

New Westminster Photography Club's

Shutter Release

November-December, 2004



This photo of statues and candles is by David Love, from his recent trip to Thailand. Its tranquility is in sharp contrast to the photos of traffic tie-ups he captured on other parts of his trip.

October meetings

Graydon Roberts was our guest judge for our first "projection" night of the year. He scored and commented on open, assigned ("people without faces") and nature categories in slides and digital. (See "Results" this issue).

On October 19, our guest, representing Exposure Gallery, was Andrea Seraphim. Her talk was informative and it is good to know that a dedicated photo gallery, accessible to emerging photographic artists, is in the city. We would certainly encourage any of our interested members to become subscribers. The group show, "Origins" will show at the gallery until Nov. 7.

David Love also shared photographic and verbal observations about his summer trip to Thailand.

Christmas Party

Note date change!! This year's party has been **moved to December 13 (Monday)** as the caterers were not available for the 14th. **Note this is just one week (less a day) after our first Dec. meeting.** Christmas celebrates tradition, so we will continue our own club traditions by having the great meal, a gift exchange (bring one, get one, \$5 value max.), and the very popular **silent auction** that is also a fund-raiser for the club. Items you donate for the silent auction need not be photographic related: anything goes. Guest program will be Ron Long.

Friends, partners, spouses and family members are more than welcome, although the evening is not well suited to young children. Tickets are available from Sarah (cost TBA), but please let her know ASAP so we can advise the caterers of the numbers. Location is the Gordon Presbyterian Church, 7454 Edmonds (Edmonds & Humphries) in the basement hall.

Competition Results

These are the results from the October 5 club "projection" competition, judged by Graydon Roberts.

Open

- 9 pts: Jeremy Pawluck, *Untitled*
Jeremy P, *Dead Head**
- 8 pts: Joan Greaves, *The Red Wall**
Shona LaFortune, *Spring Pink**
Peter Ellis, *Creative Curves**
Ava O'Sullivan, *Not Nature**
Joan G., *Maple on Maple**
Dave Emery, *Greek Door*
Dave E, *Byzantine Cistern*

Assigned (People Without Faces)

- 9 pts: Shona L., *The Station**
- 8 pts: Peter E., *What is It?**
Shona L., *Clones**
Grace Darney, *River Rafts*
Dave Emery, *At the Rodeo*
- 7 pts: Fred Greaves, *A Blank Look**
Peter E., *Photo Reversal**
Joan G., *Lawn Bowling**
Grace D., *Dad's Bench*
Dave E., *Spare Change?*

* selected for CAPA round 1

Nature (CAPA selections)

- 9 pts: Fred Greaves, *Hubbard Glacier*
- 8 pts: Shona L., *Desert Solo*
Peter E., *A Fall Find*
Ava O., *The Lookout*
Don Pateman, *Sea Teeth*
Joan G., *Purple Loosestrife*

Graydon kindly scored and commented on the Nature entries. In future, if we have a large number of open and assigned entries, we may only **select** the CAPA nature entry, rather than score and comment. Points in Nature do not count towards club aggregate totals for end of year awards.

Delta Print Challenge

The Delta Photo Guild will host the print challenge on November 28th at 1:00

p.m. It is held at the Longhouse, South Delta Recreation Centre, 1720 – 56th Street, Tsawwassen. Members of participating clubs (Delta, Langley, Richmond, Crescent Beach and us) and their guests only are invited (ie not open to the public). The Delta club provides refreshments. The prints are displayed after the judging for viewing during the break and the selection process is always interesting. Come out and support our club entry.

Also that weekend

In addition to the Delta Print Challenge, the Nov. 27/28 weekend has two other events well worth seeing. On Saturday, the new **Pacific Digital Photography Club** is presenting its first program of digital-audio-visual productions they are calling **Showtime 2004**, at the Inlet Theatre (100 Newport Drive, Port Moody). You have your choice of a matinee (2-5pm) or an evening program (7-10pm). Tickets are \$8 for the matinee and \$10 for the evening. Ticket box office 604-931-2008 (Visa or MC \$1.25 svc chg).

On Sunday, November 28, the Chung Ai Photography Club is celebrating its 30th anniversary. They have invited the Presidents from lower mainland clubs to be their guests of honour and are also showing a selection of images from 10 local clubs as well as presentations from their own members. The venue can hold only 300, so come early if you would like to see this event. It is being held at the Vancouver Public Library, starting at 7:30.

Outings

(Don Pateman, *Outings Director*)

The October 23 outing to Squamish turned into a surprise outing to Steveston

when we learned at our departure time that an accident had closed the highway. Don did a great job of reaching everyone he could (another reason we like a show of hands regarding outing attendance) and rather than wait in traffic, five members headed to Garry Point Park and photographed their way towards town. The sunny periods were also a surprise contrast to the gloomy forecast, and aside from the chilly morning air, everyone enjoyed collecting photos of nature, fishing boats and gear, iced fish, patio umbrellas, dogs, kids, swans and abstracts. We hope we can reschedule the trains for spring some time.

Thursday, November 11

(Remembrance Day). Canadian Museum of Flight in Langley. Weather permitting there will probably be a fly past at 11:00am of several old World War I and II airplanes which is rather unique to see. I would suggest we meet at the high school (NWSS, near our regular parking area) at 9:30am for those who need a ride or meet at the Langley Airport for 10:30am. Access is off 216th Street between Fraser Highway and 56th Avenue (Hangar 3, 5333 216th Street). Those who attend a Remembrance Day service first can meet at the airport around noon or whenever they can get there. The cost is \$5.35 per adult. The museum's website is: www.canadianflight.org

No outing in December.

Upcoming Program

Nov. 16 Hands-on program: black light photography. **Bring your camera, tripod, and any kind of film or memory card you wish.** Guest Doug Mercer will give us some tips and we

will have two black light setups. Doug will provide lots of fun subjects to photograph.

Nov. 30 Hands-on program: mylar reflections. Bring your camera and tripod.

Due: Slides/digital for next meeting: 2 open/pictorial (for club competition – top scoring 6 **slides** will be selected for CAPA round 2); 2 assigned subject “Cooking and/or Eating Utensils” (for club competition; top 6 **slides** will be selected for CAPA theme competition round 2); 2 nature **slides only** (will be selected in-club for CAPA round 2).

Dec. 7 Club slide/digital projection competition and CAPA selections with scoring and comments from guest judge or club panel.

Dec. 13 Christmas party

Jan. 4, 2005 Club print competition. Bring 2 prints (**8 X 10 or larger, mounted**) for evaluation by guest judge or club panel (See print rules, October issue).

The full year's program is available on the club's website:

<http://www.newwestphotoclub.net> .

Those without internet access should have received a copy. If not, see Shona.

More Travels

Grace Darney adds to our travel tales, advising she recently returned from a trip to Ottawa and Nova Scotia, where she took over 1,000 digital images. We're sure to be seeing some of those soon, right, Grace?

Peter and Shona should have a few snow shots from their recent trip to Kelowna to present CAPA's Learn to Judge program.

Thanks...

To Margaret Fellmann for the assortment of home baked squares and breads for the first October meeting.

To Pauline Hyslop for providing the great treats for the second October meeting.

To everyone who brings in photo magazine back issues to share with the members.

To Steve Grover for the green teas.

Dues

If you have not yet paid your dues for the year, you are no longer eligible to participate in club competitions. Please see Sarah, pay your \$25 and stay a participating member.

CAPA

Our club is a member of the Canadian Association for Photographic Art (CAPA), which sponsors the 4 rounds of "open" and "nature" we compete in annually, as well as the 2 theme competitions. CAPA puts out 4 issues of an excellent magazine, *Canadian Camera* and 4 issues in Pacific Zone of *Pacific Zone News*. It holds an annual photography conference with great speakers and workshops. In Pacific Zone (that's us) it maintains the reference list of judges and guest speakers, coordinates and sponsors outings and courses, and provides other services to clubs and individuals. Individual membership of \$45/year not only gets you your own magazine subscription, but the opportunity to enter CAPA's many competitions as an individual member. That means you can send in 4 images of your own (in slides, prints, or both), without worrying about

the club selection. There is also a digital circuit. For more information on membership benefits and the organization, go to www.capacanada.ca. Click on "Support Us" or just browse around the site. Or grab one of the Canadian Camera magazine issues the club receives.

Learn to Judge

CAPA is sponsoring a Learn to Judge in the lower mainland on Nov. 13-14. There are a few spaces left, so if you're interested in learning more about evaluation to improve your own photography or to judge for ours or another club, contact Shona at 604-970-3850 or learntojudge@shaw.ca. It will be held in Coquitlam, and cost is \$75 for CAPA individual or family members, \$100 for non-members or \$110, which includes a one-year CAPA membership (normally \$45) and the registration.

Turkey Anyone?

Now that the yucky weather has started... if you're thinking of next year's holidays, Heather Latondresse is planning to take a small group of photographers on a tour of Turkey in mid-June 2005. Details at www.westwindphotos.ca. For you non-internet people, I will arrange to get a brochure to anyone interested.

Newsletter contributions

Results, articles, comments, suggestions and other contributions to the newsletter may be handed to Shona (in any format **including handwritten**) at a meeting or sent to shona@newwestphotoclub.net.