





## InFocus, the Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club

The Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC) welcomes new members of any level of expertise in digital and film photography. The Club meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at Maplewood Presbyterian Church in Edmonds, Washington.

Activities include education, review of work, and exhibition opportunities.

**Note that during the current pandemic, our meetings are held online via video conferencing. More information is available via our Meetup page.**

The PSCC was organized in 1984 and is a member of the Photographic Society of America and the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs.

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[https://www.meetup.com/Puget-  
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Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC): [www.pugetsoundcamera.com](http://www.pugetsoundcamera.com)  
Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC): [www.nwcameraclubs.org](http://www.nwcameraclubs.org)  
Photographic Society of America (PSA): [www.psa-photo.org](http://www.psa-photo.org)

## Message from the President

Hi PSCC members.

As I write this it's well over 80 degrees out (and in). I hope everyone is staying cool and hydrated. It should cool down by the time we have our **field trip to the Point Defiance Gardens on August 3**. The latest forecast I saw is for partly cloudy weather which should make for great photographs. I hope to see quite a few of you there. We're meeting at the main entrance at **5400 N Pearl St. at 2 pm**. We'll have dinner locally after for those who want to avoid the rush hour traffic. If you need a ride or can take other members let Mercedes or myself know.

Our annual **Ice Cream Social** will be held at **7 pm on Digital Night, August 8**, outside at the church. Those who appear by zoom will be able to sign in at 7 and chat with each other and eat ice cream at home while waiting for those of us who come in person. Please let me know if you intend to come in person by August 7 so I'll know how many ice cream bars to buy. Thanks.

Bill Royce has agreed to be our Education Night presenter on August 29. More on that later.

Reminders: Check out **page 4** for more information about **upcoming art competitions**, including Arts of the Terrace in Mountlake Terrace, the photography competition at the Evergreen State Fair, and the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Puget Sound Bird Fest in Edmonds.

Chris Currie  
PSCC President



Chris Currie *Front and Back*

# July 2022

## Digital Night Scores

<b>Commentators</b>	Jack Broom Holly Hauser Michael Hrankowski
<b>Judges</b>	Mercedes Perez Andy Royce Mary Tevis
<b>Assignment</b>	Calm

MP - Most Popular

### Assignments in August, 2022

**Digital: Patterns in Nature**  
**Print: Sports**

For more information as well as the full list of assignments this year, go to

[www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments](http://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments)

### Useful Web Links

The usual practice when framing a photograph is to put it under glass. What if it's actually more effective to **leave the glass out**? Red River Paper has an excellent article challenging the conventional wisdom: <https://blog.redrivercatalog.com/2022/02/make-spectacular-reflection-free-framed-prints.html>

We all love to travel as a part of making more compelling images, but it's getting expensive with rising gas prices and air fare. NANPA has a inspiring article on ways to **saving money on photography trips**: <https://nanpa.org/2022/07/05/tips-for-trips-saving-money-on-photography-travels/>

For those who enjoy the **long exposure work** of Thibault Roland, Michael Kenna, Cole Thompson, and others, take a look at the architectural work of **Julia Anna Gospodarou**: <https://www.juliaannagospodarou.com/gallery/>. She also teaches her techniques in workshops across the world. She has taken the essence of her instruction and put it in an extensive free tutorial: <https://www.juliaannagospodarou.com/long-exposure-photography-extensive-tutorial/>

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Fog in Reid Harbor	Andy Royce	24	First Place(tied), MP
	Sunset Fishing	Robert Rutkin	24	First Place(tied)
	Calm waters	Bill Royce	22	
	Stonehenge Memorial Twilight	Chris Currie	22	
	Few Moments Before Sunset	Les Rawlings	22	
	Calm Water Reflections	Mercedes Perez	21	
	Sunset in the Pantanal	Mary Tevis	21	
	Newport Marina Stillness	Henry Heerschap	21	
	Koi Pond	Robert Rutkin	20	
	Silent Prayer	Klaus Lorenz	20	
	Calm Sunset Scene	Mary Pease	19	
Creative/Altered	Windswept Grassland	Lynne Greenup	24	First Place, MP
	Colorado River Abstract	Bob Birnbaum	22	
	Stars Among Stones	JoDee Owens	22	
	Companionship	Mercedes Perez	21	
Creatures	Cedar Waxwing	Bill Ray	25	First Place(tied)
	Crow Gets Lunch	Jack Broom	25	First Place(tied)
	Posing Among the Leaves	Henry Heerschap	25	First Place(tied)
	Tree Swallow In Mid Air	Michael Hrankowski	25	First Place(tied)
	Young Eagle in Black and White	Glen Moffitt	25	MP
	Midshipman Buffet (Bald Eagles)	Holly Hauser	24	
	Rhinoceros Auklets in Spring	Holly Hauser	24	
	Ruffled Feather Day	Lynne Greenup	24	
	Badger Mom and Cub	Jeff Lane	23	
	Barred owl	Bruce Ulness	23	
	Osprey with chick	Bruce Ulness	23	
	Mitey Small	Bill Wheeler	22	
	Orange you Pretty	Bill Wheeler	22	
	Noncompliant Cub	Jeff Lane	21	
	Spicebush Monarch Butterfly	Lauren Heerschap	21	
	Pair of Eagles in a Tree	Andy Royce	21	
	Desert Raven	Karen Jacobson	20	
	Flasher on the Waterfront	Jack Broom	20	
	Yellow Headed Blackbird	Jake Jacobson	19	
Monochrome	Muzzle Loader Man	Bill Royce	23	First Place(tied), MP
	Lava fields	Jake Jacobson	21	
	The Eye	Lauren Heerschap	21	
Open	Cowboy Joy	Glen Moffitt	23	First Place(tied)
	Here's Looking At You Kid	Klaus Lorenz	23	First Place(tied)
	Planetary Alignment From Wrightsville Beach NC	Michael Hrankowski	23	First Place(tied), MP
	Stonehenge Memorial Inside	Chris Currie	22	
	Elegance	Bill Ray	22	
	Green and Red	Bob Birnbaum	22	
	Caineville Badlands	Les Rawlings	22	
	Megler Bridge Across the Columbia River	Dave Patzwald	21	
	Ancient Dwelling	Karen Jacobson	20	
	Viking Orion Docked on the Columbia River	Dave Patzwald	20	
	Springtime Blossoms	Mary Pease	19	
Unjudged	Jaguar of the Pantanal	Mary Tevis		
	Karnak	Bob Sotak		

## July 2022 Print Night Scores

<b>Judges</b>	Mary Tevis Lauren Heerschap Chris Currie
<b>Assignment</b>	Cityscape at Night

**MPC** - Most Popular Color

**MPM** - Most Popular Monochrome

## Photography Competitions

### NWCCC Annual Competitions

The 2022 Northwest Council of Camera Clubs competitions are now open for entry! Categories include Digital Images, Prints, and Digital Slideshows.

Rules and entry information can be found at

<https://nwcameraclubs.org/competitions/>

Deadline for all three competitions is October 1, 2022.

### Puget Sound Bird Fest 2022

Amateur and professional photographers are invited to take part in the 2022 Puget Sound Bird Fest Photo Contest in conjunction with the Puget Sound Bird Fest! There are no entry fees associated with this contest. Entries will be accepted through August 20th, 2022 and will be displayed on-line for People's Choice Award voting in late August.

Photos must be of bird species typically found in the Puget Sound region. Photographers are invited to submit images in one of two age categories- the adult (18 and over) category and a youth (17 and under) category.

More information and full contest rules can be found at [https://cdn5-hosted.civiclive.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_16494932/File/Government/Departments/Parks,%20Recreation%20and%20Cultural%20Services/Discovery%20Programs/Puget%20Sound%20Bird%20Fest/Photo%20Contest\\_Call%20for%20Entries-Rules-2022.pdf](https://cdn5-hosted.civiclive.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_16494932/File/Government/Departments/Parks,%20Recreation%20and%20Cultural%20Services/Discovery%20Programs/Puget%20Sound%20Bird%20Fest/Photo%20Contest_Call%20for%20Entries-Rules-2022.pdf)

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Cologne at Night	Lauren Heerschap	24	First Place(tied)
	Women's Bridge, Buenos Ares	Michael Hrankowski	24	First Place(tied)
	Bratislava Castle and Apollo Bridge	Henry Heerschap	21	
Creative/Altered	Pudding Creek	Mercedes Perez	20	MPC
	Welcome to My Garden	Michael Hrankowski	20	
Creatures	Lettered Aracari	Mary Tevis	27	First Place
	Grooming	Mary Tevis	26	
	Bison and Red Dog	Jeff Lane	24	
	Hummingbird Visit	Jack Broom	24	
	Looking for Lunch	Jack Broom	24	
	Noncompliant Cub	Jeff Lane	22	
	Yin and Yang Birds	Lauren Heerschap	21	
Monochrome	Rocks at Rosario Beach	Michael Hrankowski	26	First Place, MPM
	Resting but Watchful	Lynne Greenup	19	
	Yellowstone Lake Reflected	Jeff Lane	17	
Open	Come Visit Little Insects	Chris Currie	26	First Place(tied)
	Front and Back	Chris Currie	26	First Place(tied)
	Mount St Helens	Henry Heerschap	24	
	Ole Jimmy	Henry Heerschap	24	
	New Hat	Lauren Heerschap	23	
	Plumes	Chris Currie	23	
	View Through Dilapidated Windows	Mercedes Perez	21	

### Arts of the Terrace

COVID forced the cancellation of one of my favorite art shows- Mountlake Terrace's Arts of the Terrace. Not the biggest art show in the area, this show has consistently featured excellent quality work in painting, sculpture, calligraphy, and photography. I was pleased to see that the show is back for the first time since 2019.

The entry deadline is August 12. If your work is accepted, it needs to be delivered September 16 or 17. The show dates are September 24 - October 1. You can enter up to four images. Note that the fee is \$20 for each entry.

Many PSCC members have participated and have won awards at this show over the years. It's a great show to get your feet wet if you've never entered an art show before.

More info at <https://mltarts.org/artsoftheterrace/>

### Evergreen State Fair

The Open Class Competition returns to the Evergreen State Fair. This competition is open to all age groups and skill levels and even includes cash prizes! It's a great opportunity to get your feet wet if you've never entered a competition before.

The deadline for entering online is August 10 and you need to deliver your prints to the fairgrounds on Sunday, August 14.

More information is found here: <https://www.evergreenfair.org/251/Open-Class-OC>

Scroll down to Department W- Photography and click on the link to download the full rules and requirements.

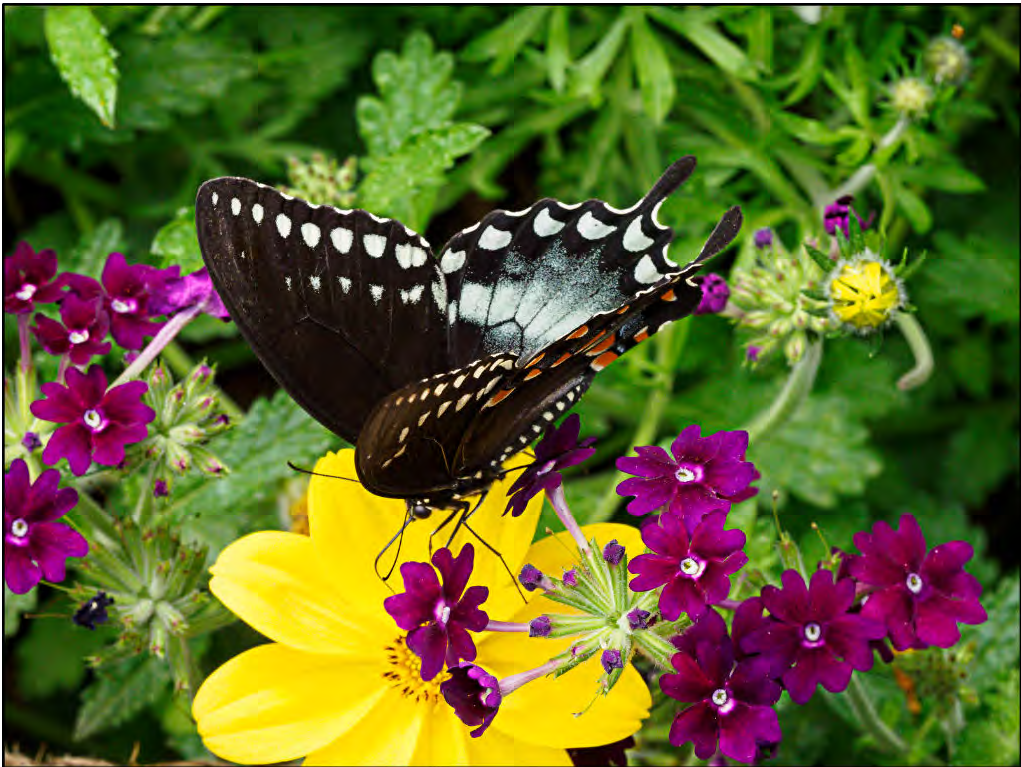
### Annual Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Photo Contest

Sponsored by Portland's Pro Photo Supply camera store, this contest is limited to photos taken in the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge north of Vancouver, WA. Prizes include a Pro Photo Supply gift card, prints of winning images, and inclusion in an in-store gallery.

Submission deadline is September 10.

More info can be found at: <https://prophotosupply.com/blogs/newsroom/16th-annual-ridgefield-national-wildlife-refuge-photo-contest-2022>





Lauren Heerschap (clockwise from upper left)

***Spicebush Monarch Butterfly***

***Cologne at Night***

***The Eye***

***Yin and Yang Birds***

***New Hat***







Les Rawlings ***Caineville Badlands***



Robert Rutkin ***Sunset Fishing***

Les Rawlings ***Few Moments Before Sunset***



Mary Pease ***Calm Sunset Scene***





Jack Broom  
(clockwise from upper left)  
***Hummingbird Visit***  
***Flasher on the Waterfront***  
***Eagle Spies Lunch***  
***Crow Gets Lunch***







Bill Royce **Muzzle Loader Man**



Klaus Lorenz **Here's Looking At You Kid**



Glen Moffitt **Young Eagle in Black and White**

Klaus Lorenz **Silent Prayer**



Glen Moffitt **Cowboy Joy**







Mercedes Perez  
(clockwise from upper left)  
***View Through Dilapidated Windows***  
***Companionship***  
***Pudding Creek***  
***Calm Water Reflections***







Holly Hauser **Midshipman Buffet**

Bruce Ulness **Osprey with Chick**



Karen Jacobson **Desert Raven**

Bill Ray **Cedar Waxwing**



Bruce Ulness **Barred Owl**







Jeff Lane (clockwise from upper left)  
***Badger Mom and Cub***  
***Yellowstone Lake Reflected***  
***Noncompliant Cub***  
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Bill Wheeler ***Orange You Pretty***



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Michael Hrankowski  
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***Wrightsville Beach, NC***  
***Women's Bridge, Buenos Ares***  
***Rocks at Rosario Beach***  
***Welcome to My Garden***







Bill Ray *Elegance*



Dave Patzwald *Viking Orion Docked on Columbia River*

Bob Birnbaum *Green and Red*



Dave Patzwald *Megler Bridge Across the Columbia*







Mary Tevis ***Jaguar of the Pantanal***



Mary Tevis ***Grooming***

Karen Jacobson ***Ancient Dwelling***



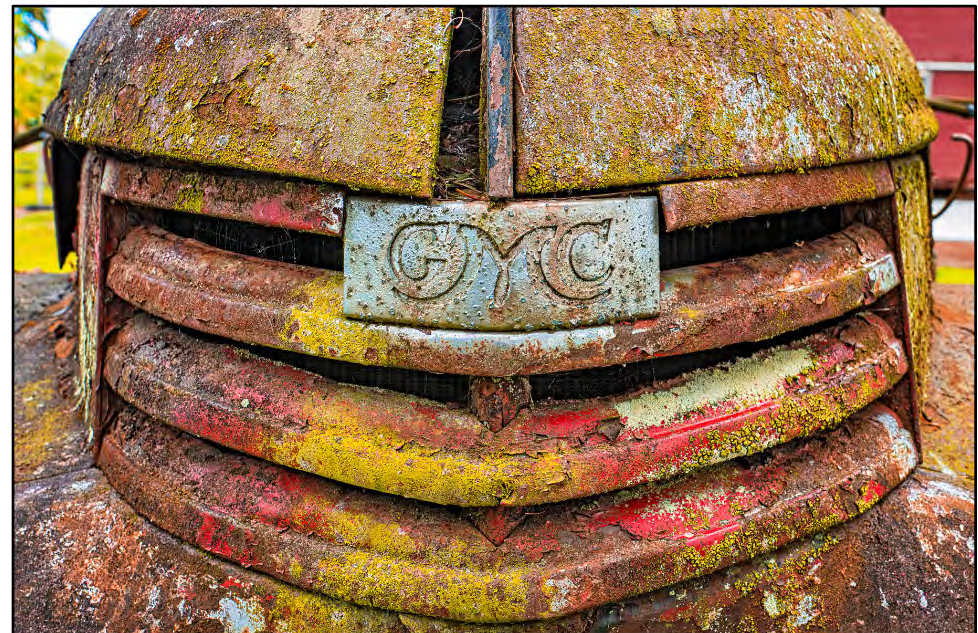
Mary Tevis ***Sunset in the Pantanal***







Henry Heerschap  
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***Posing Among the Leaves***  
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***Bratislava Castle***  
***and Apollo Bridge***  
***Mount St Helens***







Jake Jacobson ***Lava Fields***



Chris Currie ***Stonehenge Memorial Twilight***

JoDee Owens ***Stars Among Stones***



Chris Currie ***Stonehenge Memorial Inside***







Bob Sotak ***Karmak***

Chris Currie ***Come Visit Little Insects***



Chris Currie ***Plumes***

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Lynne Greenup ***Resting But Watchful***



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Andy Royce ***Fog in Reid Harbor***







Lynne Greenup ***Ruffed Feather Day***



Jake Jacobson ***Yellow Headed Blackbird***

Holly Hauser ***Rhinoceros Auklets in Spring***



Andy Royce ***Pair of Eagles in a Tree***



## Minutes of the PSCC Board Meeting on July 18, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

Present on Zoom were President Chris Currie, Secretary Mary Tevis, Treasurer Yvonne Shimek, Digital Director Bob Sotak, Print Director Henry Heerschap, Member at Large Michael Hrankowski, and club member Jack Broom.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Chris Currie moved to approve the minutes of May 22, 2022; this was seconded and passed.

The club's bank account was changed to add the signature of President Chris Currie and delete the signature of former President Jack Broom.

The vote for officers went smoothly and the new and/or returning officers were voted into office on Zoom at the End-of-Year gathering.

The F:67 Camera Club requested that PSCC judge their year-end competition. Henry Heerschap, Dave Patzwald, and Chris Currie volunteered to do that. In appreciation for the work, the F:67 Club sent PSCC a \$35 honorarium. This will cover the cost of our ice cream social on August 8, 2022.

The NWCCC annual conference, set for November 12, 2022, needs helpers. PSCC has volunteered to handle the kitchen, i.e., preparing coffee, etc.

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Mercedes Perez would like help in planning and executing field trips. The Board suggested several locations, and Mercedes will plan something for August. She would also like help in finding and scheduling education night speakers. Now that people are traveling again, there are fewer speakers available, and it is more difficult to find speakers for education night.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

There is a balance of \$1888 in the club checking account as of June 30, 2022. A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report; it was seconded and passed. An auditor is needed for the financial books for the club. Chris Currie will send an email to the club asking for help. Mary Pease is unable to audit the books anymore. Thank you, Mary Pease, for performing this task for many years.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Chris Currie asked if all plaques, certificates, and ribbons have been distributed, and Jack Broom said that almost all has been taken care of, and the ones that had not been handed to the winner were now mailed.

Bob Sotak reports that the turnout for the hybrid digital night sessions is very well attended: 15 members were present in the room and 20 were on Zoom. With the digital entries limited

to two per member, the time of the meeting has been kept to two hours, even with the makers' remarks. We will keep having the attending makers come up to the microphone until we can do better with the sound system in the meeting room. Henry Heerschap is working on that.

Jack Broom reported on the Edmonds Waterfront Center Gallery exhibition. We are committed to showing images July, August, and September of 2023. The exhibition also includes participating in the Edmonds Art Walk. A discussion was held concerning the amount and size of images. This will need to be determined. A discussion was held concerning selling the images, and it was determined that the photographer can put a price tag on his/her picture. It is unknown if the Center takes a cut. A small work group was asked for, and Henry Heerschap, Michael Hrankowski, Chris Currie, Mercedes Perez, and Jack Broom will form the work group. Dave Patzwald is the PSA/PID representative, and Jack Broom, representing him, said that Dave wishes to include a monochrome category in the PSA/PID series. Also, if there are more than six entries from the club, that we needed a judging process in order to select the six entries. Henry Heerschap moved that we add monochrome to our PID participation, and that we determine who gets in each time via a panel of judges. He further moved that we empower Dave Patzwald to determine the specifics of the judging process. It was seconded and passed. Chris Currie will let Dave Patzwald know what we have decided.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Chris Currie brought up the annual ice cream social. It will be held on digital night on August 8, 2022, at 7:00 pm on the lawn, immediately followed by digital night inside at our meeting room. She will pick up the ice cream and water at Costco.

Chris Currie will recruit a member to assist in arranging education night speakers. The unjudged category was discussed. It was decided that it will be called "Shared Category," and although it will not be judged, comments from the maker will be welcomed. The tax ID was brought up. Yvonne Shimek says we have a tax number already and we will file any required documents under it.

Michael Hrankowski stated that we need someone to explain inquiries from the website, and has volunteered to do so. Henry Heerschap and he will get together to figure out how to direct inquiries

The next meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Tevis, Secretary