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"Quit trying to find beautiful objects to photograph. Find the ordinary objects so you can transform it by photographing it."

- Morley Baer



Opportunities need attention

I shot this scene several years in Saskatchewan and only recently pulled it out of the archive. A harvested field, rolling away to the horizon and dark clouds beyond with an old red barn intentionally not centered. A set of ordinary things that caught my attention. As Morley Baer says in his quote above it is transformed by being photographed, for better or worse - that's your decision. My decision was to see it, shoot and process it, and share it. Of course, I do hope you will enjoy it, but let me know - all the feedback helps.

It does not feel like it is that long since the last newsletter at the end of May, but there has been SO much activity in that short time. This has been a summer of extraordinary oppportunities made special by a series of decisions to be in places where photographs were likely to occur. That included extended travel on western Canadian highways and byways and beyond. If you've been following on social media (and I hope you have, and will continue) you will know that there were two great weekends of racing at Area 27 in the Okanagan Valley in June, a day at Mission BC at a motorcycle racing event, a brief one-day stop at the Calgary Stampede, another weekend of racing in Alberta, and an epic drive from Calgary to Toronto to deliver and photograph a Radical racecar that ran at the IndyCar weekend in a support race. There has also been many miles on highways in BC and Alberta as I decided to find the long way home more than once to help fill the Blue Marble content quota, and to spend time with friends and family which has been a wonderful side benefit. As raw content creation goes this is very much the most productive I've been since the dream of fulltime photography started, and there is now a significant amount of new material to fill those rainy Vancouver winter days when we get there. But before that happens there is a lot of new material that has been published already, and I'll cover that and what is planned for the near future in this update. Please feel free to click on the links, and come back and try that again over the next few weeks as many of these published albums are going to grow as I go through 000's of photos.





Radical cars racing at Area 27 in Oliver BC led the way in June with a special weekend featuring guest appearances by Jacques Villenueve and James Hinchcliffe, and a day of very wet racing that provided some real excitement. Two weeks later we were back for a regular 3-day racing weekend with perhaps the best overall racing I've seen for this series. The link below will take you to the Radical Canada West page on my dynamiccaptures.com website.

The Radicals 2024 page also now has links to John Hughes weekend of racing at Rocky Mountain Motorsports Park in Alberta, and to the link for John's adventure at the IndyCar race weekend in Toronto both representing Radical Canada West's interest in racing. I view these two events as perhaps a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and I'm very glad I said "I AM IN" when John described it, although to be truthful there were some moments when I wondered about that decision, but it all worked and created so many lasting memories and photographs.

Links to 2024 Radical Cars photos



Wall-Art update - new website content

Despite the fact that I have been focusing on racing photography over the past few weeks there have been many opportunities to photograph those places I've been visiting (and as you can see with the photo above, it is important to pay attention to your hometown). There are some new items on the <u>davecavanphotographics.com</u> site. The cross-Canada travel I've been fortunate enough to do has provided some great opportunities to produce content, although with the current focus on racing it might come out a bit slower over the next few weeks. However,I'm carving out time for Blue Marble content and it has been a nice break when I can make that happen. Check out the new content page on the site - you'll find that at the link below.

Of course, everything on the websites is for sale in digital and large print format - that's one of the reasons for this business. These images are custom printed in the size and media oprtions that fit your needs. And I'm sure they would look fantastic on your walls.

Link to wall-art website new images



More to come...

The summer is not over yet! There's another major trek starting soon as I'm headed across western Canada for a family event, and definitely there will be travel photography from that.

As well as the on-going travel there's an airshow this coming weekend, and more Radical Cars racing as well as more time spent with racing bikes at Mission Raceway. The best place to see what's happening is on daily social media posts (links below for you to follow) and ultimately on the websites. Hopefully I will see you there.

Until the next time - safe travels, and enjoy the rest of your summer.



A final image for this newsletter - a shot from the annual Celebration of Light over Vancouver harbour. How do they make such delicate explosives? A very cool display.













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