



**Photography Club of Sun City Hilton Head  
Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
May 5, 2025 10:00 am  
(Held in Studio)**

**In Attendance:**

Board Members: President Stan Holz, Past President Bob Kampwirth, Secretary Barbara Reeves, Treasurer Everett Denning, Director of Education Cindy Fiano, Member-at-Large Keri Ricci

Committee Leaders: Mike Laferriere, Field Trips; Doug Scott, Programs; Corky Burt, Studio Manager; Bob Ricketts, Exhibits; Cathy Thiem, Studio Supplies; Joe Turino, Publicity.

**Absent:**

Vice President Julia Parrish, Member-at-Large Rick VanDette; John Hock, Competitions; Mike Fratkin, Membership; Rich deAsla, Photo Services

Stan welcomed Team members to the last meeting before the summer break.

**Minutes**

Team members reviewed the minutes from the February 15, 2025, Leadership Team meeting beforehand, and there were no additions or corrections. Doug moved to approve the minutes, and Mike seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

**Leadership Committee Reports**

Stan presented committee reports for chairs who were absent:

Membership for Julia and Mike Fratkin

There are 419 paid members as of May 1. The annual CC20 listing of membership was sent to Lifestyles on 5/1/25.

Replacement badges and those for new members continue to be ordered monthly. Mike delivers them as they are received. New badges are included in membership dues; replacements are charged to the member via CAM.

Website

- Julia continues to keep the site updated with Trips, Trip Galleries, Meetings, Announcements and all new relevant information. Everyone is asked to send relevant information to Julia in order to keep the site current and complete.

- Google analytics for January thru April show site visitors consistently go to Meetings, Competitions, Education, and Photographer of the Month pages. There were spikes in January and February for Creative Vision and Trips in April.
- There have been 13 members featured as Photographer of the Month. Julia is encouraging leadership to nominate members who may have stood out in classes, meetings, trips, etc. to give attention to them and their photographic abilities. If anyone in leadership would like to be featured, let Julia know.
- Yogile has updated their program to enable the requested feature that will allow us to display images anonymously in competitions, so now logistics need to be worked out to provide a system that will enhance the current process of submission and display of photos in competitions.

#### Competitions for John Hock

The Committee has assembled the themes for 2026 competitions. They are:

Jan - Architecture

Feb - Black and White

Mar - Curves

Apr- It's in the Eyes

May - Inspired by a Song **(Entry title must be the song title)**

Sep - Patterns/Repetition

Oct - Portrait of a Person

Nov - Street Photography

The Studio window display of winning entries continues each Thursday morning after the Tuesday meeting. The Studio has been reserved for this purpose through the end of 2025.

#### Publicity

Joe asked anyone who has something needing publicity to send an email to him. Stan thanked Joe for the good coverage he has provided the Club.

#### Field trips

The Field Trip Committee has successfully completed 4 of the 7 scheduled field trips through April 2025. The last three are scheduled in May. (See attached report for more details) The issues with the field trip registration form have been resolved.

The Field Trip Committee is in the process of developing a list of potential future field trips. These will be finalized in the June/July timeframe. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for May 5.

#### Programs

Doug reported that the last open spot for 2025 speaker/judge has been filled in September. The presentation by one of our photo club members, who is also a member of All About Art, will cover an introduction to Digital Art. Our competition judge in September will be a member of the All About Art Club.

#### Studio Exhibit

The current exhibit went up on May 1, and Bob Ricketts was thanked for that effort.

### Studio Manager

Corky reported that he will be working with some volunteers to do an inventory in the Studio over the summer months for the report that must be submitted to Lifestyles in the fall.

He is tracking prices of supplies to keep up with inflation and price increases. Ink and printing stock prices haven't increased so far, but mounting supplies have. Therefore, effective May 5, he is announcing new pricing for these items (See attached list).

Computing and printing problems seem to be resolved. Since Rich will be doing Wednesday Help sessions, he will hear firsthand if any new problems arise.

### Education

The spring session ends June 13<sup>th</sup>. There were 25 actual class sessions, two Orientation sessions, and three Walk Arounds to provide practice for new phone camera users. Weekly emails of open classes have helped increase registration.

There will be seven or more summer Pop-up sessions. A new session on "point and shoot" cameras is being considered. The fall sessions will begin in mid-September and run to the week before Thanksgiving.

Stan voiced some frustration that there has not been as big a turnout for orientations as there has been in the past. Some possible strategies were presented, including posting a video of an orientation session on the web site, or making an orientation mandatory for new members and passing out badges there as an incentive to attend.

### Studio Supplies

In order to avoid some difficulties with supply deliveries, Cathy proposed that future orders of Kool Tac be sent to a company in North Carolina, International Molding Co., that can deliver directly to Sun City. We are looking into having International Moulding deliver right to the Club and be exempt from paying the vendor fee because we are ordering for the Club. If that does not work, then International Moulding will deliver to Cathy's house, and the Club will pay for the vendor fee of \$30. Another advantage of switching to this company is that they can supply anything needed for framing. The Board gave her approval to go ahead with the switch. Cathy reported that she has a good team working with her: Greg Cunningham helping with cutting the Kool Tac and Joyce Fowler helping with monitoring supplies in the Studio. Mike Davis and Dave Mortimer have also been helping with pick-up and delivery.

### Treasury

Everett reported that as of 4/30/25, the Club bank balance is \$17, 319. (See report attached for breakdown).

## **Other Business**

### New Committee Chairs for 2026

All Leadership Team committee chairs are willing to stay on for another term except for Doug Scott, who is recommending the leadership position of Programs be transitioned to Keri Ricci; and John Hock, from Competitions, who will need to discuss with his committee if anyone is interested in assuming the chair position.

### Nominees for Open Board Positions in 2026

An ad hoc Nominations Committee has been appointed. Rich deAsla is facilitator; other members are Bob Kampwirth, Tom Mills, Ellen Scott, and Sophia Shade. The Committee will present their nominations to the Board, and a vote will be taken at the October General meeting. Currently, the following are applicants: Julia Parrish for President, Rick Van Dette for Vice President, Ellen Scott for Secretary, Ward Litzenberg for Education Chair. Everett Denning will continue on as Treasurer. Stan will serve as Past-President on the Board, replacing Bob Kampwirth.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Everett moved & Cindy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Reeves, Secretary

# MAY 2025 Leadership Meeting Report - Field Trip Committee

## 2025 Field Trips

- ☐ The Field Trip Committee has successfully completed 4 of the 7 scheduled field trips through April 2025.
- ☐ Three field trips are scheduled in May
  - Beidler Audubon Forest and Sanctuary - May 9, 2025
  - The Raptor Center - May 16, 2025
  - Sunset Dolphin and Lighthouse Cruise - May 20, 2025

The following is a summary of the field trips from 2022 to the present:

FIELD TRIP DASHBOARD (as of 05/04/2025)				
Description	2025 <sup>(1)</sup>	2024	2023	2022 <sup>(2)</sup>
Total Planned Field Trips	7	14	18	11
Total Completed Field Trips	4	8	16	8
Total Canceled Field Trips	0	3	2	3
Total Registered	100	296	251	77
Total Cancellations	7	86	39	not tracked
Total Participated	93	210	not tracked	not tracked
Total Guests	4	not tracked	not tracked	not tracked
1 <sup>st</sup> Field Trip	9	not tracked	not tracked	not tracked
1. Thru May 2025				
2. 2022 data for the first 6 month incomplete or not tracked				

## Registration Form Issues

- ☐ The issues with the Field trip registrations form has been resolved
- ☐ The form was the same master form used for the first 2 field trips without any problems.

## Field Trips Planning for September through December

- ☐ The Field Trip Committee is in the process of developing a list of potential field trips
- ☐ The field trip will be finalized in June/July timeframe
- ☐ Several destinations or events are on the list.
  - The Smoky Mountains - October 2025
  - Milky Way - September- October (Locations TBD)
  - Darien Shrimp Boat Fleet Sunrise & Secondary Destination TBD - December 2025

## Field Trip Committee Meeting

- ☐ The Next Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2025 from 12:45 to 2:00 PM

Price List Effective 5/5/2025

**Mounting and Mat Boards**

Kool Tac Mounting Boards	16x20	\$3.00
	32X40	\$12.00
Omega Canvas Mount Boards	16x20	\$4.00
	32x40	\$16.00
Pre-Cut Mat Boards (Black or White)		
	16x20	\$3.00
Pre-Cut Mat Boards + Opening	16x20	\$3.00

Corky Burt

# Treasury Report

## APRIL Summary

**Actual 4/30/25 bank balance is \$17,319.16**

**A/P - 45.00**

**A/R + 3,128.43**

**CV25 - 1,457.52**

**NET +18,945.07**

**CAM Billing for APR**

<b>Dues</b>	<b>120.00</b>
<b>Studio</b>	<b>767.85</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>453.50</b>

## 4 Month Totals 2025

1/1/2025 - 4/30/2025  
1 Account, 211 Categories, All Tags, All Payees

Category	1/1/25 - 1/31/25	2/1/25 - 2/28/25	3/1/25 - 3/31/25	4/1/25 - 4/30/25	Total
<b>Income</b>					
Dues	\$2,880.00	\$0.00	\$1,710.00	\$530.00	\$5,120.00
Education Income	\$441.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$216.30	\$657.70
Equipment Sales	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$500.00
Studio Income	\$921.55	\$0.00	\$446.89	\$857.31	\$2,225.75
Total Income	\$4,242.95	\$350.00	\$2,156.89	\$1,753.61	\$8,503.45
<b>Expenses</b>					
Awards	\$0.00	-\$167.78	\$0.00	-\$1,000.00	-\$1,167.78
Badges	-\$36.00	-\$31.50	-\$49.50	-\$45.00	-\$162.00
Bank Expense	\$0.00	-\$5.00	-\$5.00	-\$5.00	-\$15.00
Education Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$50.00	-\$50.00
Speaker Expense	-\$150.00	-\$150.00	-\$216.87	-\$228.91	-\$745.78
Studio Expense	\$0.00	-\$1,862.76	-\$567.27	-\$572.64	-\$3,002.67
Zoom	\$0.00	-\$171.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	-\$171.09
Total Expenses	-\$186.00	-\$2,388.13	-\$838.64	-\$1,901.55	-\$5,314.32
Total	\$4,056.95	-\$2,038.13	\$1,318.25	-\$147.94	\$3,189.13