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Monthly Newsletter of the Virginia Beach Photography Club

Welcome New Members

Letter From the President

November's meeting is by far the most important we will have this year. I hope that every VBPC member will make their best effort to attend and be part of the election process as we set our sights on what will be our most exciting year to date. Please show your support and be part of selecting your new leaders, who are eager to volunteer their time and leadership to make this an even better organization, giving our members more of what they want out of our organization.

Your presence in November is respectfully requested, as we need to finalize arrangements for our upcoming annual awards banquet and select new categories for next year's monthly photo competition. Both of these issues are important ones that every member should be involved in with the decision making process.

I wish to welcome the newest addition to our club's leadership, Rodney Johnson. Rodney accepted to serve as our new Membership Chairperson. Thank you Rodney, for your support, as you become one the corner stones of leadership in the

future development of our organization. I want to say thank you to Van White for his time, experience and presentation on architectural photography. I hope each member present at our October meeting, can use the examples Van shared to stir your imagination in preparation for our December photo competition.

On a more somber note, I want to say a few words about an individual who was and will always be a respected member of our organization. Every year since I have been a member of the VBPC, my heart has been hurt with the death of one of our members. I pray that the year 2006 will be the exception. Walter Demchuk was the first person to greet me when I visited and joined the VBPC in July 2001. We talked for what seemed like hours after the meeting, and as I listened to Walter's words, I realized this was a once in a lifetime individual who had complete focus on what he loved. Over the recent year, when Walter could make it to a meeting, my heart was filled with unimaginable joy, and I was glad we got to share time speaking to each other. Thank

you Walter for helping me focus on what is now my love and passion. We will miss you more than anyone can imagine.

The executive board continues to labor long hours to create an awesome environment for our organization as we not only grow in size, but more importantly, in the quality of photographic opportunities. With the new found interest of our club members in the future direction of our organization, and the new leadership that will come forward, the VBPC has an exciting and active future in store. We value any interest or input you wish to share. Questions or input can be directed to any of your club officers or committee chairpersons.

Join us on November 1, 2005, as we prepare to conclude and reflect on what has been an exciting year and begin a new year of exciting opportunities guided by an eager new leadership prepared to serve the VBPC membership.

Thank You,
James F. Writesel, Jr.

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Issue	Submission Deadline
December	November 15
January	December 15
February	January 20

Please send your submissions via e-mail to newsletter@vbpc.org, or submit at a club meeting or via snail mail. Electronic submissions should be in plain text format, Word document or in the body of the e-mail.

Competition Winners October 2005 - Open

Slides

- 1st - Jim Writesel
"Not this Time"
2nd - Michael Epting
"Row Row Row Your Boat"
3rd - Judy Wymore
"I Think I Can"

Color Prints

- 1st - Glenn Fajota
"C'mon"
2nd - Tom McElvy
"Opps"
3rd - Rodney Johnson
"Human Flight"
HM - Jerry Wymore
"Biker"

Alternative

- 1st - Adrian Felton
"The Base Runner"
2nd - Tom McElvy
"Surfer Girl"
3rd - Jim Writesel
"The Watchful Eye"

Black & White

- 1st - Rodney Johnson
"Collision Course"
2nd - Judy Wymore
"Racing"
3rd - Liz Liebrich
"Show Jumper"

2005 Competition Subjects

- January Open
- February Reflections
- March Open
- April Landscapes
- May Open
- June Time Exposure
- July Open
- August Body Parts
- September Open
- October Sports & Live Action
- **November Open**
- December Architecture

Winning Photographs



“Not This Time”

by

Jim Writesel

This particular image came from covering the Tidewater Community College Soccer Team, “The Storm”. Pictured is Storm Goal Keeper Evan Kincade of Portsmouth, Virginia. As the heart and soul of The Storm Soccer Team, I wanted to capture Evan as the last line of defense for the success of his team’s victory on this day. I feel there were three critical moments that made

this a strong Sports action photograph.

First capturing only part of Evan’s face gives you the sense that he is part of a team effort, even though he is the only player pictured. This also allows you to focus on his reaction to the action captured in the image instead of solely him as an individual. Second is the angle and position of

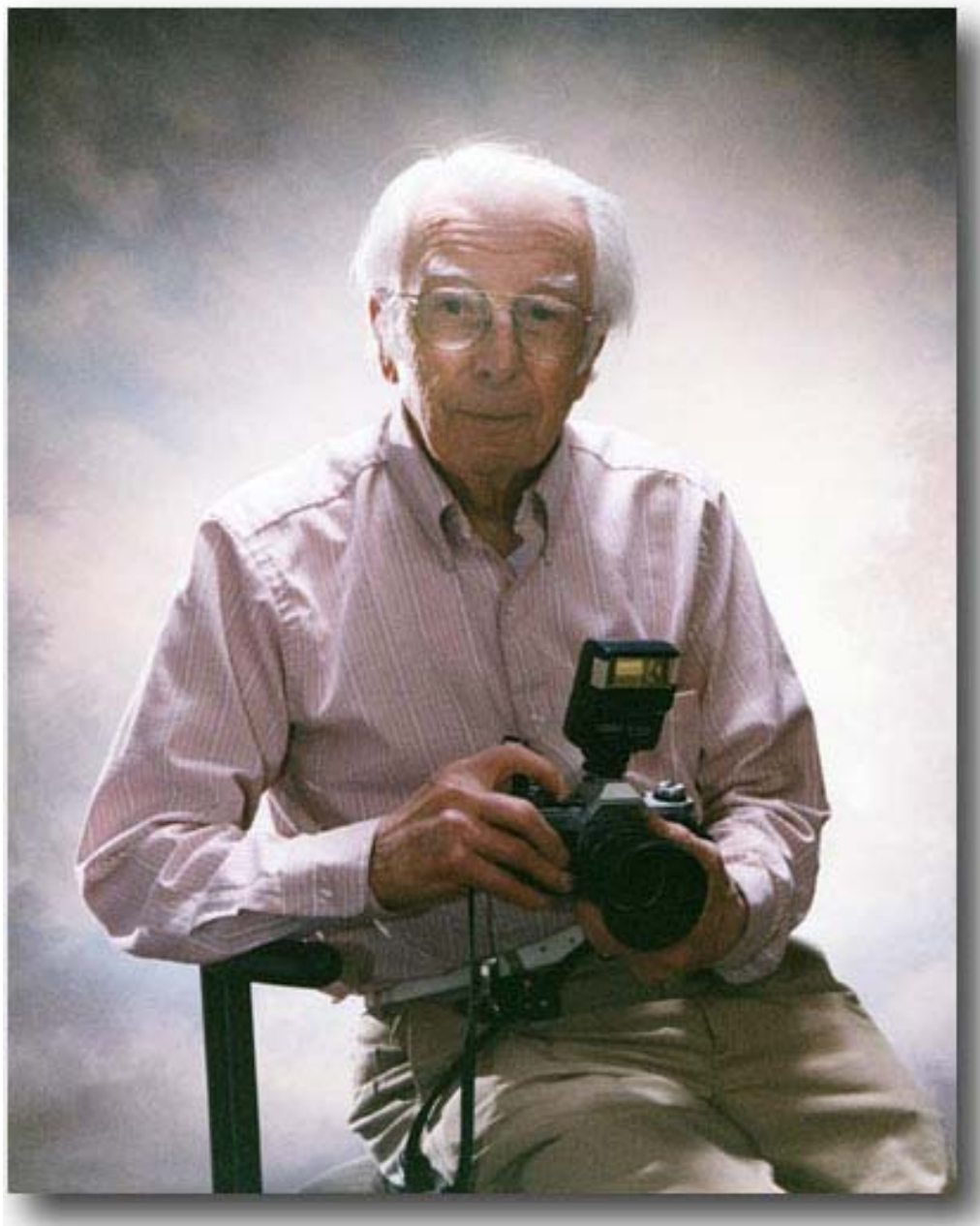
the camera and photographer in relation to the subject, so as to capture the shadow underneath of Evan, which gives him great separation from the background. Third is the parallel position of his body, that I feel gives this image a complete range of motion and emotion, versus if Evan was in a mere standing upright position.

Photograph of the Year

All first place photographs in each category from December 2004 to December 2005 are eligible for the Photograph of the Year competition. All eligible photographs are to be turned in at the December meeting. The winning photographer will be honored at the Annual Banquet in January

Eligible Photographs

	Slides	B&W	Color Prints	Alternative
December 2004	<i>"Enchanted Castle"</i> Bert Jemmott	<i>"Tom & Emily"</i> JoAnn Jemmott	<i>"Finding the Eighth Note"</i> Ernie Yang	<i>"Red Canoes"</i> Bert Jemmott
January 2005	<i>"Dolphin"</i> Judy Wymore	<i>"Tuckered Out"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Angels Among Us"</i> Flo Womacks	<i>"Tranquil Cypress Laguna"</i> Hal Ellis III
February 2005	<i>"Monsterous Reflection"</i> Pam Jenkins	<i>"Can't keep Winter Away"</i> Walter Demchuk	<i>"Duo"</i> Bert Jemmott	<i>"Is Anyone in There?"</i> Flo Womacks
March 2005	<i>"Birds of Paradise"</i> Walter Demchuk	<i>"Masquerader"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Balconies"</i> Judy Wymore	<i>"Painting with Watercolor"</i> Rodney Johnson
April 2005	<i>"England Countryside"</i> Jerry Wymore	<i>"Highway to Heaven"</i> Pam Jenkins	<i>"Bay Bridge Sunset"</i> Ernie Yang	<i>"Joan"</i> Ernie Yang
May 2005	<i>"Yellowstone"</i> Bert Jemmott	<i>"Osprey"</i> JoAnn Jemmott	<i>"Sand Dunes"</i> Joan Grippo	<i>"Still Standing"</i> Adrian Felton
June 2005	<i>"Red River"</i> Judy Wymore	<i>"Mystic"</i> Judy Wymore	<i>"One Drop at a Time"</i> Debbie Wesley	<i>"Fremont Street"</i> Bert Jemmott
July 2005	<i>"Spring"</i> Bert Jemmott	<i>"Daydream"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Crab Spider"</i> Adrian Felton	<i>"Towne Center"</i> Jim Writesel
August 2005	<i>"The Piano Man"</i> Jim Writesel	<i>"Intimacy"</i> Michael Geller	<i>"The Story Teller"</i> Jim Writesel	<i>"Hurricane"</i> Nick Knight
September 2005	<i>"Sunflower"</i> Laura Houck	<i>"Xing"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Drumline"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"Stone Hull"</i> Reggie Root
October 2005	<i>"Not This Time"</i> Jim Writesel	<i>"Collision Course"</i> Rodney Johnson	<i>"C'Mon"</i> Glenn Fajota	<i>"The Base Runner"</i> Adrian Felton



Walter Demchuk
Member since 1993
We lost you on October 15
Your photos and love of photography
will be with us forever!

Elections

"Please take some time over the next two months to talk to those running and get to know them before you vote."

Club elections are coming up fast. At our November meeting we will elect a President, VP, Secretary and Treasurer for 2006.

The following members have expressed interest in running or are currently nominated:

President - Nick Knight

VP - Linda Duchaine

Tom McElvy

Secretary - Jim Stick

Treasurer - Ken Riedel

Please take some time over the next two months to talk to those running and get to

know them before you vote.

The floor will be opened for further nominations at the October meeting and again before the elections.

Descriptions of the officer duties can be obtained at a club meeting or at: vbpc.org/jobduties.pdf

Press Release

10/23/2005

All of the winning images can be viewed at BetterPhoto.com's contest page: <http://www.betterphoto.com/contest/winners/0509.asp>

Photographer Florence Womacks has won Second Place for September in the prestigious photography contest sponsored by BetterPhoto.com, the site's founder, Jim Miotke, announced Sunday.

More than 20400 entries were submitted to the online photography contest, which attracted contestants from around the world and featured 10 separate categories.

Womacks's stunning image, "Blacktail swallow-

tail catepillar", garnered top honors after being submitted in the Details & Macro category.

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The contest is conducted each month. Categories include Nature and Landscapes, Animals, People, Elements of Design, Digital Darkroom, Travel and Place, Flowers, Details and Macro, Special Effects, and Monthly Theme.

Judging is performed by a panel of professional photographers.

Besides its free, popular photo contest, BetterPhoto.com also offers a variety of services: digital camera reviews, online photo courses, free newsletters, a discussion forum, Web sites for photographers, question-and-answer section, how-to articles, photo galleries, and more.

Photographers can enter this month's contest and learn more about photography at: www.BetterPhoto.com

November 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Club Meeting 7:30	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

November Events

- **1st** - 7:30 p.m. Membership Meeting
- **27th** - Photoshop Critique Group, contact Pam Jenkins

Upcoming Events

- January 14th - Awards Banquet

Classifieds

MINOLTA Dimage Scan Dual III film scanner w/add., 2820 dpi=11 meg., Software \$230.

EPSON Photo 825 w/software, 3bw/1color ink/PC cards+ USB cable \$80

VISIONEER 760 Scanner Incompatible w/ Windows XP \$20

CANON EF Lens 100mm f2.0 USM (Dia.58mm) w/ Hood \$280

CANON EF Lens 28-80mm f3.5-5.6 V USM(m) (Dia.58mm) w/Hood \$60

*All equipment is in like new condition and in the original packaging.

If interested, please contact Adrian Felton at 461-6826

Lens Hood and Filters for Sale:

1 Sigma silver lens hood 72mm \$6.00

1 Vivitar Red filter 52mm \$25.00

1 Hoya 85B filter 72mm \$40.00

1 Quantaray UV filter 72mm \$40.00

1 Hoya circular polarizer filter 72mm \$60.00

Contact: Joan Grippo, 757-321-9120

Fujifilm S7000 camera and accessories. This is a great prosumer camera which reads 6 mp and records up to 12.3 mp. It also has a 6x optical zoom and two macro lenses. It holds two different memory cards at the same time, xd and the compact disc. Full manual modes, bracketing, continuous shooting, manual focus ring, histogram, shutter speed of 1/10,000 to 15 seconds, aperture 2.8 to 8, ISO 64 to 800. Excellent movies 640 at 30fps.

Included accessories:

Adapter tube to fit over lens so you can add filters or conversion lenses, 55mm circular polarizer filter, 55mm UV filter, 55 to 58 step up ring, 58mm folding rubber lense hood, USB and RCA cables, owner's manual, 16MB starter xd memory card.

Asking \$450 for all. If interested, please contact Reggie at RJCores@cox.net

Fuji S2, excellent condition. It comes with all of the cables and software for 1000.00. If interested contact Melissa at 757-572-2122 or email retouchpro@casmaman.com

For more ads visit the classified section at <http://www.vbpc.org/invisionboard/>



The Virginia Beach Photography Club is a member club of the Photographic Society of America

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, November 1st, 7:30 p.m.

Competition begins at 7:15 p.m.

at

Community United Methodist Church

1072 Old Kempsville Road

Virginia Beach, VA 23464

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VBPC Mission Statement

The Virginia Beach Photography Club explores the connection between the eye, the camera, and the spirit, by fostering and encouraging growth of artistic vision and technical knowledge.

The Club provides an informal, friendly, and supportive environment for photographers at all levels and with interest in all types of photographic imagery.

The Club offers a means for members to share ideas and knowledge with each other and promotes photography through its meetings, educational activities, exhibitions and public events.

The club activities offer a means to share ideas and knowledge through monthly meetings, guest speakers, member participation, monthly competition, critiquing of work and technique, field trips, and public photographic activities and projects that kindle growth and friendships through artistic vision of photographic imagery.



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