



The Viewpoint

February 2018



Wennie Anderson

PACT Schedule and Events**

- **Educational Meeting** (1st Thursday of the month)
- **Board Meetings** (2nd Thursday of the Month)
- **Photo Contest** (3rd Thursday of the Month)
- **Photoshop Elements Group** (1st Monday) Steve Stalker [sstalker@bex.net](mailto:ssalker@bex.net)
- **Lighting Group** (2nd Sat.) Todd Grinonneau todd.grinonneau@gmail.com
- **Lightroom Group** (3rd Monday) Charlie Mather - matherc@yahoo.com
- **Other events**, such as IYP Classes, TBG Events, etc.

****Our Board ensures that adequate notice is provided to the members if there are any event changes. Any errors or misses are regretted. Please refer to the Schedule on our website or watch your e-mails or follow our Facebook page for the latest happenings!!**

Note: Effective 2015, all special interest groups need to have a minimum of 3 participants not including the facilitator. Please RSVP to the facilitator.

For those that have not attended any of our special interest groups, now would be a good time to check it out. Our special interest groups are a great benefit of club membership. You don't know what you are missing unless you check them out!

This month's events:

February 1: Education Meeting – Westcott 6:45 p.m. Offsite (see article below)

February 5: Elements group meeting – 7:00 Clubhouse

February 8: Board meeting – 7:00 Clubhouse

February 10: Lighting Group – Offsite (see article below)

February 15: Contest – 7:00 Clubhouse “Feel the Cold” Digital

February 19: Lightroom Group – 7:00 Clubhouse

February 6: IYP week 4 - Composition

February 13: IYP week 5 – Editing

February 20: IYP week 6 – Putting it all together

Note for group/event leaders

The PACT member in charge of an event or special interest group needs to call the ranger to let them know of their times in & out for their class. The new policy indicates we need to make two phone calls to make sure the Metropark staff is aware of our meeting. First, call customer service staff at 419-407-9710. I would guess that any time during normal business hours would suffice. Second, call the Wildwood/TBG ranger at 419-270-7500 thirty minutes prior to the meeting. **This policy seems to be working. The last one out must lock the gate by the clubhouse**

Feb 1 Education meeting

Here are a few important details you need to know.

Date: Thursday, February 1st.

Time: Meet promptly at 6:45pm

Address: 1425-B Holland rd. Maumee, Ohio

Parking: When you turn into the drive, follow the Westcott signs that say SOUNDSTAGE. At the Marcos Pizza loading bays turn left. You will pass more loading bays on your left that say Westcott bay 1 & 2 proceed till you come to a glass door on your left. Park in any of the parking spots closest to the door. Please do not park in loading zones.

What to do when you get here: arrive no later than 6:45 pm.

We want to start promptly at 7:00 pm.

How long: The event will be about 1.5 hours long. There is plenty of seating. Not much walking. No. steps.

***** If you have Westcott items you would like to see please email me by Tuesday Jan. 30th. We will also have displays.

Lastly, we will be doing a group photo for our web page and facebook.

RSVP to me by Tuesday Jan. 30th. michelekipplen@gmail.com

Please keep in mind we will not be meeting at the Gardens on this night.

Thank you,
Michele

Feb 10 Lighting Group

The Lighting group will be having a field trip to Winterfest 2018 in Perrysburg for our February activity. There's going to be more fun activities this year than in previous years and it's all family friendly! There are activities on Friday too.

More information can be found here - ><http://www.downtownperrysburg.org/winterfest/> and <https://www.facebook.com/events/286885588498863/>

This is the one event I look forward to each year and what gets me out of the house to shoot in winter!

Let me know if you're interested or plan on attending at 419-346-9551 or todd.grinonneau@gmail.com and we'll figure out when and where to meet. The activities get started on Saturday at 11.

Since we are still in Winter:

10 Tips for Cold Weather Photography

<https://improvephotography.com/43285/10-tips-for-cold-weather-photography/>.

Photo Arts Club of Toledo 32nd Annual Photo Contest

Contest entries will be accepted from February 11 through March 22, 2017. Late entries will not be accepted. Entries will be accepted at:

- National Center for Nature Photography at Secor Metropark, Friday–Sunday, 10 am–4 pm
- Kohne Camera & Photo, 120 W. South Boundary, Perrysburg, Monday–Saturday, 9 am–6 pm, Sunday 1–4 pm. kohnes.com
- The Visitor Center at Wildwood Preserve Metropark, 5100 W. Central Avenue, Monday– Friday, 9 am–5 pm

- Photo Arts Club meetings at the Club House at the Toledo Botanical Garden on meeting nights.
- David's Jewelry, 127 South Monroe Street, Monroe, MI (734) 241-8250

Charlie Mather matherc@yahoo.com

Update on the Metropark takeover of TBG operation

We finally had our meeting with the Metropark representative. The lease is similar to our previous one. Rent did go up about \$500 per year. The biggest change is that the Conference Center is pretty much not available to clubs any more.

It was noted that the Toledo Artist Club (TAC) will be available for meetings when a larger facility is necessary.

I (Steve Stalker) am also a member of TAC. I am currently working on doing two presentations for our members as well as TAC members to be held in their facility. Dates to be determined.

1. Matting and mounting
2. Photographing your art work.

They seem excited to be working with us. It should make the occasional use of their facility relatively easy for obtain.

We shall see.

Monthly contest categories – Digital unless otherwise noted

Feb..... “Feel the Cold” digital

Mar..... “By Candlelight” print

Apr..... “Abstract” digital

January PACT Level Winners

Assignment - "Black and White"

Intermediate: 1st place - "Monument Valley" by Jack Meyer
 2nd place - "Artic Wolf" by Cindy White
 3rd place - "Wheels" by Wennie Anderson
 H.M. - "Detroit Wolf" by Cindy Buckley

Advanced : 1st place - "Metcalf Bridge" by Anna Koperczak
 2nd place - "Pre Flight" by Jerry Lohman
 3rd place - "Rescued" by Jerry Lohman
 H.M. - "Garden Fresh" by Anna Koperczak

Open Division

Intermediate: 1st place tie - "Marquette Lighthouse" by Cindy Buckley
 1st place tie - "Alley Café" by Cindy White

2nd place - "Great Raisin" by Wennie Anderson
3rd place - "Blade Creek Mill" by Cindy Buckley

PACT Roster Updates

Renewals:

Donna Gottschalk
Linn Petersen
Kathy Petersen
James Bosinger
Jerry Lohman

New Members:

Members Photos Out and About

If you have winning photos in other contests or have your photos displayed for the general public, let me know so we can share it with the club.

For Sale or Looking For

If you have a piece of photo equipment you are either looking to sell or looking for, this newsletter will be an option for you.

Hints & Tips:

If you have an area of interest that you feel would be of interest to the club, this editor would welcome contributions. Creating an article for a newsletter normally results in learning as well as contributing.

2018 Officer and Board elections:

In February we will be soliciting members for the PACT officers and board for April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019. If you feel the club needs to alter its course, this is your chance to influence our future.

Election will be March 15

Officers and Board Members for 2017-2018

Board year is April 1 - March 31

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