

InFocus

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The Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club



Bob Sotak
*Midnight Visit
on the Barents Sea*

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.facebook.com/groups/PugetSoundCamera>



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

Message from the President

Dear Members,

Well, here we are again at the beginning of September. Kids are going back to school, days are definitely getting shorter, nights are cooler, and some leaves are beginning to turn already! That means it's time to think about getting your entries ready to submit to the NWCCC competitions. All entries are due by October 1, 2023. For details see <https://nwcameraclubs.org/competitions/>. Anyone who is entering print(s) can bring them to Print Night on September 25 to be taken to Alan Moodie. If you won't be coming to Print Night, you can make arrangements with Henry or Chris to deliver our prints to either of them before the deadline, or you may make arrangements with Alan to deliver your prints directly to him.

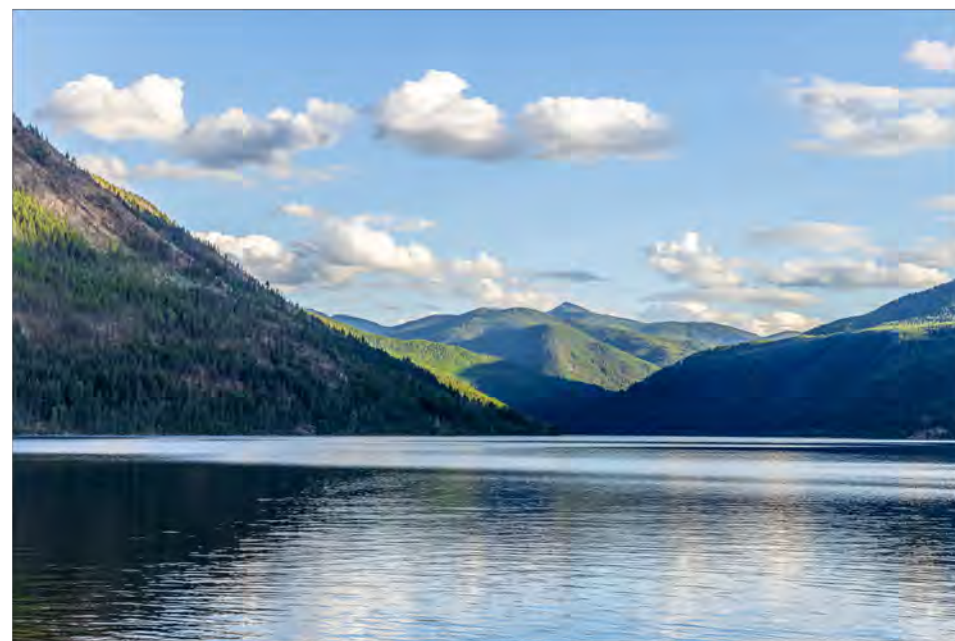
The Annual NWCCC Conference will be held on November 11 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Federal Way, WA. Jack Graham will be the in-person speaker. Additional details will be posted on the NWCCC web site.

You still have just over a month (through Oct. 2) to see the club's show at the Edmond's Waterfront Center if you haven't already done so. And you could go again if you have seen it! Take your friends! Take your family! Four prints have been replaced due to the sales of prints originally in the show. Congratulations to Michael Hrankowski, Lynne Greenup, Les Rawlings, and Chris Currie for their sales.

There may be a field trip in late September. More details on that later. For now, enjoy what's left of the summer weather and get ready for fall color and take a camera with you!

Chris

Chris Currie *At the Lake*



August 2023 Digital Night Scores

Commentators	Michael Hrankowski Henry Heerschap Holly Hauser
Judges	Mary Tevis Gena Reeb Andy Royce
Assignment	Different Point of View

MP - Most Popular

Assignments in September 2023

Digital: Creative Backlight

Print: After Dark

For more information as well as the full list of
assignments this coming year, go to
www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments

Welcome New Members!

Kat and Gary Hasenyager

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Backlit Thistle	Mercedes Perez	22	First Place (tied), MP
	Attack Of The Dahlia Shark	Robert Rutkin	22	First Place (tied)
	View from Balloon on Ground	Mary Pease	22	First Place (tied)
	York Minster	Bill Royce	22	First Place (tied)
	Seaweed at Ground Level	Andy Royce	21	
	Engine 20	Lauren Heerschap	21	
	Venetian Gold	Les Rawlings	20	
	Broken Obelisk on Planet Trebor	Robert Rutkin	20	
	Ghosts of Belmont	Henry Heerschap	20	
	Through The Lens	Dan Scavezze	19	
Creatures	George (in memoriam)	Holly Hauser	26	First Place (tied)
	Midnight visit on the Barents Sea	Bob Sotak	26	First Place (tied), MP
	Blue Dasher Dragonfly	Bill Ray	25	
	Gambels' Quail	Lynne Greenup	25	
	Bird with an Attitude in the Falklands	Bob Sotak	24	
	Geese on Skagit Bay	Glen Moffitt	23	
	Great Horned Owl Staring	Jeff Lane	23	
	Bobcat at Juanita Bay	Bruce Ulness	22	
	Badger Near Her Den	Jeff Lane	22	
	Monarch Convention	Bob Birnbaum	21	
	Winners of the Eagle Festival	Mary Tevis	21	
	Lavender Breasted Roller	Mary Tevis	20	
	A Sip of Lavender	Kanch Kovalam	20	
	Dunlins in Flight	Bruce Ulness	20	
	Wild Rabbit	Karen Jacobson	19	
	Looking for a Murder	Jake Jacobson	19	
	Mountain Butterfly	Karen Jacobson	18	
Creative/Altered	Old Weber House	Glen Moffitt	24	First Place, MP
	Acanthus	Andy Royce	20	
	Approaching Warp Speed	Wilie Wellington	20	
	View from Rizal Bridge	Bob Birnbaum	19	
Monochrome	Willow Lake Reflections	Bill Royce	23	First Place
	Architectural Geometry	Michael Hrankowski	22	MP
	Leaf Curls	Bill Ray	22	
	Ripples	Jake Jacobson	20	
	Behind My Dirty Window	Carl Halford	19	
Open	Frontside Air	Holly Hauser	25	First Place
	Montana Magic	Lynne Greenup	24	
	Navajo Sandstone	Mercedes Perez	24	
	Before the Sunrise	Les Rawlings	24	
	Sun Top Lookout	JoDee Owens	24	
	Woman at Temple, Sri Lanka	Klaus Lorenz	23	
	After the harvest	Kanch Kovalam	23	
	Hosta Blue Mouse Ears	Michael Hrankowski	23	MP
	Environmental portrait	Wilie Wellington	23	
	A Fern Among Ferns	Dan Scavezze	22	
	Milky Way at Sun Top Lookout 4	Chris Currie	22	
	Making Argan Oil	Carl Halford	21	
	Orchid, Sri Lanka	Klaus Lorenz	21	

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**August 2023
Digital Night Scores
(continued)**

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Open (continued)	Five Combines in a Row	Lauren Heerschap	21	
	Waiting for a Sale	Linda Charboneau	21	
	Raindrops on Berries	Mary Pease	20	
	Harvest Time in the Palouse	Henry Heerschap	20	
	16 Crosses	Linda Charboneau	20	
	Old Town Gdansk Poland	Dave Patzwald	20	
	St Mary's Church & Berlin TV Tower	Dave Patzwald	19	
Unjudged	What Squash Tendrils Yielded	Jack Broom		

**August 2023
Print Night Scores**

Judges	Chris Currie Mary Tevis Lauren Heerschap
Assignment	Bicycles, Tricycles, Unicycles, etc.

MP - Most Popular

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignments	Regensburg Bicycle	Henry Heerschap	26	MPC
Creatures	Blind in One Eye	Mary Tevis	24	First Place (tied)
	South Yellow-billed Hornbill	Mary Tevis	24	First Place (tied)
	African Fish Eagle	Mary Tevis	23	
	The Raven	Jeff Lane	22	MPM
	Attitude	Bob Sotak	21	
	Grizzly Cub Nursing	Jeff Lane	21	
	Cub Contemplating His Foot	Jeff Lane	20	
Creative/Altered	Meditation Fountain	Mercedes Perez	26	First Place
	Tripping Out in Nyhavn	Michael Hrankowski	22	
	Jackson Pollock Boxcar	Bob Birnbaum	19	
	Fishing Village	Bob Birnbaum	19	
Monochrome	Wishful Thinking	Wilie Wellington	27	First Place
	Byodo-in Temple	Bob Birnbaum	25	
	San Javier Mission	Lynne Greenup	24	
	Environmental Portrait	Wilie Wellington	24	
	Big Boys Train Set	Wilie Wellington	24	
	Window Treatment	Henry Heerschap	23	
	Fossá	Michael Hrankowski	19	
	Seattle's Waterfront	Mercedes Perez	18	
Open	Milky Way at Sweet Creek	Chris Currie	27	First Place
	Endicott	Lauren Heerschap	26	
	At the Lake	Chris Currie	24	
	Ready for Harvest	Henry Heerschap	24	
	Red Dahlia	Lauren Heerschap	24	
	Palouse Sunrise	Lauren Heerschap	24	
	Sun Top Lookout	Chris Currie	23	
	Blue Doors	Mercedes Perez	23	
	Under Construction	Michael Hrankowski	23	
	Morning in the Palouse	Bob Sotak	21	

Useful Web Site

PhotoHound is a website that has documented over 9,100 photo-worthy locations around the world, including quite a few in the US. You can use the interactive map to drill down to any number of locations or you can access their Photography Guides that focus on particular regions. Last June, Lauren and I used their **Palouse** guide as we put together an itinerary, finding a number of places we'd never come across before. Each location has one or more sample photos and advice about where to position oneself, what time of day and season works best, and warnings about potential hazards and how best to not get into trouble with

the locals. You definitely want a free account to log in with as that gives you access to the maps and directions. They have higher levels of membership that cost money, but I found everything I needed with the free account. This will be my first stop in planning future travels.

<https://www.photohound.co/>

Palouse Guide: <https://www.photohound.co/guide/palouse>



Jeff Lane
 (clockwise from upper left)
Great Horned Owl Staring
The Raven
Badger Near Her Den
Cub Contemplating His Foot
Grizzly Cub Nursing





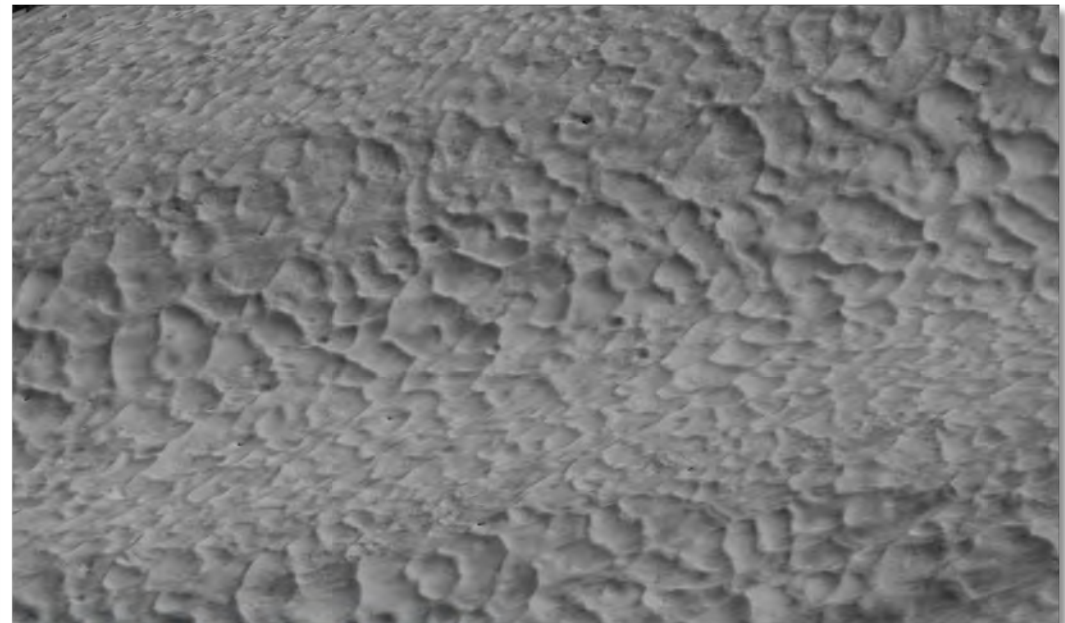
Jake Jacobson ***Looking for a Murder***



Karen Jacobson ***Mountain Butterfly***



Karen Jacobson ***Wild Rabbit***



Jake Jacobson ***Ripples***



Henry Heerschap
(clockwise from upper left)
Harvest Time in the Palouse
Ready for Harvest
Window Treatment
Ghosts of Belmont
Regensburg Bicycle





Linda Charboneau **16 Crosses**



Dave Patzwald **St Mary's Church & Berlin TV Tower**



Les Rawlings **Before the Sunrise**



Mary Pease ***View from Balloon on Ground***



Kanch Kovalam ***Morning Cruise***

Glen Moffitt ***Old Weber House***

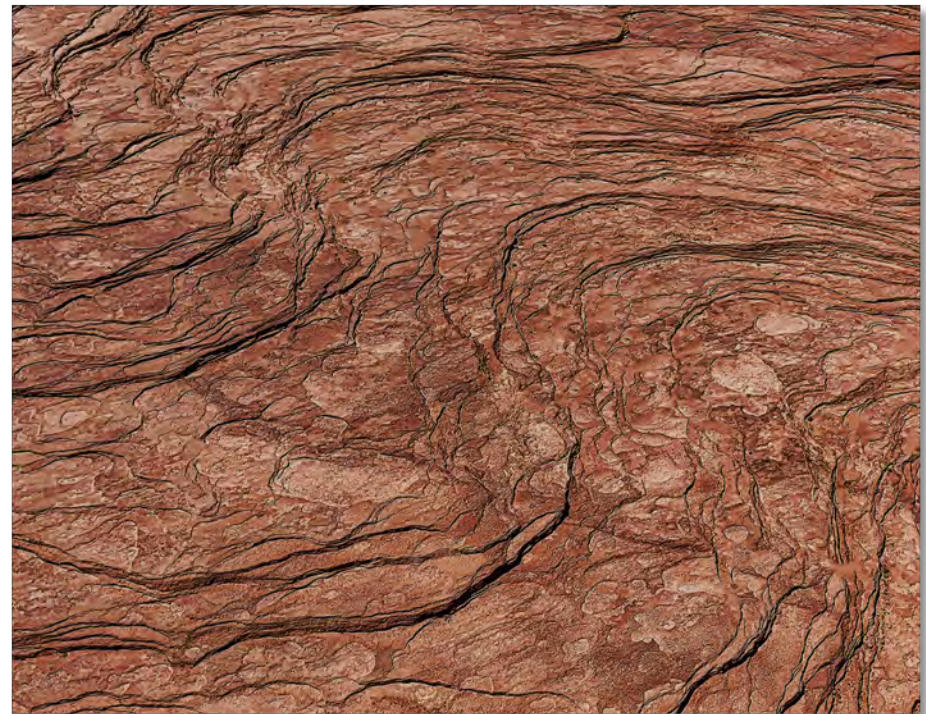


Lynne Greenup ***Montana Magic***





Mercedes Perez
(clockwise from upper left)
Meditation Fountain
Blue Doors
Seattle Waterfront
Navajo Sandstone
Backlit Thistle





Lauren Heerschap
(clockwise from upper left)
Five Combines in a Row
Endicott
Red Dahlia
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Chris Currie
Milky Way at Sun Top Lookout 4



Chris Currie
Milky Way at Sweet Creek



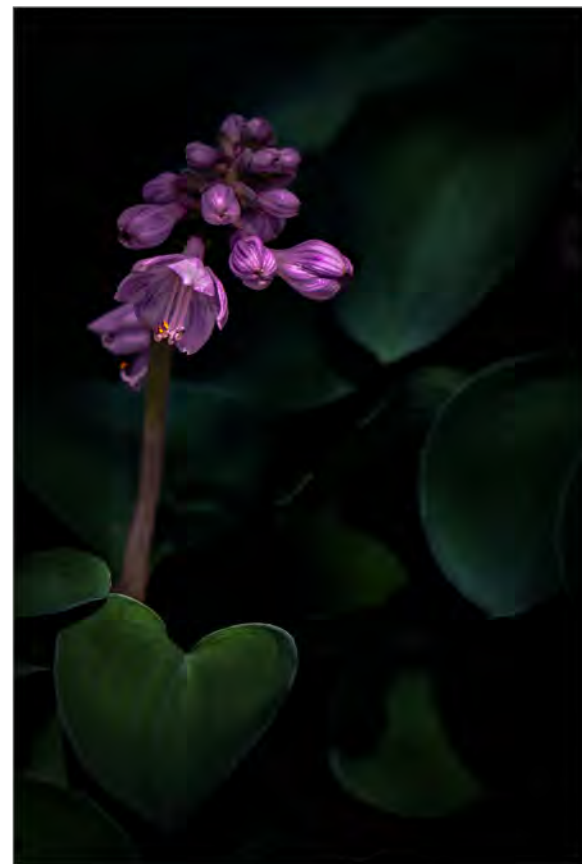
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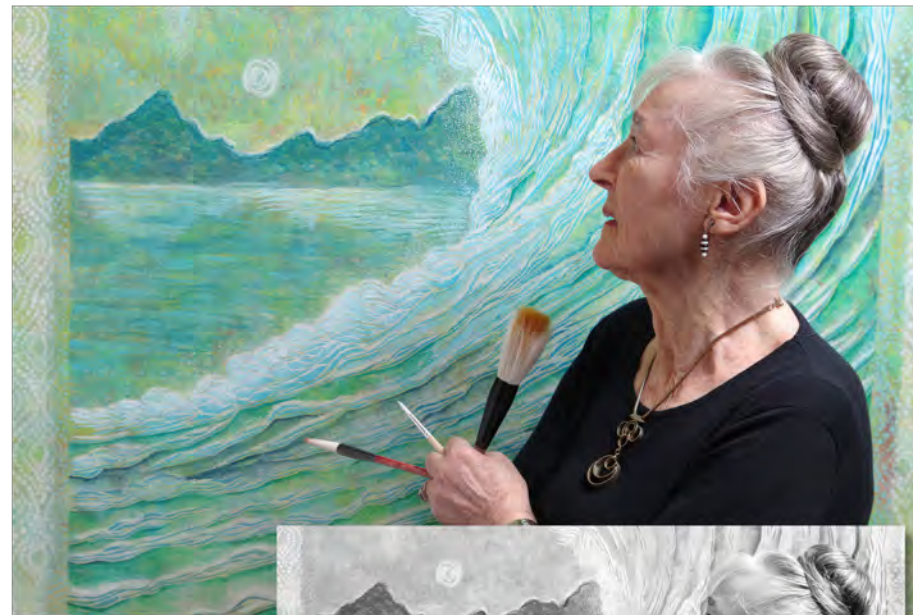


JoDee Owens
Sun Top Lookout



Michael Hrankowski
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Under Construction
Tripping Out in Nyhavn
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Architectural Geometry





Wilie Wellington
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Big Boys Train Set
Environmental Portrait (color)
Environmental Portrait (mono)
Approaching Warp Speed
Wishful Thinking

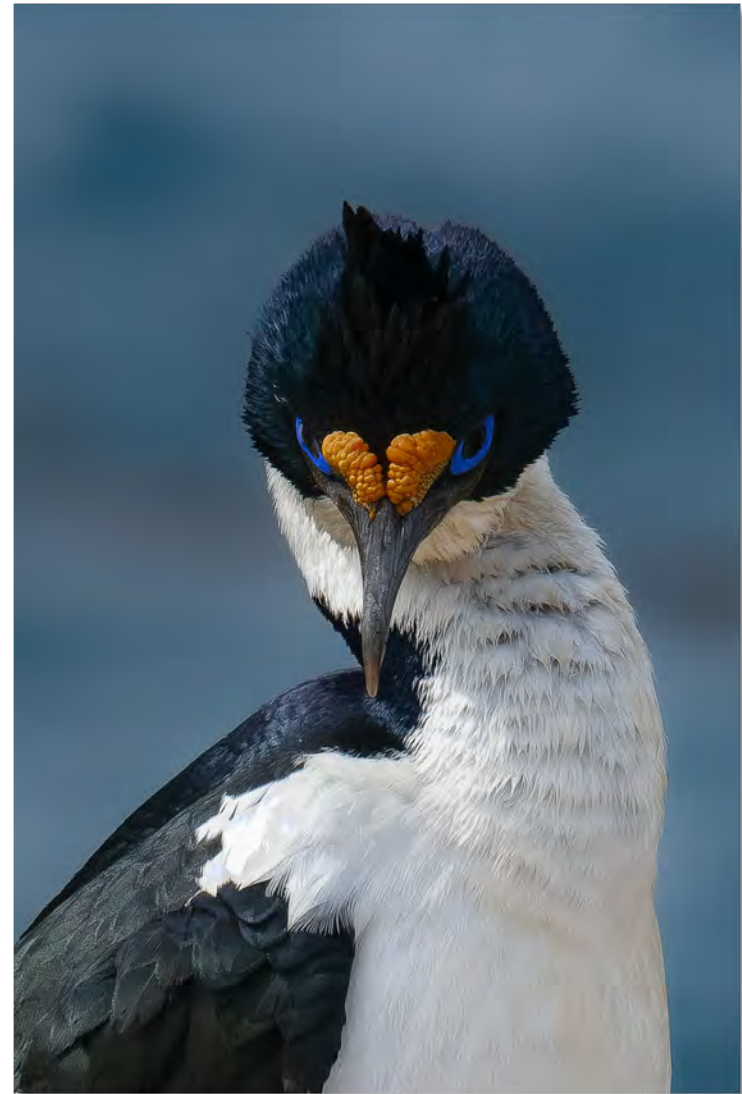




Holly Hauser
George (In Memoriam)



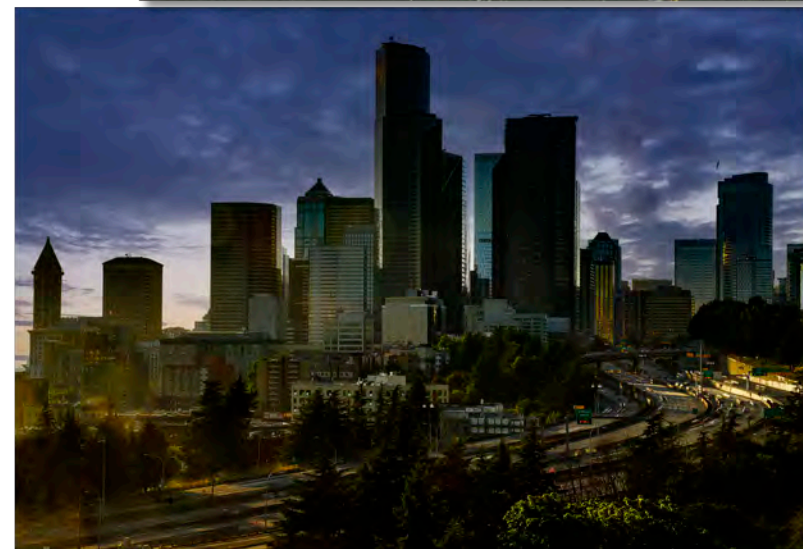
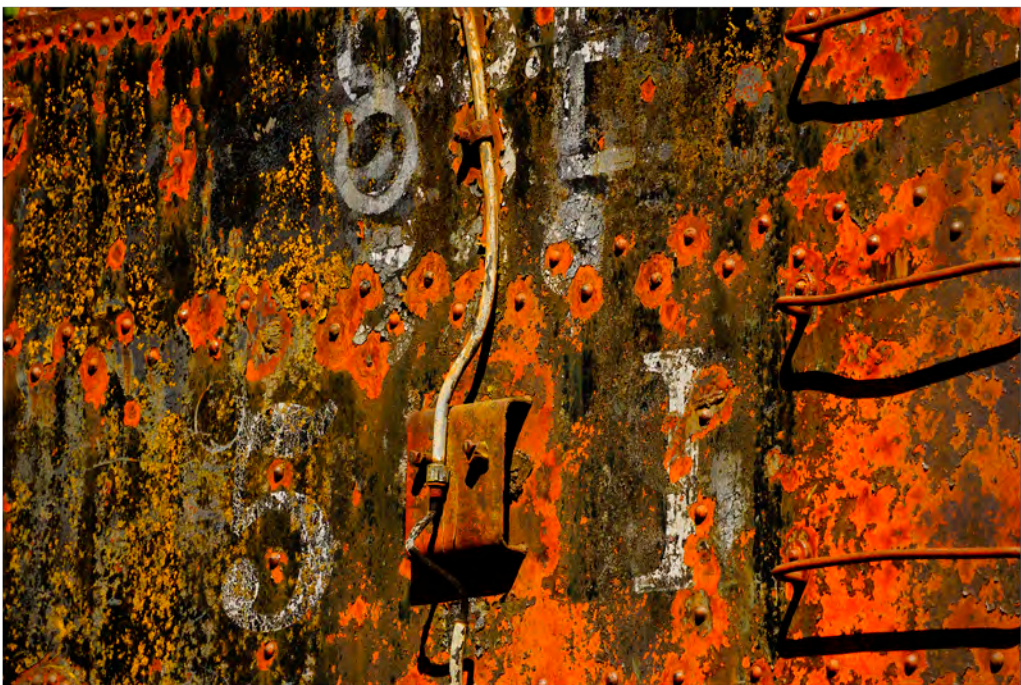
Lynne Greenup
Gambel's Quail



Bob Sotak ***Bird with an Attitude in the Falklands***



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Bill Royce
***Willow Lake
Reflections***



Lynne Greenup
San Javier Mission

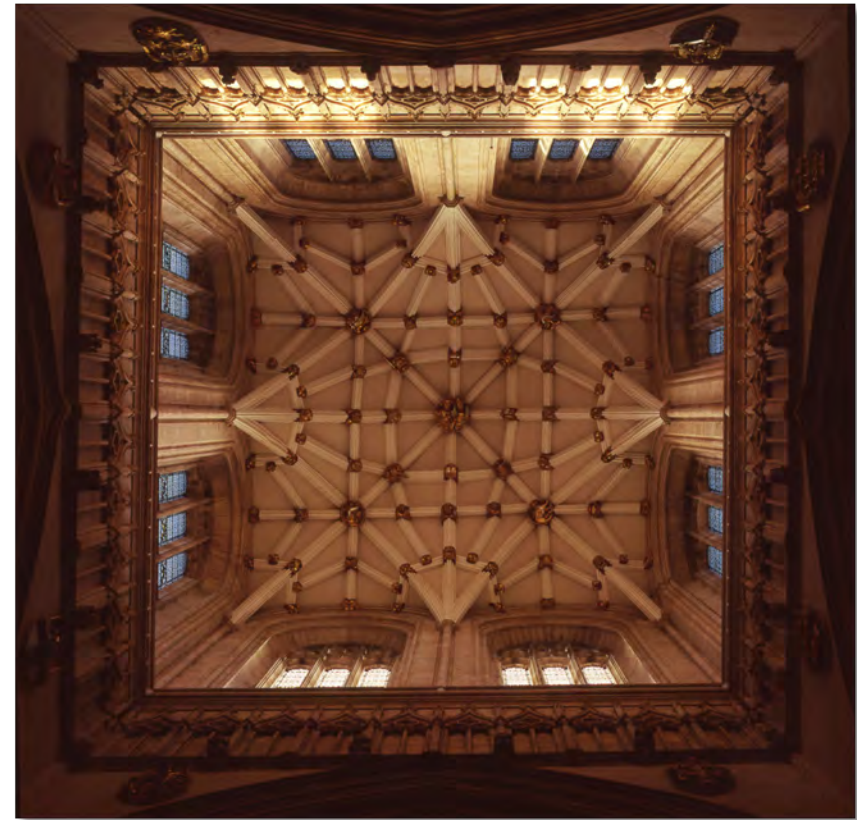
Bill Ray ***Leaf Curls***

Carl Halford ***Behind My Dirty Window***





Bob Sotak
Palouse Dawn



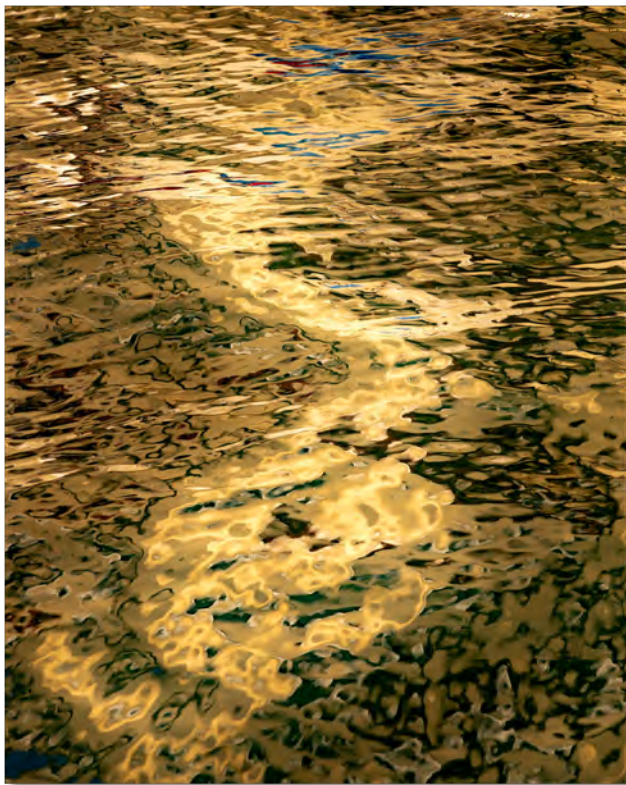
Bill Royce ***York Minster***



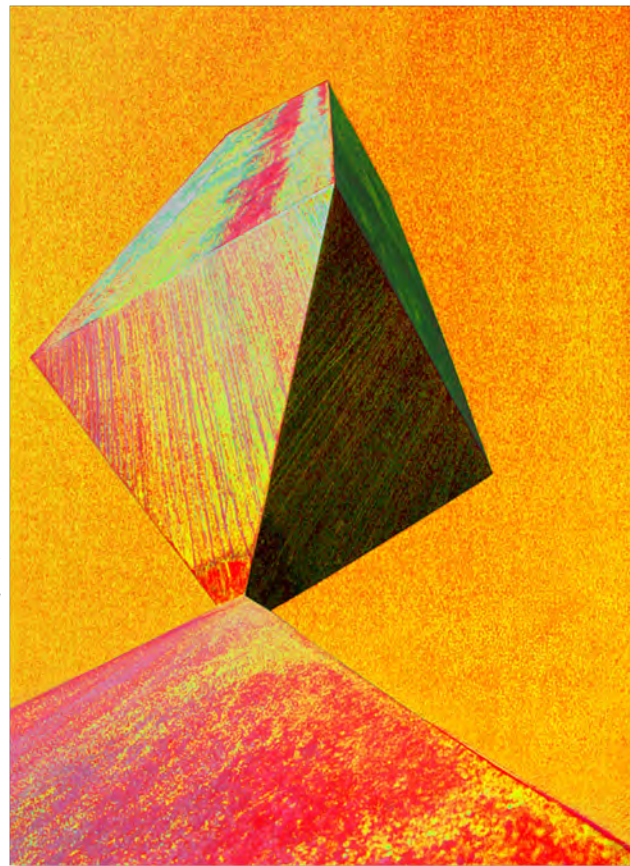
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Abstraction



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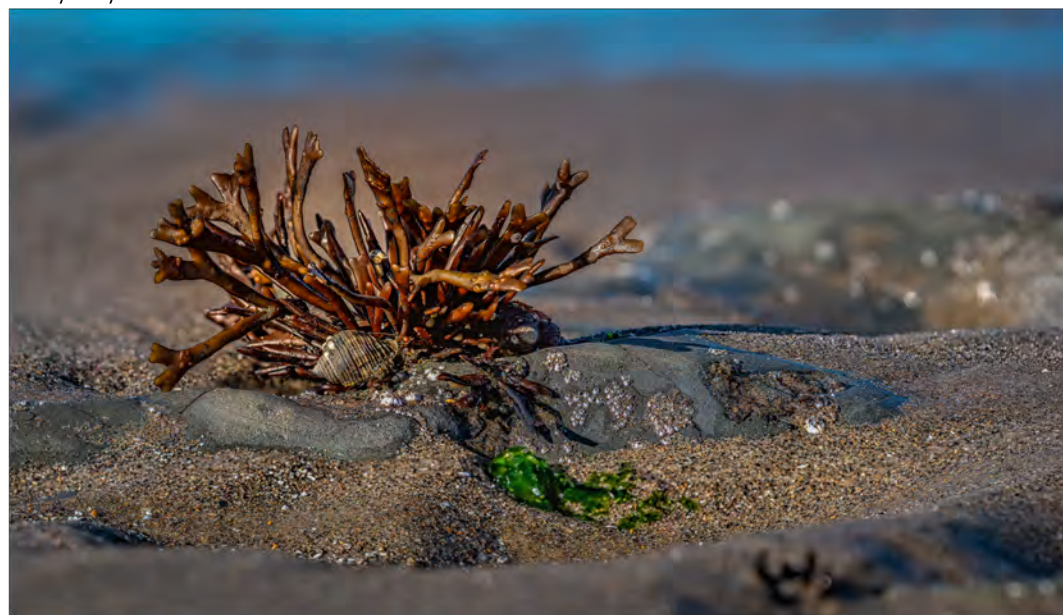


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Robert Rutkin ***Attack of the Dahlia Shark***



Andy Royce ***Seaweed at Ground Level***





Bruce Ulness **Bobcat at Juanita Bay**



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Through the Lens





Glen Moffitt ***Geese on Skagit Bay***



Jack Broom ***What Squash Tendrils Yielded***



Holly Hauser ***Frontside Air***



Dave Patzwald ***Old Town Gdansk, Poland***

PSCC Board Meeting Minutes on August 21, 2023

Held on Zoom

Present were Chris Currie, Mary Tevis, Henry Heerschap, Yvonne Shimek, Bob Sotak, Dave Patzwald, Michael Hrankowski, Bob Joiner, and Lauren Heerschap.

The meeting was called to order by Chris Currie at 7:02 pm. The minutes of June 19, 2023, were moved to be accepted, seconded, and passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The Edmonds Waterfront Center display has sold two prints: Lynne Greenup and Michael Hrankowski. Congratulations! Breaking News! A third print has sold by Les Rawlings.

The ice cream social held on August 14, 2023, was well attended. Chris Currie fortunately got the large box of ice cream bars and did not have any left over.

The NWCCC astrophotography field trips were held: the first, led by Chris Currie, was well attended. The second had to be canceled due to wild-fire smoke, and it will be rescheduled.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Chris Currie reports that since Mercedes Perez could not attend, she asked that Chris Currie report that the Education Committee is working on speakers, and that Jodee Owens has submitted a long list of possible speakers. She will work on contacting these candidates and report back to the Board when she has a list of attendees.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Yvonne Shimek reports that there is \$1434.84 in the checking account currently. The financial report was moved to be accepted; it was seconded and passed. She also reports that Mary Tevis has again agreed to do the audit of the financial books of the club.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Joiner has raised the question of the voting system and its inadequacies. There was a discussion about how we could remedy this, and it was decided to form a committee to look into the voting system and examine the direction we want the club to go. Among the topics to discuss are the numerical voting system, print night and digital night, look at other clubs' voting system, should we increase the numerical span of scores to take into consideration finer points of the print or image. It was decided to, 1, form a committee, 2, wait until the new year and the integration of the new system of Visual Pursuits is implemented, and 3, see how this new system will lend itself to changes in the voting system. The committee will also look into the system of looking at and talking about the print or image, and ways to improve it.

Dave Patzwald for the PSA competition brought up the question of adding a category of travel photography to our annual PSA-PID competitions. There was a discussion, and it was decided to retain the status quo and stay at our present two entries in the competition. We will bring up the subject again in the new year and bring it before the club.

VISUAL PURSUITS:

Henry Heerschap and Bob Sotak will begin to shift the club to Visual Pursuits in September. It will be done gradually until it will be finished in January, where the transition will be completed. All members of the club will be informed of each step by email. If any member wants a more detailed transition, contact Henry Heerschap and/or Bob Sotak.

The next Board meeting will be September 18, 2023, at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Members of the club are invited to attend. Please let Chris Currie know if you would like to be present and she will send you a link.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Tevis, Secretary.