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PHOTOS FROM NEAR AND FAR PHOTOGRAPHER: NEVA SCHEVE



#### PRESIDENT'S NOTES – JACQUES WOOD

#### November 13th Meeting - You Don't Want to Miss It!

There are two good reasons to attend, either in-person or on Zoom, our November 13<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. The first is to hear and see the presentation on the "Holy Trinity of Landscape Photography: Light, Subject and Composition" by Joseph Rossbach. If you have any questions about it being worth attending, I suggest you visit Rossbach's website at: <a href="https://www.josephrossbach.com">www.josephrossbach.com</a>. His use of color and light in his work is breathtaking.

The second reason to come is that this is SPC's annual meeting where the members will elect the Club's 2024 Officers. The following slate will be put to vote by the showing of hands (in-person or on Zoom):



**JACQUES WOOD** 

President: Bonny Henderson

Vice-President: Susan Bailey Secretary: Susan Batts Treasurer: Frank Lipski

**Bonny Henderson** has served on the Club's Membership Committee, served as Club Treasurer; and, for the last three years, served as Co-Chair of Competitions.

**Susan Bailey** has been the Club's Outings Chair for a number of years and previously held leadership positions in other photography organizations.

**Susan Batts** is the current Club Secretary; we are very fortunate that she has agreed to serve another term in that capacity.

**Frank Lipski** has served two terms as Workshops Chair; he has served as Treasurer for other non-profit organizations, and he has used the Quicken financial software that will be used for Club finances going forward.

In order to hold the vote we need a quorum which according to Article VII, Section 4 of Club By-laws is "one third of the dues-paying members". So, come on out to the **November 13 meeting at 7 pm**.

#### **Get Involved in Club Committees!**

SPC is run by volunteers, officers, committee chairpersons and committee members. I ask that you consider serving as either a committee chairperson or committee member in 2024. Some members have already stepped forward as new chairs of the Competition, Membership, Outings, Publicity and Workshop Committees will serve in 2024. The Club still needs two members to come forward to lead the Exhibition and Field Trip committees. If you have any questions about these positions or committee work in general ask me, another officer or anyone of the current committee chairs. The work is important to the continued success of SPC; it also can be personally rewarding.

#### SPC's Holiday/Anniversary Dinner on December 11<sup>th</sup>!

On December 11 we will have a SPC Holiday/Anniversary Dinner at Pinewild Country Club. There will be the traditional activities such as:

- Results of the Sports Photo Competition
- Presentation of the 2023 Stoffel Awards
- •Installation of 2024 Officers

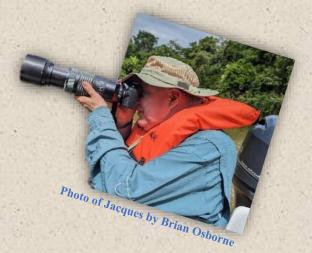
As we will be celebrating SPC's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary there will be some special activities: details to be announced.

#### More on Holiday/Anniversary Dinner next page

The Dinner is being held again at Pinewild CC. It's choice was however not a function of tradition as officer and board members made site visits to eight facilities this year for potentially hosting this year's event, Based upon such investigation and evaluation the SPC Board decided that Pinewild was the best choice for, ambience, service, food and value. It should be a fun time. I expect to see all of you there unless is it geographically prohibitive such as Darryll in South Africa, Kathryn in Australia and Yassar in Egypt.

Till then, get out there and shoot some "Fall ",





#### **Treasurer's Report - FINANCIAL REPORT 2023**

TOTAL FUNDS		
	Checking	\$4,945.27
	Savings	\$3,916.24
Grand Total of all Accounts		\$8,861.51



**JUDY NAPPI** 



# Happy Thanksgiving to all!!!!

### Please join us for the 2023 SPC Holiday/Anniversary Dinner December 11<sup>th</sup>, 6pm Cocktails; 7pm Dinner

Potato Encrusted Salmon Roast Sirloin Eye of Round Beef Potato Au-Gratin & Fresh Green Bean Almondine 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cake (from the Bakehouse) Coffee and Tea

\$36.96pp by Check

\$38.79pp by Paypal

#### During our Dinner we will have:

- Recognition of SPC's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Our SPORTS Competition Results
- Stoffel Awards Presented
- Installation of 2024 Officers

To RSVP for this SPC Holiday Dinner for Members and your Guest:

- Please use our website link: https://www.sandhillsphotoclub.org/pay-for-holiday-dinner
   \$38.79 due to PayPal costs

   Or
- Mail check (\$36.95pp) with names attending to: Sandhills Photo Club
   PO Box 763
   Southern Pines, NC 28388
   Or
- Bring check with names attending to SPC Meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>

We hope to see you there!





#### PROGRAMS - BOB MOBSBY

The following presentation is the last for 2023.

Suggestions for future programs are welcome; email me at: vicepresident@sandhillsphotoclub.org

November 13, 2023: The Holy Trinity of Landscape Photography: Light, Subject and Composition, by Joseph Rossbach

In this presentation, landscape and nature photographer Mr. Rossbach will discuss:

- how light and subject selection along with compelling composition can create dynamic and thoughtful images
- a variety of lighting conditions and how they each create their own mood
- how to select the proper subject matter
- how to better compose images around the natural light we are given when out in the field shooting



Mr. Rossbach describes his goal as a photographer as showcasing wild, beautiful and unique natural locations in evocative images that inspire in the viewer awe, respect for the natural world and a greater appreciation of wilderness.

In addition to leading photography workshops in the U.S., abroad and online, Mr. Rossbach has coauthored two books on nature photography: The Ultimate Guide to Digital Nature Photography, and 50 Amazing Things You Must See and Do in the Greater D.C. Area: The Ultimate Outdoor Adventure Guide. His photography has been published hundreds of times in publications such as Outdoor Photographer, Popular Photography, The Nature Conservancy, The Smithsonian Natural History Museum, and many more.

www.josephrossbach.com

**Bob Mobsby, Vice President / Programs** 



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#### **COMPETITION COMMITTEE**



**BONNY HENDERSON** 

#### **BONNY HENDERSON & JERRY KOZEL**

Our "Something Involving Water" competition was held at our regular meeting on October 9. A hearty congratulations to all of our winners! Kim Critchfield of Twin Falls, Idaho was our judge and he was very impressed with our photographs. If you'd like to see our winners, check the SPC website and if you'd like to see some of Kim's photography, go to



**JERRY KOZEL** 

critchfoto.com. Kim is a fine art photographer with many years of experience, and he has won numerous awards.

Our last competition will be held in December and the topic is "Sports." The galleries will open on November 11 and entries will be accepted for one week. One entry per member and there is a three-year time limit. You will receive an email with a link for voting in the next few weeks, so don't forget to vote. You, the members will be the judge and you will choose the winners. The winning entries will be announced at the Holiday Dinner. Our Stoffel Award winners will also be announced at the dinner, so plan to join us!

Get prepared for the next two years of competitions. Here are the topics to keep in mind:

#### 2024

Shapes and Patterns
Worm's Eye View (Get low)
Go With the Flow (Moving water)
Close-Up
Abstract
Rows of Things

#### 2025

Reflections
Old Barns/Buildings
M is for....
Churches/Graveyards
The Color Red
Open

The holiday season is rapidly approaching - don't get so busy celebrating that you forget to use your cameras! Happy Shooting!

Bonny & Jerry

#### MEMBERSHIP - BILL BUSS

We currently have 113 members, consisting of 82 individuals, 20 family members, 2022 Contest Winners, and 2 honorary members.

#### **Welcome 4 New Members**

We would like to welcome new member **Cheryle Morgan**. Cheryle rates herself as an intermediate-level photographer. She is interested in all areas of photography. She has lived in the area for 20 years.



**BILL BUSS** 

Welcome to new member **Mike Stein**. Mike rates himself as a novice photographer. His favorite areas of photographic interest are wildlife and aviation. He has lived in the area for 30 years. Cheryle and Mike have joined as Family members.

Welcome to new member **Chrystal Cunningham**. Her favorite areas of photographic interest are long exposure, wildlife, and tilt shift. She was previously a photographer in the Army. Chrystal has lived in the area for 2 years.

Welcome to **Andrew Manhardt**. Andrew rates himself as an advanced-level photographer. His favorite areas of photographic interest are landscape, wildlife, flora, and people (candid only). He has lived here for 19 years and moved here from Pittsburgh.

#### **Last Meeting's Attendance**

At our October meeting, we had 29 members attending at the Ball Center and 15 members attending on Zoom. This amounts to 39% of our membership attending.

#### **Membership Directory**

We are still missing a few photographs of members for the SPC Online Directory. If you have not yet provided your photograph, please forward your selected one to John German at <a href="website@sandhillsphotoclub.org">website@sandhillsphotoclub.org</a>

#### A reminder:

Next year's dues are due by January 1, 2024. There is no change in dues.

#### Bill Buss

Getting your EZ Badge (NOTE: you must be IN the Ball Center):

Using your smartphone, go to:

- Settings > Wi-fi > EZ Badge (Not a problem if you see No Internet Connection)
- Open your Browser (Safari, Google, etc.)
- Type in <a href="http://ez.com">http://ez.com</a> Brings up EZ Badge Registration Form
- Start typing your first name...It may automatically complete your name.
- Select either Member, Board Member, or Guest
- **Select** Print Badge
- Select Finish
- Your stick-on EZ Badge will be ready for you at the Registration table.
- **Turn off or Silence** your phone before entering the meeting room.

#### 2023 OUTINGS - SUSAN BAILEY

#### **NOVEMBER OUTING**





Susan Bailey

Where: Shaw House, 110

Morganton Road, Southern Pines

Date: November 11, Saturday

Time: 10am- 11:30

Lunch: The Sly Fox 11:30, 795

SW Broad Street,

Southern Pines (across

the street)

https://www.theslyfoxpub.com/



PLEASE RSVP TO <u>susanbaileyphoto@gmail.com</u> if you plan to attend and \ whether you will stay for lunch.

#### **NOVEMBER PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES ON YOUR OWN**

November 3-5 - Ederville Train and Tractor Show - 644 Niagara Carthage Rd, Carthage, NC 28327

https://www.edervillenc.com/

Thanksgiving morning - Blessing of the Hounds

https://moorecountyhounds.com/Blessing-of-the-Hounds

# **Scotland Highland Games**





# Frank Lipski



## Neva Scheve







#### SANDHILLS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB'S WEBSITE

www.sandhillsphotoclub.org

#### **Website Notes for November:**

This month's featured members' gallery on the club website is by <u>Ira Miller</u>. Click his name to view his website or the link to his website is on our website homepage.

#### **Club Directory**

You may view the club directory at: <u>Club Directory</u>. 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 <u>John German</u>. 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 Members' Only page are the same.

#### **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.

#### **Member Websites**

If you have a personal website, please let me know and I can provide a link on the "Members' Galleries" page for you. Please view the members' 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@sandhillsphotoclub.org



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