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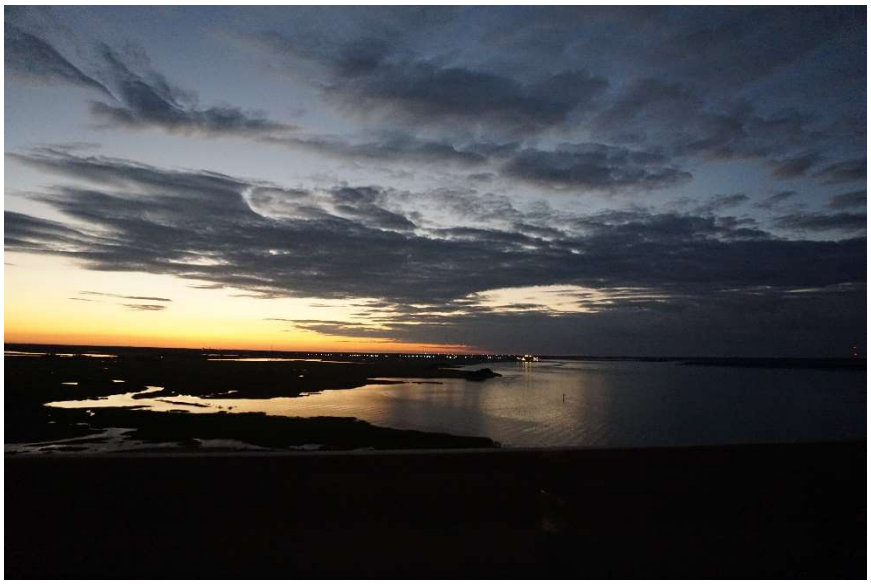
President's Corner

Ernie Glover, *President*

Thank you to all that attended the August meeting. We had a visitor, Anita Osborn. Thank you for visiting and I am looking forward seeing your images next month.

Frank did a Watermarking workshop that was welcomed by everyone, especially me. It is important so protect your work if not for monetary value but for recognition. There were a lot of examples shared of why it is necessary to watermark your work, even sometimes people might find a way around your watermarks. But we can all make it as difficult as possible for our work to be "stolen". As Frank mentioned, there are many ways of adding a water mark to your image through websites or software you own. Here are the links to the two websites Frank used. The first one is to make your signature www.myphotosign.com. The second website is to place your signature onto your images www.watermarkly.com. Try it out on your images, but just a word of advice; do not add your watermarks on your images that you submit for the monthly competition.

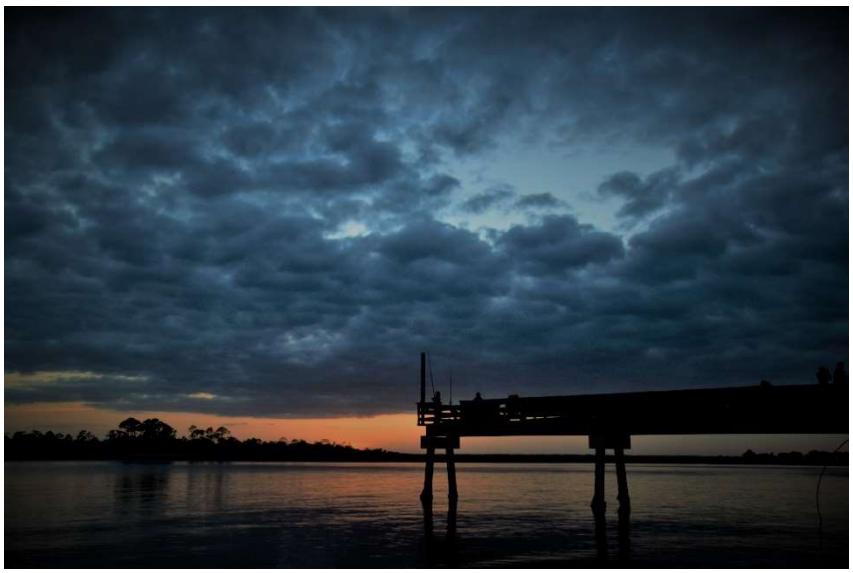
The monthly competition topic was Clouds. Some months ago, we as a club decided that we will only submit 3 images per person per month is allowed. After the voting was done, we spend some time discussing most of the images. It is always fun hearing and learning from everyone's images to improve one's own.
Here are the winners for August 2021 for the Cloud topic:



Beginner – Mary Jane Gross

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Intermediate – Susan Tappin





Advance – Brian Kinder

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Masters – Jason Blalock



2021	Club night topic	Facebook challenge	2021
August		Large equipment	August
September	Rubber Ducky	Spiders/creepy crawlies	September
October	Action	Sunrise/Sunset	October
November	Hands	Water droplets	November
December	Year-end function	Festival of events	December

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

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Junior
1. Correct Exposure
2. in Focus
3. Element of Composition
4. Picture clean and well presented

Beginner

1. Correct Exposure
2. in Focus
3. Element of Composition
4. Picture clean and well presented

5. Some Impact
6. Some knowledge of when to crop

Intermediate
1. Correct Exposure
2. in Focus
3. Composition - should begin to show and understand d the importance of lines, shapes & form.
4. Picture clean and well presented
5. Impact (now strong requirement)
6. Knowledge when to crop now needed

Advance
1. Should have a full grasp of all the above principals
2. Should show work of competing in competition

Think: **FECTI**
Focus
Exposure

Composition

Technique

Impact

The September monthly topic is Rubber Ducky! It is always one of my favorite topics just because I like to see what creative ways you can come up with to capture that Rubber Ducky that has been traveling in your camera bag since last year.

Action photography

Tip #1: Plan ahead. Make sure you plan where you going to be shooting from when you know what you are going to shoot. Do not shoot a soccer game from the middle, since most of the action is going to be at the goal.
Tip #2: Pre-focus. Know where you subject is going to be. Focus on that area and be ready to shoot as soon as the subject is in the focus area.
Tip #3: Shoot in burst mode. Turn your camera to continuous high drive mode. Use short bursts in order for your camera not to buffer and you missing your shot.
Tip #4: Give the subject space to move. Make sure for fast moving subjects to have some “room” to move into. In other words, have some room in front of the subject in the direction it is moving into.
Tip #5: Have the right gear. Make sure to start with the right gear. Simple things like using a fast card. Also, if you have a lens with a low aperture to have objects in the front and back out of focus.

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Tip #6: Don't miss the face. Capturing expressions in faces add much more drama to the image.
Tip #7: Get down low. Take an image from a lower point makes your subject look more dominant. That way you have more impact and drama.
Tip # 8: Shoot with two eyes open. Do not loose what is happening around your subject in the view finder. Keeping both eyes open, you could see what else is happening at the moment and can thus plan for the impact shot.
Tip #9: Do not press the shutter release and keep it in! Just because you have a fast shutter setting on your camera, does not mean you should overuse it.

Congratulations to ***Lorrie Smith*** for winning the July 2021 **Facebook** challenge for the topic, "*Rome*".



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Meeting Minutes

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Rome Photo Club
The Palladium
Rome, GA 30165

Rome Photo Club August 2021

- President, Ernie Glover, opened the meeting and welcomed visitors.
- Frank did workshop on creating watermarks.
- Members viewed the images of Clouds and voted on the best in each level. The winners are listed in Ernie's president's message above.
- Dan Blanton, Treasurer, gave the Treasurer's report.
- Instructions for naming your pictures for club night are on the last page of this newsletter.

REMINDER

Only 3 photos needed for club night competition at the club meetings.

Club night location

Club meetings will be held at
The Palladium the second Monday of the month!
The Palladium is located at
69 Church St SE, Rome GA 30161-5507

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Monthly Meeting Photo Topics for 2021

- August – Clouds
- September – Rubber Ducky
- October – Action
- November – Hands
- December – Year end function

FACEBOOK MONTHLY PHOTO CHALLENGE



Don't forget to go to the club's Facebook page and vote for the monthly Facebook photo contest.

Rome Photo Club Members Only 2021 Contest on Facebook

- May – Low angles
- June – Patterns
- July – Rome
- August – Large equipment
- September-Spiders/creepy crawlies
- October – Sunrise/Sunset
- November – Water droplets
- December - Festival of events

To enter the Facebook contest each month, please email entries to Bob Bibbings at RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com

He will put a number in the corner of each entry and you will be able to vote by picture number.

Voting will take place on the last **2** days of the month. (See details on the next page.)

Submission deadline will be 9:00 PM on the day before voting begins which depends on how long the month is. See details on the next page.

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Monthly FB Challenge photos can be emailed to Bob Bibbings at RomeGaPhotoClub@gmail.com starting the first day of the month and will be accepted until 9pm on the third day before the end of the month.

28 day month: Last day to submit photos would be the 26th of the month at 9pm.
29 day month: Last day to submit photos would be the 27th of the month at 9pm.
30 day month: Last day to submit photos would be the 28th of the month at 9pm.
31 day month: Last day to submit photos would be the 29th of the month at 9pm.

Voting will begin at one minute after midnight on the:
28 day month: 27th of the month.
29 day month: 28th of the month.
30 day month: 29th of the month.
31 day month: 30th of the month.

Voting will end at 9pm on the last day of the month. This gives me time to screen shot the poll and post the winner on Facebook. In the event of a tie, the vice president will cast the winning vote.

How to name your files for club night

1. Make sure your images are big enough for good showing
2. Name your images before you email them to Bob. Here is the naming convention needed:
    a. For Juniors, name your pictures J1, J2, and J3 with a space and your name like this:
    J1 April Showers
    J2 April Showers
    J3 April Showers
    b. For Beginners, name your pictures beginning with B1
    c. For Intermediate, name your pictures beginning with I1
    d. For Advanced, name your pictures beginning with A1
    e. For Masters, name your pictures beginning M1
3. Mail images to Bob at RomeGAPhotoClub@gmail.com
4. Send in photos no later than 1:00 PM on the Monday of the club meeting.

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