



FOCAL POINT

<http://www.assabetvalleycc.com>

February 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: Feb. 3. Scheduled program:
Ray Giullette presents "The Creative Process" (see p.2)

Next competition meeting: Feb. 17. Scheduled subjects:
Prints "Open"
Digital "Open"
Digital assigned subject "Nature"

Notes from January meetings:

The club is sponsoring one member's attendance at the NECCC Symposium in July. If you would like to attend, let Stephanie know by the February program meeting. If more than one member expresses interest, a drawing will be held. You must be a club member who has never been to the symposium to be eligible. Room & board is at the member's expense.

The club has the funds to begin looking for a new competition projector. We are looking for a volunteer committee.

A reminder that we host the Quad Club this year. Our Scavenger Hunt comprises only the 10 Quad Club subjects. To enter images in the Scavenger Hunt, go to the Competitions pull-down on the club website and click Scavenger Hunt for rules and entry instructions.

The Glennie competition is coming up. Contact Todd M. for details and to submit images.

We will be passing around the Job List next month. We will need volunteers for some jobs starting next season.

The club thanks Liz W. for her mini-tutorial "Layers 101" at the competition meeting, and Bob Ring and Don Toothaker for their presentation "Get the shot and make it sharp" at the program meeting. John G. will host a mini-tutorial at the next meeting.

News Release: February program

Ray Guillette Presents “The Creative Process” at AVCC

On Wednesday, February 3, the Assabet Valley Camera Club (AVCC) will host Ray Guillette, who will give an audiovisual presentation on the creative process and how photographers can enhance their own creativity. Ray considers creativity to be a form of problem solving, so he will focus on the choices and strategies photographers make, mainly before and during a shot. These include knowing the equipment, learning about a subject, selecting a viewpoint, staying in the moment, and feeling free to fail.

Ray is a self-confessed “Celluloid Crazy,” or film photographer. He is a 35-year member, Honorary Life Member, and past president of the Stony Brook Camera Club in Wrentham. He is also cofounder of the Film Photographers Association, as well as past president of the 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 on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from now through June at the Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church St., Hudson.

For more information, call Liz West (978) 263-2853 or visit our website at <http://www.assabetvalleycc.com>

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Hudson Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

2016 Ocean State International Exhibition:

Entry deadline is March 19. Starting this year, the event has been moved to March and April for accepting entries and judging. Entry fee is \$8 individually; if at least 6 club members enter, the fee is \$5/member. Rules, instructions and entry form can be found at <http://www.psri.us/os-exhibition/ose-2016/>

January 2016 Print Competition -- OPEN

TITLE	SUBMITTED BY	SCORE	AWARD
<u>GOLD</u>			
Bohemian Waxwing	Paul Weisbach	26	1st
Horse Family	Sue Abrahamsen	25.2	2nd
Chipmunk at Assabet River NWR	Todd Mathieson	25.2	2nd
Winky	Drew Simmons	23.4	3rd
Marine Relic	Linda Gilberti	22.6	
Lake Powell Overlook	Bob Cooke	22.5	
Gull Gazing	Linda Shelales	22	
Spoonbill Portrait	Cathy Simmons	21	
<u>Make-Up for December 2015 -- Glassware</u>			
Cheers	Linda Gilberti	24	
<u>SILVER</u>			
Lotus #5	John Gill	29	1st
Quechee Gorge	Stephanie Gill	26.5	2nd
Mallard on the Move	Barbara Huntley	23.8	3rd
Black Swan	Bob Escott	23	
Pierre Peerin'	Dave Morin	22	
<u>Make-Up for December 2015 -- Glassware</u>			
Dom Perignon 1966	Dave Morin	28	
<u>BRONZE</u>			
A Field in Maine	Linda DeStefano Brown	25	1st
Antelope Canyon	William Weiblen	24	2nd
After the Rain	Diana Bull	23.9	3rd
Autumn Harvest	Art Walker	22.7	
Mount Auburn Cemetery Fountain	Michael Doucette	21.5	
Trader Joe's Cat	John Sahagian	20.5	

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

PRINT SUMMARY 2015-2016						
	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	
<u>GOLD</u>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	TOTAL
Todd Mathieson	24.9	25.5	26.6	26.6	25.2	128.8
Sue Abrahamsen	25.8	24	26.2	22.8	25.2	124
Linda Shelales	24.6	26.6	24.3	25.5	22	123
Cathy Simmons	24	27	24.2	26.3	21	122.5
Drew Simmons	25.2	23	23.1	22.6	23.4	117.3
Linda Gilberti	22.8	26	21.8	24	22.6	117.2
Bob Cooke	23.6	23	22.1	22.4	22.5	113.6
Paul Weisbach	25	25	24.2	0	26	100.2
<u>SILVER</u>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	
John Gill	25.7	24.5	26.1	23.6	29	128.9
Dave Morin	23.9	28.5	24.7	28	22	127.1
Stephanie Gill	24.5	24.5	24.2	25.5	26.5	125.2
Bob Escott	25.7	23.5	26.8	23.8	23	122.8
Barbara Huntley	21	24	25.3	24.8	23.8	118.9
Maureen Mathieson	0	25	0	0	0	25
<u>BRONZE</u>	Open	Open	Nature	Glassware	Open	
Diana Bull	26.3	23	21.6	24.4	23.9	119.2
Linda DeStefano Brown	0	0	22	23.1	25	70.1
Art Walker	0	0	19.8	22.7	22.7	65.2
Michael Doucette	22.4	19.5	0	0	21.5	63.4
Bill Weiblen	23.3	0	9	0	24	56.3
John Shagian	24.3	0	0	0	20.5	44.8

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

January 2016 Digital Competition -- OPEN			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<u>CLASS AA</u>			
Pintail in Flight	Tony Monteiro	29.8	1st
Profile of Scarlet Macaw	Doris Monteiro	29.5	2nd
Eastern Yellow Swallowtail on Cone Flower #2	John Gill	28.9	3rd
Lunch Has Arrived	Sue Abrahamsen	27.5	
Barred Owl Bolton Fair 2015	Todd Mathieson	26.5	
White Peacock	Stephanie Gill	25.6	
Preening Wood Stork	Cathy Simmons	24.3	
Fun in the Pool	John Houldsworth	24	
Snake Eating a Fish	Drew Simmons	23.2	
In the Reeds	Dave Morin	23.2	
Golden Digger Wasp	Linda Gilberti	22	
<u>CLASS A</u>			
Old Stone Church - West Boylston #1	Fred Parsons	30	1st
Blue Macaw	Maureen Mathieson	28.5	2nd
South Cemetery Boxborough	Liz West	28.1	3rd
Lamb and Ewe	Ginny Harris	27.9	
Osprey in Flight #2	Barbara Huntley	27	
Whitmore Falls #39	Dave Reynard	25.4	
Canadian Snowbirds	Jill Lockwood	25	
Sleepy Hollow Farm	Marty Paulausky	24.9	
Prairie Dog Snack	Linda Gilberti	23.7	
Winter Wonder	Bob Escott	22.1	
High Ledges Wildlife Sanctuary	Dean Golas	21	
<u>CLASS B</u>			
Badlands	Mo Sibachir	26	1st
Pick Your Poison	Art Walker	24.3	2nd
Jaguar Hunting	Bob Cooke	24.1	3rd
Desert Monsoon Rainbow	Diana Bull	23.6	
Ripple Reflection	Linda DeStefano Brown	23.1	
Morning Walk	Larry Wellington	23	
Welcome to My Tanning Booth	Michael Doucette	22.9	
Pink	Diana Ledoux	22.8	
Wedding Day	Jim Quinn	22.5	
Alaska Mountain Sunset	Theresa Vachowski	21	

January 2016 Digital Competition -- STONEWORK			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
CLASS AA			
Rice City Pond Bridge in Autumn	Tony Monteiro	27.6	1st
Drakes Island Jetty	Dave Morin	27	2nd
Wayside Gristmill	Drew Simmons	25.6	3rd
Gold Mine Ruins in Aruba	John Gill	25.5	
Prayers to the Sea	Linda Shelales	25.4	
Gillette Castle East Haddam CT	Doris Monteiro	25.1	
Jesus My Rock	Cathy Simmons	24.7	
Trinity Church Stairs Boston	Todd Mathieson	24.3	
Carriage Road Bridge Acadia	Stephanie Gill	24	
Stone Eagle	Sue Abrahamsen	23.8	
Schengen	John Houldsworth	21	
Make-Up for December 2015 -- Nature			
Blacked Tailed Deer on Hillside Olympic NP	Todd Mathieson	23	
CLASS A			
Memento Mori	Liz West	26.8	1st
Mount Auburn	Bob Escott	26.4	2nd
Longfellows Wayside Inn Grist Mill	Ginny Harris	26.3	3rd
Gilgal Garden Utah	Maureen Mathieson	26	
Wachusett Dam Stonework	Dean Giolas	24.9	
Indian Stonework	Linda Gilberti	24.4	
Old Stone Church Inside West Boylston	Fred Parsons	23.9	
Stone Wall	Marty Paulausky	23.7	
Trapp Stone Church	Barbara Huntley	23.4	
Castle Restaurant Leicester MA	Dave Reynard	22.3	
Bancroft Tower in Black & White	Jill Lockwood	22	
CLASS B			
Decordova	Mo Sibachir	25	1st
Double Gateway	Linda DeStefano Brown	24.7	2nd
Bell Tower	Diana Bull	23.4	3rd
Behind the Grist Mill	Theresa Vachowski	23	
Stone Chorus Turkey	Bob Cooke	22.8	
Rock Wall Detail	Diana Ledoux	22.7	
Old South Burial Ground	Art Walker	22.5	
Old Stone Work	Jim Quinn	21.2	
Monhegan Island	Larry Wellington	21.1	
Bracelet Stone	Michael Doucette	21	

DIGITAL SUMMARY 2015-2016											
MEMBERS	SEPT		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		TOTAL
CLASS AA	Open	Things in Threes	Open	Nature	Open	Panning	Open	Nature	Open	Stonework	
Tony Monteiro	26	25.4	26.2	29.1	28.1	25.2	28.1	26.7	29.8	27.6	272.2
Doris Monteiro	24.9	26.3	24.8	22.8	27.9	24.6	27.4	27.5	29.5	25.1	260.8
John Gill	25.2	24.3	26.6	25.2	25.8	25.9	25.8	26.2	28.9	25.5	259.4
Sue Abrahamsen	23.4	24.8	27.2	25.2	25.8	21.8	27.2	28.2	27.5	23.8	254.9
Cathy Simmons	24.9	24.2	28.8	25.5	26.4	23	26.4	25.9	24.3	24.7	254.1
Todd Mathieson	24.9	24.6	25.5	24.8	26.2	24.9	25	23	26.5	24.3	249.7
Linda Shelales	25.2	24.3	27	28	24.7	23.2	26	23.9	22	25.4	249.7
Stephanie Gill	24.2	24.5	23.5	23.5	25.1	24	24.1	27.5	25.6	24	246
Drew Simmons	24.3	24	23.5	24.7	25.8	21.2	23.5	26.5	23.2	25.6	242.3
Dave Morin	22.7	23.7	25.5	22.5	24.7	20.8	23	25.3	23.2	27	238.4
John Houldsworth	23	23.2	21	21.9	23.3	26.5	22.2	24.8	24	21	230.9
CLASS A	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	TOTAL
Liz West	24.9	24.5	24.1	24.5	26.7	22.9	27	26.8	28.1	26.8	256.3
Barbara Huntley	26.1	23.7	25.5	24	28.1	24.8	26.2	24.4	27	23.4	253.2
Ginny Harris	24.2	23.9	22	25.6	23.6	25.7	24.7	23.1	27.9	26.3	247
Dave Reynard	24	24.2	24.8	24.1	26.2	23	25.2	26.5	25.4	22.3	245.7
Maureen Mathieson	24.6	23.7	26	20	24.3	22.4	26	23.9	28.5	26	245.4
Linda Gilberti	22.8	23.1	24	26.5	23.9	20.4	26.2	25.8	23.7	24.4	240.8
Marty Paulausky	23.8	23.7	22.6	24.6	26.1	24.1	22.7	24.6	24.9	23.7	240.8
Bob Escott	23.1	24.9	23.8	23.8	26.7	21.7	23.7	23.9	22.1	26.4	240.1
Dean Giolas	23.6	24.5	21.7	26.7	23.4	20.6	24.1	23.2	21	24.9	233.7
Jill Lockwood	22.7	24.3	20.5	24.5	23.6	23.4	23.3	23	25	22	232.3
Fred Parsons	0	0	29.8	25	0	0	25.5	26.4	30	23.9	160.6
CLASS B	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	TOTAL
Diana Ledoux	24.8	22.2	25	24	24.9	23.1	23.3	24.2	22.8	22.7	237
Diana Bull	23.9	24.5	20.9	22.7	24.9	20.8	24.9	23.8	23.6	23.4	233.4
Theresa Vachowski	24.3	23.7	21	23	26.8	21.5	23.9	23.9	21	23	232.1
Jim Quinn	22.7	23.1	21.5	20.3	22.5	25.9	26.8	25.3	22.5	21.2	231.8
Michael Doucette	23.3	23.7	23.3	20.8	24.5	23.3	22.9	26	22.9	21	231.7
Bob Cooke	21.9	24	23.4	20	21.8	22	22.5	25.1	24.1	22.8	227.6
Linda DeStefano Brown	23	22.8	25	19.5	26.3	0	24.8	22.7	23.1	24.7	211.9
Mo Sibachir	0	0	21.7	24.9	23.9	21.4	23.5	24.4	26	25	190.8
Jennifer Wang	23.9	22.5	22.2	21	27.2	0	24	23.3	0	0	164.1
Art Walker	0	0	0	24.2	22.8	22.1	22.5	23.3	24.3	22.5	161.7
Larry Wellington	21.9	21.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	21.1	87.6
John McKinney	0	0	0	0	24	0	22.5	0	0	0	46.5
Bob Rose	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.6	22.6	0	0	45.2
John Prunte	21.6	23.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
Marie Riley	21.5	23.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.6
Bill Weiblen	0	0	22	22.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	44.2

