

# InFocus

Sun City Photography Club  
November 2023

A Letter From

Jim Smith

*Sun City Photography  
Club President*



**Please note that this month's general meeting will be one week earlier than our normal meetings are. We are meeting on the first Tuesday of this month, November 7th at 7 p.m. at Hidden Cypress.** Our speaker and competition judge will be Barry Spruce who will be speaking on a very popular topic – Wildlife Photography. Our competition theme this month is things that begin with the letter T. Please note that putting the word "The" in front of something doesn't make it start with the letter T. And it's a Print competition. As always, if you need help with printing and matting, you can get it on any Tuesday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 in the Studio.

**At this meeting, we will be voting for the new Board for 2024.** I am at the end of my two terms as President, so we will be naming a new President. The nominees who we will be voting on are President Stan Holz, Vice President Julia Parrish, Treasurer Everett Denning, Secretary Barbara Reeves, and Education Chair Cindy Fiano. I will remain on the Board as the Past President.

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At the last meeting, we gave out some awards to six of our members who have made significant contributions to the Club over many years. These individuals have all put in countless hours to make the Club what it is today and I want to mention them here in order to ensure that all of our members know who they are. In addition to receiving individual plaques, their names are being displayed in the Studio on the three plaques to the right of the door as you enter the Studio. A big congratulations is extended to all of those who have received the award.

**The Corky Burt Award for Leadership was presented to Gracene Peluso and Bob Kampwirth, the John Burrack Award for Friends Helping Friends was presented to Tom Mills and Rich Matheny, and the Rich de Asla Award for Outstanding Contributions went to Chuck Thomas and Pat Roche.** When you see these members, please extend your congratulations to them.

See you at the November meeting,  
Jim Smith

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# Monthly Snapshot

## Upcoming Events, Classes, and More



# November Class Schedule

**THERE IS STILL PLENTY OF TIME TO LEARN THIS FALL! THESE CLASSES HAVE SEATS AVAILABLE.**

New members interested in Orientation need to register for the November 27th session.

[\*\*Register for Classes or Orientation Here\*\*](#)

## **F231102P Mat Cutting 1**

- Date & Time 1 Session: 11/2, 1:30 pm to 4 pm
- Instructor: John Burrack
- Description: This is a certification class to be able to use the Matting & Mounting equipment in the Studio. Bring an 8x10 or 11x14 photo to the studio and learn to dry mount it then cut and attach a mat.
- Camera Type: All cameras and cell phones
- Additional Requirements: Bring an 8x10 or 11x14 photo
- Level: All Levels

## **F231106P Slide show with Music**

- Date & Time 1 Session: 11/6 from 1 pm to 3 pm
- Instructor: Rich Matheny
- Description: Create Slide Shows with music using your photos with Lightroom software.
- Camera Type: All cameras and cell phones
- Additional Requirements for Software: Lightroom Classic software and some knowledge of the program.
- Level: All Levels

## **F231109P Macro Photography Workshop**

- Date & Time 2 Sessions: THURSDAY, 11/9 from 1:30 pm to 4 pm; WEDNESDAY, 11/15 from 9 am to Noon Instructor: John Burrack
- Description: You will explore the world of photographing small subjects and "close-up" photography to capture and display subject detail that is not normally readily visible. We will discuss camera and lens settings to help you "get closer". I will also show some optional special lenses and equipment that might extend your ability but be aware that you can use the equipment you already have. You will have an assignment and optional "macro shoot" between the 2 sessions and will be asked to share a photo or 2 in the 2nd session.
- Camera Type: All cameras and cell phones
- Additional Requirements for Level /Software or Equipment: None
- Level: All Levels

## **F231110P Photographing Birds in Flight**

- Date & Time 1 Session: 11/10 from 2 pm to 4 pm
- Instructor: Everett Denning
- Description: How to photograph birds in flight
- Camera Type: not for phone camera users

- Additional Requirements for Level /Software or Equipment: Camera with telephoto lens minimum 350mm
- Level: Intermediate

### **F231114A Lightroom Essentials**

- Date & Time 1 Session: 11/14 from 10 am to Noon
- Instructor: Tom Lehrer
- Description: This class will review the essential elements of Adobe Lightroom Classic. If you currently use the program but have questions about its primary editing and storage functions, this would be for you. If you are considering subscribing to Lightroom and already have some digital editing skills, this class will help you make your decision.
- Camera Type: All cameras and cell phones
- Additional Requirements Equipment & Skills: 1. Adobe Lightroom Classic. 2. Possess basic digital editing skills.
- Level: Intermediate

### **F231127A Orientation**

- Date & Time 1 Session: 11/27 from 10 am to 12 pm
- Instructor: Stan Holz
- Description: An introduction to the studio and all our club has to offer. This is geared towards new and newer members. Free
- Camera Type: All cameras and cell phones
- Level: All Levels

**If a class is FULL, you can still register for the class and be put on a Wait List.** If someone cancels, Wait List members are notified.

**If you need to cancel, please contact BOTH the instructor and Ward Litzenberg (at [ward.litzenberg@gmail.com](mailto:ward.litzenberg@gmail.com)) at least 24 hours in advance.**

This allows us to attempt to fill your seat.

**Questions? Email [dalemethven@aol.com](mailto:dalemethven@aol.com).** The Education Committee hopes these classes continue your journey of stretching your imagination & developing a personal vision with more creative and expressive images.

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## **Upcoming Field Trips**

### **SC Backroads Trip**

**November 9, 2023, from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Come join us in exploring and photographing some of South Carolina's



Come join us in exploring and photographing some of South Carolina's quintessential southern towns suspended in time that are only located on the SC Backroads! On this day trip we will tour the towns of Bamberg, Barnwell, Blackville, Cope, Denmark, and other sites along the way! Each has their own unique look and history. Lunch is planned at one of our favorite area restaurants, Miller's Bread Basket in Blackville. Plan on leaving NLT at 7:00 AM. A detailed itinerary will be sent out to all the members registered for the field trip a few days before the field trip.

[Register Here](#)

## **Savannah Wildlife Refuge Trip**

**November 20, 2023, from 6:30 AM to Noon**

The Savannah Wildlife Refuge (SWR) is a 31,551-acre wildlife refuge located in Jasper County and is a short 20-minute drive from Sun City. The SWR was established in 1927 as a sanctuary for migratory birds and wintering waterfowl. We will be driving the 4.5-mile Laurel-Hill Wildlife Drive. You have the option of walking several SWR trails. The SWR is open from sunrise to sunset. The tentative departure time is expected to be 6:30 AM but could be subject to change.

[Register Here](#)

## **Savannah Plant Riverside Trip**

**December 8, 2023, from 3:30 PM to 9:00 PM**

We are returning to Savannah's Plant Riverside District on the Savannah River for street, landscape, and the river traffic photography. The Plant Riverside area will be colorful and decorated for Christmas Holidays. The riverfront will have a lot going on and people to photograph. At sunset, Plant Riverside lights up for some spectacular photo opportunities. We will venture onto one of Plant Riverside's Roof Top establishment for some great views of the riverfront and take some photos. While there, we will gather, enjoy some refreshments, and meet new people.

[Register Here](#)

**Darien Shrimp Boat Fleet at Sunrise and  
St. Simon Island Lighthouse Trip**

## St. Simon Island Lighthouse Trip

**December 18, 2023, from 5:30 AM to 2:00 PM**

The Sunrise over the Shrimp Boat Fleet in Darien is one of our favorite destinations for photographing sunrises, and this trip we will include the St. Simon's Island Lighthouse. It will be an early start, leaving at 5:15 AM to get to Darien to set up on the bridge for Blue Hour and the Sunrise over the fleet. After the sunrise photoshoot, we head off to St. Simon's Island to photograph the Lighthouse. We will stop for either breakfast or lunch during the trip.

[Register Here](#)



## Special Announcements

### October Photo Competition Results

**Theme: "Games"**

**Novice Category:**

- 1st Place - Dolly Jankord, "Bingo"
- 2nd Place - Shashi Cooduvalli, "Coach's Game"





Dolly Jankord, "Bingo"

**Intermediate Category:**

- 1st Place - Jonathan Chase, "Polo Game"
- 2nd Place - Gerry Fagan, "Dugout Fun"
- 3rd Place - Doug Scott, "War Games"
- Honorable Mention - Linda Laird, "It's Outta There"



Jonathan Chase, "Polo Game"

**Advanced Category:**

- 1st Place - Julia Parrish, "Mah Jongg"
- 2nd Place - Amaury Cruz, "Catch Me If You Can"
- 3rd Place - Steve Tate, "Keep On Rolling"

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- Honorable Mention - Everett Denning, "Lacrosse"



Julia Parrish, "Mah Jongg"

**Expert Category:**

- 1st Place - Sophia Schade, "Bull By the Horns"
- 2nd Place - Stan Lituchy, "Determination"
- 3rd Place - Mike Davis, "I Got This"
- Honorable Mention - Freddi Hoffmann, "Game Night"







Sophia Schade, "Bull By the Horns"

### **October Competition Category Advancements**

The following members have earned advancement to the next higher competition category:

- Gerry Fagan from Intermediate to Advanced
- Julia Parrish from Advanced to Expert

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## **What You Should Know About the November Competition**

### **Competition Details**

- Meeting Time: 7:00 PM
- Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 (Note not our regular date)
- Location: Hidden Cypress
- Theme: "Things That Begin With the Letter T"
- Competition Type: Print
- Entry deadline: Midnight on Sunday, November 5th, 2023

Special Note: Please pay attention to detail when you enter. Complete information is included in Sections D and E in the competition guidelines found on the club website.

**Be on the lookout for a confirmation email that verifies your entry has been received.**

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# We Want to Feature Your Photos on Our Website

Don't forget to send your favorite photo from last month to the Monthly Slideshow. **Email your photo to [monthly-slideshow@yogile.com](mailto:monthly-slideshow@yogile.com)** and add the photo title (title - your name) as the email subject and once it is approved, it will be added to the current month's slideshow on our club website.

Don't forget to check out the new Member Showcases under Member Resources on the website! **Email your portfolio locations to [PCSCHHGallery@gmail.com](mailto:PCSCHHGallery@gmail.com)** to have your portfolio included.

[View The Monthly Slideshow](#)



A Warm Welcome to Our  
New Members!

Please join us in welcoming the Sun City Photography Club's newest members, bringing our membership count to 437 photographers:

- Gail Lee
- Johanne Auger
- Sharon Anderson
- Melissa Impellizeri
- Stan Grabiec
- Robert Arndt
- Marla GrosLouis
- Richard HineLine
- Gail Dailey
- Ray Levine
- Fred Cummings
- James levay
- Larry Davidson
- Carol Liff
- Kathy Serfin
- Kathryn Kathy Brown
- Mitchell Cooperman
- Maureen Coykendall
- Linda Shaffer
- Gregory Palmer
- Janice O'Flynn
- Lloyd Perkel
- Kathy Kight
- Timothy Mulvey
- John Lee
- Patricia Brown

- Ann Pelham
- Sheri Bauer
- Robert Goldberg
- Cindy Padovani
- Padovani Ernie
- James Duncan
- Deborah Boccanfuso
- Cynthia Thiel
- Barbara Ehrhoot
- Patti Leisure
- Marshall Ponzi
- Connie Sivillo
- Bobby Porto
- Diane Gray
- Penny Stanley
- Chris Moore
- Dean Moore
- Denny Anderson
- Sandy Budroe
- David Atterberry
- Cheryl Callaman
- Dee Bitenieks
- Tony Callaman
- Audrey Porter
- Leslie Balassone

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# Photographer **Feature**

## **This Month's Featured Club Member**

## **Theda Parks**







picture. I'm going to start an album of just that subject matter. I'm a people watcher and I find it so interesting.

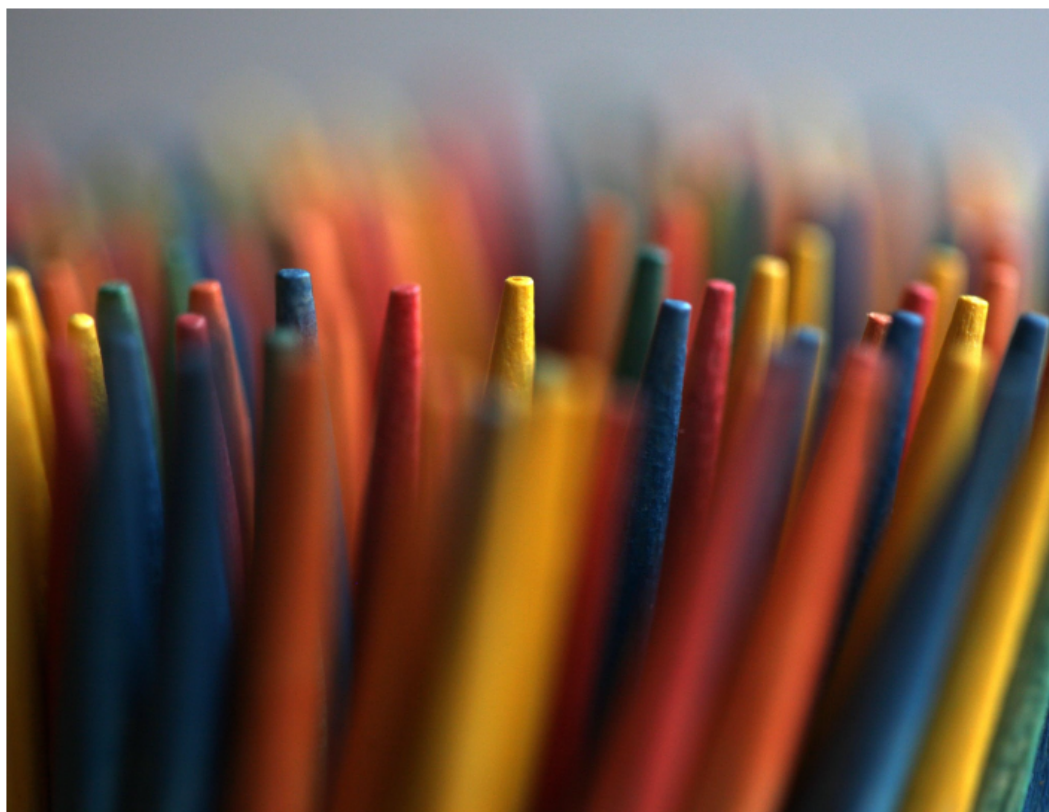
**Where is your favorite place in the Lowcountry to venture to in order to photograph?**

I like Fish Haul Beach and Mary's Pond during the cold months for migrating birds and those that are in courting mode.

**Do you have a passion project for 2024 involving photography? Care to share?**

As mentioned above, I'm going to start an album of "Back Photos".

## Theda's Parting Shot



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