

# Shutter Release

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This photo by Genie of her baby, Janay, called "Stretching", was one of our entries to the Delta Print Challenge. So, how many of you can still stretch like that? (NWPC & Shutter Release accept no responsibility for injuries sustained as a result of this challenge).

## Upcoming Program

**Feb. 1** Slide /digital competition.

**Due: 4-6** slides/digital for North Shore Challenge.

### Feb. 15

Shona LaFortune will talk about the qualities to look for and strive for in black and white photography, including best subjects, filters, exposure/contrast and converting from colour digital files. She will bring lots of examples.

### March 1

Club print competition. Bring 2 prints (**8X 10 or larger, mounted**) for evaluation by guest judge or club panel. We will also select **10 prints** for the

**Pacific Zone Print Challenge** from the prints that adhere to their size limitations. We don't have the new rules yet, but hopefully they won't have changed from last year. See this issue for last year's guidelines.

### March 15

Guest Heather Latondresse will show us a program of excellent images from Turkey. She goes beyond the tourist spots for a close-up look at this diverse country. For a preview, check out [www.westwindphotos.ca](http://www.westwindphotos.ca).

## January meetings

**January 4** was a print night. Grace Darney, Peter Ellis and Shona LaFortune were the judges. Results in this issue.

On **January 18** we viewed and discussed a prior year North Shore Challenge top 100. Now you know what kind of images appealed to the judges **that year**.

## And the winners are....

These are the results from the January 4 club print competition, evaluated in club All prints are "open" category.

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| 24 pts | Shona, <i>Patterns of Time</i>  |
| 23     | Graeme, <i>Anzac Bridge</i>     |
|        | Ava, <i>Eating my Fill</i>      |
|        | Dave, <i>Bridging the Night</i> |
|        | Shona, <i>Orange Bridge</i>     |
| 22     | Fred, <i>The Hand of God</i>    |

### **CAPA Pictorial Round 1**

- 19 pts Peter, *Creative Curves*  
Shona, *Spring Pink*  
18 Joan, *Maple on Maple*  
Jeremy, *Dead Head*  
17 Joan, *The Red Wall*  
Ava, *Not Nature*

We placed 31 out of 33 entrants.

### **CAPA Theme (People Without Faces)**

- 20 pts Shona, *Clones*  
19 Peter, *What is it?*  
18 Joan, *Lawn Bowling*  
Fred, *A Blank Look*  
Shona, *The Station*  
17 Peter, *Photo Reversal*

We placed 17 out of 21 entrants.

Although our scores are somewhat discouraging, our club does pretty well considering our size. We are competing against clubs all across Canada, many that have 50 or more members. Still, it would be interesting to compare the score ranges and see those top entries.

### **Outings**

*(Don Pateman, Outings Director)*  
Following weeks of sunshine, the forecast for the day of the Cypress Mountain outing was for freezing rain, snow and rain. After confirmation on the Weather Channel, Don prudently cancelled the outing. Sure enough, freezing rain created treacherous conditions in the lower mainland Sunday morning. Cypress had 20 cm of new snow overnight and good winter tires were mandatory on the road. (I know I said fresh snow would be a bonus, but... I've got to watch what I wish for.... Ed)

However, we have the following outings to look forward to. **Note the date change for Minter Gardens: Sunday February 27**

Maplewood Farm, North Vancouver  
(new farm animal babies, farm equipment)  
Meet at NWSS at 9:30am  
Cost: adults \$3.50; seniors \$2.00

### **Saturday April 2**

**(Note date change from Mar 19)**  
Minter Gardens, Chilliwack  
(spring flowers, birds, wine shop and peacocks)  
Meet at NWSS at 9:00am  
Cost: adults \$12.50; seniors \$10.50

### **Saturday May 28**

Manning Park  
(full day trip with wide range of subjects)  
Meet at NWSS at 8:00am

### **Worth Seeing**

From January 29 to May 26, the Vancouver Art Gallery will exhibit "Real Pictures: Photographs from the Collection of Claudia Beck and Andrew Gruft". According to CBC News, the \$2-million photo collection (463 works), partly gifted to and partly purchased by the gallery, was assembled by Claudia Beck and Andrew Gruft, who have been photographic curators, dealers and collectors in Vancouver since the 1970s. Gallery Director Kathleen Bartels indicates that with this addition to its collection, the Vancouver Art Gallery's photographic collection is now one of the most significant in North America and in the same league as that of the National Gallery in Ottawa. The collection includes work from 155 photographers, from rare images from the earliest days of photography through to more current images. Over 300 photographs from the recently acquired collection will be included in the exhibit.

## **BC Print Challenge**

We don't have the rules yet, but the March 1 print night is the date we have scheduled to select our entries. (Last year, entries were due Mar 28). Here is an excerpt from last year's rules:

1. Club entry shall be a maximum of 10 prints. Only one print from any photographer will be accepted.
2. Prints may be B/W or color. Subjects are the choice of the photographer.
3. Minimum print size: 80 square inches. Maximum 16" x 20".
4. **Outside dimensions of the mat and backing must be 16" x 20".** Anything larger will not be accepted. **No foam core** mounting, please.
5. All prints should be matted and the matting firmly attached to the back mounting in order to survive frequent handling during the following year. **Only single, white window mats will be accepted.** Prints cannot be framed.
6. All entries must indicate on the right top corner on the back of the print:  
Title  
Photographer's name and address  
Club name  
Club address
7. Photographer's name cannot appear on the front of the print.
8. Prints previously entered in the Pacific Zone Print Challenge are ineligible.
9. Only prints that are permitted to circulate during the following 12 months can be accepted and judged.

## **North Shore Challenge**

The North Shore Challenge, a slide competition open to BC clubs, will be held March 5, 2005 in a new venue in West Vancouver and tickets will be \$12.

This year, all images will be **projected digitally** using a high-end projector.

## **Learn to Judge**

The District of Kent will be holding a CAPA Learn to Judge workshop on April 2 and 3, 2005 at the Fitness/Activity Centre in Agassiz. Cost is only \$60. Instructor will be Chris Sheffield, Pacific Zone Director.

Call 604-796-8891 to register by credit card.

## **Club Promos**

Shona has made up little hand-out sheets if anyone knows any retailers or classes where they could be distributed. There are also little business card types that can be given out to anyone you happen to meet. See Shona for these.

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