



FOCAL POINT

<http://www.assabetvalleycc.com>

October 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: Oct. 7. Scheduled programs:

Pre-meeting mini-tutorial from 6:45 to 7:15: Maureen M presents "the Alphabet Soup of the AVCC": What do all those abbreviations and acronyms we use mean?

Meeting program: Todd and Maureen M present "What do judges look for?" (see p.2)

Next competition meeting: Oct. 21. Scheduled subjects:

Prints "Open"

Digital "Open"

Digital assigned subject "Nature"

Minutes from September meetings:

"Dues are due" at the October program meeting to continue participating in club competitions. Dues are: \$45 individual, \$65 family/household, \$40 senior individual, \$55 senior household

AVCC is co-hosting a photo display with the Rivers Edge Arts Alliance on Nov. 12. No theme, room for 25 entries. Entries must be framed/matted and wired for hanging.

More info: talk to Maureen M.

If you discover you have submitted digital entries to the wrong month, or submitted the wrong images, you can re-do any entries you have made. Simply re-submit the correct images; only the last images submitted to any month will be held.

Our club is hosting the Quad Club competition this year; the voting will be in May. We will add 10 categories to the Quad Club list for the 20-category Scavenger Hunt; the April program meeting will be used for the Scavenger Hunt voting.

There is a new common Nature definition; we are adopting it this season. The new definition is now on the club website.

The club thanks Tony and Doris M, Bob E, Dave R, Drew and Cathy S, John and Stephanie G, Terry V, Bill W, Todd and Maureen M, and Sue A for their photo displays of what they did over the summer hiatus during the September program meeting.

NEWS RELEASE

AVCC Presents: What Do Judges Look For?

On Wednesday, October 7, the Assabet Valley Camera Club (AVCC) will host a presentation by Maureen and Todd Mathieson exploring what judges look for when they evaluate photographic images. All photographers will find this interesting.

Maureen, who is now the club's historian, joined AVCC in 1994 and held the office of president for 4 years. She has obtained judges for the club and was liaison for international salon competitions and for the River's Edge Arts Alliance.

Todd joined the club in 2000, and he also served as president for 4 years. He coordinates the club's annual Photo Ops day, with a specialty in black light or unusual, exciting set-ups.

Together the couple has served as liaison to the Friends of the Marlborough Public Library, which co-hosts an annual print exhibit.

The Mathiesons are both members of Photographic Association of America (PSA). For their service to the New England Camera Club Council (NECCC) and to local clubs where they serve as judges, last year they were awarded the MNEC (Master Member, New England Camera Club Council).

This program is free and open to the public. AVCC welcomes both new and prospective members. We meet at 7:30 PM the first and third Wednesdays of each month from September through June. Meetings are held at the Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church Street, Hudson.

For more information, contact Liz West (978) 263-2853 or muffet1@gmail.com

PUBLICITY RELEASE

“Cleaning up Your Catalog”, “Fixing Common Problems in Lightroom”

2 1/2 hour special presentation/workshop

We are pleased to welcome Adobe Guru and Photoshop-Lightroom Master **Tim Grey** to Greater Lynn for this superb learning experience. He will spend a little over an hour on each topic and have a question-and-answer session after the presentation. This special presentation will be done without needing a laptop.

Date: Tuesday Evening November 3, 2015

Time: 7 PM – 9:30 PM

Place: Greater Lynn Photographic Assoc. (GLPA) Headquarters, 564 Boston St, Lynn, MA 01905. Plenty of parking behind club or in church lot next door to club.

Cost: \$30 per person via mailed check or \$31 via PayPal (non-refundable but transferable) first come, first serve

In this session Tim Grey will show you how to solve some of the most common problems in Lightroom. The focus will be on common mistakes photographers make, and how to fix them to keep your catalog organized. You'll see how to clean up your catalog to ensure you can find your photos, with solutions for the most common mistakes photographers tend to make when attempting to organize their photos in Lightroom. You'll also learn how to solve common problems for your photographic images, including noise reduction, chromatic aberrations, perspective corrections, and more.

Tim Grey is regarded as one of the top educators in digital photography and imaging. He has authored more than a dozen books for photographers, has published dozens of video training courses, and has had hundreds of articles published in magazines such as Digital Photo Pro and Outdoor Photographer, among others. He also publishes the ‘Ask Tim Grey’ e-Newsletter, the monthly Pixology digital magazine, and a wide variety of video- training courses through his ‘GreyLearning’ website.

Please register online through the GLPA website at www.greaterlynnphoto.org

Home page-top black bar-click courses, then in dropdown menu click workshop-the registration link is in the left side column. You can also reach it from the home page of website-right column- scroll down to date Nov. 3 with Tim Grey’s picture and click the writing which will bring you to the course page.

Please Note: the Monday Nov. 2 Tim Grey program at GLPA is for members only

If paying by check- Mail check made out to GLPA for \$30 to Susan Mosser at 173 Central St, No. Reading, MA 01864

For more info, please email s.jmosser@comcast.net

Payment must be made by check or PayPal prior to attendance.

September 2015 Print Competition - OPEN

TITLE	SUBMITTED BY	SCORE	AWARD
<u>GOLD</u>			
Fall at Shelburne Falls	Sue Abrahamsen	25.8	1st
Sanibel Pelican	Drew Simmons	25.2	2nd
Mt. Rainier Reflection #1	Todd Mathieson	24.9	3rd
Graceful Lotus	Linda Shelales	24.6	
Baby Binky Bunny	Cathy Simmons	24	
Misty Schoouer	Bob Cooke	23.6	
Cuban Color	Linda Gilberti	22.8	
<u>SILVER</u>			
Night Heron	Bob Escott	25.7	1st
Hoverbee on Wild Iris	John Gill	25.7	1st
Pretty in Pink	Stephanie Gill	24.5	2nd
Our Hero !	Dave Morin	23.9	3rd
<u>BRONZE</u>			
I've had a Hair-Raising Day !	Diana Bull	26.3	1st
Nelson	John Sahagian	24.3	2nd
Red Leaf in Magen's Bay	Bill Weiblen	23.3	3rd
Mount Chocorua in Winter	Michael Doucette	22.4	

Images Highlighted in Yellow are Eligible for the Quad-Club Competition

PRINT SUMMARY 2015-2016		
	SEPT	
<u>GOLD</u>	Open	TOTAL
Sue Abrahamsen	25.8	25.8
Drew Simmons	25.2	25.2
Todd Mathieson	24.9	24.9
Linda Shelales	24.6	24.6
Cathy Simmons	24	24
Bob Cooke	23.6	23.6
Linda Gilberti	22.8	22.8
<u>SILVER</u>	Open	
Bob Escott	25.7	25.7
John Gill	25.7	25.7
Stephanie Gill	24.5	24.5
Dave Morin	23.9	23.9
<u>BRONZE</u>	Open	
Diana Bull	26.3	26.3
John Shagian	24.3	24.3
Bill Weiblen	23.3	23.3
Michael Doucette	22.4	22.4

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September 2015 Digital Competition - OPEN			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
CLASS AA			
Great White Egret in Flight	Tony Monteiro	26	1st
Feed Me	Linda Shelales	25.2	2nd
Infrared Lotuses #2	John Gill	25.2	2nd
Dragonfly on Lily Bud	Cathy Simmons	24.9	3rd
Great Horned Owl Bolton Fair 2015	Todd Mathieson	24.9	3rd
Late Light at Balance Rock	Doris Monteiro	24.9	3rd
Two Burrowing Owls	Drew Simmons	24.3	
Aziza and Her Mother	Stephanie Gill	24.2	
Beach Rocks	Sue Abrahamsen	23.4	
Winston Churchill	Dave Morin	22.7	
CLASS A			
Osprey in Flight	Barbara Huntley	26.1	1st
New Kid in Town	Liz West	24.9	2nd
Lotus Petals	Maureen Mathieson	24.6	3rd
Fence With Clematis	Ginny Harris	24.2	
Happy Inflation	Dave Reynard	24	
Incoming	Dean Giolas	23.6	
Great Meadows	Bob Escott	23.1	
Selling Cuban Style	Linda Gilberti	22.8	
Cinderella Castle Reflection	Jill Lockwood	22.7	
CLASS B			
Early Morning Bliss	Diana Ledoux	24.8	1st
Water Lily Boothbay	Theresa Vachowski	24.3	2nd
Return at Nightfall	Jennifer Wang	23.9	3rd
The Hungry Caterpillar	Diana Bull	23.9	3rd
Wedding Decoration	Michael Doucette	23.3	
White Among Green	Linda DeStefano Brown	23	
Yin Yang	Jim Quinn	22.7	
Peggy's Cove Sunset	Bob Cooke	21.9	
Low Tide	Larry Wellington	21.9	
Farm Morning	John Prunte	21.6	
Old Fence Post	Marie Riley	21.5	

September 2015 Digital Competition - Things in Three(s)			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
CLASS AA			
Long Necked Trip	Doris Monteiro	26.3	1st
Tangle of Three	Tony Monteiro	25.4	2nd
Three Acorns	Sue Abrahamsen	24.8	3rd
Three Blue Angels	Todd Mathieson	24.6	
Summer Glow	Stephanie Gill	24.5	
Infrared Lotuses #1	John Gill	24.3	
Calves Play King of the Mountain	Linda Shelales	24.3	
Flowers and Fritillaries	Cathy Simmons	24.2	
Three Spoonbills	Drew Simmons	24	
3 Flowers	Dave Morin	23.7	
CLASS A			
Proud Parent	Bob Escott	24.9	1st
Three Little Pigs	Liz West	24.5	2nd
Three Drops	Dean Giolas	24.5	2nd
Snowbirds	Jill Lockwood	24.3	3rd
Chihuly Glass - Seattle	Dave Reynard	24.2	
Pink Lotus in Full Bloom 3	Ginny Harris	23.9	
3 Pelicans Can	Maureen Mathieson	23.7	
Small Medium and Large	Marty Paulausky	23.7	
A Trio of Egrets	Barbara Huntley	23.7	
Trio in Black	Linda Gilberti	23.1	
CLASS B			
Resting Eagles 2	Diana Bull	24.5	1st
Posing For Pennies - Peru	Bob Cooke	24	2nd
A Fruitful Smile	Michael Doucette	23.7	3rd
Three Row Boats Falmouth	Theresa Vachowski	23.7	3rd
Canning Threes	John Prunte	23.4	
Summer Tomatoes	Marie Riley	23.1	
Drum Line	Jim Quinn	23.1	
Sailboats in Fog	Linda DeStefano Brown	22.8	
Havin Some Fun	Diana Ledoux	22.2	

DIGITAL SUMMARY 2015-2016			
MEMBERS	SEPT		TOTAL
		Things in Threes	
CLASS AA	Open		
Tony Monteiro	26	25.4	51.4
Doris Monteiro	24.9	26.3	51.2
Linda Shelales	25.2	24.3	49.5
John Gill	25.2	24.3	49.5
Todd Mathieson	24.9	24.6	49.5
Cathy Simmons	24.9	24.2	49.1
Stephanie Gill	24.2	24.5	48.7
Drew Simmons	24.3	24	48.3
Sue Abrahamsen	23.4	24.8	48.2
Dave Morin	22.7	23.7	46.4
CLASS A			
Barbara Huntley	26.1	23.7	49.8
Liz West	24.9	24.5	49.4
Maureen Mathieson	24.6	23.7	48.3
Dave Reynard	24	24.2	48.2
Dean Giolas	23.6	24.5	48.1
Ginny Harris	24.2	23.9	48.1
Bob Escott	23.1	24.9	48
Jill Lockwood	22.7	24.3	47
Linda Gilberti	22.8	23.1	45.9
Marty Paulausky	0	23.7	23.7
CLASS B			
Diana Bull	23.9	24.5	48.4
Theresa Vachowski	24.3	23.7	48
Diana Ledoux	24.8	22.2	47
Michael Doucette	23.3	23.7	47
Bob Cooke	21.9	24	45.9
Linda DeStefano Brown	23	22.8	45.8
Jim Quinn	22.7	23.1	45.8
John Prunte	21.6	23.4	45
Marie Riley	21.5	23.1	44.6
Larry Wellington	21.9	21.6	43.5
Jennifer Wang	23.9	0	23.9