

Summer

Newsletter

2025



Ron Long, Club President

"You can look at a picture for a week and never think of it again. You can also look at a picture for a second and think of it all your life."

Joan Miro

President's Message

Mid July saw me doing all things raspberry. Mostly picking and eating and eating while picking, but a plethora of the delicate delicious fragile fruit also saw me making raspberry ice cream with grand kids ...several times (the very last thing that I need but fab nonetheless) and I have even been contemplating a go at a raspberry pepper vinaigrette... I saw a bottle in a market and I thought that that culinary mix sounded worthy of copying. I'll have to tell you the story of making a cake with sauerkraut sometime... you see, I sometimes go a little off piste with recipes, but that's for another time. Maybe I'd better google a recipe.

There's a zen thing about raspberry picking... everything else slips away. The different shades of greens, yellows and reds are mesmerizing, focusing, encompassing. You are in the moment, in the hunt. The hunt for the perfect raspberry. (Like the hunt for the perfect picture). They hide in the shadows, of course, and in plain sight. You go around the patch and there it is, another, another dozen, another hundred that you missed before. They mature in front of your eyes. You bend over slightly, change your perspective just a little, and voila, there's another! Sometimes they are just out of reach, but you try that reach anyway. Of course what initially looks like the perfect raspberry may not turn out to be the perfect raspberry. But don't be disappointed, because, just like the quest for the perfect image, there is another beauty in there somewhere. Keep looking.

Happy shooting!

Ron Long

SEPTEMBER CLUB HAPPENINGS

Sept 6th

Deadline to Submit Images for Club Evaluation:

1. Your Favorite BC or Yukon Image
2. Nature /Wildlife - See CAPA Themes

Image(s) to be submitted to **vernoncamera@yahoo.com** using club naming & sizing guidelines.

Sept 14th

Sept 14- Deadline to submit CAPA

Images to Committee
Pacific Zone Images- No Theme

Image(s) to be submitted to **vpccapa@gmail.com** using club naming & sizing guidelines.

Sept 11th

In-Person Meeting. First meeting of the year.

Evaluation of the BC/Yukon & Nature Wildlife Theme Images.
Talk about Sept 28th CAPA Competition and how CAPA Works
Hear about what's coming up this year at the club & socialize.

Sept 25th

In Person Meeting

Join us for an in person education meeting with some hands on stations on photo post processing

STAY TUNED!

**For an exciting
Sept Outing to
be added!**

Sept 28

Deadline to submit CAPA Images to Committee

Nature Wildlife- See CAPA Themes

Image(s) to be submitted to **vpccapa@gmail.com** using club naming & sizing guidelines.

For more Detail check the Calendar Tab on the Club Website!

Tech Tips

To take better pictures of water reflections, focus on creating a strong reflection by using still water and a low camera angle. Also, consider using a polarizing filter to reduce glare. Experiment with different shutter speeds to blur the water or capture details, and use a tripod for stability, especially with long exposures



Who do you follow
on Social Media for
fun Photo
Inspiration and
Tech Tips?



Send in your favorites to share with other
members: vernonphoto.news@gmail.com

Here are 3 fun Photographers to check out:

@photo.inspire

@biabeible

@ihannahwilson



CAPA NEWS

While you are out shooting through the summer, please keep in mind next year's CAPA competitions. We have two competitions that occur very early in the 2025/26 year. We encourage all of our members to submit images for consideration to next season's CAPA competitions, whether you are a new or experienced photographer. Please feel free to chat to Terri or Kerry with any questions.



Club CAPA Categories & Deadlines 2025-26 Year



CAPA Competition	Themes	Club Submission Dates
Pacific Zone	No Themes, images must be taken in BC or Yukon	September 14, 2025
Nature / Wildlife	Botanical. Insects, Reptiles & Amphibians Landscape Nature Wildlife	September 28, 2025
Monochrome	Candid Person(s) Natural Surroundings Dramatic Contrast & Shadows Nostalgia	October 26, 2025
Fine Art	Abstract Landscape Creative Vision Still Life	January 11, 2026
Inspiration Open Colour	Man-Made Environments Seasonal Transitions Action & Motion Cultural Events Close-up	February 8, 2026
Triptych - Three Images	Community Stories Human Connections Nature Scene Abstract Transformation	March 22, 2026
Canada My Country	Atlantic Zone (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland & Labrador & Prince Edward Island) Pacific Zone (British Columbia & Yukon) Prairie Zone (Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan & Northwest Territory) Ontario Zone (includes Nunavut Territory) Quebec Zone	April 5, 2026



Club Evaluation Topics Coming up This Year

Starting in Sept
**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Image Submission
Deadline will change to
Saturday Nights!

SUBMIT TO:
VERNONCAMERA@YAHOO.COM

VPC Club Evaluation Nights Categories & Deadlines 2025-26 Year



Monthly Evaluation	Themes	Submission Dates
September	1. Open Theme only- Enter you favorite summer image 2. Nature /Wildlife - See CAPA Themes	September 6, 2025
October	1. Monochrome- See CAPA Themes 2. It's a Bugs Life 3. Man's Best Friend 4. Open	October 4 ,2025
November	1. Inspiration Open Color- See CAPA Themes 2. So Hot 3. Sports 4.Open	Nov 8, 2025
December	Submit 1 or 2 images for the year end showcase	December 7, 2025
January	1.Fine Art- See CAPA Themes 2. Unique Lighting 3. Elevation 4.Open	January 3, 2026
February	1 Triptych- Three Images- CAPA Themes 2. Performers 3. Abandoned 4. Open	February 7, 2026
March	1. Canada My Country- See CAPA Themes 2. People 3. Rows and Rows 4. Open	March 7, 2026
April	1. Adventure 2. Light & Shadows 3. Small Objects 4. Open	April 4, 2026
May	1. BC Native Plants 2. Portraits 3. Nostalgia 4.Open	May 9, 2026
June	1. The Sky 2. Action 3. Moody Blues 4. OPen	June 6, 2026

All Image submission deadlines and topics are listed in the Club Website Calendar!

SOME NEW CLUB INITIATIVES

MORE INFO  **Coming Soon**

Teen Photo
contest launching
this fall!

Presentation to
Newcomers to
Vernon with the
Chamber of Commerce!

Club Mentorship
Opportunities!

New Club
Education
Committee!

New Member
Welcome
Packages!

renew your
**MEMBERSHIP
NOW**

2025 - 2026
YEAR

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

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ON THE CLUB WEBSITE**

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