



# FOCAL POINT

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April 2016

The club meets at the Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church Street, Hudson MA on the first and third Wednesdays of each month except July and Aug. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM

Next program meeting: April 6. Scheduled programs: Maureen M. and Liz W. about January's Photo Ops; Sue A. and Bob C. about their recent trip to Brazil; John G about our recent NECCC submissions; Scavenger Hunt voting (bring pen and clipboard)

Next competition meeting: April 20. Scheduled subjects:  
Prints "Decay / Disrepair"  
Digital "Open"  
Digital assigned subject "Nature"

Notes from March meetings:

The club thanks Leslie Boudreau for her talk about her experience using natural light and Lightroom in her work during the program meeting, and Liz W. for her mini-tutorial about selection tools in Photoshop before the competition meeting.

The possibility of a day trip to the Lotus Blossom pit in Framingham in July was introduced. If interested, let John or Stephanie know.

NECCC Interclub results: Nature A saw the club place 13<sup>th</sup> out of 16 clubs; Pictorial A saw the club place 14<sup>th</sup> out of 19 clubs. Liz W. earned an Honorable Mention ribbon.

We still need volunteers to fill several positions.

The PSA's Charlie Burke attended to say that if the club is a PSA member, we can sponsor a local school for the PSA School Competition program. It's too late to begin a sponsorship this year, but it can be considered next year.

Friends of Marlborough Library photo exhibition:

Judging and hanging occurred on Saturday, April 2. A total of 68 prints were submitted. The club and the Friends thank all those who helped. Lunch at Checkerboard's followed. The gallery is open from April 3 to April 10 in the Bigelow Auditorium. A reception will be held on April 4 from 6 to 8 PM. Pick-up is on April 11 from noon to 8 PM.

Sensor cleaning session:

At the April 20 competition meeting, Shawn Plouffe will be there to clean DSLR camera sensors for those interested. Fee is \$35 by cash, check or credit card.

Let Tony M. know by the April 6 meeting if you are interested and how many cameras you are bringing in.

**March 2016 Print Competition -- NATURE**

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<b><u>GOLD</u></b>			
Blue Heron - With an Itch!	Linda Shelales	26	1st
Curious Bluebird	Sue Abrahamsen	25.8	2nd
Yosemite Valley Sunset	Todd Mathieson	25.7	3rd
Feelin the Love	Linda Gilberti	25.2	
Get Off My Back	Bob Cooke	24.6	
Tri-Color Heron in Mangrove	Drew Simmons	24.5	
Brown Pelican Profile	Cathy Simmons	22.8	
<b><u>SILVER</u></b>			
Ibis Testing the Water	Barbara Huntley	26.7	1st
Eastern Yellow Swallowtail #3	John Gill	24.8	2nd
Pelican Posing	Stephanie Gill	24.3	3rd
Bull Frog	Maureen Mathieson	22.8	
Female Mallard	Bob Escott	22.7	
Canada Goose	Dave Morin	21.9	
<b><u>BRONZE</u></b>			
Immature Black Crowned Night Heron	Bob Rose	24.6	1st
Nesting Kingbirds	Michael Doucette	24.5	2nd
Eastern Tiger Swallowtail	Art Walker	23.3	3rd
Little Blue Heron	Diana Bull	22.5	
Wind-Blown Snow	Linda DeStefano Brown	21.8	
Feather on the River	Bill Weiblen	21.5	
<b><u>Make-Up for</u></b>			
<b>Images Highlighted in Yellow are Eligible for the Quad-Club Competition</b>			

**PRINT SUMMARY 2015-2016**

	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	TOTAL
<b><u>GOLD</u></b>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	Open	Nature	
Todd Mathieson	24.9	25.5	26.6	26.6	25.2	28.1	25.7	182.6
Sue Abrahamsen	25.8	24	26.2	22.8	25.2	28.8	25.8	178.6
Cathy Simmons	24	27	24.2	26.3	21	27.9	22.8	173.2
Linda Shelales	24.6	26.6	24.3	25.5	22	24.2	26	173.2
Linda Gilberti	22.8	26	21.8	24	22.6	24.9	25.2	167.3
Bob Cooke	23.6	23	22.1	22.4	22.5	27.8	24.6	166
Drew Simmons	25.2	23	23.1	22.6	23.4	23	24.5	164.8
Paul Weisbach	25	25	24.2	0	26	0	0	100.2
<b><u>SILVER</u></b>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	Open	Nature	
Dave Morin	23.9	28.5	24.7	28	22	29.7	21.9	178.7
John Gill	25.7	24.5	26.1	23.6	29	24.3	24.8	178
Stephanie Gill	24.5	24.5	24.2	25.5	26.5	27.5	24.3	177
Barbara Huntley	21	24	25.3	24.8	23.8	28.4	26.7	174
Bob Escott	25.7	23.5	26.8	23.8	23	26.1	22.7	171.6
Maureen Mathieson	0	25	0	0	0	0	22.8	47.8
<b><u>BRONZE</u></b>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	Open	Nature	
Diana Bull	26.3	23	21.6	24.4	23.9	26.7	22.5	168.4
Bill Weiblen	23.3	28.7	9	0	24	26.9	21.5	133.4
Art Walker	0	0	19.8	22.7	22.7	27.8	23.3	116.3
Linda DeStefano Brown	0	0	22	23.1	25	21.3	21.8	113.2
Michael Doucette	22.4	19.5	0	0	21.5	21.9	24.5	109.8
John Shagian	24.3	0	0	0	20.5	0	0	44.8
Bob Rose	0	0	0	0	0	0	24.6	24.6

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<b>March 2016 Digital Competition -- OPEN</b>			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<b>CLASS AA</b>			
Flower Reflection #1	John Gill	25.7	1st
Honeycreeper on Feeder	Doris Monteiro	25.7	1st
Old Glory	Stephanie Gill	25.4	2nd
Butterfly on Red Flower	Cathy Simmons	25.4	2nd
Colorful Drops	Linda Shelales	24.2	3rd
Male Magnificent Hummingbird	Tony Monteiro	24.2	3rd
Gosling Assabet River NWR	Todd Mathieson	24	
Swan Talk	John Houldsworth	23.9	
Two White Kids	Sue Abrahamsen	23.3	
Sunrise Over First Root Farm	Drew Simmons	23.3	
Blackstone Rapids	Dave Morin	22.1	
<b>CLASS A</b>			
Flamingo Bath	Barbara Huntley	26.3	1st
Loon and Chick	Ginny Harris	26	2nd
Lunar Eclipse	Dean Giolas	24.9	3rd
Jenny Farm	Marty Paulausky	24.8	
Colonial Woman at Work	Maureen Mathieson	24.8	
My Style Bird Image	Fred Parsons	23.6	
Dewy Leaf	Liz West	23.3	
Attack of the Geckos	Dave Reynard	22.7	
Water Drops #3	Jill Lockwood	22.1	
Mrs. Robin	Linda Gilberti	21.9	
Frozen Leaf	Bob Escott	20.9	
<b>CLASS B</b>			
Water Waves & Stone	Bob Cooke	24.8	1st
Sitting By the Danube	Jim Quinn	24.6	2nd
Ouch	Art Walker	23.9	3rd
Egyptian Yacht	John McKinney	23.4	
Bunches of Sunshine	Diana Ledoux	23.4	
Time to Say Good Night	Jennifer Wang	23.1	
Botanical Butterfly Garden	Darlene Holman	23.1	
Winter Day at Plum Island	Diana Bull	22.7	
View From Bird Point	Theresa Vachowski	22.5	
Elkader la	Mo Sibachir	22.5	
Buoy Garden	Linda DeStefano Brown	22.5	
Bathing Mallard	Michael Doucette	22.5	
Sunset on the Pacific Ocean	Marie Riley	22.4	
A Magical Moment	Bill Weiblen	22.2	

<b>March 2016 Digital Competition -- The Color "WHITE"</b>			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<b>CLASS AA</b>			
Ibis in Flight	Tony Monteiro	27.3	1st
Morpho at Rest	Doris Monteiro	27.2	2nd
White Pelicans	Cathy Simmons	24.8	3rd
White Water Lillies	John Gill	24.5	
Three Birds on Lighthouse Pier	Drew Simmons	24.5	
Great Southern White Butterfly	Stephanie Gill	24.2	
White Rose	Todd Mathieson	23.7	
White and Black Lighthouse	Dave Morin	23.1	
White Lily	Linda Shelales	22.8	
White Rose 2	Sue Abrahamsen	21.9	
Melting Snow	John Houldsworth	21.2	
<b>CLASS A</b>			
White on White	Liz West	26	1st
White Lace and Flowers	Dave Reynard	25.1	2nd
Snoozing Snowy Owl	Ginny Harris	24.8	3rd
Mt. Rainier	Marty Paulausky	24.6	
Snowt Egret Up Close	Barbara Huntley	24.6	
Fresh Snow	Bob Escott	23.6	
Napping Swan	Linda Gilberti	22.7	
Snowstorm	Jill Lockwood	21.9	
Peek A Boo	Maureen Mathieson	21.9	
Stella in a Sea of White	Dean Giolas	21.3	
White Sands - New Mexico	Fred Parsons	21	
<b>CLASS B</b>			
Mute Swan White Plumage	Darlene Holman	25.5	1st
Cherry Blossoms	Bill Weiblen	22.7	2nd
Nagog	Mo Sibachir	22.7	2nd
City Under Clouds	Jennifer Wang	22.5	3rd
Winter Wonderland	Diana Bull	22.1	
Last Scene Final Bow	Theresa Vachowski	21.9	
Arrangement in White	Art Walker	21.9	
Frosting Flower	Jim Quinn	21.6	
Don't Blow Your Top Geyser Park New Zealand	Sheryl Roberts	21.5	
Overcast Coastal Day	Linda DeStefano Brown	21.2	
White Wall	Marie Riley	21	
White Wild & Wet	Bob Cokke	20.7	
Whites Roses	Diana Ledoux	20.6	
Clearing White Stuff	John McKinney	20.4	

**DIGITAL SUMMARY 2015-2016**

MEMBERS	SEPT		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB		MAR		TOTALS
	Open	Things in Threes	Open	Nature	Open	Panning	Open	Nature	Open	Stonework	Open	Nature	Open	The Color White	
<b>CLASS AA</b>															
Tony Monteiro	26	25.4	26.2	29.1	28.1	25.2	28.1	26.7	29.8	27.6	26.6	28.7	24.2	27.3	379
Doris Monteiro	24.9	26.3	24.8	22.8	27.9	24.6	27.4	27.5	29.5	25.1	27.3	26.7	25.7	27.2	367.7
John Gill	25.2	24.3	26.6	25.2	25.8	25.9	25.8	26.2	28.9	25.5	25.5	26.9	25.7	24.5	362
Cathy Simmons	24.9	24.2	28.8	25.5	26.4	23	26.4	25.9	24.3	24.7	24.3	28.7	25.4	24.8	357.3
Linda Shelales	25.2	24.3	27	28	24.7	23.2	26	23.9	22	25.4	28.4	27.3	24.2	22.8	352.4
Todd Mathieson	24.9	24.6	25.5	24.8	26.2	24.9	25	23	26.5	24.3	25.8	27.5	24	23.7	350.7
Stephanie Gill	24.2	24.5	23.5	23.5	25.1	24	24.1	27.5	25.6	24	25.2	29	25.4	24.2	349.8
Sue Abrahamsen	23.4	24.8	27.2	25.2	25.8	21.8	27.2	28.2	27.5	23.8	24.3	25.2	23.3	21.9	349.6
Drew Simmons	24.3	24	23.5	24.7	25.8	21.2	23.5	26.5	23.2	25.6	28.2	27.5	23.3	24.5	345.8
Dave Morin	22.7	23.7	25.5	22.5	24.7	20.8	23	25.3	23.2	27	24.2	27.8	22.1	23.1	335.6
John Houldsworth	23	23.2	21	21.9	23.3	26.5	22.2	24.8	24	21	25.7	24.3	23.9	21.2	326
<b>CLASS A</b>															
Liz West	24.9	24.5	24.1	24.5	26.7	22.9	27	26.8	28.1	26.8	25.7	29	23.3	26	360.3
Barbara Huntley	26.1	23.7	25.5	24	28.1	24.8	26.2	24.4	27	23.4	24.3	28.8	26.3	24.6	357.2
Ginny Harris	24.2	23.9	22	25.6	23.6	25.7	24.7	23.1	27.9	26.3	28.5	26.3	26	24.8	352.6
Dave Reynard	24	24.2	24.8	24.1	26.2	23	25.2	26.5	25.4	22.3	24.6	28.2	22.7	25.1	346.3
Maureen Mathieson	24.6	23.7	26	20	24.3	22.4	26	23.9	28.5	26	28.5	24.9	24.8	21.9	345.5
Marty Paulausky	23.8	23.7	22.6	24.6	26.1	24.1	22.7	24.6	24.9	23.7	23.4	29	24.8	24.6	342.6
Linda Gilberti	22.8	23.1	24	26.5	23.9	20.4	26.2	25.8	23.7	24.4	25.1	27.9	21.9	22.7	338.4
Bob Escott	23.1	24.9	23.8	23.8	26.7	21.7	23.7	23.9	22.1	26.4	27.6	26	20.9	23.6	338.2
Jill Lockwood	22.7	24.3	20.5	24.5	23.6	23.4	23.3	23	25	22	25.5	24.5	22.1	21.9	326.3
Dean Giolas	23.6	24.5	21.7	26.7	23.4	20.6	24.1	23.2	21	24.9	0	0	24.9	21.3	279.9
Fred Parsons	0	0	29.8	25	0	0	25.5	26.4	30	23.9	27.9	25.4	23.6	21	258.5
<b>CLASS B</b>															
Diana Ledoux	24.8	22.2	25	24	24.9	23.1	23.3	24.2	22.8	22.7	25.1	26.1	23.4	20.6	332.2
Diana Bull	23.9	24.5	20.9	22.7	24.9	20.8	24.9	23.8	23.6	23.4	24.5	24.6	22.7	22.1	327.3
Jim Quinn	22.7	23.1	21.5	20.3	22.5	25.9	26.8	25.3	22.5	21.2	24.6	24.6	24.6	21.6	327.2
Bob Cooke	21.9	24	23.4	20	21.8	22	22.5	25.1	24.1	22.8	24.9	27.6	24.8	20.7	325.6
Theresa Vachowski	24.3	23.7	21	23	26.8	21.5	23.9	23.9	21	23	22.5	24.2	22.5	21.9	323.2
Linda DeStefano Brown	23	22.8	25	19.5	26.3	0	24.8	22.7	23.1	24.7	22.8	26.1	22.5	21.2	304.5
Michael Doucette	23.3	23.7	23.3	20.8	24.5	23.3	22.9	26	22.9	21	24.5	25.1	22.5	0	303.8
Mo Sibachir	0	0	21.7	24.9	23.9	21.4	23.5	24.4	26	25	24.9	23	22.5	22.7	283.9
Jennifer Wang	23.9	22.5	22.2	21	27.2	0	24	23.3	0	0	27.6	26.7	23.1	22.5	264
Art Walker	0	0	0	24.2	22.8	22.1	22.5	23.3	24.3	22.5	26	26	23.9	21.9	259.5
John McKinney	0	0	0	0	24	0	22.5	0	0	0	27.5	23.4	23.4	20.4	141.2
Bill Weiblen	0	0	22	22.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.2	22.7	89.1
Marie Riley	21.5	23.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.4	21	88
Larry Wellington	21.9	21.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	21.1	0	0	0	0	87.6
Darlene Holman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.6	23.1	25.5	76.2
Bob Rose	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.6	22.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	45.2
John Prunte	21.6	23.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
Sheryl Roberts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21.5	21.5

