Monthly Newsletter

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Club Minutes

Submitted by Susan Tappan

Ernie opened the meeting.

June Birthdays:

Nick—26

Business:

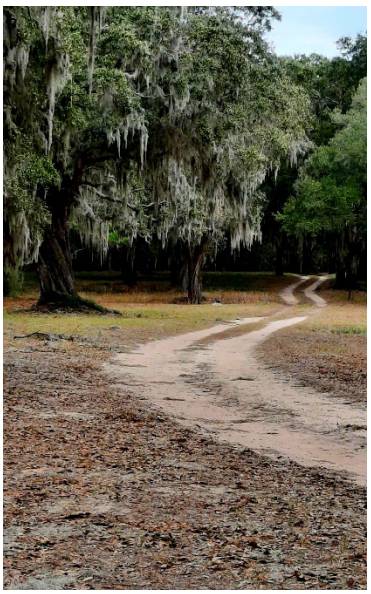
- We have $1,873.95 in the treasury.

Updates:

- Sympathy to Joann in the passing of her mother.
- First Friday walks will start in August.
- NG3C: The 2025 shootout will take place on November 1st at Marietta Square. We will have some workshops before this to practice how to name and size photos. We will probably do our own club shootout in Marietta a month or so before to scope out the area.
- July's competition will be "Still Life". Facebook Challenge this month is "Landscape".
- Next year's long weekend was discussed and members are urged to give ideas. It will be inland. Maybe next spring. Chattanooga and area was suggested.
- Possible outings coming up: Savoy, Old Car City, Little River Canyon. Still need someone to head up outings. But feel free to just invite members to go somewhere to shoot.
- Ernie and Lorrie have volunteered to be mentors, so reach out to them for input on your images.
- Ernie talked about the survey that was done at the end of last year. Things that were important to members were: more outings, learning skills, hands-on, and shoot-outs. Let Ernie know if you are interested in a beginner class and/or topics you would like to learn about.
- Lorrie talked about some "Back to Basics". She emphasized that focus is the very first thing to consider!

- **Club competition club favorite winners:**

Beginner:	Lisa Hewitt
Intermediate:	Ken Bramlette and Lynn Roberts—tie
Advanced:	Susan Tappan
Master:	Ernie Glover



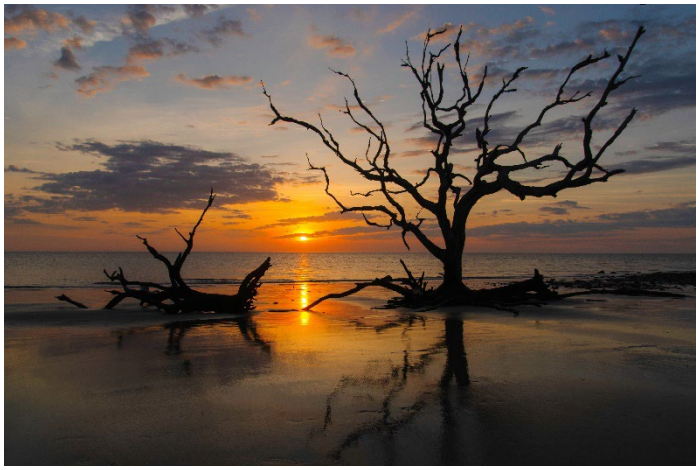
Beginner: Lisa Hewitt



Intermediate: Lynn Roberts



Intermediate: Ken Bramlette



Advanced: Susan Tappan



Master: Ernie Glover

	Club Topic submit up to two images	Facebook submit one image
January	Scenic	Low angle
February	Still Life	With love
March	Creative	Silhouette
April	Portrait	Movement
May	Wildlife	A relaxing place
June	Scenic	Architecture
July	Still Life	A Hobby
August	Creative	Triangles
September	Portrait	Through a Window
October	Wildlife	Brown
November	OPEN	Leading Lines
December	None	Books

How you are judged 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
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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 o 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.
- 2025 Naming conventions:

Month	Image#	Member#	Level
01-January	01	201-Ernie	Junior
02-February	02	202-Lorrie	Beginner
03-March	FB (Facebook)	203-Joann	Intermediate
04-April		204-	Advanced
05-May		205	Master

Examples: 01-01-201-Master (Ernie January) OR 04-02-203-Intermediate (Joann April)

File Sizes: Portrait: 1068X1600 Landscape: 2400X1600

- 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 FRIDAY 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. If you size them by pixels as above, they will automatically be less than 5 MB.

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 RomegGaPhotoClub@gmail.com (mailto:Romegaphotoclub@gmail.com).
- Resize and rename your entry according to the naming convention above.
  Example: 02-FB-201-Master (Ernie February)
- Submission deadline will be **8:00 PM on the 28th of the month (25th for 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.