



# the Galleon

the Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter July 2016



## Meetings

1st & 3rd Wednesday  
of the month  
at 7:00 pm  
(3rd Wednesday only  
July & August)

## Location

Merrill Gardens  
Retirement Center  
1350 N. Suey Rd.  
Santa Maria, CA

## Membership Dues

\$25 Individual  
\$35 Family  
\$15 year Competitions

## 2016 Club Officers

### President

Dave Clary

### Vice President

Jeanne Sparks

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### Board Members

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Alan Upshaw  
[abupshaw53@yahoo.com](mailto:abupshaw53@yahoo.com)

## Upcoming Events...

July 6...*Deadline to submit prints to Sharon Salerno for the SB County Fair*

July 6...*Calibration Workshop*, Merrill Gardens, 7:00pm

July 14...*Field Trip*, SB County Fair, Santa Maria Fairgrounds, *details page 3*

July 20...*Competition, Open Category*, 7:00pm

Aug 3...*Pizza Party & Swap Meet*, Merrill Gardens, 7:00pm

Aug 6...*1st Saturday Chat Group*, Francisco's, Santa Maria, 8:00am

Aug 6...*Field Trip, "Butterflies Alive!"*, *details TBA*

Aug 17...*Competition, Open Category*, 7:00pm

Sep 7...*Program Meeting, Photo Books* presented by Karen Carson



## July 6 Monitor Calibration Workshop

Wed 6 July @ 7 PM you can get your laptop monitor calibrated with ColorMunki Display. Please download & install the the software for Win or Mac from: [www.xrite.com/colormunki-display/support](http://www.xrite.com/colormunki-display/support)

Please let Bob Mihelic or Dave Clary know if you are planning to attend.  
Cheers & Thanx!

**Bob M**

## Upcoming Programs...

- Instead of a program on July 6, those who are interested in getting their computer screens calibrated can have that done. Contact Bob Mihelic for more information.
- In August we will have a swap meet and pizza party like last year.
- In September, Karen Carson will demonstrate how to make photo books. If you have made a photo book, bring it to talk about how you did it.
- In October, Chuck Jennings will show us how to organize our thousands of images using Lightroom and Photoshop.

*I hope you'll join us for each of these program meetings on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.*

**Jeanne Sparks**

**SMCC Vice President**

## **Committee**

### **Chairs**

#### **Webmaster**

Greg Doudna

#### **Digital Projectionist**

Richard Russ

#### **Slide Projectionist**

Ed E. Powell

#### **SMCC Directory**

Rosie Brancacio

#### **Historian & Name-tags**

Nyla James

#### **Judge Recruitment**

Ramona Cashmore

#### **Point Tabulator**

Richard Russ

#### **Print Coordinator**

Flavio Parigi

#### **Slide Coordinator**

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#### **Program Recruitment**

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#### **Refreshments**

Joyce Bolivar

#### **PSA Representative**

Nyla James

#### **Library Coordinator**

Ramona Cashmore

#### **Meeting Room Setup**

Dalton Pittman

#### **Sunshine Lady**

Bonnie Adams

#### **Field Trips**

Penni Powell

Bob Mihelic

Jim Ogg

Sharon Salerno

Rosie Brancacio

Bonnie Adams

Alan Upshaw

## **President's Message**

Summer is upon us full bore, with lots of hot days in the interior. Maybe it is time for more field trips in cooler coastal areas. By the time you will have read this the Fourth of July holiday will have passed. I hope yours was enjoyable. If you took photos of any of the municipal firework displays, please consider sharing at show and tell. Though that will not be for a while, yet.

We don't have regular program meetings in July or August. But we have the following. On July 6, Bob Mihelic will be showing members how to calibrate their laptops with the X-rite Color Munki. That should provide a good introduction for members who have yet to make that jump.

Then our photo gear swap fest and pizza party comes up very early in August, on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, in fact. So please keep that in mind. The club provides the pizza and soft drinks. You can bring any photo gear you would like to sell, trade or give away. More about this as it gets closer.

This year, the club will have a display at the Santa Barbara County Fair, which will take place at the Santa Maria Fair Park. The Fair starts Wednesday, July 13, and continues through Sunday, July 17. It opens at 11:00 am and closes at 10:00 pm. Penni Powell has organized a field trip to the Fair scheduled for July 14, 2016. The photo competition itself is well worth checking out. There should be about 200 entries.

**Prez Dave Clary**



# SMCC Field Trips July 2016 and Beyond

*Please note: Rain or bad weather can cancel outdoor activities. Contact the leader if you are in doubt.  
Check your email for any updates as the date of the event draws near.*

## July 14th (Thur 6:30pm) - Santa Barbara County Fair at the Arts Pavilion -

We are fortunate to have the fair right here in town! A weekday visit is less crowded, allowing us to use tripods for evening photography of the midway.

Thursday is Senior Day, admission for Senior Citizens 62 years old and over is just \$1. General Admission is \$3 before 3 pm, after 3 pm regular pricing will apply, \$10 / \$8. The fair opens at 8am with the Country Rodeo starting at 10am. Rodeo happenings include: Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Speed Ball, Single Stake, Keyhole and Stick Horse Racing.

For our field trip, *meet at the Arts Pavilion at 6:30pm* where we can view the photography competition before finding something for dinner. Then we'll take in the sights as the sun goes down and the lights come on! Bring night photography equipment and a jacket for the cooler evening temperatures.

Check out the fair info: [SB County Fair](#) or phone Penni at 929-2420 home or 363-1931 cell.

*Why go? - Senior Citizens know how to have fun, yeah!*

**Other July Ideas** - Rosie B has her July calendar out, check your email. Look for other SMCC members at the Central Coast Renaissance Fair in SLO...

## And Field Trips Beyond...

**August 6th First Saturday Chat**

**August 6th - "Butterflies Alive!"** at the Santa Barbara Natural History Museum

**September 24th** - Los Alamos 70th Annual Old Days

**October or November** - Fresno Zoo

**We get  
the  
shots!**



*Reflection*  
Richard Russ

## Competition Special Subjects



**September 2016**

*Flying Things*

**March 2017**

*Wildlife*

**June 2017**

*People*



## Competition Rules

3 entries per competition.

Categories of your choice not to exceed (2) in any combination of categories.

### Categories will be:

**Small Prints (9x13 max)**

**Monochrome Prints  
(Large Back)**

**Color Prints (Large Back)**

**Slides**

**Digital**

**Submit your images for  
digital competitions to:**

**Richard Russ**  
[rruss12@gmail.com](mailto:rruss12@gmail.com)

Images can also be submitted on a flash drive, or other media. Digital images **MUST** be received no later than midnight on the **Monday** before the Competition. Images not received in time will not be entered into the competition.

## June Competition Results

**Judge: Ed E. Powell**

### Monochrome Prints

1st	<i>Do You See What I See</i>	Janice Darby
2nd	<i>I've Got My Eyes On You</i>	Richard Russ
3rd	<i>Mallory's Eyes</i>	Jim McKinniss

### Small Prints

1st	<i>Mustang Tears</i>	Janine Bognuda
2nd	<i>Eye of the Beholder</i>	Janine Bognuda
3rd	<i>Eye of the Needle</i>	Janice Darby

### Large Color Prints

1st	<i>Reflection</i>	Richard Russ
2nd	<i>Ted</i>	Scott Clark
3rd	<i>Blue Eyes</i>	Ramona Cashmore
HM	<i>Close Encounter</i>	Ramona Cashmore

### Digital

1st	<i>He's Looking At You</i>	Janine Bognuda
2nd	<i>Hershey</i>	Gregory Doudna
3rd	<i>The Sneaky Observer</i>	Elaine Calvert
HM	<i>Intense Eyes</i>	Jack Scherrer

### Slides

1st	<i>Eyes of the Forest</i>	Penni Powell
2nd	<i>Eyes of a Cowboy</i>	Dalton Pittman
3rd	<i>Blind In One Eye and Can't See Out of the Other</i>	Penni Powell

## 2016 End of the Year Print Competition

This year's subject is *Timepiece*. The prints will be collected in November, judged and then presented at the December Christmas Potluck. Please contact Nyla with any questions.



## Treasury Report



**The Club has a balance of \$1650.55**  
**There are currently 55 paid members.**



# A Selection of June 2016 Competition Winners

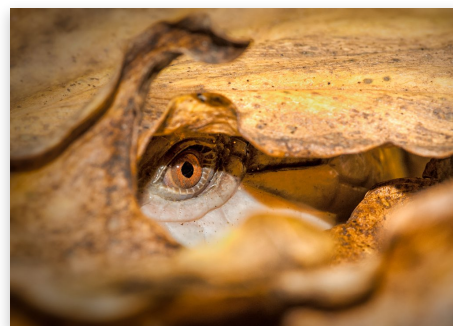
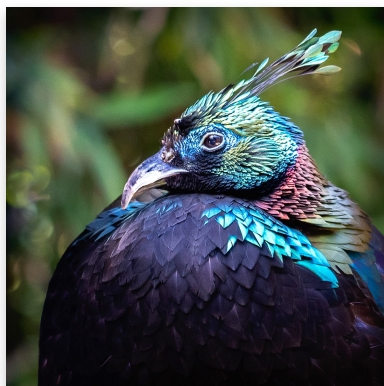


*Eye of the Needle*  
Janice Darby

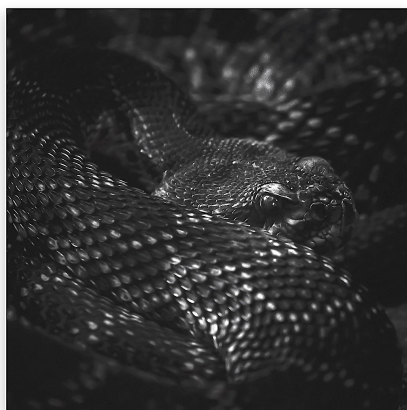


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These, and many more images from club members, can be found on our website  
[santamariacameraclub.org/gallery.html](http://santamariacameraclub.org/gallery.html)

# Points North and East For July 2016 *by Jim Ogg*

El Nino continues to transition into La Nina. The rainfall was average, June may be the warmest ever and the Central Coast continues to face another drought year. However the snowpack is above normal for Central and Northern Sierra Nevada, much better than the last four years.

July is the last of the High Sierra magic time and usually is the first month with full High Country access. Also July is usually the best month for Wildflowers. Although usually peaking in late June, the Upper Steppe Wildflowers may continue into early July. McGee Gardens probably will be passed its peak.

July is the month for the (Mixed Conifer) Forest Wildflowers. Look for them in the Emerald Lake, Heart Lake, TJ Lake, Arrowhead Lake, Coldwater Creek, Crystal Lake in the Mammoth Lakes area; DAFF Tarns area, Polly Dome Lake, Dana Meadows, Dog Lake, Elizabeth Lake, Tioga Tarns Loop, and other Tuolumne Meadows areas; and Horse Creek, Tamarack Bench, East Fork Rock Creek, Eastern Brook Lakes, Hilton Creek Lakes, Mine Creek, Lundy Canyon, and other Eastern Sierra locations.

The tree-line Forest and Alpine Wildflowers appear to benefit more from normal snow pack than a deeper, later melting snow pack. The later melting snow pack gives a later start to the wildflowers in what is a very short growing season. Deer Tongue and Corn Lilies suffer in years of deep snow packs.

The Alpine Wildflowers usually peak in July or early August. Because the Alpine Wildflowers are

usually well above 10,000 feet and the tree-line, hiking is needed. Alpine Wildflowers can be found at Hidden Lakes, Secret Lakes, Treasure Lakes, Morgan Pass, Gem Lakes, Treasure Meadows, Ruby Lake, and other lakes and trails in Little Lakes Valley. Its trailhead, Mosquito Flat, is the highest in the Sierra. Sealth Image "Alpine Flip" (SR043) shows Grass Lake. At more than 10,000 feet, Grass Lake, in the Little Lakes Valley of the John Muir Wilderness, always is a refreshing dip.

Other Alpine Wildflower areas include Green Treble Lake, Chocolate Peak Loop, Mammoth Crest, Gardisky Lake, Great Sierra Mine, Gaylor-Granite Lakes Loop, Sky Meadows, and Virginia Lakes from trailheads at Tioga Pass, South Lake, North Lake, Coldwater Creek, Lake George, and Upper Virginia Lake.

Carson Pass Garden and Dana Hanging Garden, classic High Sierra Gardens, usually peak in July. Dana Hanging Garden is accessible on an unmarked trail starting at the Tioga Pass Entrance Station and leading to the top of Mount Dana. You don't have to go to the top! The Gardens are about one to one and a half miles from the trailhead and 300 to 600 feet above the trailhead.

Please provide additions, corrections and comments via e-mail, [jimogg@tcsn.net](mailto:jimogg@tcsn.net), and visit the website, [www.tcsn.net/ogg](http://www.tcsn.net/ogg). Text and Images are copyrighted by Jim Ogg. All rights reserved. Please see website for details.

**Alpine Flip (SR043)**  
At more than 10,000 feet, Grass Lake, in the Little Lakes Valley of the John Muir Wilderness, always is a refreshing dip.

The "Alpine Flip" image is part of the Sealth body of work which are digital images of landscapes, scenics, and the human form and are based on locations in the Grass Lake, Little Lakes Valley, John Muir Wilderness, Eastern Sierra, High Sierra and Central Coast of California.





## **NOTICE OF A VOTE**

### **To be held on August 17, 2016**

We changed the number of at-large Board members from five to six last year. Ron Calvert pointed out that under the current Constitutional language, that meant that more Board members were appointed than elected.

In an attempt to cure this problem temporarily, the club members voted last year to have nominations and a vote to recommend six persons to the incoming Board to serve as at-large members. The current skeleton Board voted in the entire slate so recommended.

The motion to be voted on, the language of which was reviewed by and approved by the Board, is for the members to nominate and elect the at-large members at the same time the other officers are nominated and elected. This will change the Constitution to reflect this more democratic approach.

The vote will be held at the Competition meeting on **AUGUST 17, 2016**

#### **MOTION**

**THE FOLLOWING SECTION OF THE CONSTITUTION SHALL BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

#### **ARTICLE V – OFFICERS**

##### **CURRENT LANGUAGE TO BE DELETED:**

“IN ADDITION UP TO SIX MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING MAY BE APPOINTED BY THE EXISTING BOARD TO SERVE AS ACTIVE BOARD MEMBERS WITH FULL VOTING RIGHTS DURING BOARD MEETINGS.”

##### **NEW LANGUAGE TO REPLACE DELETED LANGUAGE:**

“IN ADDITION MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING, WILL BE NOMINATED AND SIX WILL BE ELECTED CONCURRENTLY WITH THE OFFICERS OF THE CLUB. THOSE ELECTED WILL SERVE AS AT-LARGE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IF A LESSER NUMBER THAN SIX ARE WILLING TO SERVE, THOSE WHO ARE WILL BE NOMINATED AND IF ELECTED WILL CONSTITUTE THE AT-LARGE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THEY SHALL HAVE FULL VOTING RIGHTS DURING BOARD MEETINGS.”



*Mustang Tears*  
**Janine Bognuda**