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## SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

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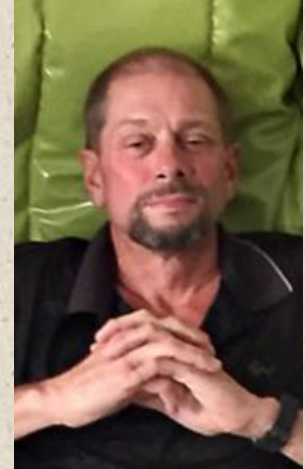
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**MIKE SASSANO**  
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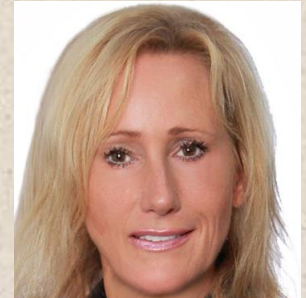
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*Note from Alison:* a full list of **ALL** of these jobs and the volunteers that fill them is in **EVERY NEWSLETTER** on the last page, along with their SPC Emails to contact them.



## PRESIDENT'S NOTES – *BONNY HENDERSON*

Welcome to the 41<sup>st</sup> year of Sandhills Photography Club! Photography has changed so much since the inception of the club in 1983. No longer do we use rolls of film, chemicals for developing, or spooky darkrooms. We can take unlimited shots of any subject and not have to worry about the cost or waiting a week to pick up our pictures from the pharmacy or Fotomat. One thing has not changed and that is the love of photography that we all share. Make this your year to learn more about photography and enjoy our many activities. Have fun and take many outstanding photos!



**BONNY HENDERSON**

I'm very excited to be working with our officers and the Board this year. We have many long-time members who will return, as well as some new members who are generously willing to serve the club. **Suan Bailey** is our Vice-President, **Susan Batts** is returning as the Secretary, and **Frank Lipski** will be the Treasurer. **Alison Earl** will continue as our Communications Co-Ordinator, **Dave Powers** will return as the PSA rep, **John German** is our talented webmaster, **Sally Mason** will chair Hospitality, and **Neva Scheve** will bring her patience to the Ombudsman position. **Dennis Snipes** has agreed to continue as the Technical Chair, and he is also our ZoomMaster.

The Board welcomes these new and newer members who have jumped in and are chairing committees: **Eugene Cottrell** and **Michael Sassano** will take over as Competitions Co-Chairs, **Steve Sorsch** will be Chair of Membership, **Pam Jensen** is working hard on Workshops, **Cindy Murphy** is planning Outings, **Deb Castle** will take over Field Trips, and **Hilary Koch** will be spreading our news as Publicity Chair.

Thank you to all who have agreed to serve this year. I look forward to working with everyone!

Finally, a special thank you to our past President **Jacques Wood**. He worked hard to help the Board write, organize, and revise many of our documents and policies last year. He also took a special interest in planning the celebrations of our 40<sup>th</sup> year as SPC. He has worked hard to help me have a smooth transition into this office and I wish him a quiet, photography-filled year!

Betsy Wilson will present our January program on “**Capturing Motion**” and our competitions will resume in February with “Shapes and Patterns.”

I'm looking forward to a happy and fun new year - jump in and bring your camera!

Bonny Henderson  
President





Cindy Murphy

## JANUARY OUTING:

### "Hounds on the Grounds"

I know most of us have been focused on Christmas, but mark your calendars for our first outing of 2024.

We will be going to **Weymouth for "Hounds on the Grounds" on January 6<sup>th</sup>.**

The hunt starts at 9am and is free. We will gather in the front parking lot at the entrance to the Boyd House at 555 Connecticut Ave (the Connecticut Ave entrance) at 8:30.

Hopefully we will have good weather or snow!

Let me know if you will be able to join us at [cindy.m.8012@gmail.com](mailto:cindy.m.8012@gmail.com).

Cindy Murphy

<https://weymouthcenter.org/event-calendar/#event=77234261;instance=20240106090000?popup=1>





# PROGRAMS – SUSAN BAILEY

January Meeting Program: Capturing Motion

**Monday, January 8, 2024, 7:00 at the Sandhills Horticultural Gardens**

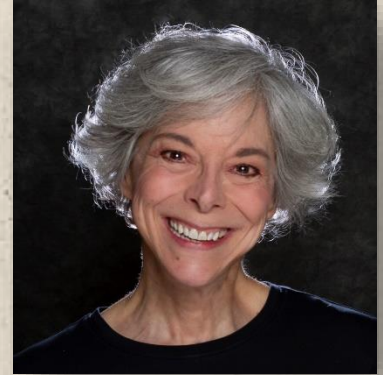
**“Capturing Motion”**

presented by Betsy Wilson



Susan Bailey

Creativity and experimentation motivate Betsy to explore the world of motion photography. A combination of traditional techniques of controlling shutter speed with some non-traditional concepts using camera motion and light-painting, Betsy’s images inform and inspire us to try new ideas. Using your camera to capture motion in ways beyond what we see with our eyes results in endless creative possibilities.

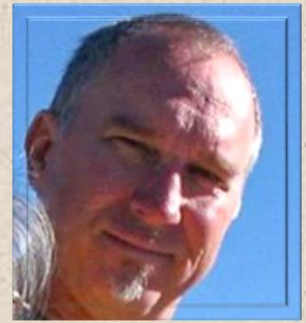


Betsy and her husband, Jim, enjoy exploring all types of photography and give presentations to camera clubs. Please go to their website for complete information.

[www.lets captur ethemoment.com](http://www.lets captur ethemoment.com)








Steve Sorsch

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MEMBER TYPE	
Family	\$75.00
Individual	\$55.00
Student	\$20.00

**Any questions, please contact our Membership Team @**  
**[membership@sandhillsphotoclub.org](mailto:membership@sandhillsphotoclub.org)**

Treasure's Report – Financial Report 2024		
TOTAL FUNDS		
	Checking	\$7,537.53
	Savings	\$3,916.30
Grand Total of all Accounts		\$11,453.83



Frank Lipski

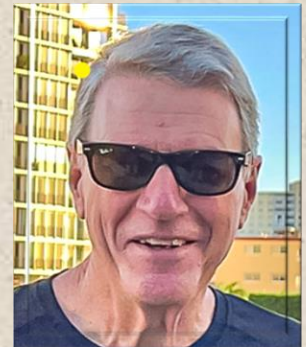
## COMPETITIONS - *EUGENE COTTRELL & MIKE SASSANO*

Congratulations to the winners of the **Sports** competition. The members chose the following as the winning images:

Tier 1	First Place	One Step Ahead by <b>Michael Sassano</b>
	Second Place	Battle Born by <b>Cindy Murphy</b>
Tier 2	First Place	Racing to the Finish by <b>Mary Wheaton</b>
	Second Place	Makes It Look Easy by <b>Steve Long</b>
Tier 3	First Place	Ain't My First Rodeo by <b>Dale Jennings</b>
	Second Place	How to Get a Perfect Score by <b>Darryll Benecke</b>



**EUGENE COTTRELL**



**Mike Sassano**

Our **Stoffel Award winners** for 2023 are:

**Tier 1 Steve Long**

**Tier 2 Mary Wheaton**

**Tier 3 Neva Scheve (Neva's second Stoffel Award)**

Each winner received a certificate and a check.



We also awarded a **Master Photographer** certificate to **Donna Ford** who has accumulated the highest number of competition points in the history of the club. She has won 234 points during her time in SPC.

**Linda Piechota** was honored as a **Long Time Member**. She has been a member of SPC for 35 years and we wanted to show our appreciation for her talents and contributions to the club.



Next Competition will be **Shapes and Patterns** to be held in **February**.

The definition of the topic is:

This type of photography refers to the repetition of similar shapes and objects within the photo. May be shapes and patterns in nature or man-made. (3 year limit)

Galleries will **open January 13 at 4:00 pm** and **close January 20 at 4:00 pm**. One entry per person.



# Sports Competition Winners

1<sup>ST</sup>



One Step Ahead by Michael Sassano

2<sup>ND</sup>



Battle Born by Cindy Murphy

1<sup>ST</sup>



Racing To The Finish by Mary Wheaton

2<sup>ND</sup>



Makes It Look Easy by Steve Long

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Ain't My First Rodeo by Dale Jennings

2<sup>ND</sup>



How To Get A Perfect Score by Darryll Benecke





John German



## SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB'S WEBSITE

[WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG](http://WWW.SANDHILLSPHOTOCLUB.ORG)

### Website Notes for January:

*This month's featured member's gallery on the club website is by [Lana Rebert](#). Click her name to view her gallery or the link to her gallery is on our website homepage. Thank you, Lana, for providing your work!!*

### Club Directory

*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. If you need the password, please email me and I will provide it. It hasn't changed and has gone out in an email blast to the membership. It and the Member's Only page are the same.*

### Member Galleries

*Members who would like a personal gallery should let me know at [website@sandhillsphtoclub.org](mailto: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.***

### Member Websites

*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.*

*PS: Please email any errors that you may notice on the website. I will correct them as soon as possible. [website@sandhillsphtoclub.org](mailto:website@sandhillsphtoclub.org)*



**HOLIDAY PICTURES sent in by our Members:** Susan Bailey, Bill Buss, Deb Castle, Nina Drinko, John German, Andy Manhardt, Diane McKay, Cindy Murphy, Linda Piechota, Dave Powers, Lana Rebert, and Jo Ann Sluder



















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