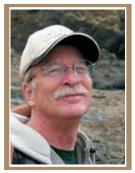
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The Placer Camera Club meets the third Tuesday of each month except August in the Beecher Room of the Auburn Placer County Library, 350 Nevada Street, Auburn, CA.
Visitors are always welcome.
The meeting starts promptly at 6:30PM.

The Presidents Corner by Mike Schumacher



This month we have Projected Image Critiques. The judge will be Jeff Burkholder.
Jeff is a commercial photographer based in Sacramento,

http://www.lifeimagesproductions.com/In addition Jeff will give us a short presentation.

Send your 3 images to <u>placercameraclub@gmail.com</u> Changes to Image Critiques: Per the member vote at the April meeting the board voted to bring back the number rating of images. As in the past the judge will now give a number based on photographic quality of 8 – 12.

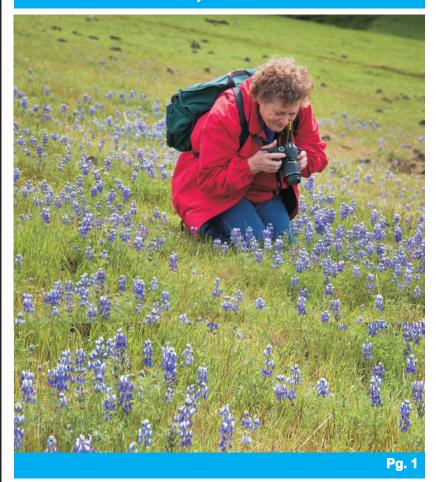
Now, this is the big change.......If you do not want (or care to have) a score (number) of your image do the following: Simply put the letter Z in front of your image title. It will precede the category as follows, If I put an image of a Hawk in open and do not want a score it would be titled as follows: Z – Op – Hawk. Mike Schumacher If you want a score, just submit images as you did in the past, no Z. This way we can have both ways of judging images.

We have been given the opportunity to display our photography in the Beecher Room in July and August. The hang date is June 28th at 3 pm. Members may hang one image no wider than 16 inches. Images *must* be ready to hang. Any type of image presentation is ok, framed & matted, canvas, gator board, etc. If you can't make it to the Beecher room on June 28th at 3 pm you can bring your image to the June meeting.

June is our Annual Members Choice Print Awards. Get your prints ready. We will judge them as a group at the meeting. Details to follow. If you are going on a photo shoot and would like some company put together a short email with destination and meet time. I will send it out to the club and maybe you will have a couple of friends to shoot with! See you May 21st!

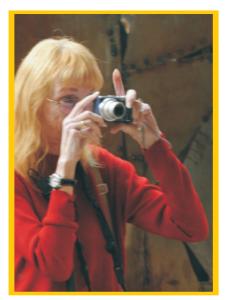
Mike Schumacher
President Placer Camera Club

Judy Hooper at Table Mountain Submitted by Mike Schumacher











I first met Pam at a Placer Camera Club meeting. She and Jack went out of their way to make me feel welcome. We exchanged phone numbers and the rest is history. Jack, Pam and I would get together and go out on photo shoots whenever we got a chance.

At that time Pam was actively pursuing her Associates of Arts degree at American River College in 2012. Even with her busy class schedule she would make time to go out shooting with Jack and I. Pam was using a Panasonic Lumix camera. While Jack and I were lugging around our heavy camera bags Pam would drop her Lumix in her purse, grab her cane and she was ready to go.

It didn't take Jack and I long to realize we were going to be getting strong competition from Pam in the monthly Image Evaluations at the Placer Camera Club meetings. When one of Pam's photos received high marks Jack and I heard about it for weeks to follow. Was Pam competitive? YOU BET SHE WAS...

Pam's photos were amazing given her visual impairment. All Jack would have to do with Pam's photos is an occasional straightening of the horizon.

Jack and I were constantly teasing Pam saying Jack forgot to charge her battery or something mysteriously happened to all the photos on Pam's CD card. It didn't take her long to get wise to us.

These are great memories that will remain in my heart and mind forever. It was a privilege and honor for me to have known Pam. She touched the lives of everyone she came in contact with.

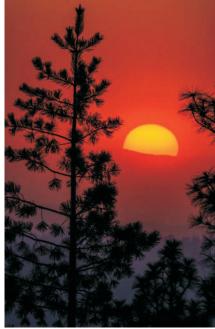


Jack would like to thank all the members from the Placer Camera Club for coming to Pam's Celebration of Life. It meant a lot to him.

One photographic benefit of the forest fires burning in our region is the particulate matter in the air sometimes provides the fodder for an interesting sunset. If you have a favorite sunset spot with some kind of foreground object & a view to the west the pictures can be beyond the usual captures.

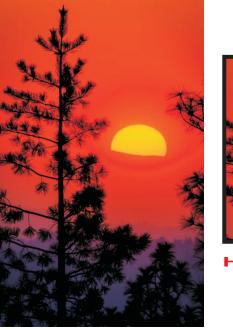
The two pictures were done May 4. One is an HDR, one a single image. Both processed in Lightroom and the colors enhanced with color sliders and saturation adjusted. The camera will see more saturation in the RAW capture than the eye will see. You'll be pleasantly surprised when you download your pix. Then it's open season on how far you want to take your adjustments as you refine the image.

Bruce

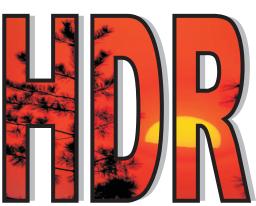


Smokey Sunset Single Image





Smokey Sunset HDR



High Dynamic Range

2012-2013 Camera Club Submittals for Evaluation

Submitted By Liz Staats

All club members, I have sent out to each of you the listing of your Print and/or Projected (Slides, Digital) entries from September 2012 through April 2013. I have been asked about the scores by some members. We do not keep track of your scores so they are not included in this listing. Please let me know if there are any discrepancies to the listing that I sent out to you. It is from this listing that you will make your selection for the Annual Camera Club Competition. Mike Schumacher will be sending out the rules as to the annual competition over the next couple of weeks. Please remember this listing only includes those entries submitted for either the Print and/or Project evaluations by one of our visiting judges. Also make note that I will not be sending out another listing with your May, so you will need to remember your submittal for this

If you have any questions, you can either email me at lizstaats@mindspring.com or call me at 530-368-1773.

Thank you, Liz Staats

month.

photographs:

137th Anniversary Sacramento Valley Scottish Games & Festival Woodland, CA

Judy Hooper, Mike Schumacher and I took a drive down to Woodland to photograph the Scottish Games Festival http://www.saccallie.org/games/

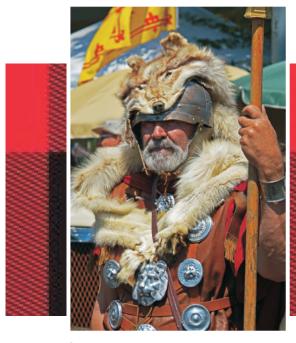
on Sunday, April 28th. We had a lot of fun enjoying the challenge of the very bright light and the jostling crowds to get a few nice shots. Here are some highlights of the day in



Scottish Dancers • Judy Hooper



© Face To Face • Ardath Winterwood



Scottish Warrior • Judy Hooper



Family in Parade • Judy Hooper



©Ardath Winterowd



Wicked Tinkers • Mike Schumacher

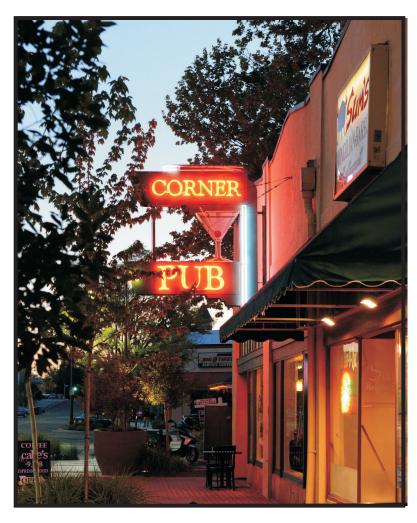


I call this shot "Fee-Fie-Fo-Fum!" This Scot was over 6'8"! A real Scottish Giant! © Ardath Winterowd



A Dogs Life • Judy Hooper









We had a great turn out for the Auburn Night Shoot on April 18th. This was the first night shoot Jack Bachelder and I had been on and we learned a lot that night. I hope we have more photo shoots like this one during these coming summer months. Thanks Mike for getting this together.

The forecast was for possible thunder storms in the mountains and scattered showers. I love to photograph storms, especially thunder storms. I could envision a big black thunder head in the background behind an island on Loon Lake, with an occasional flash of lightning striking Tell's peak behind. It was possible, so let's get going.

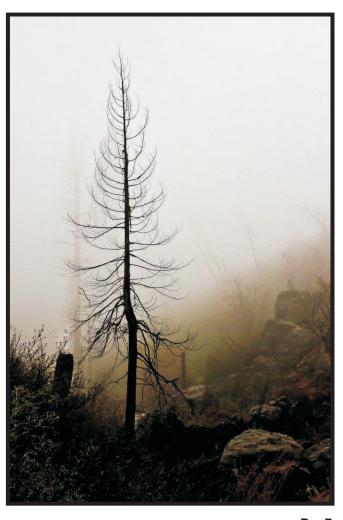
A late start from Auburn put up at the boat ramp at Stumpy Meadows reservoir in time for coffee and cinnamon rolls by 10 AM. It was almost a white-out on the lake but out in the middle of the lake we could see a lone fisherman standing in the stern of his boat. A soft rain fell as a thick cloud covered the lake. What to do?

We could hardly see the road going up hill above the lake and Shirley thought it would be snowing up at Loon Lake. Going back to Georgetown with the tailgaters down to Auburn would be a bummer. A few miles up the road we turned left on the Eleven Pines-French Meadows Road. The clouds in the canyons of the Middle Fork at French Meadows with the fire-blacken trees in the foreground would be our new goal. We did not know about the thousands of flowering Dogwoods up ahead. The Dogwoods would be a photographic bonus for us that were not there on our visit just one week ago.

At Blacksmith's flat, bedrock out-cropping on the hill-side caught my eye and we stopped to check for Indian grinding holes and an old native campsite. We found the holes and made plans to return in better weather.

The hill-sides exploded with flowering Dogwoods after we crossed the Rubicon River but we realized it would be even better in the French Meadows Game Refuge ahead. And it was! Clouds in the canyons, fire-blacken trees and thousands of flowering Dogwoods made the day a photographic success.













New Projector Bulb

Submitted By Mike Schumacher

Hello All,

You may have noticed that some of the images at last night's meeting were a bit dark.

It seems our images have been getting darker with each meeting.

Our projector uses a DLP bulb. DLP bulbs get dimmer with age.

We have had the projector now for five plus years.

We have a new bulb for the projector and It will be installed and the projector re-calibrated.

Just wanted to let you know we are aware of the situation.



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/aHsjyv86dM

Ron Parker http://www.photographybyronparker.com/

Rod Bonser http://tinyurl.com/rods-photo-sets

Sue Barthelow http://www.suebarthelow.com/ http://www.suebarthelowimages.com/

Tony & Kristi Middleton http://tony-and-kristi-middleton.artistwebsites.com/

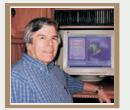
Barry Walton http://www.barrywaltonphoto.com/

Carol Smith http://infocusdaily.com/

Steve Aldridge http://www.stevealdridgephoto.com/

From Your Editor.





We had a good turnout for the Night Shoot in downtown Auburn on April 18th. I hope some of you that we there submit a couple photos to share with the membership.

Thanks to Mike for putting this shoot together and I hope we have more shoots like this throughout the summer.

Jim Cormier

Your PCC Newsletter Editor.



Sew on Placer Camera Club Logo Patches

If you haven't purchased your very own **Placer Camera Club Patches** they are still available for just **\$5.00** each. You can call **Jim Cormier at 916-409-5237** or send him a check made out to Square One Graphics and he will mail your patches out to you. The patches are a great way of identifying where you are from when you are out in public on a shoot.

Get yours today while they last. Only 10 left.

I did some checking on 8-inch patchs for the back of a jacket. The costs are: 5 pieces \$33.25 each or 10 pieces \$21.35 each. Is anyone interested? Call or e-mail me.

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