

Placer County Photography Club Newsletter

Winter 2025, Vol. 73 No. 1

Happy New Year!

A Change of Time & Space



The new year brings a new meeting time and a new meeting space. Starting January 21, our regular meeting on the third Tuesday of each month will be at

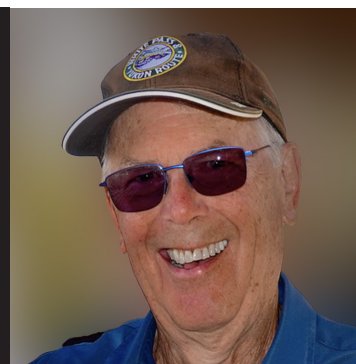
Action Camera
4415 Granite Dr. #200
Rocklin, CA 95677

10:30 AM

After being at the Auburn Library for more than 25 years, the Placer County Photography Club has a new home. Due to the Auburn Library's major renovation, the Club had no choice but to find another venue and the Board felt the Action Camera site best fits the needs of our club and its future. It offers a convenient, centrally located meeting space for our members, exposure to their extensive photographic inventory, and opportunities for learning through their in-person and on-line photography courses. And, with the move to **Action Camera**, because they close at 6:00 PM, our meeting time is changing from evening to morning. It's still the **third Tuesday of every month** but now meetings will start at 10:30AM. We'll see you there on January 21!

Good Shooting

A few words from
PCPC President
Dick Bosworth



Hey All!

It's a new year and a new beginning for PCPC. Our "maiden voyage" at Action Camera will be here shortly, January 21 at 10:30 in the morning, to be precise. With change brings some degree of anxiousness and uncertainty, but it also brings us opportunity and potential for growth. Please join us in our new adventure!

I'm delighted to report that the Members Showcase, the highlight of the December meeting and a first for the PCPC, was a smashing success! All present gave it rave reviews. (The treats weren't too bad either!) Dennis has downloaded the entire Showcase on our website! Here's your chance to see it again or share it with family and friends. Read more about the Showcase and how to see it again on page 2.

As we discussed at our November meeting, our annual club dues must increase to cover our ongoing expenses. The additional expense of a liability policy that protects members and officers alike has become a necessity. Our increasing expenses have resulted in the Board voting to raise annual club dues to \$50 per person, beginning January 1, 2025. Although it has been twenty years since our dues have been raised, the Board did not make this decision lightly and will do everything it can to keep

Cont. page 3

First Annual *PCPC Members Showcase* 2024

Our first Members Showcase, at the last meeting of 2024, and, as it turned out our last meeting at the Auburn Library, was a rousing success! Kudos to everyone who took the time to assemble the montage of photographs (selecting 25 images can be daunting) and submit them. More than half of our membership participated. The individual showcases offered a unique glimpse into the types of photography that interest our members, something we don't see enough of throughout the year when members are limited as to the types and number of images they may submit.

And special thanks to Dennis Morgan who took on the task of assembling the individual submissions into a cohesive slide show (actually a series of slide shows) and then selecting the perfect music

to accompany the theme for each showcase. The show was mind-blowing. Every single slideshow, both the images presented and the beauty of the package set to music, was mesmerizing. What will our members create in their 2025 showcases? We won't know until December but if 2024's Member Showcase was an indicator, watchout in 2025!

To see the 2024 Member Showcases, go to the PCPC Website <https://placerphotoclub.org> (or scan the QR Code on page 3), login and under "Galleries" you'll find in the drop down menu "2024 Member Showcase". You may then choose any of the three portions of the show you'd like to see. If the show appears off center, right click anywhere on the show and select "full screen" and that should take care of that.



Members enjoying the Showcases at the Library.



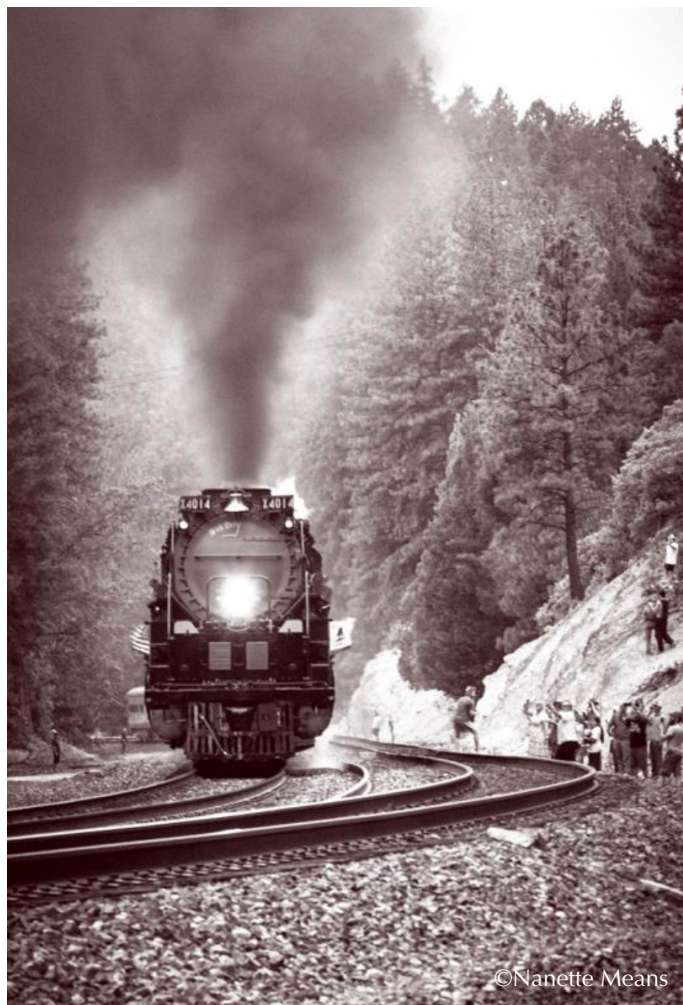
A few members had to Zoom in for the Showcase event.



Ron Nabity "showcasing" his empty "Ted Lasso" Biscuit container. His homemade treat was popular at the Showcase event.

Planes, Trains, and Automobiles

The assigned subject for August 2024 was “Planes, Trains, and Automobiles.” Here are some examples of what members submitted.



Good Shooting (cont. from page 1)

club expenses manageable. If you haven't already done it, please renew your membership today. All details for renewing are on the last page of this newsletter.

And, in our continuing efforts to help our members learn and improve their photography, there is a questionnaire on the PCPC Website. Please take a moment to complete it. Your input will help the Board plan future presentations and activities that are relevant to you.

Scan the QR code below to access our website. Log in and select the “news” category at the top of the homepage. In the drop down menu click on “Questionnaire on Camera and Post Processing” and fill in the blanks.



Finally, along with all that's new in the coming year, I'm hoping to start a new PCPC tradition. Following our meetings, I'd love to join together with other members for lunch at a nearby restaurant. Two possibilities, Venita Rhea's and Pottery World, are just a short walk from Action Camera. The likely time frame for this after-meeting lunch would be between 1:00 and 1:30. We'll avoid the noon rush but if you can't wait for a nibble, our Action Camera coordinator assured us that members may bring in beverages and snacks. My hope is that the after-meeting lunches will be an opportunity for our club to further bond as a “family.”

Until January 21, good shooting and we'll see you soon!

Dick

2024 Annual Picnic

Our Annual Picnic, October 23, 2024, at Auburn Recreation Park, was a fun event with lots of smiles, good food, and even a friendly Corn Hole competition! Thanks to Truman Holtzclaw for documenting it.



Auntie's Tips

Red Skies

Have questions about photography? Auntie will answer them here. Send your questions to:

pcphotoclubnewsletter@gmail.com



The old adage, "Red sky at morning, sailors take warning; red sky at night, sailor's delight," has been a folklore staple forever. But we're not sailors, we're photographers. For us, red sky at any time makes for gorgeous photography. I want to share a tip that will help make your sunrise and sunset photographs simply sensational.

When you are photographing a sunrise or a sunset, that is, when you can see red (or pink or orange) color in the sky, adjust your exposure compensation to a negative number, as much as one full stop, maybe more (i.e., -1) and adjust your White Balance to 10,000 Kelvin or as close to 10,000 Kelvin as your camera White Balance settings will allow. The actual Kelvin temperature of a sunrise or sunset is 10,000 or more but auto white balance will rarely exceed 6000 Kelvin. The Cloudy WB setting represents approximately 6500 Kelvin and if you cannot set the Kelvin temperature on your camera, try Cloudy instead.

These two settings, negative exposure compensation and 10,000 Kelvin White Balance, will bring out the

intense red tones and help emphasize the drama of the sunrise or sunset. One thing to keep in mind when finishing your photograph, you might need to adjust the Kelvin temperature in Adobe Camera Raw (Photoshop) or Lightroom, as these programs do not always accurately reflect the White Balance recorded in the camera. For example, photographs I take at 10,000 Kelvin record in ACR as 8,900 so I change that number to reflect the actual camera setting of 10,000.

I learned this tip from [Moose Peterson](#), a Nikon Ambassador and a wildlife, landscape, and aviation photographer. Using these settings has let me create beautiful and dramatic sunrise and sunset images. And, it will make a difference in your images as well.

The images below are examples using this technique. The top two are sunrise shots and the bottom two are sunset shots. I took all at 10,000 Kelvin and except for the shot into the sun which I underexposed by 1/3 stop, I used -1 Exposure Compensation. Camera and exposure details are displayed under each image.



Nikon Z9 Nikkor Z24-70mm @70mm f/2.8 1/640 ISO 100 WB 10,000K EC -1



Nikon Z8 Nikkor Z 24-70mm @24mm f/2.8 1/10 ISO 1600 WB 10,000K EC -1



Nikon Z9 #Nikkor z70-200 @200mm @f/2.8 1/20,000 ISO 100 WB 10,000K EC -1/3



Nikon Z8 Nikkor Z26mm f/2.8 1/80 ISO 100 WB 10,000K EC -1

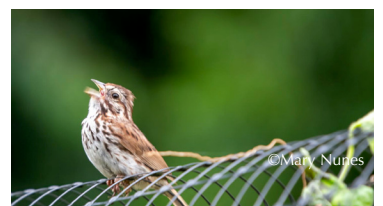
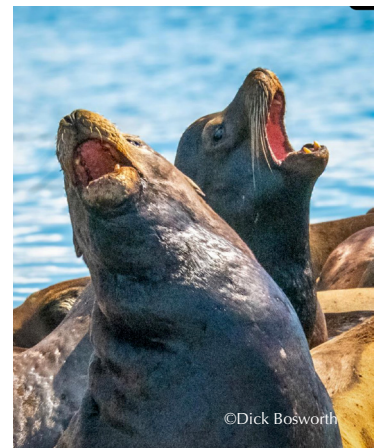
Visit to Naggjar Vineyards

The October 18, 2024, field trip to Naggjar Vineyards, was great fun for the participants. Although the impetus for the trip was to photograph the vineyards as they turned to glorious fall colors, the visit to the tasting room, where members sampled some of Naggjar's award winning wines, seemed to be a welcome distraction during the visit. Let's hope they'll share some grape leaf images at a future meeting.



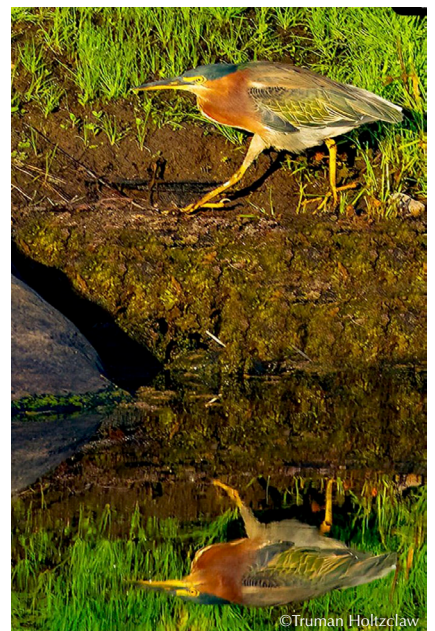
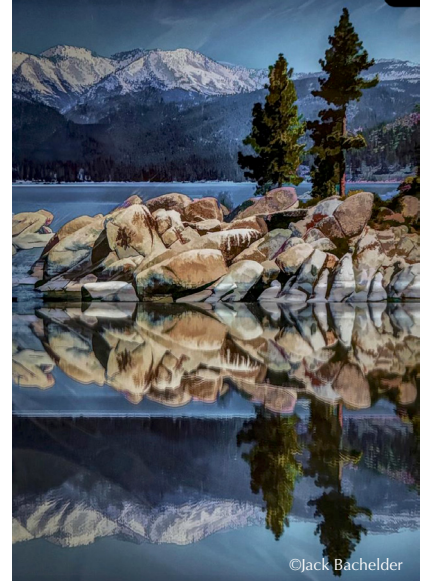
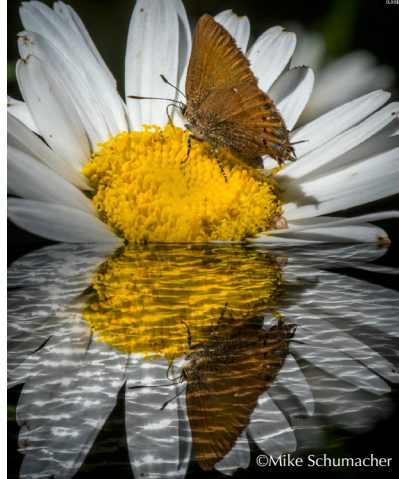
How Do You Interpret "Sound" in a Photograph?

The assigned subject for September was "Sound." Once again, the creative minds of our members showed how to interpret "sound" in a photograph. Check out these images; you can almost hear what they're showing.



October 2024 — Mirrors

The October Assigned Subject was Mirrors. Our members really stepped up their imaginations for this challenge. From humorous renditions to stunning landscapes to unusual reflections, the images submitted for this challenge made you think, made you laugh, and made you appreciate their talent. Here are just a few to enjoy. You can see the rest at the PCPC Website.



PCPC Liability Form

If you haven't completed the PCPC Liability Form, please do so as soon as possible. Print out and complete this page. Enter emergency contact information on the back if you choose. Bring the completed form to a meeting.

PLACER COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB **AGREEMENT AND RELEASE FROM** **LIABILITY**

Voluntary Participation

1. I, _____, acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in activities of the Placer County Photography Club, (hereafter referred to as the "Club"), as a Member or Guest of a Member.

Assumption of Risk

2. I am aware that all photography outings are hazardous activities. I am voluntarily participating in photography outings and other activities with the club with full knowledge of the danger involved. I hereby agree to accept any and all risks of injury, death, infectious disease, viruses, and/or property damage and verify this statement
BY PLACING MY INITIALS HERE: _____

Releases

3. As consideration for being permitted by the Club or any of its affiliated organizations to participate in Club activities, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, legal representatives and successors in interest will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of the Club, its directors, owners, managers, officers, instructors, staff, employees, members, contractors (hereafter, collectively "Agents") or any of its affiliated organizations, for injury, death, infectious disease, viruses, and/or property damage resulting from, or in any way related to, my activities with the Club. This release applies to all instances of harm caused in any manner whatsoever, including but not limited to passive and/or active negligence. I hereby release the Club, its Agents, and any of its affiliated organizations from any and all actions, claims, or demands that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, and legal representatives now have or may hereafter have for any injury, death, infectious disease, viruses, and/or property damage resulting from my membership in the Club and participation in Club related activities.
4. I hereby grant to the Club or any of its affiliated organizations, the irrevocable and unrestricted right to use and publish photographs/videos of me, or in which I may be included, for editorial trade, advertising, and any other purpose and in any manner and medium and to alter the photographs/videos without restriction. I hereby release the photographer/videographer, the Club and its Agents from all claims and liability relating to the photographer/videos.

Defense and Indemnity

5. In the event that anyone brings a claim against, sues, or attaches the property of the Club, its Agents or any of its affiliated organizations, for injury, death, infectious disease, viruses, or property damage arising out of my activities with the Club, or its affiliates, then I agree to fully defend and indemnify the Club, its Agents, or its affiliated organizations and otherwise hold them harmless.

Knowing and Voluntary Execution

6. I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF, THE CLUB, ITS AGENTS AND/OR ITS AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Printed name

/s/
Signature

Date

Club Details

Upcomings meetings: January 21, 2025
February 18, 2025
March 18, 2025

How to Contact Us:

Website: <https://placerphotoclub.org>



Email: placercameraclub@gmail.com

PCPC Board Members (2025):

President ----- Dick Bosworth
Veep & WebMaster-----Dennis Morgan
Secretary-----Liz Staats
Treasurer-----Mary Nunes
Member at Large-----Pam Kappelhof

President Emeritus:-----Mike Schumacher
Newsletter Editor-----Carol Smith
Newsletter email:--PCPhotoClubNewsletter@gmail.com

Meetings:

Date: 3rd Tuesday of Month

Time: **10:30 AM**

Place: **Action Camera**
4415 Granite Dr. #200
Rocklin, CA 95677

Zoom: Details in meeting reminder email

Membership Dues

\$50/year

Dues are payable in January. As of March 1, unpaid members are considered delinquent. Delinquent members cannot participate in club activities or image reviews and their images will not be displayed on the website.

Pay at meeting or mail a check, payable to Placer County Photography Club as described in Membership Application and Renewal form below.

Placer County Photography Club Membership Application & Renewal

Membership (\$50/year)

☐ New

☐ Renewal

Please make checks payable to "Placer County Photography Club."
Present in person at a meeting (see above) or by mail to:

Placer County Photography Club
c/o Mary Nunes
13040 Windsong Ct.
Auburn, Ca 95602

Name or names: _____

Street address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Mailing address: _____
(if different from above)

City, State, Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Telephone: _____