

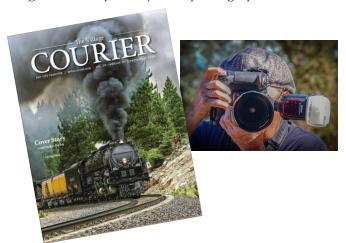
# Placer County Photography Club Newsletter

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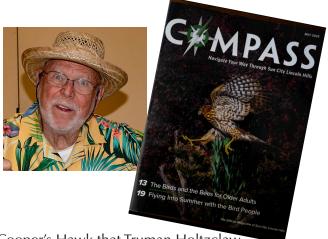
## **Cover Boys**

Congratulations to two of our members who have become Cover Boys!!

Marion Pavan and Truman Holtzclaw have both seen their photographs appear on magazine covers in the past few months. It takes a lot of hard work and effort to pursue editorial photography. Their achievements are significant, especially for a photographer.



Marion Pavan's photographs and article about the Union Pacific Big Boy appeared in the September 2024 issue of Sun City Roseville's The Village Courier.



A Cooper's Hawk that Truman Holtzclaw took in his backyard appeared on the cover of the May 2025 issue of Sun City Lincoln Hills Compass Magazine. Kudos to both Marion and Truman!

# Good **Shooting**

A few words from **PCPC President Dick Bosworth** 



Hey all!

I'm excited about our club's future. We're meeting in a fantastic new venue and our membership is growing. The folks at Action Camera have been gracious and accommodating. Our meetings have great attendance. and the 10:30 AM start time allows members who were unable to drive to our evening meetings to join us in person. We still offer a connection to the meetings through Zoom but fewer members are choosing Zoom, opting to come in person at our convenient new location and time.

Since moving to Action Camera, we've begun a new club tradition. After the meeting adjourns, we walk a couple of doors down to Venita Rhea's of Rocklin for a delicious and fun-filled lunch with all members who want to join us. Between 15 and 20 members usually join the lunch group after each meeting. Lively conversation and good food have contributed to the success of our new tradition as well as over the top service. I hope that you'll consider joining us at our next meeting at **Action** Camera and our next lunch at Venita Rhea's.

Until then and as always, good shooting!

## From the Editor

In the fall of 2023 I took responsibility for the PCPC Newsletter. When I accepted the job, I knew I wouldn't be able to publish newsletters on a monthly schedule but I didn't think I would go eight months without publishing one. That is unacceptable and I apologize. My task was to revive the newsletter not to kill it so I promise to do my best to publish newsletters more regularly in the future. Carol Smith

# Remembering Shirley White

#### By Carol Smith

Shirley White passed away on February 4, 2025. Her impressive photography is a testament to her talent.

I was introduced to Shirley White's photography when I joined the Placer Camera Club in 2012. At my first meeting I was awestruck by a closeup of a kayaker in a red kayak at mid stroke, a magnificent action image with churning whitewater surrounding the kayak. I couldn't believe what I was seeing. I thought "Wow! The person who took this photo is in *this* club!!" Of course, it was one of Shirley's. Her images were always standouts. She excelled at stunning landscapes, awesome wildlife images, creative still lifes, and action-packed photojournalism.



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Shirley was always feisty, always funny, and always spoke her mind. If she disagreed with a judge's critique, she let him know it. Shirley's photography was always recognized in the club's competitions. In 2017, her photograph "Road to the Mountains" was awarded Photo of the Year! Shirley White will be remembered as one of the best. Here are just a few of Shirley's wonderful images to appreciate.



Photos clockwise from top left: The Kayaker, Road to the Mountains, Tomales Sunset, Common Cocklebur



All photos ©Shirley White





# Remembering Shirley White (cont.)







Photos clockwise from top left: Antique Bottles, Eastern Sierra, Bike Race Victory, The Gap Fire, Wagon Wheel Snow, Hiding Blue Heron, Egret Scratch, Coyote

All photos ©Shirley White











# Small World...Big Fish

Editor's Note: While talking to Jim White about the "Remembering Shirley White" article, he reminded me of a discussion at a PCPC meeting in 2018. Turns out the Whites and I had a connection going back 70 plus years. Jim wrote about it on the PCPC website and that article appears below. I did check with my brothers to see if any of the advertising material was still available but because Sunset Line & Twine Co. was sold and the Petaluma plant closed quite a few years ago, they could find nothing. Jim is right, though. It is a small world. And our club is not only about photography but it is about connecting with members and developing new friendships.

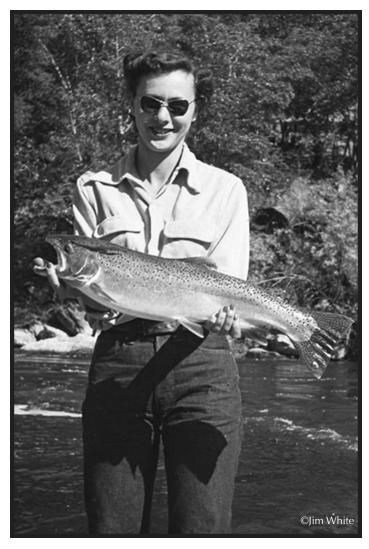
#### By Jim White

The other night at camera club a small group of members were talking about equipment and someone mention that they thought I had a lot of cameras. I said no, but I do have a lot of fly rods. I admit guilt to having more than I need, but in defense I have been a lifelong fly fisher and fly tyer. You have to go overboard on something! Carol Smith spoke up and she did not know about fly rods but her family had a lot of Sunset fishing lines since that was her father's business that he started back in the 1930's.

The words "Sunset fishing lines" caught my ear so I had to show everyone a picture on my phone of my wife Shirley holding a 9 pound steelhead trout I had caught on the Klamath River back in 1952 and had entered in a nation-wide fishing photo contest sponsored by Sunset Fishing Lines. The picture took "first place" in the photo contest and Shirley's picture holding the fish was on the back cover of every fishing magazine in America, advertising Sunset fishing lines for a full year.

We were inundated with fishing equipment from every fishing equipment manufactory in the nation. Most of the equipment was of no use to us since it was not fly fishing equipment. We still have a magazine with the advertising, somewhere.

Carol is sending Shirley's picture to her brothers to see if they can find some of the old advertising with Shirley's pic in them. But, is it not, A VERY SMALL WORLD?



Shirley White holding 9 pound Steelhead Trout



Another memorable photograph from Shirley:

Nevada Sunset

# Camera Gear to Sell? Action Camera has you covered



Swap Meet Sellers

If you're planning to participate as a seller in the Swap Meet, you'll need to register. <u>Click here</u> for the link to register for the Swap Meet or scan the QR code below.



Register for the Swap Meet



October 4-6 is SwapMeet weekend in Rocklin! It's time to turn your unused camera gear into cash so you can buy the latest. Whether you have some camera gear to sell or are looking for something to fill out your kit, **Action Camera** is once again hosting its annual Swap Meet.

- Saturday October 4: free classes and Brand Reps available between 10AM and 5 PM.
- Sunday October 5: Swap Meet, 8AM to 12 PM
- Monday October 6: Used Photo Pro Extra Day, 10am-4pm

## Cash4Cameras

If you can't make the Swap Meet or you just want to sell something, Cash4Cameras will be on site for three days. Walk-ins are welcome but you can book an appointment ahead to save time. Scan the QR code below to link to the appointment calendar or <u>click</u> here.



Make an appointment with Cash4Cameras



# Ask Auntie

Auntie, AKA, Carol Smith, answers photography questions and offers photography tips here in the newsletter. See below for how to ask a question



#### Dear Auntie—

I use **Apple Photos** to finish my images, not Lightroom or Photoshop. How do I resize my images in Apple Photos so that they'll be the correct dimentions (1920 pixels on the long side) for submitting images for club critiques? Thanks for any suggestions you might have.

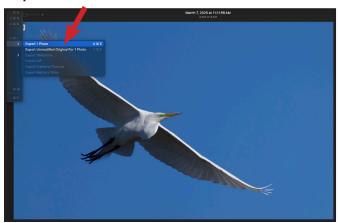
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#### Dear Not Ready—

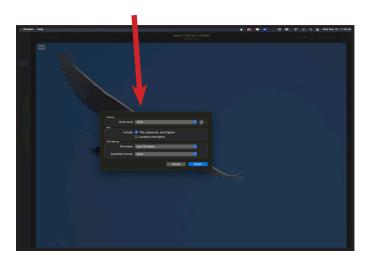
You're not alone. Sometimes it's just easier to use Apple Photos. Here's how to resize your images in Apple Photos.

#### **Open Apple Photos**

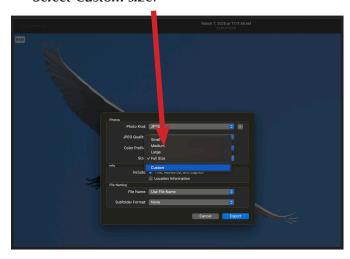
- Go to File Menu in Apple Photos
- In drop down menu, Select Export then select Export 1 Photo



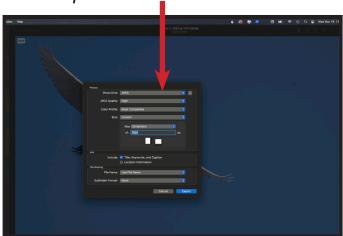
• On the window that appears, make sure *Photo Kind is set to JPEG*.



#### Select Custom size:



- Make sure JPEG Quality is set to High
- Make sure Color Profile is set to Most Compatible (or Adobe RGB)
- Under Custom, select Max Dimension (not width or height)
- Enter 1920 px
- Click Export



• The file will be saved as a JPEG with the correct dimensions for submitting a photo.

Have questions about photography or suggestions about what you want to see in the newsletter? Send them to:

pcphotoclubnewsletter@gmail.com

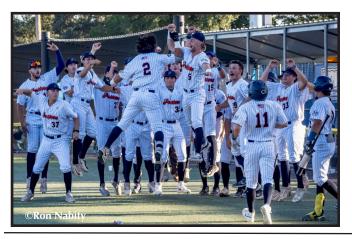
# **Presentations**

We've had three photography presentations since the first of the year, each with lots of useful information to help improve our photography. You can view them all on the PCPC website.

#### January—Sports and Action Photography

Ron Nabity gave a presentation on Sports and Action Photography. Ron has been shooting sports action since the early1970's and is as passionate about it today as he was then.

His presentation included an overview of sports and action photography, understanding the challenges of Sports and Action photography; reviewing the techniques, equipment, and strategies to overcome those challenges, and applying those lessons to other scenarios.







### April—Long Exposure Photography

Charlie Willard covered *Long Exposure Photography* and discussed how the kinds of equipement he used and how the exposure triangle affects photographs. He discussed night skies, sunrise, sunset, and blue hour photography and how he uses long exposures to create his beautiful images. He empasized the problems that can occur and how to adjust for them.







# More Presentations

#### July—Bird Photography

Carol Smith made a presentation on photographing birds that included how to capture memorable images of birds. She covered the best types of gear and camera settings, what makes a good bird photograph, how to get those shots, and where to find birds to photograph including right in your own backyard.





# PCPC Image Categories 2025

Photography is a continually evolving art form, shaped by new technologies and creative approaches to image-making. Each photography genre provides unique opportunities for artistic expression and creativity, encouraging photographers to innovate. Mary Nunes and Carol Smith worked to modify and clarify the photography categories used by the PCPC , renaming categories, eliminating categories, combining categories, and modifying categories that reflect the focus of the club. We now use 9 distinct categories. Detailed discussion is available on the PCPC website.

- Open is a general category, open to any type of subject matter and photographic technique or style.
- Creative photography expresses an artistic and imaginative vision, feeling, and message.
- *Travel* photography captures the essence of a location, its people, culture, landscapes, and history.
- Nature images capture an animal, bird, plant, organism or natural process from all branches of natural history (except anthropology or archeology) in its natural environment. Human elements, i.e., the hand of man, should be kept to a minimum.
- **People** photography focuses on capturing human subjects in various contexts.
- Landscape photography captures the natural world and conveys the essence of the outdoors, encompassing a wide range of subjects from vast vistas to intimate details including cityscapes.
- **Photojournalism** captures and tells real-life stories through powerful, truthful, unaltered images.
- **Assigned Subject** is a specific theme assigned for an upcoming meeting.
- Recent images are taken any time after the date of the previous PCPC meeting.







# Field Trips

## Gray Lodge—January 21, 2025

The Gray Lodge Wildlife area, located near Gridley, and located in the midst of the Pacific Flyway is a haven for wildlife. Surrounded by miles of rich agricultural lands, the approximately 9,100 acre area is managed for all wildlife, both furred and feathered, that call Gray Lodge home for all or part of the year.

Thirteen people attended the field trip. We all got up VERY early, arriving at Gray Lodge by 7:30am. It was worth it! Great light in the early morning and many birds to satisfy all. It was cold. We drove the loop and hiked the trails. After our outing we were ready for coffee and brunch in the town of Live Oak, sharing our experiences from the morning adventure.



## Preston Castle—March 14, 2025

Preston Castle, located in Ione is a historic building built in 1894 as a reform school for boys.

Seven members attended the field trip. Pam Kappelhof arranged for a 2-Hour self-guided Photography Tour from 10:00-12:00. It was very cold and rainy outside, and so windy on top of the little hill that you could hardly walk standing up right so there were not very many outdoor photos. It was also cold inside the castle. Some were wishing they had gloves. Some areas of the castle were in pretty bad shape. Owls and bats have left their calling card, and some areas are off-limits due to safety. The Preston Castle Foundation is doing the best they can with limited resources. We left a little early to warm up a bit and enjoy a nice lunch in lone.



# What 's Ahead at the PCPC?

## **Upcoming PCPC Meetings**

PCPC meetings are scheduled monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at Action Camera in Rocklin. Zoom is also an option if you can't make the meeting in person. Details for attending via Zoom are in the monthly meeting announcement.

#### September 16, 2025 10:30 AM

In house image critiques

Assigned Subject: Technology

Image submission limit: 2; 3 if at least one is designat-

ed in the Assigned Subject or Recent category

#### October 21, 2025 10:30 AM

Presentation by David Robertson: Street Photography

Assigned Subject: Temptations

Image submission limit: 1 must be designated in the

Assigned Subject or Recent category

#### November 18, 2025 10:30 AM

Image critiques by judge (TBA)

Assigned Subject: Street Photography

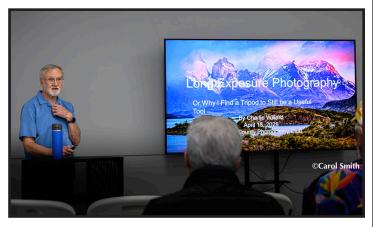
Image submission limit: 2; 3 if at least one is designat-

ed in the Assigned Subject or Recent category

#### December 16, 2025 10:30 AM

Members Showcase Slide Show (Members submit up to 25 images-more details coming soon)

Election of PCPC Board Holiday Celebration Assigned Subject: none



Charlie Willard speaking at the April meeting.

## **PCPC Elections**

The recently revised PCPC by-laws call for annual elections of its Board of Directors each December and the appointment of a nominating committee in September. Elected members of the board are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member at Large. A member elected to each position serves a term of either one (1), or two (2) years depending on what is needed to maintain staggered terms of service.

Three club members have volunteered to form the Nominating Committee. Nominating Committee members are:

- Michael Bond
- Liz Thomas
- Karen Wyatt

The committee will be looking specifically for nominees to fill the position of Vice President because we will have a vacancy.



The Nominating/Election Committee will present a slate of candidates for the PCPC Board of Directors at the December meeting. The election of each board position is based on a simple majority of the members present.

The election will be held on December 16, 2025, at the regular PCPC meeting to elect all 5 Board members to a 1 or 2 year term.

Until we announce specific guidelines for the nominating committee, if you are interested in any of the positions on the board, please contact the club at our primary e-mail address: <a href="mailto:placercameraclub@gmail.com">placercameraclub@gmail.com</a>. More information will be availabe in the coming weeks at club meetings. Stay tuned.

# PCPC Picnic October 14, 2025

# Mark your calendars! PCPC Annual Picnic

Tuesday October 14, 2025 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Auburn Regional Park 3770 Richardson Drive Auburn, CA 95602 Picnic Area

Enter Richardson Dr. from Dry Creek Rd.



The PCPC will provide Hot Dogs and Buns, Condiments, Paper Plates, Paper Cups, Utensils, and Water.

Please bring a salad or other side dish to share, and your own beverage to consume (*Please note, the park* does not allow alcoholic beverages without a permit which we do not have. Thanks for your cooperation.)

Our grill master Dennis Morgan is anxious to get cooking again!

More details coming soon.

## PCPC Hats for Sale!





Finally, we have our own hats with our own logo! It's about time!

PCPC hats will be available for sale for the first time at the PCPC Picnic on October 14 and at PCPC meetings after that.

Price is \$15.00.

Available colors are Black, Khaki, Gray, and Navy.

## **Fundraiser**

The PCPC See's Candy Storefront is coming soon. Watch for the announcement of the store opening. Start your Christmas shopping early and help the PCPC raise funds for future photography outings and classes.

Order See's Candy through December 5, 2025. There will be a small shipping fee as well as sales tax added.

- Deliveries will begin November 30, 2025.
- Storefront closes December 5, 2025
- Get your orders in early!
- Tell your friends.
- Watch for link coming soon.



# PCPC Members Showcase 2025

It's time to get ready to show off again! The PCPC Members Showcase will be the feature of the December meeting on December 16, 2025. Our first Members Showcase at the last meeting of 2024 was a huge success! More than half of our members participated! The PCPC has grown quite a bit since last year, and we hope even more members will participate in this year's showcase.

Individual showcases offer a unique glimpse into the types of photography that interest our members, something we don't see enough of throughout the year when members are limited as to the types and number of images they may submit.

The final Members Showcase to be shown at the December meeting will be a compilation video consisting of all of the images submitted by each member. They will be compiled and set to music into one grand presentation. There will certainly be oohs and aahs from the audience as each image gets its moment in the spotlight.

Your showcase allows you to shine and contains only what you want to share! Everyone who wants to participate will be featured in the showcase. The Showcase is a place for you to show off your best work. It's going to be exciting to see what you come up with.

Now is the time to start thinking about the photographs you will want to include in YOUR showcase. Please don't leave it to the last minute. We want you to shine so start now identifying the photographs you think best represent you as a photographer.

Every member will be allowed to submit up to 25 (yes

25!) images to share. There are no limits on what types of images you submit. They can be from any of our existing categories but they don't have to fit a category. They can be images you have submitted to the PCPC in the past or new images you've never shown before. They can be photographs of anything and there are no limits on post processing. Maybe you want to share images from a fabulous vacation spot, or photos of your pet dog or cat or kid, or a type of photography you're experimenting with, like macro photography. There are no limits.

A connecting theme makes a group of images more cohesive like a group of sunrises or sunsets, or a bicyle race, or flowers from your garden, or long exposure photography, but it's not necessary. Afterall, they do have at least one connection and that' is YOU who took the images.

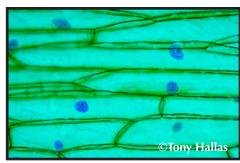
There are no restrictions on what you can do to an image. While our traditional categories have different restrictions, you can consider everything you submit, regardless of subject, as being in the Open category where there are no restrictions.

The deadline for entering images in the PCPC Members Showcase is November 25, 2024. Images submitted after that date will not be included in the Showcase. Please don't submit anything yet. More details will be available soon that will provide specific information about image size, image resolution, naming, etc. and how and where to submit images for the showcase.

Have fun! Start reviewing those images now. We can't wait to see what you're going to share with us.

# A Few Examples from Last Year







The above images are from 3 of our members' Showcases illustrating the diversity of subjects presented: Jack Bachelder's memories of Bodie; Tony Hallas' exploration of extreme macro, and Mary Nunes' personal faves.

# **Club Details**

**Upcomings meetings:** 

September 16, 2025 October 21, 2025 November 18, 2025 December 16, 2025

#### **How to Contact Us:**

Website: https://placerphotoclub.org

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**Email**: placercameraclub@gmail.com



#### **PCPC Board Members** (2025):

**President Emeritus:-----** Mike Schumacher **Newsletter Editor-----** Carol Smith

Newsletter email:--PCPhotoClubNewsletter@gmail.com

### **Meetings:**

Date: 3rd Tuesday of Month

Time: **10:30 AM**Place: **Action Camera** 

4415 Granite Dr. #200 Rocklin, CA 95677

Zoom: Details in meeting reminder email

# **Membership Dues**

**\$50/year** 

Dues are payable in January. As of March 1, unpaid members are considered delinquent. Delinquent members cannot participate in club activities or image reviews and their images will not be displayed on the website.

Pay at meeting or mail a check, payable to Placer County Photography Club as described in Membership Application and Renewal form below.

Placer County Photography Club Membership Application & Renewal		
Membership (\$50/year)	Please make checks payable to "Placer County Photography Club."  Present in person at a meeting (see above) or by mail to:	
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