



# THE APERTURE

NEWSLETTER OF THE CAPE COD VIEWFINDERS CAMERA CLUB



<http://www.photo-ne.com/clubs/te04011.htm>

September 2004

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Members:

I think I can understand a little bit how Harry Truman felt when he took over after the Roosevelt years. David Jordan has led our club through seven eventful and productive years. During his tenure our club started the annual Chatham Creative Art Center print competition open to the entire Cape Cod community. This undertaking, handled for many years by Mary Doering and Mikael Carstanjen, has been such a boon to our club by publicizing the club's activities, providing a significant source of income and attracting many talented photographers to our club. Also for a number of years the club has been having a month long exhibition of our work at Orleans' Snow Library. Charlie Crozier has taken the lead in organizing this event each year. Other events introduced during Dave's tenure are the Pre-Meeting Workshops run by Peter Selig and Vincent Scarnecchia, the Scavenger Hunts also run by Charlie Crozier and, I believe, the establishment of several Slide Evaluation groups. Another recent innovation is same day handling of prints and slides during competitions. Larry Delgrego, Bob & Nancy Cormier and their Print/Slide registration teams have handled it so well; we wonder why we had never done it that way before. In the last seven years our club has grown greatly in both size and talent. Like those who lived during the Roosevelt years most of our members can't remember any other President than Dave. I would like to join all of our members in a heartfelt thanks to Dave for his lasting contributions to our club.

I would also like to thank Janet Anderson for her many years of publishing our newsletter, "The Aperture". Her good humor and clever innovations that have made the Aperture such a must read through the years.

Janet is helping Barbara Pike and Terry Gavin, who are taking over as Co-Chairs on the *Aperture*. I'm sure that Barbara and Terry will continue the excellent standards that Janet has set by providing additional innovative ways to bring club news to our members. Thanks to all of the new Club Officers as well as those who have given of their time in the past.

Jim Mills

The following are the new board members of the Cape Cod Viewfinders Camera Club for the year 2004-2005

President - Jim Mills  
Treasurer - Dee Forst  
Publicity - Charles Crozier  
1st VP & Program - Bruce Blance  
NECCC - Peter Selig  
Special Events - Larry Delgrego  
2nd VP & Hospitality - Meredith Nichols  
PSA - Janet DiMattia  
Editors - Barbara Pike / Terry Gavin  
Secretary - Anita Albert Karasu  
Competition - Larry Delgrego  
Past President - David Jordan

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sep 9 - Summer Assignment (Power, Shades and Shadows) and "Oldies but Goodies" Slides

Sep 23 - 1st Slide & Print Competition - Judge: Greg Crisci - Nature, Pictorial Slide; B/W, Color Print - Max Entry: 4 Slides, 4 Prints (No more than 2 in any category)

Oct 7 - Program: John Figueras, "Photography Near & Far": A print show of Cape Cod and a discussion of Digital Manipulation

Oct 21 - 2nd Slide Competition - Judge: Bob Yankee - Nature, Pictorial & Portraiture - Max Entry: 5 Slides (No more than 2 in any category)

Oct 24 - Sunday - Scavenger Hunt! Rain date October 31

Nov 4 - CCVCC hosts NECCC Color Slide Competition

Nov 18 - 2nd Print Competition - Judge: Andre Bourque - B/W, Color, & Portraiture - Max Entry: 5 Prints (No more than 2 in any category)

## Helpful Photography Hints © by Vincent Scarnecchia

### NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN DIGITAL CAMERAS—September 2004

More Megapixels.  
Faster print capture via new dual chip control system.  
Improved white balance and slow shutter images.



All advanced digital compact cameras will soon be 8 MP and new DSLR'S will also move to 8 megapixels. The Canon EOS ID II is the first DSLR to feature 8 megapixels.

### FASTER PRINT CAPTURE

A dual chip system will soon be featured in many new cameras. The new chip set system will yield extreme fast set up and capture up to 10 frames per second. The chip set eliminates the current use of a Buffer. Kyocera was the first to use the system made by Nu-Core Technology Inc. of Sunnyvale Ca. Kyocera calls it the "Clean Capture" sensor. Most cameras operate on a 2 second cycle. The chip set operates on a 20 millisecond cycle. Image transfer to memory and compression in JPEG takes place at 75 megapixels per second. Canon, Nikon and Kodak are using a similar chip set. The D2H costs \$3,200 and EOS 1D II, is \$4,500.00 and KODAK'S 14 megapixel DCS PRO SLR-N&C. cameras costs around \$4,900.

### SHOULD YOU PURCHASE A DIGITAL CAMERA NOW?

The answer is YES! 6 megapixel DSLR cameras are technically at peak development, and newer cameras to follow will only add megapixels and speed. As far as yielding high resolution prints, the 6 MP cameras can yield as good a print as the 8 MP cameras.

### RECOMMENDED DIGITAL SLRS

Canon REBEL, 6.3 MP costing \$900.00; Nikon D70, 6.1 MP costing \$1,000.00; Canon EOS 10D, 6.3 MP costing \$1,500.00; Nikon D100 priced at \$1,500. If you are considering the D70 buy it with the lens at 1,300. The 18-70mm lens has excellent optics and contains a high speed focusing motor and is fully automatic.

### DIGITAL SLR DUST PROBLEMS

Dust tends to accumulate on the digital sensor. Most can be blown off with a large bulb blower. However some dust will statically adhere to the sensor and must be physically removed. Camera manufacturers recommend you send the camera back for sensor cleaning. I find this a bit too much and costly after paying for shipping and insurance. It can be cleaned with proper equipment in the field or at the end of a day of photography by the photographer. It is a delicate operation and I do not recommend it for the faint of heart or if you do not have a steady hand. First lock the mirror in the up position, invert the camera face down, then blow off loose particles using a Rocket blower which can be purchased from Hunt's for \$19.00 Then I use a tool made by Pace Inc. called Handpick. It is a small hand vacuum tool which will remove stuck particles and is static free. It can be purchased from Edmond Scientific for \$35.00.

There is another less costly method. It uses a small spatula or a plastic knife. Cut at a slight angle the end of the spatula or the knife to form a flat square end. It is approximately 1/2 inch in width. Place a 2-1/2 or 4 inch PecPad on the end of the square surface and extend the pad about one inch from the end, fold over towards the handle and fold the two ends together. Lock the mirror in the up position and use the blower as described above. Bring the camera to the up position and wipe the sensor with the PecPad. The pad can also be purchased from Hunt's. Note I am not responsible for any screw ups. For more information on this method log on to [www.birdsasart.com](http://www.birdsasart.com) and go to Bulletin Archives click onto #134-sensor cleaning. I have used the system described by Arthur Morris on his web site.

## ADVANCEMENT IN CLASS - Slides

### Pictorial (Color)

Bob Cormier	B to A
Brenda Peterson	B to A
Barbara Pike	A to M
Joe Tambascio	A to M

### Nature

Bob Cormier	B to A
Janet DiMattia	A to M

## FIRST PLACE WINNERS

Based on final ACTUAL POINT  
standings for fiscal year 2003-2004

### Color Slides

Class M - Peter Selig	131 Points
Class A - Barbara Pike	85 Points
Class B - Bob Cormier	101 Points

### Nature Slides

Class M - Diane Robertson	87 Points
Class A - Janet DiMattia	75 Points
Class B - Bob Cormier	70 Points

### Prints

Color - Bruce Blance	115 Points
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## C.C.V.C.C. SPECIAL EVENTS 2004-2005

Larry Delgrego has arranged an extensive and varied schedule of field trips open to all members.

September 19:	Open
October 9:	Martha's Vineyard
November 13:	Plymouth Plantation
January 15:	Local - Winter Beach Scenes
February 12:	Cape Light Houses
March 12:	Orchid Society, Falmouth
April 16:	Boston Photo Trail
May 14:	Chatham Boat Cruise
June 11:	Elizabeth Park Conn.**
July 9:	Butterfly Place, Westford, Ma.
August 13:	Boston At Night

### Additional possibilities

Mystic Seaport Newport Cliff Walk  
Nantucket \*\* Overnight Trip

## NECCC

Congratulations to Terry Gavin, Mikael Carstanjen, Janet DiMattia, and Diane Robertson for their achievements at the 59th NECCC Conference held in Amherst MA July 16-18, 2004.

Terry Gavin - Second Place Color Division

Mikael Carstanjen - Judge's Choice Nature



MORNING LIGHT

Janet DiMattia - Judge's Choice - Color Division



STORM AT GHOST RANCH



BEE AND LUPINE

Diane Robertson - Honor Award - Nature Slide

(Slide unavailable for reproduction)

BLUE JAY IN OAK - 25 Points

## PSA NEWS

Cape Cod Viewfinders received notification that it was one of 5 clubs to move up from Division E to compete in Division D for the 2004-05 year. Great work!

Congratulations to Peter Selig.

BASS HARBOR LIGHT II, SUNSET, previously receiving an Award of Merit in Division E, was entered in the "Slide of the Year" Competition as one of the 18 eligible slides AM's and was chosen as one of the top five winners in Division E, Slide of the Year.



BASS HARBOR LIGHT II, SUNSET

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 Dec 2 Program: Peter Selig - "**Making Winners from Your Slides**"  
 Dec 16 Annual holiday party

Jan 6, 2005 Program: Ray Guillette, "**The Power and the Glory**"  
 Jan 20 3rd Slide Competition: Nature, Pictorial, & Photojournalism  
 Feb 3 Program: Photo Essay Night - Presentations of Club Member Shows  
 Feb 17 3rd Print Competition: B/W, Color, & Photojournalism  
 Mar 3 Program: John Vaughan "**Coastal Effects**" - a digital presentation  
 Mar 17 4th Slide Competition: Nature, Pictorial, & Contemporary  
 Apr 7 Program: Bob Yankee, "**Moods of Cape Cod**"  
 Apr 21 4th Print Competition: B/W, Color, & Contemporary  
 May 5 Program: Gail Hansche - "**Bird Photography**"  
 May 19 5th Slide & Print Competition: Nature & Pictorial Slide; B/W & Color Print  
 June 2 Annual Dinner & Competition

Meetings are normally held on the first and third Thursdays, 7:15 pm at the Harwich Community Center, Oak Street, Harwich Center

\* note: September meetings held on second and fourth Thursdays

### CAPE COD VIEWFINDERS CAMERA CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one

Individual.....\$30.00  
 Two members of family..\$50.00

Make check payable to:  
 Cape Cod Viewfinders Camera Club

Please indicate your areas of interest

<input type="checkbox"/> Color Slides	<input type="checkbox"/> Nature
<input type="checkbox"/> Color Prints	<input type="checkbox"/> Pictorial
<input type="checkbox"/> Black & White Prints	<input type="checkbox"/> Portraiture
<input type="checkbox"/> Digital Imaging	<input type="checkbox"/> Photojournalism
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

Please mail completed form to:  
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