



Camera Club of Oak Ridge Newsletter for September 2016

Next meeting: Tuesday September 13, 2016 at Roane State Community College (Oak Ridge campus), Room A-111. Come at 7:00 pm to chat, program convenes at 7:30 pm.

Next (September 13th) meeting:

Shawn Harrison of the Tamke-Allen Observatory will be covering all the basic concepts of capturing and processing images for **astrophotography** by describing his own journey over the last 4 years and his equipment.

"I will be covering all the basic concepts of capture and processing for astrophotography by describing my own journey over the last four years and how I ended up with the equipment I have now. Christmas Eve 2011 my wife gave me a Sky & Telescope magazine as a stocking stuffer. Inside was an article that said you could see the Orion Nebula with small binoculars. Ten minutes later I was outside in my pajamas mumbling "Well, I'll be... you can see it". I immediately got a small telescope off Craigslist for \$100. Soon after that I held a cheap digital camera up to the eyepiece and took a picture of the moon. It was at that moment I knew what I wanted to be when I grew up.

We will have a Tamke-Allen Observatory star gazing party calendar available, although Saturday, Sept 17 will be a full moon making astrophotography chancy due to werewolves and the next opportunity might be Saturday, October 1. [Shawn Harrison Astronomy Smoky Mtn Astro](#)". Final details to be announced later.

Last (August) meeting:

The August 9th meeting featured our annual "**Meet-n-Greet**". This successful event enabled new and current members to get to know one another and their interests better. **We encourage all club members to update or add their portfolio on the club's Galleries page** at oakridgecameraclub.org/gallery.shtml. Click on the first "Meet-n-Greet our members" icon and then the individual member's login is at the bottom of the left column on that page. Please sign in with your name and temporary password from the email you will receive from Ann Barber - with how-to instructions from the gallery page. There is a temporary image in each new member album as a placeholder, and your first assignment will be to delete that flower image and add your own Meet-and-Greet photos. We'd like your self-portrait and descriptive paragraph to be included with the photo (jpg) uploads. If there are any questions, please email loki@oakridgecameraclub.org.

The **October 11th meeting** will feature a Club Competition on "**Nature writ Small**" – see description below. Please e-mail up to 3 digital entries per member to compvp@oakridgecameraclub.org by **Friday October 7th**. Digital images should be resized so that the long side of the photo is 1400 pixels and sRGB format. Digital image files should be named as follows: Your Last name, followed by first name plus a short title for the image, e.g., Duck, Donald Rain on the Lake.jpg.

Salon News

All the information for the 2016 salon, including the updated rules, entry forms and PayPal details are now on-line on the CCOR website. Remember that CCOR membership entitles you to a \$10 discount on your salon entries.

New membership benefit



f/32 photo (865) 934.0909 at their new location at 7838 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919 are happy to offer our **CCOR club members a 10% rebate on printing!** All you need to do is indicate that you are a member of the CCOR club and f/32 will take care of it for you.



Workshops John Clark hosted a full workshop of 8 participants on “**How to Spin Fire**” in the abandoned Nemo railroad tunnel near Wartburg, TN on Friday, August 26th at 6:00-9:00 pm. Some of their pictures are posted on our Facebook page. Picture courtesy and copyright Jill Vandagriff, 2016. Many thanks to John Clark for all his efforts.

Several people have requested an advanced Macro photography workshop on Focus Stacking. I will also devote a little time to astrophotography. The time, date and location for this will be announced shortly, if there is sufficient interest. Size will be limited to 8-10 participants. Please e-mail me Sec-Treas@oakridgecameraclub.org if you are interested.

Bi-monthly competitions

Pat Postma announced the upcoming list of bi-monthly club competitions for the next year (subject to change)

October 11	<p>Nature writ Small <i>Study the beautiful details nature offers: the colors of lichen, the texture of a tree trunk, the deep throat of a flower, the surface of stone, the veins of a leaf. No landscapes or scenic vistas here!</i></p>
December 13	<p>Performance <i>Performing is an action and we want people in action, not posed portraits or people who stopped their action to pose for a camera. These can be sports images, dancers, musicians, artists, orchestras, etc.</i></p>
February 14	<p>The Night Sky <i>Images taken outdoors at night. In particular astrophotography of the night sky, such as stars, planets, moons, meteor showers, nebulae, galaxies including the Milky Way, and aurora.</i></p>
April 11	<p>A Sense of Place <i>Images from travels that reflect the distinctive character of a particular place. These may be street scenes, buildings, people, landscapes or anything else that conveys the place. (Tennessee images are excluded).</i></p>
June 13	<p>Construction <i>Images of new construction. Consider the geometry of the structure, the workers and machinery doing the work; the texture of materials, the piles of junk, the dust and the puddles. Obey all construction site rules and regulations, and photograph only when it is safe to do so.</i></p>
August 8	<p>Meet-N-Greet – no competition</p>

We are pleased to welcome several new members to the club.

Finally, Jeff Thurston has generously agreed to join our web team of Dennis Clark and Ann Barber.

Contact Information:

CCOR website: oakridgecameraclub.org (including contact information of the board members on the Home page)

Club Facebook page: www.facebook.com/groups/cameraclubOR/ or click on the Facebook icon on the Home page of the CCOR website.

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