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Pied Kingfisher by Ning Lin

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#### **Meetings for November**

**Program Night** will be on December 12th at 7 pm Bring a print or two, we will judge each others Work, Loye will also be on hand to give us his Insite.

Stonegate Mobile Home Park-Club House 221 Herndon Avenue in Fresno

Showing the SJV International Nature Program

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Our next meeting will be November 21 at 7 p.m. at the University Merced Center, 550 E Shaw Avenue across from Fashion Fair Mall

**Digital Competition** 

FCC—Fresno Camera Club

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

December 9 FCC EOY Digitals Due
December 10 SJVCCC EOY Awards
December 16 FCC EOY Luncheon
January 14 SJVCCC Board Meeting
January 16 FCC Monthly Meeting

## **December 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 FCC Year End Digitals Due
10 SJVCCC Year End 10 a.m.	11	Program Night 7 p.m.	13	14	15	16 FCC Year End Luncheon 10:00 a.m.
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Hello All,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Well I think the cool air is finally here. Yeah! We were all tired of the long hot summer and fall. days are coming. All we need is 2 feet of snow in Yosemite and some good old rain.

Speaking of rain a few of us went to San Francisco to See you at the luncheon and Happy Holidays. do some Christmas shopping and it rained all day. I guess it wouldn't be the holidays without a bit of inconvenience whether.

Don't forget about our Christmas Year End Luncheon on December 16th at the Ramada on Shaw at

10:00. There will be charge of \$17.00 each to cover the cost of the room and meal. Be sure to send in your digitals and have your prints ready. On a sadder note, for all those who remember Mike

Allred, he is a former member, his wife passed away last Monday. If you can send him a hug from us.

So this is my last entry as your president, I want to Now it feels like the Holi- thanks all those that who have helped me get through these past two years.

> It's been fun but I'm happy to pass the gavel to Craig Hadfield.

Mov'n On

Dee



### Fresno Camera Club November Digital Chairs Report

Entries for November held steady and matched September's entries with a total of 57 images from 19 different

competitors. There were far less problems with both file names and image dimensions, so some progress is being made! If you are unsure of what the requirements are, you can find the directions in the directory or on the website.

Jennifer Doerrie judged the images, giving a detailed critique and suggestions on possible improvements. She stressed the importance of composition and giving the subject room, not crowding it on the edges of the image. Jennifer also pointed out that bright elements on the edges of an image can detract from the subject and that we should try to tone down the hotspots within an image.

Jennifer awarded 11 perfect 10's with 3 photographers receiving two tens. Jennifer went through the tens awarded, selecting the top 4 images of the night.

In 4<sup>th</sup> place was Misty Morning by the Lake by Shelley Stone, in 3<sup>rd</sup> was Smoke Dragon by Craig Hadfield. Pat Rhames took 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a rodeo shot entitled Center of Attention. Ning Lin took the Image of the Month with Pied Kingfisher.





This was the final digital competition of the year and I hope to see more people entering next year. If you need help learning how to prepare, name and submit images please let me know, and maybe we can do another workshop on this, and remember there are instructions on the website and in the directory.

### Craig J Hadfield

Digital Chair.

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1 - View from the	9	Flower	9		
2 - Tea kettle Junction	10	2 - Smoke Dragon	10 3rd	James Sanderson	_
3 - Bodie Chapel	9	3 - The Cain House,		1 - Duck	9
		Bodie	9	2 - Heron	9
Dave Youngs				3 - Morning-Flight	9
1 - Hummingbird 3	10	Loye Stone			
2 - Solar Eclipse Dia-		1 - Grist Mill- New		Jim Coppinger	
mond Ring	9	Hampshire	9	1 - Government Hous-	
		2 - Fishing Shack- Main	9	ing	8
3 - Nautilus Spiral Stair-	10	3 - Cabin in The Woods	9	2 - Water, Water Every-	
				where	8
Dee Humphrey		Ning Lin		3 - Out of Africa	9
		1 - Pied Kingfisher	10 1st		
1 - Covered bridge	9	2 - Moonbow Upper		Jonathan Rollins	
2 - Tracks through color	9	Yosemite Fall	9	1 - Hillside-beauty	9
3 - Arches National Park	9	3 - Reversed Tunnel		2 - Old-English-church	10
		View	10	3 - Thames-River-Cruse	9
Diane Williams					
1 - New York Sunrise	8	Pat Rhames		Dennis Simonson	
		1 - Center of Attention	10 2nd	1 - Solid as a Rock	8
2 - Peggy's Cove Light-	9	2 - Ballet d Rodeo	10	2 - Harvest Time	9
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Elizabeth Bedard		Patt Anderson		Trosper Parker	0
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,		2 - Fisherman on	Ü	2 - Wait for It	8
2 - Chilnualna Falls	9	Huntington Lake	9	3 - Diva Kitty	9
		3 - Woodward Lake	3		
3 - Space Needle though	9	Reflections	9		
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1 - White Pass Train	9	2 - Going Fishing	9		
2 - Ford Radiator Cap	9	3 - Grounded Low	9		
3 - Tight Pack at Corner	10		8		
		Ceiling	0		
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1 - Orange Beak	9	Shelley Stone	0		
_ 0.0.00 5000	•	1 - Jericho Grist Mill	9		
2 - White Pass Returning	8	2 - Red Water Wheel	9		
3 - Calla Lily	9	3 - Misty Morning By the			
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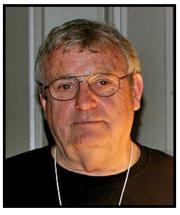
Pied Kingfisher

By Ning Lin



This image of "Pied Kingfisher" was taken in South Africa this summer. Kingfisher is a great fish catcher. It is a small-sized bird and can fly in very high speed especially when diving to hunt. To catch its motion is quite difficult. We were lucky to use Bance Mate's bird hide to catch the hunting moment of this pied kingfisher. Canon 7D mark II with 70-200 mm at 70mm; ISO 3200, 1/4000s; f/5.6; 1/3EV. Processed in Lightroom.





Center of Attention

By Patrick Rhames

This image was captured at the Woodlake Rodeo, 5/13/2017 at 2:23 PM. It was a bright Central California afternoon in the foothills East of Visalia. I was with my partner, Jonathan Rollins. We had come to photograph the great American tradition of Rodeoing to determine who would get the best images. We set about our assigned tasks with determination and diligence. (Que the Dragnet music in the background as the scene fades to arena center).

The action is, obviously, bare back bronc riding and this bronc turned circles in front of the gates as soon as it was turned out. I was shooting everything and really was not paying attention to much more than the riders and their mounts. I shot 1173 frames that day.

I was shooting, hand held, my trusty Nikon D800E with a Nikkor f/2.8 - 70-200 mm lens mounted with a 1.7 extender. My settings were as follows: exposure was 1/1000 sec at f/4.8; Shutter priority; center-weighted metering; ISO 800, focal length 250mm

It was not until I reviewed all 1173 images that I noticed this frame with all the white cowboy hats and the riveted audience under them. What I like about this image is the pattern of the row of hats and the rapt

attention of the eyes beneath each of them, pointing the viewer back to the rider and bronc.

A viewer might easily assume that the rider and mount is the subject of the image, but in my mind the subject is the dynamic of the visual connection between the row of spectator cowboys and the rider they are all watching so intently. It creates a circular path for the viewers eyes from rider then to and along the line of hats/eyes which direct the viewer back to the rider. The subject is the story this image tells, not a single element within the frame.

It was a bright day, so much of my post process dealt with burning those ele-

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ments of the image that would lead the viewers attention away from the circular pattern described, above, and dodging the elements I wanted the viewer to pay attention to.



Smoke Dragon

By Craig Hadfield



The original shot was white/grey smoke from incense, shot in front of a black background. The shot was at 1/125th, F4 and Iso 320. I used two flashes on opposite side of the smoke, with grids on to prevent spill onto the backdrop.

The smoke was then coloured red in photoshop. The flames are three candle flames, layered on top of each other and rotated 90 degrees. They were isolated and simplified somewhat in photoshop.

As mentioned in the meeting, others have seen a running man and fairies in the same smoke.

All images were shot with a Canon 5DIII and a 24-70 2.8 lens.







Misty Morning on the Lake

By Shelley Stone



Original Image:



The trip Dee, Loye and I took last October was my favorite. We wandered all over the New England states. I found several locals for photo ops on Pinterest. A few of them were quite challenging to find. This photo, however, we just happened on. Driving through Vermont we noticed a little lake right by the road with a small park for picnics. As we pulled in it started to lightly rain (as it did during most of our trip). There were so many scenes to shoot around that lake. With the intermittent rain we had to keep hopping back in the car to wait it out. This photo was appealing to me, but it just need a little help to make it a bit more eye catching. After playing with the sharpness and color I decided that the log across the lake had to go, so I cloned it out. That left a large area of lake with no interest.

I use Elements 15 for my photo editing. The photo was shot with my Canon 7D Mark3 and my trusty 24-105 lens (my favorite). The aperture setting was f4 and the ISO was 100.

Back to editing. I decided to try to narrow the distance between the right and left banks of the lake. I went to

the 'Guided' list and used in the 'Special Edits' section, 'Recompose'. What a cool tool! It worked quite well and I was able to achieve the picture I wanted.





## **Meeting Pictures**











#### **Inside Art**

Art's Arthop was a success. Many camera club members stopped by his exhibit. Below are images by **Ron Webb**, showing the Monochrome section and Color Section.





Good news! If you haven't been able to get down to City Hall to see the exhibit, it has been extended through January!

More photos from Arthop















# San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council - SJVCCC

Anna Hadfield		8
Art Serabian		4
Craig Hadfield		8
Dee Humphrey	2	10
Elizabeth Bedard	1	11
Jennifer Doerrie		6
John Greening	1	11
Loye Stone	2	10
Ning Lin	1	5
Patrick Rhames	4	8
Shelley Stone	1	11

Merits

**Honors** 

Year end awards for San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council are December 10th at 10 am at the Ramada at Shaw and 41.

#### **For Sale**

Former Camera Club member Katie Kallos is selling:

Canon 60D with the lens it came with Canon Zoom 70-300mm lens, set of Extension tubes, Teleconverter 2x - for Canon EOS camera



If you want more information, please contact Katie at kkallos@sbcglobal.net / 225-7726

#### **Photography Classes and Workshops**

Date	Class Name	Cost	Information
12/18-19	2-Day Bobcat Safari	\$500	www.amwestphoto.com
12/21	Bobcat Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
1/9-10	2-Day Bobcat Safari	\$500	www.amwestphoto.com
1/18	Intro to your Nikon DSLR Camera	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/21	Southern California Birding Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
1/22	Yosemite Winter Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
1/23	Camera Essentials: Creative Controls and Exposure	\$35	www.hornphoto.com
2/12	Intro to your Nikon DSLR Camera	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/23	Bobcat Safari	\$250	www.amwestphoto.com
2/21-24	Yosemite Photography: Horsetail Fall and Winter Landscapes	\$429	www.yosemiteconservancy.org



Horn Photo offers Fresno Camera Club members a 15% discount on film developing and photo printing (not specialty items)

#### **FREE Online Photoshop Training**

Rumor has it the Fresno County Library has all the Lynda.com <a href="https://www.lynda.com/">https://www.lynda.com/</a> Photoshop training resources available online for FREE with a FREE library card. FREE is good, and if you don't have a library card, you can pick one up for FREE at any library branch in Fresno county. After filling out some paperwork (less than 10min), you will receive your FREE card and a personal access code to the Fresno County website and it's wide variety of on-line training. Follow the links on the library web site <a href="http://www.fresnolibrary.org/">http://www.fresnolibrary.org/</a> to learn more about at your library has to offer.

According to club member, Trosper Parker, this is the real deal!

#### **Jean Harris**

Jean Harris, APSA, died peacefully in Bodega Bay when she was there with her son and daughter-in-law on November 24, 2017 at age 93.

She and her husband were interested in photography when they were in the L.A. area before they moved to Fresno.

Jean joined the Fresno Camera Club in 1987, and she has been President in 1997 and Treasurer in 2011. She did many other jobs and was still coming to the meetings, although not competing recently. She also has ben very active in SJVCCC.

Jean joined PSA in 1976 and received her Associate in 2001. She went up through the chairs in the Nature Division from 2002, becoming Chairman in 2008 for 2 years. Jean was also active in the Gold Rush Chapter of PSA and held several positions.

She was also a member of the Madera Camera Club since 1995.

Compiled by Norma Mastin





#### **PSA Information**

# Are You a Member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA)?

#### "ADVANTAGES OF HAVING PSA MEMBERSHIP

PSA has a <u>Personalized Image Evaluation Service</u>. This service is especially helpful if the maker wants to have his/her skills evaluated, if the maker would like to know what constitutes

an acceptable image in one of the PSA Divisions, or for previewing Images before entering them in club competition or a PSA recognized Exhibition.

PSA also has an <u>Image Analysis Course</u>, which is helpful in judging ones own photos or becoming a certified judge.

These are free services offered by PSA to members. Need a Mentor? Go to

http://psa-photo/org.php?member-education-mentor-service

### Become a member of PSA today!

#### **PSA Galleries**

PSA has several galleries on this website where members can share their photography with others.

Photographic Society of America



PSA Member Galleries - For All PSA Members
Each State, Province, or Country may contain individual member galleries that showcase members'
work. Individual images and bios in galleries may be updated by members as often as they would like. A list of available galleries is accessed from the left pane of this webpage, grouped according to PSA Member Area. They can also be accessed from a state/province/country and some chapter pages on the site.

Each PSA member can <u>create</u> a gallery of up to 6 images and a biography with a link to a personal web gallery. **Member galleries stay on the PSA site** for as long as a member remains a PSA member in good standing.

Any questions, just ask me, as I am the PSA Rep for this area.

Lee H. Cates, FPSA Assistant SMD



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#### Contribute to the Websites!

Check out www.fresnocameraclub.org Email Elizabeth if you have any articles for the Fresno Camera Club website.

**Craig J. Hadfield** is webmaster of www.sjvccc.org. and he would like to have your interesting articles to post on the website, email him at bcard@bobsbunker.net.

#### "Highlights" Submission

Do you have an article you would like published in an issue of "Highlights"? Do you have a suggestion for something you would like to see in "Highlights"? If you do, feel free to contact Elizabeth Bedard at elizabeth@bedardcontrols.com.

Submissions for inclusion in the next month's "Highlights" should be received by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month to insure inclusion in the next issue. This includes change of address, etc. All constructive criticism and corrections are welcome

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Back issues of "Highlights" may be found on the Fresno Camera Club website at www.fresnocameraclub.org.

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Don't forget to pay Your Membership for 2018 See below for the Renewal form!

#### **NEW FOR 2018**

Please note if you want a printed directory, please check the box and add \$5. a digital copy will be provided at no additional cost.



#### Fresno Camera Club Membership for January 1 – December 31, 2018

The completed form below, together with your check/cash, will pay your dues for the year 2016 and/or renew your membership.

Remember Horn Photo gives a 15% discount on developing and printing to members of the FCC.

Name:				DUES ARE PAID BY CALENDAR YEAR
	PSA Member ☐ Yes	□ No		
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