



PLACER CAMERA CLUB

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THE NEWSLETTER THAT FOCUSES ON PHOTOGRAPHERS IN THE FOOTHILLS

PLACER COLOR

The Placer Camera Club meets the third Tuesday of each month except August in the Beecher Room of the Auburn Placer County Library,
350 Nevada Street, Auburn CA.
Visitors are always welcome.
The meetings start at 6:30 PM.

The President's Corner

This month we have our Christmas party and member slide shows. If you have some Christmas goodies (cookies, candy, etc.) bring them to the meeting to share. Slide shows can be up to 7 minutes long and shorter is ok. They should be on a connected theme. Slide shows can be as fancy or as simple as you want. If you don't have a slide show program just put your images in a folder in the order you want them shown. Bring your slide show to the meeting.

Starting in January Tony Hallas will present a short 15 minute tutorial on Photoshop. Each tutorial will be on one specific Photoshop feature. The tutorials will be aimed at Photoshop but should be useful in Elements and other photo software.

This coming year we hope to have more short presentations on photography related subjects. If you have an idea for one and would like to present it (15 – 20 minutes) let me know.

Our refreshment committee is Ardath Winterowd, Judy Hooper and Jim Gamble. We will need club members to bring goodies for our meetings. There is a sign up sheet for this purpose. See one of the committee members.

Mike Schumacher
President Placer Camera Club



From Your Editor

PCC members. I wanted to take this opportunity to wish you and yours a Merry Christmas. It has been a great year for the PCC Newsletter thanks to all the great submissions from the club members.

I am looking forward to another year as your Newsletter Editor and I look forward to seeing what kinds of Photos and Articles you can come up with this coming year.

Merry Christmas and Keep Shooting.

Jim Cormier
PCC Newsletter Editor



FOR SALE

Canon 60D 18mp DSLR body for sale. Comes with a free camera bag and a Tamron 28-300 f/3.5 lens. \$375. Contact Mike Schumacher 530-367-4505 or e-mail him at

radioman@sebastiancorp.net



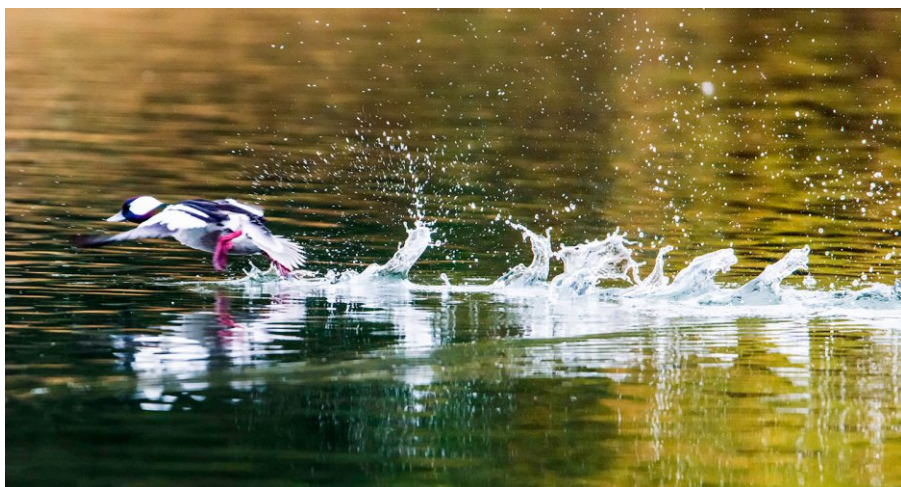
Gella Fra Memorial



Gëlla Fra (Golden Lady) Memorial, Luxembourg. Dedicated in 1923 to the Luxembourgers who perished in World War I. Nazis pulled it down in 1940. It was restored in 1984, and symbolizes freedom and resistance for the people of Luxembourg.

Submitted by James Gamble

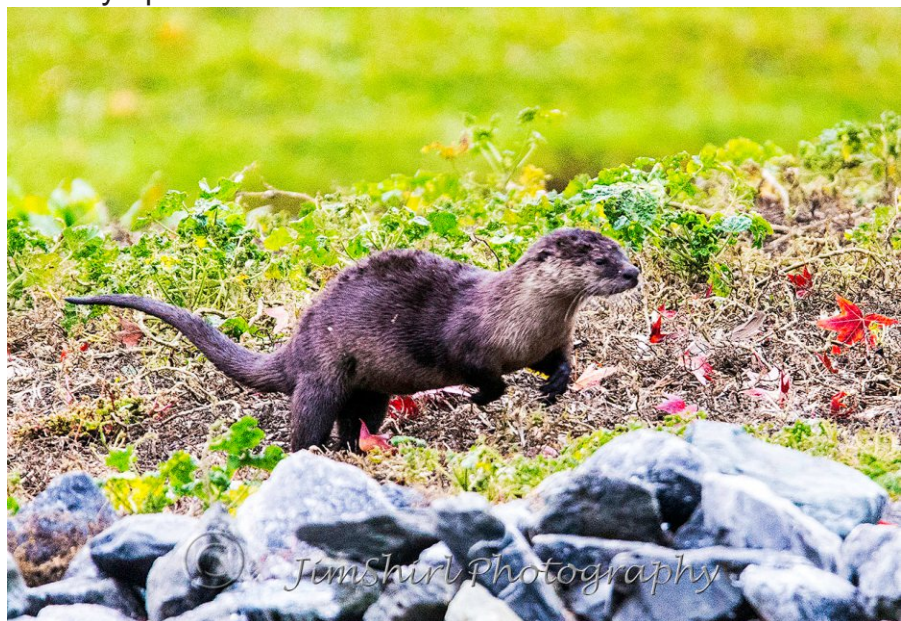




Bufflehead-park



Gold eye-park



Otter-park

It was 5 AM when I looked out our bedroom window. The cloud deck looked low, it was really grungy. Not raining yet, but the sky promised it would not be long. I really felt like doing our early morning walk. I looked outside and the temperature gauge said 39f. I was making the coffee when I got the idea. If it looked that bad to everyone else, maybe no one but Shirley and I would show up at the park this early morning. We have wanted to shoot some wildlife at the park but have been a little concerned about safety, wandering around the early morning in the park with expensive camera gear, a known gang headquartered nearby and the homeless person we meet upon occasion. With this kind of weather will they stay under cover too? Let's go to the park and photograph wildlife! Shirley thought it was a dumb idea.

We started walking toward the lake at about 20 minutes before sunrise. What sunrise? The overcast was grim. But how thick were the clouds? We started out using our little fold out canvas stools and set up near the big island. We knew there were 4 river otters in the lake but as dark as they are how to capture the image in this poor light? Shirley let out a gasp and whispered "right at your feet"! All I remember is little brown heads, long whiskers and big brown eyes starring right at me. Too close, camera won't focus. They were a wild and rowdy bunch. They played together constantly. They were all over the pond. Our only hope was to get them on the island. We did but most of the shots were throwaways. Here is a one we kept.

I checked my LCD screen and I could not believe the colors. There was a slight improvement in the light. First the Golden Eyes swam past us and then the Buffleheads. These diving ducks from the far north are our notice that the northern birds have finally made it back. There was also a Kingfisher, lots of Cormorants, and a horde of common ducks and geese.

Only one person approached us, wanting to know where he could find our pictures. Seemed like a nice guy, a banker or perhaps a local Judge? The bad guys just don't get out of bed very early I guess. Try photographing at the North Auburn Park, The cast of creatures change daily.

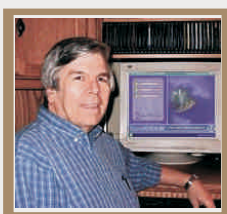
PCC Members Websites

We are starting a list of Placer Camera Club member websites. I am gathering a list of member websites and will email the list out as soon as it is ready. When the list is complete we will link to member websites from the Placer Camera Club website. If you would like your website or blog to be included send the website to me at radioman@sebastiancorp.net If you can, put a link from your website to the Placer Camera Club website. This is what I have so far:

Jim Cormier	http://www.squareonegraphics.com/
Jim Bennett	http://www.youtube.com/user/lookydude
Bill Stenwick	http://bill-stenwick.smugmug.com/
Sande Parker	http://windsongphotographytoday.com
David Keyes	http://davekeyesphotography.com
Robbin Maloney	http://robbinmaloneyphotography.com
Mike Schumacher	http://morningstarimages.com
Truman Holtzclaw	http://www.abiphotos.com/
Walt Carnahan	http://www.sierrafoothillsaudubon.com/
Ardath Winterowd	http://flic.kr/s/aHsjv86dM
Ron Parker	http://www.photographybyronparker.com/
Rod Bonser	http://tinyurl.com/rods-photo-sets
Sue Barthelow	http://www.suebarthelow.com/
Tony & Kristi Middleton	http://tony-and-kristi-middleton.artistwebsites.com/
Barry Walton	http://www.barrywaltonphoto.com/
Carol Smith	http://infocusdaily.com/
Steve Aldridge	http://www.stevealdridgephoto.com/
David Howland Potter Photography	http://www.davidhowlandpotter.com/
Marc Kessman	http://www.mellowtoxin.com
Jim & Shirley's Blog	http://www.padhorski.blogspot.com/
Bruce Gregory	https://www.flickr.com/photos/17178767@N05/with/13636856793



From Your Editor.



Hi Placer Camera Club Members

We had a great response for submissions to the Newsletter this year. It is getting a little larger in actual number of pages as well as overall file size but we had so much great stuff I didn't want to leave anything out. I think dealing with larger files is worth the display of content submitted by the PCC members.

If you have any comments drop me an [e-mail](#).

Jim Cormier
Your PCC Newsletter Editor

NOTE: When you submit an article for the newsletter please keep it at 150 words in length and if you have photos that accompany your article please try and send no more than two photos. If your article warrants more than two photos to maintain its impact we can make exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

Sew on Placer Camera Club Logo Patches

If you haven't purchased your very own **Placer Camera Club Patch** three are still available for just **\$5.00** each. You can call **Jim Cormier** at **916-409-5237** or bring **\$5.00** cash to the next PCC meeting

Get yours today while they last. Only 3 left.

"When they're gone-they're gone"



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We have a great selection of
Tutorials on our website...

Huey Monitor Calibration

The club has a Huey Monitor Calibration System
for use by the members.

TO CHECK IT OUT

Contact Mary Nunes • 530-885-9816

Members who contributed articles
and photographs for this months
PCC newsletter.

Mike Schumacher
Jim & Shirley White
James Gamble
Jim Cormier

