

Mt. Baker Camera Club

Mt. Baker Camera Club was established in 1959 and is a member of the
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Upcoming Meetings:

(Skagit Valley College, Room L56)

Friday, January 16, 2009, 7:30pm

Regular Meeting

Business: Election of Officers
Review the Questionnaire results

Please send three **COLOR** images for this competition night meeting.

Judging / Evaluation Panel: Jack, Jean, Sonny, Ron

A 'premier event' - the first use of the panel system of judging/evaluation.
Your follow-up comments and suggestions are requested.

PSA Competition entry will be sent to: Cranbury Digital CC, Cranbury, NJ

Send your digital images to Marilyn by Thursday, Jan. 15th. Please use a 1024 x 768 format. **PLEASE NOTE:** Vertical images are to be 768 high, not 1024 high. Horizontal images are to be 1024 wide. I do correct formatting errors, but it is becoming time consuming. Email your images (or questions) to: mhektner@verizon.net.

Friday, February 6, 2009 7:30pm

Pilchuck Judging & Judging Workshop

Pilchuck Camera Club has asked our club to judge their Image-of-the-Year Competition. They have three categories: Open, Flowers, and their Assigned Topic, which is Barns. This evening we will judge their images, and expand it to a workshop on judging, reviewing judging criteria and working on our judging skills. A learning opportunity for everyone!

Friday, February 20, 2009 7:30pm

Regular Meeting

Please send three **NATURE** images for competition.

Saturday, February 28, 2009 (all day--times you choose)

Field Trip

(rain or shine)

Photo Scavenger Hunt in LaConner

The list of topics will arrive in your email inbox early Sat. morning. We will plan to meet in a warm place for lunch and visiting. Otherwise, you are on your own, however all your photos must be taken on this one day.

Saturday, March 7, 2009, 6:00pm - PUD Aqua Room, 1415 Freeway Drive., Mt. Vernon

Awards Dinner

Annual "Photo of the Year" Dinner and Program

Dinner: Planned Potluck. A sign-up sheet will be available.

Awards: Images judged by the Abbotsford Photo Arts Club, B.C.

Program: Leona Isaac, short photo shows, variety of subjects

Friday, March 20, 2009, 7:30pm

Regular Meeting

Please send three **COLOR** images for competition.

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**Photo of the Year Competition for 2008.** Enclosed is a list of your images in Color and Nature competitions for 2008. You may select 5 color and 5 nature images to enter in the Annual Photo of the Year Competition. You may also enter 3 images in each Designated Category--the "Beulah Jennings Flower Award", the "Austin DenHerder Bird Award", and the "Assigned Subject Award" category, which for 2008 is ART IN NATURE.

To be eligible for entry, color and nature images must be picked from the list of images that were brought to club during 2008. Designated category images do not need to have been shown at a club meeting, but must be taken during 2008. Digital images only are accepted.

Images for Color and Nature do not need to be sent to me, they are already in my files. Just send an email listing the titles of your entries. For each Designated Category, please send your images, either by email or CD, by January 31st. If I already have an image from a club meeting, just let me know the title. We look forward to everyone participating! Email your images or questions to: mhektner@verizon.net.

**PSA INTERCLUB COMPETITIONS 2008-2009**

Results: December 2008 **COLOR** Competition, judged by the Indiana CC, Pennsylvania:

|                              |                 |    |                       |
|------------------------------|-----------------|----|-----------------------|
| "Deception Pass"             | Jack Kienest    | 14 | <b>Award of Merit</b> |
| "Sideways at 110 mph"        | Ron Walden      | 9  |                       |
| "Fan of Color"               | Jean MacGregor  | 9  |                       |
| "Autumn Stream Reflections"  | Murphy Hektner  | 10 |                       |
| "Lanterns"                   | Peter Verschoor | 12 |                       |
| "Kudu, Kruger National Park" | Lana Walden     | 9  |                       |

**63** Total Points

**PSA COLOR Competition Standings, Class A, as of December 2008:**

|                            |    | Total | (Dec) |                     | Total | (Dec)    |
|----------------------------|----|-------|-------|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Boston West Photo          | MA | 145   | (68)  | <b>Mt. Baker CC</b> | WA    | 134 (63) |
| Cape Cod Viewfinders       | MA | 143   | (66)  | Saguaro CC          | CA    | 133 (60) |
| Pomona Valley CC           | CA | 141   | (65)  | E.Troy Viewfinders  | WI    | 133 (69) |
| Houston Photochrome        | TX | 140   | (71)  | Forest Grove CC     | OR    | 131 (63) |
| Photo Guild of Nova Scotia |    | 139   | (66)  | Salt Creek CC       | IL    | 130 (64) |
| Topics CC                  | OH | 137   | (65)  | Boise CC            | ID    | 129 (64) |
| Image Makers               | WI | 135   | (64)  | Great Falls CC      | MT    | 129 (67) |
| Greater Lynn Photo         | MA | 135   | (66)  | Glendora CC         | CA    | 126 (66) |

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### **Message from the President:**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for taking time to fill out the Mt. Baker Camera Club Questionnaire, and mailing it back to us. We had a high percentage of returns, with interesting and helpful input. Our board recently met and reviewed the questionnaires, and we will use this information for planning club activities in the future.

I also would like to tell you a little about the Annual Photo-of-the-Year Dinner on March 7th. We have a very interesting speaker lined up for the evening's program. We are fortunate to be able to have Leona Isaac from the Abbotsford Photo Arts Club in British Columbia as our guest for the evening. She will be presenting several short programs on a variety of subject matter. We enjoyed her images several years ago, and look forward to seeing her recent work.

Our photos will be judged by the Abbotsford Photo Arts Club, with Leona as one of the judges. We encourage each member to submit your photos into the competition, as it is representative of the best work of each of us for the year. We want to have a good showing of our club's photography, both for the judging club and for our guests at the annual dinner.

Due to member preferences as noted in the Questionnaire, this will be the last hard copy Newsletter. Starting in February, the Newsletter will be sent out by email. Be sure we have your current email address. If email is a problem for you, let Marilyn know, and we will send yours by US Mail.

Looking forward to an interesting club year in 2009...

**Murphy**

### **Quote of the Month:**

**"The ultimate photographic image  
will imprint a scene  
directly into a person's memory."**

*~~~Anonymous*