

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club Newsletter

I hope everyone has been out to taking photos of the fall colors and having fun.

The Nature Center has announced that we are being allowed back into the Gardner classroom!!! However, MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ARE REQUIRED! We will continue hybrid meetings for a while. Members can attend either meeting as they feel comfortable. The zoom link is in the email to which this Newsletter is attached.

November Meeting: November 13th at 9 am. Mary Krajnak will present Uses for Google Maps in Photography. We will also have a discussion on the Aurora Borealis.

If you feel a friend would be interested in this meeting, please bring them along with you! All are welcome.

December Program: December 11, 2021 – Holiday Celebration

Upcoming Club Programs: The next few meeting dates and programs are listed below. **We can really use some ideas of what programs you would like to see in the upcoming year.** The program co-directors are Linnea Matthiesen and Jyoti Sengupta. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, please let them know and if you can coordinate the program, please let them know that also. You may contact them at trekkielaw@aol.com and jnsengupta56@gmail.com.

- ➤ December 11, 2021 Holiday Celebration
- ➤ January 8, 2022 TBD

- ➤ February 12, 2022 TBD
- ➤ March 12, 2022 TBD

Member Image Sharing: Members are encouraged to submit several (up to five) images to share with the club for gentle critique or just show and tell. This is a great way to get suggestions for improving your images and developing your photographic skills. **During Covid, anyone who is willing to share may submit up to five (5) images.** We have a lot to cover this month so please keep it to 5 images.

Please email your images to Linnea Matthiesen at Trekkielaw@aol.com AT ANY TIME! When submitting your images, please change the file name to include your name as the first information in the file name and mention that this is for the image sharing in the email subject line. Also, resize your images so that the longest side is 1400 pixels, with a maximum file size of 1 mb. This will help to streamline the process of viewing member images.

WNCCC News:

WNCCC 40th Anniversary – Did anyone realize that 2022 will be the 40th Anniversary of WNCCC? Sheila Hall did! She has the great idea of celebrating this milestone in WNCCC history. Sheila Hall, Diane Piontek and Ramona Lenger have agreed to decide and plan how we are going to celebrate this great event. If you have any ideas, please contact one of the committee members.

MASTER OPERATING MANUEL – Covid has delayed this project somewhat but, we have formed a committee to draft a guideline of operating procedures for WNCCC. The committee members are Linnea Matthiesen, Ramona Lenger and Diana Duffy. If you have ideas for this project, please let one of the committee members know. There will be more coming on this in future Newsletters.

AWARDS: If you know of a member that should be acknowledged and congratulated as they won ANY recognition for any of their images, please forward a copy of the image, the member's name and a copy of the image to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com. You may nominate yourself also. NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.

Facebook: Our camera club has a Facebook Group! If you are on Facebook, simply search for "Wehr Nature Center Camera Club" in the search box and you

will find us. Click the join button. **The Administrator will approve you, at which time you may add posts, etc., to the site.** This is a PRIVATE Group and open only to club members. This means that anything posted here can only be seen by members of the group. You can feel free to share your work here without fear that someone outside the club will have access to it. Anything posted here is private, so feel free to ask questions – don't be embarrassed or shy about it. The monthly Newsletter, meeting topics and outings will also be posted here. Check it out!

We also have a Facebook Page. This is used for announcements and advertisement. IF you like the WNCCC page, invite your friends to also like the page. This is public to all of Facebook and will advertise our club to many more people. They are then directed to our website where they ask for the information to attend a meeting or

Website: WNCCC has a website also. RAMONA LENGER has volunteered to be the webmasters! She is working on updating the information. The website is www.wnccc.net. We want to have a gallery that has at least five images from each member. Please email five of your best images to lengerphotos@gmail.com. If you have a website of your images, and you are willing to share, please send Ramona a link to your page. There will be an updated calendar for all of our events and meetings. This will be a place to go to get all the information on our club. If you have any ideas, please contact our co-webmasters at their email addresses.

If you have images from either of the two outings from this past fall/winter, please send them to Ramona so that she can upload them to our website.

Photo Contests and Exhibits:

Wehr Club Page on WACCO Website: The WACCO website (www.wicameraclubs.org) has pages for each member club to display photographs from club members. Check it out to see what our members and other clubs are shooting. If you would like to see some of your images on our club page, please send several of your images to Ramona Lenger (lenterphotos@gmail.com). The images should be 2100 pixels on the long side and no larger than 1mb. Let's see some of our great member photos on the WACCO site!

If you are aware of any photo contests or exhibits, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com.

Future Events of Interest:

If you are aware of any events of general interest, please let me know at trekkielaw@aol.com so I can share them with the club.

Wisconsin Chapter of PSA News:

WI Chapter PSA Club Showcase – We will be voting on the Club Showcase in January. Watch for further updates

The next PSA WI Chapter meeting is in November 14, 2021. 10 AM to Noon, and again at 1PM to 3 PM. The Morning Session (10 AM to Noon) is a business. Then we break for lunch. The afternoon program (1 PM to 3 PM) is Zoo Photography By John Scalera. Unless you have paid your dues, you will not be allowed to join the meeting.

If you are a member of PSA, you can join the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA for \$5. If you have already joined the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA, dues are due again. Send your \$5 to Ramona Lenger.

WACCO News:

The next delegates meeting will be February 5, 2022. More information will be in future Newsletters.

Photo ops: As a club, our members have a wide variety of subjects that we enjoy photographing. This newsletter can serve as an excellent way to share various photo opportunities with club members. If you know of interesting subjects or events that may interest other club members, please forward those to Linnea Matthiesen (trekkielaw@aol.com) so they can be included in future newsletters. If you are interested in having others join you, that information can also be included. It is fun to shoot with a group!

We will be observing Covid protocols for outdoor activities such as trying to keep 6 ft distance apart. We will do this for all outings.

Photography Classes:

 $\label{eq:mike_crivello} \underline{\text{Mike Crivello's Cameras}} \text{ is celebrating their 50}^{\text{th}} \text{ anniversary with a series of photography classes throughout the year. Check out their class offerings at: } \underline{\text{https://medium.com/@Mike_Crivellos/2019-event-scheduled-de8726223d51}} \text{ .}$

<u>Art's Cameras Plus</u> has an extensive list of classes covering everything from camera basics to photographing in a variety of situations, as well as how to use some of the popular post-processing software that is available. Check out their web site: <u>www.artscameras.com</u>.

<u>The Bryan Peterson School of Photography</u> has quite a few on-line courses available at https://bpsop.com/courses-1/. These cost around \$129 for a four-week course BUT there are sales that bring the price down to about \$100. The sales usually run during the holidays. It is worth checking these out.

<u>Photographic Society of America (PSA)</u> also has on-line courses and study groups available. These are available at no charge, BUT you must be a member of PSA to participate. There is more information on all the opportunities that PSA offers at https://psa-photo.org/index.php?thinking-about-membership.

If you are aware of other photography classes or seminars, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com.

Websites of Interest:

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club (WNCCC): www.wnccc.net .

Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs Organization (WACCO): www.wicameraclubs.org

Photographic Association of America (PSA): www.PSA-photo.org .

PSA Wisconsin Chapter: www.PSA.wisconsin.org .

Friends of Wehr Nature Center: https://www.friendsofwehr.org .

Club Organization:

Our Club officers are:

Co-Chairs Ramona Lenger

Linnea Matthiesen

Treasurer Sheila Hall

Assistant Treasurer Ramona Lenger

Co-Programs Chairs Linnea Matthiesen

Jyoti Sengupta

Co-Outings Chairs Mary Krajnak

Trish McCoy

Webmaster Ramona Lenger

Competition Ramona Lenger

Linnea Matthiesen

Judge Procurement Geri Laehn

WACCO Delegate Ramona Lenger

PSA Representative Linnea Matthiesen

Newsletter Editor Linnea Matthiesen

Membership Coordinator Sheila Hall

Member at Large Geri Laehn

Members should feel free to contact the officers with any questions and suggestions they may have for the club.

Membership Dues: Annual membership dues are \$20. Dues for 2021 are waived for everyone who paid in 2020.

We will be meeting monthly on the second Saturday of each month for the entire year, including July and August.





