# MODESTO CAMERA CLUB THE SCREEN



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#### **MODESTO CAMERA CLUB NEW MEMBER SUPPORT**

# New Member Hospitality Chair

As the new Hospitality Chair, Bob Shroyer will reach out to new members to facilitate their club membership and participation.

# New Member Brochure

Bob will work with other members to update and distribute the brochure.

# New Member Mentors

As new members join the club and want to prepare for future competition consideration, they may reach out to any of the veteran members from the mentor list for guidance. This is not to judge their pictures but to just give them pointers as they ease into competition.



# **Calendar of Events**

As with most organizations, the Modesto Camera Club is going to online meetings using Zoom. Please see the section below USING ZOOM for details on how to participate.

12/30/2020 Field Trip to San Joaquin River

NWR - Contact Jim Gain

# **Upcoming Challenge Categories**

February 1, 2021 Lone Tree

March 1, 2021 Waterfall

April 5, 2021 Broken

May 3, 2021 People at Work

June 7, 2021 Bridges

October 1, 2021 Rural/Urban Decay

#### MCC Mentors:

- Dave Garcez garcez@pacbell.net
- Jack Hall eyesguymodesto@gmail.com
- Taresa Joy rjoyfamily@gmail.com
- Sam Shaw lovesphoto@aol.com
- Paula Shroyer pashroyer@att.net

# **CHANGES IN COMPETITION CATEGORIES: A, AA & AAA**

- 1. Less than 10 people competing in any category, no classes
- 2. 10-14 People two classes AA & AAA
- 3. 15 or more people, then three classes A, AA, & AAA
- → If 2 classes, AAA gets 5 people and AA gets the rest
- → If 3 classes, AAA gets 5, AA gets 5, A gets the rest.
- → Ties get moved up in class.

#### **CHANGES IN CLUB DUES**

Club membership dues for 2021 have been adjusted down to \$20.00 per member, with an option to revisit the amount if conditions change. Checks should be made out to Gary Hunter and mailed before the end of this year.

Gary Hunter, 7413 Gold Run Drive, Oakdale, CA 95361

#### TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY

From B&H 44 Tips to Improve Your Photography



**Read your manual** Camera manuals aren't engaging reading, but they do tell you a lot about how to use your camera. Spend a night or two with your manual and get intimate with your camera. This will help you every time you photograph. Most manuals are now available electronically, so know where to find it, or save it on your mobile device for reference in the field.



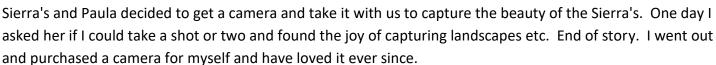
#### **MEMBER PROFILE: ROBERT SHROYER**

## What or who brought you into the club?

I joined the Modesto Camera Club in 2009 with my wife Paula. We actually attended a handful of meetings and competitions in 2008 to get a feel for what we were getting ourselves into. Paula and I were new to photography and wanted to join a club so we could learn from others. I remember everyone being so friendly and willing to share with us. Sam was a driving force behind our competing in 2009 and encouraged us to join in even though we were apprehensive. I'm glad we did.

# How did you get interested in photography?

Actually it was Paula that was interested in photography before I was. At that time we did a lot of fly-fishing up in the



## What kind of photography do you like to do?

Although I like many types of photography, landscapes are my favorite. That would include sunrises, sunsets, long exposures, night photography, fall colors to name a few. I also enjoy taking race car images at Laguna Seca and Sears Point Raceways. I would really like to take people pics but I'm not very good at it unfortunately

#### What equipment is in your camera bag?

There's are so many great camera manufactures to choose from but I have always used Nikon camera equipment from the beginning. I have various lens and filters (as in too many) so I'm able to get the shot I want. (At least that's what I tell myself).

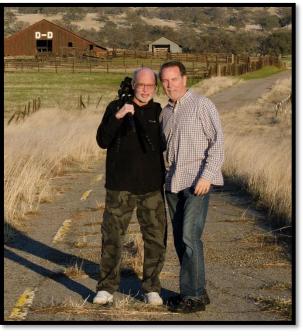
#### What do you want to learn from the club?

There is so much to learn in photography and I was told at the beginning that it's not just a hobby but "A Journey" (thanks Jim).. How true those words were way back then. and they still resonate with me today. With that said I am still wanting to learn more about workflows and processing to improve my images.

#### MEMBERS GALLERY: A FUN THEME-FOCUSED GALLERY OF NON-COMPETITION IMAGES

#### **Upcoming Themes:**

- January "Pretty in Pink"
- February "The Wheels on the Bus Go Round and Round" (circles)
- March "Parks and Recreation"
- April "Black or White"
- May Bon Voyage"



# **CURRENT TOPIC: "FEATHERS OR FUR" (CLICK IMAGES TO ENLARGE)**

Member submitted non-competition images with subjects that have either feathers or fur.



**TITLE:** Mountain Lion Leap

**SUBMITTED BY: Sam Shaw** 



TITLE: Male Mountain Bluebird with food for young

**SUBMITTED BY:** Barbara Shaw

**COMMENTS:** Somewhere in the Sierra Mountain Range



TITLE: Black-necked Stilt, Merced NWR

**SUBMITTED BY:** Jim Menard



**TITLE:** Fur Baby

**SUBMITTED BY:** Sandy Menard



TITLE: Mindy

**SUBMITTED BY:** Paula Shroyer

**COMMENTS:** She's not longer with us but was the funniest cat we have ever had.



**TITLE:** Squirrel

**SUBMITTED BY:** Bob Shroyer

**COMMENTS:** This was taken my first year of photography back in 2009. It was in the

mammoth Lakes area.



**TITLE:** Peacock Display

**SUBMITTED BY:** Jack Hall

**COMMENTS:** The attached image of the Peacock was taken in Honduras on Roatan near sunset. The peacock was between two white buildings about 20 feet apart. Because of the low angle of the sun, the light scattering created by the leaves of the plants on the hill behind the peacock, and the light reflection created by the white walls of the buildings to his left front and right rear, the lighting was of studio quality. And I was lucky enough to be there



TITLE: Deer on Alert

**SUBMITTED BY: Kerry Elms** 



TITLE: Western Gull with Lunch

**SUBMITTED BY:** Bob Chambers



**TITLE:** The Red-tailed Patrol

**SUBMITTED BY: Jim Gain** 

**COMMENTS:** While conducting a Sandhill Crane Count at the San Joaquin River NWR,

this Red-tailed Hawk lazily soared over me as if interested in what I was doing.

# **PLACEMENTS FOR 2021**

# **PICTORIAL**

$\triangleright$	Sam Shaw	AAA	>	Eric Bjerke	AA
$\triangleright$	Bob Shroyer	AAA		Sandy Menard	AA
$\triangleright$	Gary Hunter	AAA		Barbara Shaw	AA
	Paula Shroyer	AAA	$\triangleright$	Jim Gain	AA
	Kerry Elms	AAA	$\triangleright$	Jack Hall	AA
$\triangleright$	Jim Menard	AAA	$\triangleright$	Ken Theilen	AA
				Joy Taresa	AA

# **NATURE**

0	Sam Shaw	NO CLASSES	0	Ken Theilen	NO CLASSES
0	Jim Gain	NO CLASSES	0	Jack Hall	NO CLASSES
0	Kerry Elms	NO CLASSES	0	Lou Friedman	NO CLASSES
0	Barbara Shaw	NO CLASSES	0	Taresa Joy	NO CLASSES
0	Gary Hunter	NO CLASSES			

# CHALLENGE

Bob Shroyer	AAA	Barbara Shaw	AA	Lou Friedman	Α
Sam Shaw	AAA	Jim Gain	AA	Gene Douglas	Α
Kerry Elms	AAA	Jack Hall	AA	Richard Fisher	Α
Gary Hunter	AAA	Eric Bjerke	AA	Taresa Joy	Α
Jim Menard	AAA	Sandy Menard	AA		
		Ken Theilen	AA		

# 2020 CATEGORY SCORES BY CLASS TOTALS

# **NATURE CATEGORY SCORES**

AA		AAA	
Jack Hall	46	Rebecca Harvey	40
Gary Hunter	47	Barbara Shaw	48
Ken Theilen	47	Sam Shaw	50
Kerry Elms	48	**	
Jim Gain	49		

# **PICTORIAL CATEGORY SCORES**

Α		AA		AAA	
Ken Theilen	86	Barbara Shaw	94	Rebecca Harvey	77
Jack Hall	90	Gary Hunter	97	Eric Bjerke	95
Jim Gain	92	Sam Shaw	99	Paula Shroyer	97
Sandy Menard	95	<b>**</b>		**	
Kerry Elms	96				
Jim Menard	96				
Bob Shroyer	98				

# **CHALLENGE CATEGORY SCORES**

Α		AA		AAA	
Sandy Menard	45	Eric Bjerke	45	Rebecca Harvey	39
Ken Theilen	45	Jack Hall	46	Gary Hunter	48
Jim Gain	46	Barbara Shaw	47	Sam Shaw	49
Kerry Elms	48	<b>₩</b>		Bob Shroyer	50
Jim Menard	48			*	

# 2020 End-of-Year Awards – Judged by Jan Lightfoot

#### **CHALLENGE**

HM Jim Gain Sandhill Cranes rise with the sun

HM Barbara Shaw Boys in the Waterfall - Bali

HM Barbara Shaw Creative Amazon Water Lily

3RD Sandy Menard Under The Outdoor Lights Design

2ND Sam Shaw Sunset with Fallen Tree

Bob Shroyer

Bob Shroyer Southbound on Highway One

#### **HUMOR**

HM Jim Menard My Sentiments Exactly

HM Sandy Menard Free Weeds Pick Your Own

HM Sam Shaw Anyone for a Filter Sandwich

3RD Barbara Shaw Too Much Rum

2ND Gary Hunter Chile Dog

Sam Shaw Filling up the Bottles

#### **NATURE**

HM Jim Gain Burrowing Owl Guarding Its Entrance Burrow

HM Jack Hall A Garibaldi Challenges the Diver to Protect His Eggs

HM Gary Hunter Red Fox in Snow

3RD Sam Shaw Grebe Mating Dance

2ND Barbara Shaw Lynx Kitten in Log

Sam Shaw Western Bluebird to Take Flight

#### **NATURE**

HM Gary Hunter Winter's Desolation

HM Bob Shroyer Early Morning Sunrise Over the Golden Gate

HM Paula Shroyer Sweet Creek Falls - Oregon

3RD Sam Shaw Almond Orchard

2ND Sam Shaw Chinese Lanterns Floating in Sunset

Paula Shroyer Winter Wonderland – 3 Brothers Yosemite

# 2020 PRESIDENT'S AWARDS



- 11 VOTES

**Paula Shroyer** 

**Sunrise Glow Mono Lake** 



2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE – 9 VOTES Jim Gain Yellow-breasted Chat in Verdant Hemlock



3<sup>rd</sup> PLACE – 8 VOTES Gary Hunter Winter Sunrise

