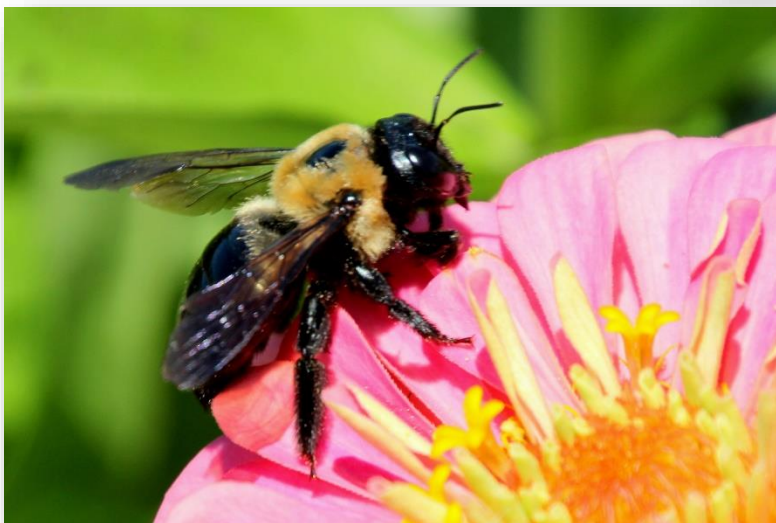
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Dragonfly Headstand**



2nd HM - Steve Hoadley - Lunch Time

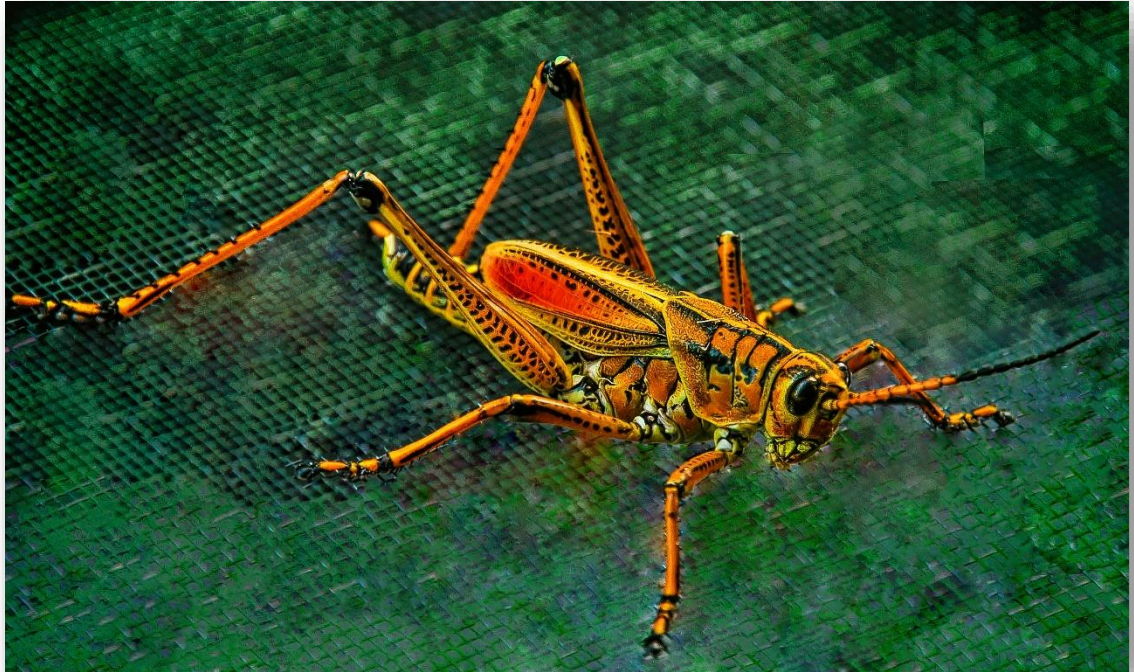


3rd HM - Cathy Locklear - Afternoon Stroll



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CLASS C WINNING IMAGES:



1st Place - Diane McCall - A Coat of Many Colors



2nd Place - Donna Ford - Balancing Act



Fall 2016 Field Trip - Oct. 16-19
Holiday Inn Express - Boone, NC
1943 Blowing Rock Road, 828-264-2451
\$99.00 plus tax - Mention "Sandhills Photo Cub"



We're creeping up on the Fall Field Trip, with 33 reservations so far. There are eight rooms left in the room block. The cut-off date is Sept. 11 for room block at the \$99 rate. Still several rooms available. Make your reservation by calling the number above, then e-mail me at wmabower@nc.rr.com to put you on the attendee list to receive future mailings, etc.

Bill Bower and Tom Fagan



Please let me know if you have any equipment or items FOR SALE (or free) which may interest our members.

Alison Earl
alisonspcnewsletter@gmail.com

I have a 4 Roller Electronic System, 2008 heavy duty commercial system. and 4- 6 Canvas backdrops. Retail price for the system alone with the heavy duty rollers is \$1,999.00 and each canvas ranged from 900.00 to \$1,400.00 each. I want sell it all. I have changed careers. Closed my studio and hung on to the system for a few years until I decided to let go and move on.

\$6000.00+ Value. I will sell for \$2,000.00 for everything.

My cell is 843-251-1414 (SC #). I live in Pinehurst.

Sincerely,
Cynthia

Cynthia Danner

[<portraitsinthepines@gmail.com>](mailto:portraitsinthepines@gmail.com)

EXHIBITIONS, *Tom Reedy* wreedy1@nc.rr.com

Subject: Sandhills Photo Club Exhibition at the Campbell House September 2, 6 pm to 8 pm

Our photo club exhibition at the Campbell House will begin with a reception on September 2 from 6 pm to 8 pm. You are all invited to the reception and we hope all of you can come. It will be a wonderful evening.

The Campbell House invitation featured the four magnificent images included below in this newsletter. There will be more than 60 pieces of photographic art just as beautiful on display at the Campbell House. This is as good a photographic exhibition as you will see anywhere.

If anyone has any questions or suggestions, please email me at wreedy1@nc.rr.com and I will get back to you.

We look forward to seeing you at the reception.

Tom Reedy
wreedy1@nc.rr.com



2016 REFRESHMENTS:

September	The Powers
October	Margeson & Danielson
November	POT LUCK
December	Christmas Party

SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB'S WEBSITE**WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG****Website**

This month's featured member gallery on the club website is for [Tom Reedy](#). Click the feature button on the home page for his gallery. The "Insects and Arachnids" competition entries are available on the website now.

The club's website received an honorable mention in the PSA Website Competition for this year. I am in the process of making some changes suggested by the critiques provided. Please bear with me. One major change is that all links on the site are in gold and are not underlined. Also, a contact page has been added as well as showing the legal in a page and the club's constitution and bylaws. These were the major critiques provided.

Member Galleries

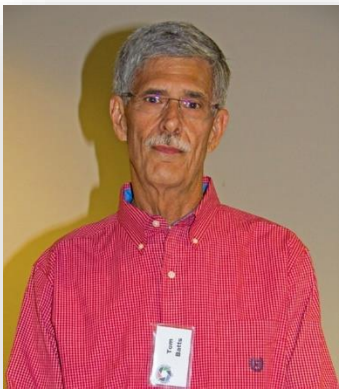
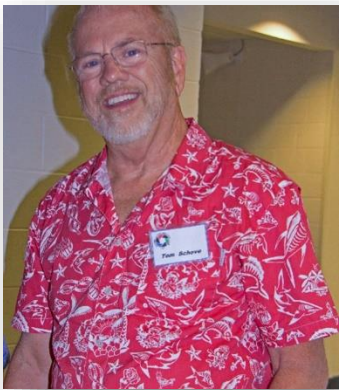
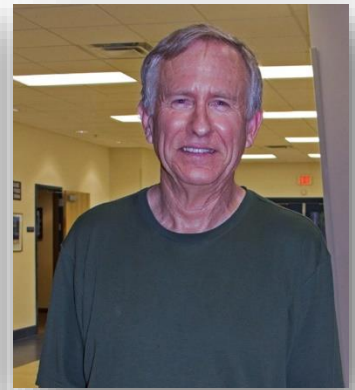
Members who would like a personal gallery should let me know at website@sandhillspphotoclub.org, and I will send an upload link for their use. See the website "Member Galleries" page for instructions on sizing, etc.

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@sandhillspphotoclub.org

Meeting images thanks to Bill Bower!!!!



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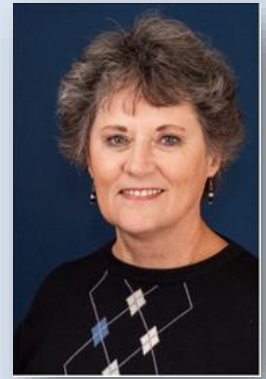
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