



# FOCAL POINT

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June 2015

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: June 3. Scheduled program:

Doris & Tony M. show photos taken on their recent vacation to Colorado

Bob C. shows photos taken on a past trip to Antarctica

Next competition meeting: Sept. 16. Scheduled subjects to be determined

Notes from May meetings:

The club thanks Liz W. for her talk on Photocomposites during the program meeting, John G. for his mini-tutorial on mat cutting before the competition meeting, and Paul W. for presiding over the program meeting in Stephanie G's absence.

Field trips: Let Bob C. know by the September program meeting if you are going on his Lake Powell, AZ field trip, scheduled for the last week in October.

A silent auction will be held during the June program meeting.

Agenda for the June 17 meeting: Election of club officers, potluck dinner (begins at 6:15 with appetizers), and presentation of awards for club competition

NECCC spring 2015 competition results:

Pictorial class A: AVCC scored 82 points for 6<sup>th</sup> place. Club submissions were:

Stephanie G.	Hummingbird at Rest	18 pts
Virginia H.	Winter of Our Discontent	23 pts, Honorable Mention
Doris M.	Locomotive Crossing the Animas	21 pts
Cathy S.	Roseate Spoonbill	20 pts

Nature: AVCC scored 81 points for 8<sup>th</sup> place. Club submissions were:

Sue A.	Tadpole on Leaf	19 pts
Doris M.	Northern Pintail	22 pts
Tony M.	New Mexican Sandhill Crane	20 pts
Marty P.	Windy	20 pts

## **News release: AVCC Features Photo Travelogues to Colorado and Antarctica**

On June 3, the Assabet Valley Camera Club (AVCC) will feature two different travelogues presented by club members. The first—"A Trip through Southern Colorado" by Tony and Doris Monteiro—will feature scenic views along a southern route of this Rocky Mountain state. The second presentation will cover a trip that Bob Cooke took to the continent of Antarctica.

Tony and Doris will share images that cover historical, cultural, and natural aspects of their travel in this western state. Photos from the Great Sands National Park and Mesa Verde National Park will be incorporated into the presentation. Images of mountain vistas, ghost towns, scenic railways, cascading waterfalls, soaring hot-air balloons and ancient cliff dwellings will be highlighted in this travelogue set to music.

The other part of the program will feature Bob Cooke's photographic adventure to Antarctica and the South Pole. The presentation will explore some of the research projects that the United States runs in the polar region, illustrated with images collected while touring from camp to camp, historic sites and natural features (including penguins) in the world's "icebox."

This program is open to all. AVCC welcomes new and prospective members—anyone interested in photography or in enhancing their photographic skills. We meet at 7:30 PM on the first and third Wednesdays each month from September through June at the Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church St., Hudson. This is our last public program of this season. For more information, call Liz West (978) 263-2853 or visit our website—<http://www.assabetvalleycc.com>.

### May 2015 Print Competition -- OPEN

TITLE	SUBMITTED BY	SCORE	AWARD
<b>GOLD</b>			
Umbrella Show - Turkey	Bob Cooke	29.0	1st
Osprey Nest Preparation	Paul Weisbach	27.0	2nd
Common Green Darner	Cathy Simmone	26.0	3rd
Rose Breasted Grosbeak	Ginny Harris	26.0	3rd
Cuban Market Seller	Linda Gilberti	25.0	
Spoonbill Afternoon	Drew Simmons	25.0	
Table Lands Waterfall - Newfoundland	Sue Abrahamsen	25.0	
Yosemite Valley, Long View	Todd Mathieson	25.0	
<b>SILVER</b>			
Not a Bowl of Cherries	Linda Shelales	27.0	1st
White Bengal Tiger	Barbara Huntley	26.0	2nd
Lotus Flower	John Gill	25.0	3rd
<b>BRONZE</b>			
Key West Pelican	Diana Bull	27.0	1st
Home Delivery	Bob Rose	26.0	2nd
North From Lincoln, NH	Barbara Worrest	26.0	2nd
Song Sparrow	Bob Escott	24.0	3rd
Dracula Dahlia	Stephanie Gill	23.0	
Beals Island Wind Vane	Michael Doucette	22.0	

<b>Images Highlighted in Yellow are Eligible for the Quad-Club Competition</b>			
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**FINAL PRINT SUMMARY 2014-2015**

	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	
<b>GOLD</b>	Open	Open	Nature	Maritime	Open	Open	Nature	Landscapes	Open	TOTAL
Paul Weisbach	26.1	30.0	29.3	24.8	24.0	29.0	25.5	22.1	27.0	237.8
Todd Mathieson	25.4	28.3	23.8	24.5	21.0	29.6	20.9	24.5	25.0	223.0
Sue Abrahamsen	24.0	21.0	25.5	24.9	21.0	25.1	25.8	26.9	25.0	219.2
Cathy Simmons	24.3	24.2	23.7	23.5	23.0	22.4	23.3	22.5	26.0	212.9
Linda Gilberti	24.2	25.0	25.0	22.1	22.0	24.2	23.4	21.9	25.0	212.8
Drew Simmons	23.0	24.0	23.5	23.4	23.0	23.9	22.5	21.8	25.0	210.1
Ginny Harris	25.5	22.5	22.1	21.0	23.5	21.2	19.5	24.6	26.0	205.9
Bob Cooke	23.0	21.5	22.7	25.6	20.0	0.0	22.4	24.0	29.0	188.2
<b>SILVER</b>	Open	Open	Nature	Maritime	Open	Open	Nature	Landscapes	Open	TOTAL
Linda Shelales	27.0	23.0	24.2	23.7	22.0	27.6	24.6	24.3	27.0	223.4
John Gill	24.0	26.0	24.4	24.7	24.0	25.1	23.1	25.8	25.0	222.1
Barbara Huntley	23.3	0.0	22.5	23.4	19.5	25.4	24.3	25.4	26.0	189.8
Maureen Mathieson	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.9	0.0	23.1	0.0	51.0
<b>BRONZE</b>	Open	Open	Nature	Maritime	Open	Open	Nature	Landscapes	Open	TOTAL
Bob Escott	24.5	23.5	22.0	28.3	22.0	24.9	20.4	23.0	24.0	212.6
Stephanie Gill	20.7	26.5	24.9	21.0	21.0	20.9	23.7	23.0	23.0	204.7
Michael Doucette	23.3	0.0	19.8	25.8	18.5	24.3	21.5	20.7	22.0	175.9
Bob Rose	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.8	22.5	23.9	26.0	98.2
John Sahagian	23.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.5	29.1	21.0	0.0	0.0	95.9
Barbara Worrest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.5	0.0	0.0	24.3	26.0	69.8
William Weiblen	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.4	24.2	0.0	0.0	47.6
Linda DeStefano Brown	0.0	0.0	22.9	0.0	19.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	42.4
Diana Bull	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.0	27.0
Bill Tafuri	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.3
Brad Barker	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5
Larry Wellington	0.0	20.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.7

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<b>May 2015 Digital Competition -- OPEN</b>			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<b>CLASS AA</b>			
Moabs Delicate Arch	Doris Monteiro	30.0	1st
Dragonfly on Lotus Pod	Todd Mathieson	28.0	2nd
Orange Christmas Cactus	Sue Abrahamsen	27.0	3rd
Deer Portrait 2	Cathy Simmons	26.0	
Droplets	Linda Shelales	26.0	
Kablaaaam	John Gill	26.0	
Pensive Rebecca	Tony Monteiro	26.0	
<b>CLASS A</b>			
Lunch For Baby Gorilla	Barbara Huntley	27.0	1st
Reflection	Marty Paulausky	27.0	1st
Ismenius Butterfly	Stephanie Gill	26.0	2nd
Luscious Lily	Linda Gilberti	26.0	2nd
Wood Duck Reflection	Ginny Harris	24.0	3rd
You Call This a Website?	Dave Reynard	24.0	3rd
Black Eyed Susan	Maureen Mathieson	23.0	
A Rose By Any Other Name	Dean Giolas	23.0	
<b>CLASS B</b>			
John Hanson Mitchell	Liz West	28.0	1st
Fireworks	Jim Quinn	27.0	2nd
Bottles	Larry Wellington	25.0	3rd
Kingbird With Yellow Petal Crown	Bob Escott	25.0	3rd
The Craftsman	Diana Ledoux	24.0	
Spring Azalea	Marie Riley	24.0	
Cinderella & Prince Charming	Jill Lockwood	24.0	
Campground Play	Theresa Vachowski	24.0	
The Tenacity of Life	Bob Rose	23.0	
Sandstone Goose	Linda DeStefano Brown	23.0	
Pemaquid Lighthouse Reflection	Michael Doucette	23.0	
Not Tonight Booby	Bob Cooke	22.0	
<b>Make-Up for April 2015 -- OPEN</b>			
Hitchin' A Ride	Jill Lockwood	23.0	

<b>May 2015 Digital Competition -- SOFT</b>			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<b><u>CLASS AA</u></b>			
Soft Doggie	Sue Abrahamsen	27.0	1st
Blue N' Gold 1	Todd Mathieson	26.0	2nd
Pagose Springs Inflation	Tony Monteiro	26.0	2nd
Ready to Be Shorn	Linda Shelales	26.0	2nd
White Lily	Cathy Simmons	26.0	2nd
Gooosh	John Gill	24.0	3rd
Jolie in White	Doris Monteiro	24.0	3rd
<b><u>CLASS A</u></b>			
Soft Goofy	Dean Giolas	27.0	1st
Baby Love	Barbara Huntley	27.0	1st
Eliza and Her Dad	Ginny Harris	26.0	2nd
Salmon Rose	Maureen Mathieson	26.0	2nd
Soft and Cuddly	Linda Gilberti	26.0	2nd
Mr. Softee	Stephanie Gill	25.0	3rd
White and Fluffy	Marty Paulausky	24.0	
Over the Midwest	Dave Reynard	23.0	
<b><u>CLASS B</u></b>			
Sany and Soft	Bob Cooke	27.0	1st
Soft and Cuddly	Marie Riley	26.0	2nd
Puppy With First Bone	Liz West	26.0	2nd
Brushes	Theresa Vachowski	25.0	3rd
He Sits No More	Linda DeStefano Brown	25.0	3rd
Spring Has Arrived	Bob Escott	25.0	3rd
Oak Tassels	Bob Rose	24.0	
King Louie	Jill Lockwood	24.0	
Down Of a Bird Feather	Michael Doucette	24.0	
Bunny	Jim Quinn	23.0	
Fuzzy Flowers	Diana Ledoux	23.0	

<b><u>Make-Up for April 2015 -- NATURE</u></b>			
That Better Not Be Snow I See	Jill Lockwood	24.0	

### FINAL DIGITAL SUMMARY 2014-2015

MEMBERS		SEPT		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB		MAR		APR		MAY		TOTAL
	OPEN	TRANSPORTATION	OPEN	NATURE	OPEN	UGLY	OPEN	NATURE	OPEN	PATTERNS	OPEN	NATURE	OPEN	FUR / FEATHERS	OPEN	NATURE	OPEN	SOFT		
<b>CLASS AA</b>																				
Doris Monteiro	27.2	25.2	28.0	29.5	25.9	24.0	27.1	26.4	21.5	24.0	26.1	26.4	23.4	25.7	24.6	24.2	30.0	24.0	463.2	
Tony Monteiro	26.3	24.2	26.9	28.0	26.1	24.5	26.6	27.0	21.5	19.5	25.7	27.3	23.3	26.1	27.0	27.2	26.0	26.0	459.2	
Cathy Simmons	23.4	24.6	24.5	24.5	29.2	25.4	25.7	24.6	23.0	23.0	26.1	26.0	25.4	27.3	24.5	24.5	26.0	26.0	453.7	
Sue Abrahamson	25.1	24.6	24.5	23.0	27.8	24.7	25.2	26.0	24.5	21.5	26.1	26.1	25.2	23.3	25.4	24.9	27.0	27.0	451.9	
Todd Mathieson	22.1	22.8	27.5	27.5	24.3	25.8	26.6	24.6	23.0	19.5	23.4	29.7	26.4	24.5	24.3	24.3	28.0	26.0	450.3	
John Gill	24.9	24.6	21.5	28.0	27.1	22.9	24.4	25.7	23.0	21.5	26.1	23.4	23.6	23.7	26.3	25.4	26.0	24.0	442.1	
Linda Shelales	24.5	23.7	24.8	23.5	25.8	26.3	24.2	26.9	22.0	21.0	23.4	24.5	22.8	24.0	24.6	23.7	26.0	26.0	437.7	
Dave Morin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.0	21.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	44.5	
<b>CLASS A</b>																				
Stephanie Gill	23.9	22.8	25.2	26.0	25.6	22.7	23.7	25.8	27.0	22.0	29.7	25.8	25.2	24.5	26.1	24.9	26.0	25.0	451.9	
Barbara Huntley	23.6	23.7	27.5	20.3	25.6	21.1	25.7	27.2	24.0	23.5	23.9	24.9	23.7	23.4	22.8	24.9	27.0	27.0	439.8	
Marty Paulausky	24.2	24.8	21.5	22.3	21.4	17.5	26.4	25.7	22.5	20.5	23.6	28.1	24.3	26.4	22.7	26.4	27.0	24.0	429.3	
Ginny Harris	24.9	21.6	25.4	21.3	24.9	21.0	24.9	26.7	20.5	20.5	28.1	24.9	22.5	21.3	25.4	23.9	24.0	26.0	427.8	
Dave Reynard	23.9	24.6	24.9	21.0	20.8	22.8	27.2	26.0	24.0	22.5	24.6	26.1	24.2	21.0	22.2	24.0	24.0	23.0	426.8	
Maureen Mathieson	25.1	23.1	27.4	22.8	21.5	19.8	23.2	26.9	22.0	22.0	24.6	21.9	21.6	23.7	23.9	24.0	23.0	26.0	422.5	
Dean Giolas	21.5	22.0	21.5	25.5	22.0	20.6	22.4	24.2	20.5	21.0	23.4	26.3	24.0	22.4	25.2	21.5	23.0	27.0	414.0	
Linda Gilberti	22.7	23.4	21.3	22.3	22.5	21.0	24.0	24.1	22.5	20.0	22.5	22.4	22.1	21.3	22.2	21.6	26.0	26.0	407.9	
<b>CLASS B</b>																				
Liz West	23.1	21.6	21.0	22.5	27.0	24.3	23.7	24.0	22.5	25.0	26.9	23.6	22.8	24.5	23.9	24.2	28.0	26.0	434.6	
Bob Escott	25.2	24.0	24.5	22.5	23.7	22.2	21.6	25.2	23.5	22.0	24.5	24.0	24.8	23.7	21.3	22.1	25.0	25.0	424.8	
Jill Lockwood	23.7	21.6	23.8	22.0	27.0	23.5	23.9	24.3	21.5	22.5	26.4	21.5	26.1	20.4	23.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	423.2	
Jim Quinn	23.0	23.4	22.5	23.0	20.2	24.1	22.5	24.2	22.5	23.5	23.1	23.1	21.3	23.3	23.0	22.7	27.0	23.0	415.4	
Diana Ledoux	23.6	22.2	20.4	21.9	20.6	21.4	21.8	24.4	22.5	19.5	26.7	24.3	22.5	23.6	23.4	22.4	24.0	23.0	408.2	
Michael Doucette	22.7	23.0	25.0	21.0	23.5	0.0	23.8	22.0	21.5	25.0	23.6	24.2	23.1	22.8	21.9	25.2	23.0	24.0	395.3	
Theresa Vachowski	21.0	22.2	21.9	19.5	22.2	21.0	21.8	23.1	19.0	18.5	22.8	22.4	23.6	20.6	23.9	21.3	24.0	25.0	393.8	
Marie Riley	22.4	26.0	23.6	24.5	23.1	20.4	21.5	24.0	20.5	18.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.8	21.9	24.0	26.0	319.2	
Bob Cooke	26.1	22.1	20.7	25.0	21.4	22.6	21.6	23.8	19.5	19.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.4	22.7	22.0	27.0	315.9	
Robert Beauchemin	23.0	22.8	22.5	21.4	22.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.7	22.5	20.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	198.2	
Bill Tafuri	0.0	0.0	25.5	23.5	23.8	0.0	24.2	24.8	19.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.6	19.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	181.1	
Larry Wellington	24.2	21.6	21.5	23.5	19.8	21.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.0	0.0	180.8	
Bob Rose	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.7	19.4	24.0	23.4	23.0	24.0	134.5	
William Weiblen	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5	9.0	23.6	22.5	24.8	21.8	0.0	0.0	123.2	
Brad Barker	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.8	0.0	24.6	0.0	20.5	23.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	93.9	
Linda DeStefano Brown	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.1	21.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	23.0	25.0	92.4	
Diana Bull	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5	0.0	0.0	22.4	22.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	66.0	
Radha Raman Gargeya	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.3	20.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	45.7	