



Monthly Newsletter

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Club Minutes

Submitted by Susan Tappan

Welcome:

Ernie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

October Birthdays:

Braxton Cooper

Anita Osborn

Lorrie Smith

Business:

- \$1926.07 in the treasury
- Members: 36

Events:

- Images for November Challenge were presented. This month was "Open" so members could submit images in the category they needed points
- We discussed the NWGA shootout from this past Saturday. We all agreed it was a lot of fun but also stressful to get the images submitted on time. We realized that we learned a lot and before we participate next year, we will have practice for naming and sizing images quickly. But we did well for our first time, getting third place as a club and 8 individual images placed.
- Satisfaction survey forms were passed out to share suggestions and
- Next year's officers were voted on by show of hands:

President: Ernie Glover

Vice President: Lorrie Smith

Treasurer: Joann Marvin

Secretary: Susan Tappan

Facebook/website: Becky McAllister

Tech: Frank Cardamone, Ken Bramlette and Becky McAllister

Outings calendar: Lynn Roberts

- Ernie expressed the desire to have master photographers be available as mentors for less experienced members.
- Christmas party will be December 9 in the Well at West Rome Baptist. The club will provide the meat and members need to sign up for attendance and to bring sides.
- Club annual long weekend April 24-27, 2025, Savannah. Members interesting in attending need to sign up right away and let us know whether they want to stay with the group. The Lead Team will be looking for a place to rent.

On this trip, there will be photo opportunities for street, night, beach, lighthouse, downtown, cemetery, Fort Pulaski, etc. There will be scheduled shoots but also free time or options to do your own thing.

Photo Challenges:

- Congratulations to Anita Osborn for winning the Facebook Challenge for October for “something scary”
- November Facebook challenge is “a car”
- Club Challenge this month was “Open” Top Scoring images were:

Junior: no entries
 Beginner: Lisa Hewitt
 Intermediate: Susan Tappan, Lynn Roberts
 Advanced: Ken Bramlette
 Master: Jason Blalock, two images



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2024	Club Topic: submit up to two images	Facebook submit one image
January	Scenic	Eyes
February	Still Life	Dessert
March	Creative	Decay
April	Portrait	Something metal
May	Wildlife	Something with wings
June	Scenic	An Optical Illusion
July	Still Life	Something Patriotic
August	Creative	Self Portrait
September	Portrait	Clean vs. Dirty
October	Wildlife	Something scary
November	OPEN	Car
December	None	Food as Art

What you are judged on according to the group that you are in:

When you look at your image, keep the following table in mind. If you are a beginner, look at the points that are important as a beginner to make the best decision on what image to enter for the competition.

Junior • Correct Exposure • Photo is in Focus • Elements of Composition • Picture is Clean and Well Presented
Beginner • Correct Exposure • Photo is in Focus • Elements of Composition • Picture is Clean and Well Presented • Some Level of Impact • Some Knowledge of When/How to Crop Properly
Intermediate • Correct Exposure • Photo is in Focus • Elements of Composition • Picture is Clean and Well Presented • Strong Impact • Full Knowledge of When/How to Crop Properly •
Advanced • Should Have Full Knowledge of all Above Principals • Shows Work and Improvement Through Competition
Master • Is able to demonstrate competent knowledge and use of all photographic elements listed in other groups from Junior to Advanced. • Is able to teach and instruct other photographers on specific aspects of photography • Is willing and able to lead workshops or lessons at club meetings as needed (not required)

Club Monthly Photo Challenge

Please be sure to follow the instructions below for your photo entries:

- Make sure your images are large enough for presenting but less than 5MB in size.
- Name your images before emailing them. Here is the naming convention needed:
 - Beginners = B1 First Last Name, B2 First Last Name
 - Example: B1 John Smith B2 John Smith
 - Juniors, name your pictures beginning with J1 First Last Name
 - Intermediate, name your pictures beginning with I1 First Last Name
 - Advanced, name your pictures beginning with A1 First Last Name
 - Masters, name your pictures beginning with M1 First Last Name
- Mail images to RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com
 - Put Monthly Club Challenge or Facebook Challenge in the subject line
- Send in photos no later than 8:00 PM on the Sunday before the club meeting
- Images **MUST BE 5MB OR SMALLER AND NAMED CORRECTLY** or they will be sent back to you. See video on Members Only Facebook page for how to resize your images.

Club Monthly Facebook Challenge

Don't forget to go to the club's Members Only page and vote for the monthly Facebook photo contest. To enter the Facebook contest each month, please follow the instructions below:

- Email entries to RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com (<mailto:RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com>).
- Resize and rename your entry according to the naming convention above.
- Submission deadline will be 8:00 PM on the 28th day of each month (25th day in February).
- A number will be added in the corner of each entry and you will be able to vote by number.
- Voting will take place on the last 2 days of the month via a poll post on the members only Facebook page.

Monthly FB Challenge photos can be emailed to RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com starting the first day of the month and will be accepted until 8pm on the 28th day of each month (25th day in February).

Voting will end at 9 pm on the last day of the month. This gives the Vice President time to screenshot the poll and post the winner on Facebook. In the event of a tie, the Vice President will cast the winning vote.