



## President's Message



**Ron Long, President**

It is with great enthusiasm that we welcome VPC members and prospective members back for our fall sessions, after the hot summer break. Search your hard drives, memory cards or get out there and get taking pictures, as our first meeting is an in person evaluation meeting at the **Vernon Community Arts Centre** at 7pm **Thursday, Sept 5th**. We are asking that members submit no more than 2 pictures each for this first session, as there will be a fair bit of "business" to cover. The topics for submission are: Nature/Wildlife, My Best Shots in the last six months, and Open. We will also have a brief discussion on sizing and sending photos to the club. We are always looking for ideas and presenters for our Education nights, so if you have a special interest that you'd like to share, please let us know. Our first Education meeting will be in person **Thursday Sept 26th** and will be a "Pot Pouri" of topics as listed below.

A special note of thanks to these departing volunteer executive members: Dave Guscott (past president), Ian Bull (education), Paul Graham (newsletter), and Suzanne Pask (CAPA competition coordinator). We now welcome a few new executive members: Terri & Tom Fugel, Laura Barker, and Tor Nenzen to join the returning executive members. Thanks goes out as well to Frances Weeks for arranging the year end car rally/photography/alpaca/hummingbird/cider education/pizza event!

The executive have been quite active on your behalf over the summer months...those returning will notice the new fresh website look and updated online membership renewal forms. Increased costs of room rentals and insurance necessitate that we increase yearly dues to \$60.00 per person. Of note, we have adopted a Code of Conduct for VPC. All members and guests are required to sign the Code of Conduct in order to participate in any VPC activities. In effect, it says...Be Kind; Be Considerate; Be Encouraging; Be Inclusive, and Be Respectful. Any concerns may be brought to any VPC executive member to be dealt with confidentially and quickly. As always, we appreciate your feedback in our efforts to improve your experience with the Vernon Photography Club. And as I don't know all of you yet, (and I am hopeless with names), please come and introduce yourselves to me!

**HAPPY SHOOTING!**

*"Don't count the days,  
make the days count."  
Muhammad Ali*



In this newsletter you will find:

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

# September Meetings:



## September 5th Meeting-

Introductory / Welcome to our new season meeting at the **Vernon Community Arts Centre at 7pm**

Due to scheduling conflicts this 1st meeting of the year will be the 1st Thursday of **this month only**.

**For this meeting only**, members are invited to submit 2 of their favorite images for evaluation. Something taken in the last 6 months to a year would be great.

Please submit images to "[vernoncamera@yahoo.com](mailto:vernoncamera@yahoo.com)" before midnight Sunday September 01/24

Topics are:

Nature/Wildlife

My Best Picture of the last 6 months

Open

This meeting will also feature something new & exciting!



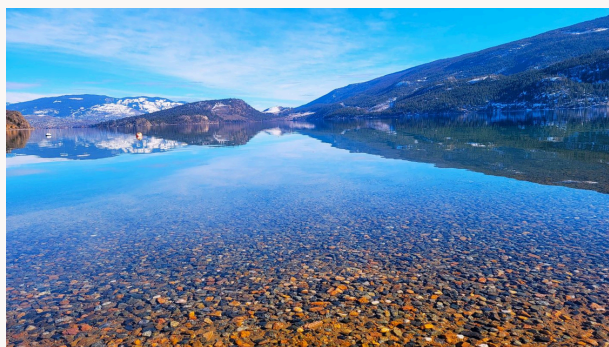
### 5 MINUTE TECH TIPS

This month featuring quick processing tips on Image sizing and naming for both PC & MAC

This will be a demo of the handout available on the website and we hope to clear up those lingering questions about sizing and quality submissions for both CAPA and VPC submissions.

If you have time before the meeting there is info on the website.

[CLICK HERE](#) 



## September 26th Meeting & Education Night

This meeting is being held at the **Vernon Community Arts Centre at 7pm**

### Education Night

Sports and action Photography. Bring your cameras - possibly flash( if you have one) as we will be outside for some of tonight. Tor will be helping us learn a few techniques on sports photos - Theory and practice.

After Ron will give us a few tips on capturing great shots when travelling.

**5 MINUTE TECH TIPS- TO BE DETERMINED**

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# Outing News

Your outing committee will soon be planning some exciting photo opportunities for 2024/25. Watch for these to be rolled out in future Newsletters.

**Outing Slideshow Images** – If you attended the June 8 Outing at the Komasket Pow Wow, please send 4 or 5 images to Bob Johnson “[ypcoutings@yahoo.com](mailto:ypcoutings@yahoo.com)” for inclusion in the slideshow to be shown on September 5th. Please submit your photos by **Sunday, September 1, 2024.**

Also, if you attended the Photo Car Rally Outing, please send in 4 or 5 images to Bob at “[ypcoutings@yahoo.com](mailto:ypcoutings@yahoo.com)” for inclusion in the slideshow to be shown on September 5th please submit your photos by **Sunday, September 1, 2024.**

We are looking forward to another great year with the Vernon Photography Club. We have received some fantastic outing suggestions from our members that will be considered by the committee. If you have an idea for an outing, please contact one of the Outing Committee members: Bob Johnson, Lois McNiven, Glennis O’Neill or Paul Graham.



**SAVE!  
THE DATE!**

**Club First Outing  
Oct XX. 9am**





# CAPA COMPETITIONS

At this year's CAPA conference, one of the Competitions' volunteers was asked "What is the value of competitions?" His response was that it encourages people to take more pictures and there can be a great deal of learning through the process. Our club encourages members to send in images for the 8 competitions that CAPA hosts through the year. For each competition, 6 images are selected to represent our club. This year, there will be constructive feedback from a CAPA judge for the Zone competition (see the details below).

There will be a reminder on Facebook one week before the due dates. We encourage all members to send in 1 image per competition to our club's selection committee at [vpccapa@yahoo.com](mailto:vpccapa@yahoo.com). Some people are Individual Members of CAPA. They are allowed to send 2 images straight to CAPA for their own competitions. The Pacific Zone competition (only) has the following changes this year:

The number of club images sent in is no longer 6 but 5. For this competition, CAPA has started a ranking system for individuals based on previous achievements. The levels are Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. The rationale for this is explained as follows: For Zone competitions only, judges will score all of the images and additionally one judge will only provide comments on each image submitted into the Novice category. This constructive feedback for Novices is new for this year and could be really helpful! Note also that this competition is open only to members who are permanently residing in the Pacific Zone.

## 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](#) 

Latest CAPA News:

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## Club Due Date & Theme

**September 8- Pacific Zone**  
**September 22-Nature / Wildlife**  
**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 News



## What's new 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

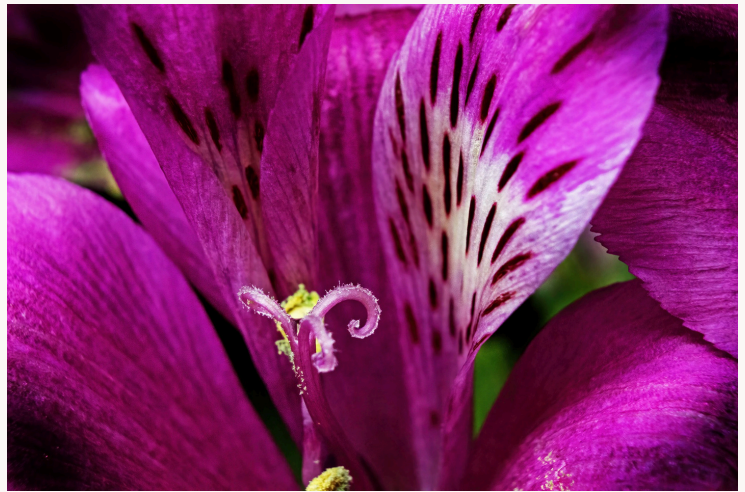
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Our Club Code of Conduct

**CLICK HERE** 

CAPA Competition topics are posted

**CLICK HERE** 



## Evaluation Topics for Next Month

# OCTOBER

Black and White  
There's a Story Here  
Fluid  
Open



# Meet Some Fellow Members



## Meet Bob Johnson

Bob lives in Vernon and has been taking pictures off and on since he was about 3. He likes to shoot a variety of things from landscapes to macro. His favorite is wildlife/birds.

Bob loves to hear and see what others are doing with their photographic creations. Bob mostly shoots Nikon (D5500 with his 200-500 lens, D780 for other photos) but he also has a Sony A6000 that he uses and an iPhone 14

## Meet Richard Hues

Richard lives in the Foothills area of Vernon. He has been a club member for 10+/- years. Richard remembers having a camera in his hands when he was about 13. He likes to shoot landscape, wildlife, and night shooting. Richard feels he has gained so much being in the club and says "one thing about photography is you never stop learning"  
He shoots with a Nikon.



## Meet Kirk Patterson

Kirk is a newbie to the area and the club moving to Coldstream 1 year ago. He picked up his first camera just before joining the club to try a common interest with his wife Laura as they met new people in the community. He loves taking pictures of nature mostly. Kirk shoots a lot of the time with his Samsung S23 Ultra phone and is learning with a Canon T5i camera as well. He hopes to learn more about camera settings to take better pictures overall.

# Memberships are now due.

Click this link to register!



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