



President's Message



Ron Long, President

Like New Year's, the new Fall season for me is a time for reassessment and readjustment. I hope that everyone has had a not too hot and smokey summer, and that everyone can bring a sense of play and wonder into their Fall Photography. I occasionally see my grandchildren, ages 8 and 11, off to school, and I am always heartened and enlightened by their sense of inquisitiveness, playfulness and spontaneity in greeting the world. They are not afraid to play (and not afraid to experiment and occasionally fail).

So.... this fall, I pledge to FAIL MORE...

I will take pictures in the early morning (after coffee), in the evening, and in the harsh light of mid day.

I will follow some rules, but will break some rules, too, photographically speaking.

I will try to get low, knees permitting, and high, to give a different perspective to some images.

I will take some pictures of 'the ordinary', but try to see 'the ordinary' in an extraordinary way, like my grandchildren do.

I will embrace colour. I will explore film noire.

I will try something that I haven't tried before... there are sooooo many things I haven't tried photographically!

I will fail wonderfully, but enjoy the process, because life is too short not to enjoy the process.

And maybe, I will also grow... a little.

Happy failing! Happy shooting!

Ron Long, President

'Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken' - Oscar Wilde



In this newsletter you will find:

Latest Education, Workshops, Free Resources, and More. Keep Reading!

October Meetings:

October 10/24 at 7pm ZOOM MEETING

Evaluation meeting Via Zoom (link will be sent in it's own email)

A - Black and White (CAPA theme Oct 27)

B - There's a story here

C - Fluid

D - Open



October 24/24 at 7pm VERNON COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

Education Night- Topic Printing images

More details to come, but John will be doing a presentation on image printing and framing. He will be asking for volunteers to bring in a few prints and for details on the good and bad of the prints that you have.

Tech Tip of the night:

Bruce will also have a demonstration and quick discussion on monitor calibration using the Spyder-X system.



Outing News

September Outing - The first outing of the year will take us on a fall road trip up the Okanagan Connector for a stop at Kentucky-Alleyne Provincial Park. This is a very pretty spot located in rolling grasslands and dry open forests surrounding the sparkling turquoise waters of Kentucky and Alleyne Lakes. We will next travel on to Merritt and drive up Hwy 5A to Nicola Lake. Along the way we will stop at the historic church and graveyard in Nicola, at the Quilchena Hotel, and at Our Lady of Lourdes Church before heading up the Douglas Lake Road. We will travel through the grassland ecosystems of the Douglas Lake Ranch, in their fall splendor, eventually arriving in Westwold, along Hwy 97.

Here are the details for the outing:

Date - Friday, September 27, 2024- Meet up Time - 8 AM at the Village Green Mall, in the SE corner behind the ESSO gas station. Here we will buddy up to minimize the number of vehicles and provide lots of opportunity to visit. We expect that this outing will be a full day - we should be back into Vernon by approximately 4:30 PM.

What to Bring - As we will be experiencing fall weather and we will be travelling through large elevational changes, ensure that you have appropriate clothing - layering would be a good choice. We will be doing some walking so good footwear is also recommended. The church and graveyard at Nicola are covered in Prickly Pear Cactus and participants should be aware of this when walking about. Restaurants are not located in convenient spots along the route so it is recommended that you bring a packed lunch although we will be stopping near General Stores at Quilchena and at the Douglas Lake Ranch. Be sure to bring extra, charged batteries for your camera. As for lenses to bring along, most of the shots will be landscape or building photography but there may also be situations where a long lens would be advantageous (perhaps the Black Bear and her cub that we saw a couple of weeks ago will still be around). It also never hurts to throw in your tripod. - you may want to do some bracketing or focus stacking. We hope that you will be able to make it on this outing! Please feel free to contact **Bob Johnson (vpcoutings@yahoo.com)** if you have any questions.

October Outings - October features a bonus outing! The first October outing will be to the Armstrong Demolition Derby to capture a bunch of vehicles being destroyed. This is a very popular event and is sure to provide some great photographic opportunities. The Demolition Derby will be taking place on **Sunday October 13**. Additional details regarding times and ticket purchasing will be forthcoming. The second (bonus) outing will be a ghoulish evening to photograph some of the hauntingly Halloween decorated homes in Vernon. This will be a driving tour planned for **Wednesday, October 30**. Additional details will also be forthcoming for this outing.





CAPA COMPETITIONS

CAPA's competitions are in full swing now. As our results come back, we'll post them on Facebook.

The next competition theme is Black and White. Check this [link](#) for CAPA's description of the details. Please send in your one or two images to vpccapa@yahoo.com by **October 27**.

A few reminders before you send in your pictures:

- CAPA requires the unmodified EXIF data (camera and image details). Some editors erase it, so check that it's there.
- CAPA won't accept images that have received awards previously.
- Keep your original unaltered file in case CAPA asks for it.
- Check that your pixel dimensions are right (check our website for help) and the size is less than 1.8Mb
- Name your file as follows: TITLE - NAME - THEME

If you have any questions, email anytime and we'll sort it out.

CAPA's newsletter for September is out. You will find the link [here](#).

Cheers! Let's go out there and see in Black and White!

Tor Nenzen

CAPA USEFUL LINKS:

Consider reading our club's helpful information on CAPA competitions:

[CLICK HERE](#) 

This CAPA link elaborates on the themes and their unique editing rules:

[CLICK HERE](#) 

This links explain CAPA's rules regarding AI

[CLICK HERE](#) 



Club CAPA Due Dates & Theme

October 27- Black and White

January 5 - Fine Art

February 2 - Colour

February 23 - Photojournalism

March 9 - Curves and Lines

April 6 - Canada My Country

Club Website



What can you find on our club website you ask?

Info page with Club Contact emails and other general Info

[CLICK HERE](#) 

Membership Form is now online only under membership

[CLICK HERE](#) 

Calendar has upcoming events

[CLICK HERE](#) 

Our Club Code of Conduct

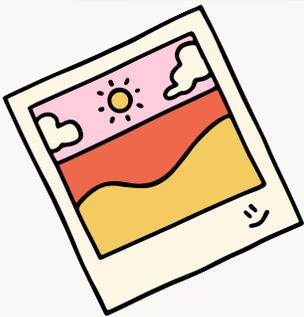
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**Watch for
our New
Website
coming
this fall !**



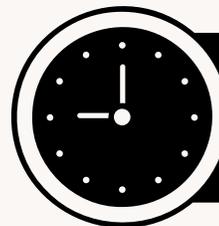
Club Evaluation Topics for Next Month



Enter your pictures for evaluation!
What a great way to learn

NOVEMBER TOPICS:

Music
Artistic
Water
Open



DEADLINE
to submit Nov 10

SUBMIT TO:
VERNONCAMERA@YAHOO.COM

Save the Date

Members will be loaning prints to the
Coat Check Gallery at the Vernon
Performing Arts Centre next year
from 1 June to 30 August!
Details coming soon.



Meet Some Fellow Members

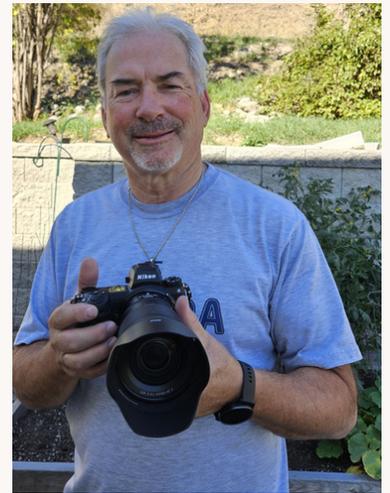


Meet Rhonda Markowsky

Rhonda has lived in the Adventure Bay area in Vernon for the last year, and has been enjoying photography for many years. She enjoys nature photography, landscapes, travel, and anything that combines photography and adventure!! She shoots with a Fujifilm Xt5. Rhonda hopes to learn more about night photography and Astro. She enjoys the photography club because it is great to meet people with a common interest and she feels encouraged to get out to shoot by participating in the monthly evaluation settings, and there is always something new to learn.

Meet Dave Drake

Dave lives in Coldstream BC and has just recently retired. He started early with a Kodak instamatic camera in his teens. Dave's Dad always had a camera in the house. Dave enjoys shooting static subjects, landscapes and flowers and wildlife. Dave would like to learn more about Photo editing and understanding the elements of Photoshop . Dave shoots with Nikon (3 bodies).



Meet Laura Patterson

Laura moved to Coldstream last year, and joined the club with her husband Kirk to meet new people. She loves to shoot nature, landscapes and animals (especially chipmunks) Laura shoots with an older Canon T5i and a Samsung S23 Ultra cell phone. Laura hopes to finally learn the settings on her Canon plus learn how to set up her shots better instead of taking extra pictures.

Memberships are now due.

Click this link to register!

