



MISSISSAUGA CAMERA CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT - David Penty

Wow! As my Newfie friends would say – that Year End Banquet was some good, bye! I want to thank everyone who participated from producing certificates, to presenters, equipment providers, trophy polishers, photographers, runners, and of course the great job done by Judy Stuart and our MCC hostess, Hilary Callin. It goes without saying, all the prize winners should be commended. I expected a few had to go home and get a trailer to carry their hardware home.

Kidding aside, this high class approach to everything we do, in Competitions, Programs,, introducing new members, delivering communications in several methods (web, Facebook, email), sending cards to members who are ill, serving up snacks, generating thoughtful Special Interest groups, outings and workshops.....That's the Mississauga Camera Club. That's our Standard of Excellence!

One of the great achievements this year has been following up on the Member's approval to meet the City of Mississauga's requirement for the Group Registry program by becoming Incorporated as 'The Mississauga Camera Club, Inc'. This required many hours of work by our CFO and Administrative officer, Jim Evans. He, and his committee of financial experts checked and double checked the many hurdles and possible pitfalls. We are now in a position to continue to receive benefits via our association with the City such as reduced insurance, rentals and the possibility of grants for special projects. With this work behind us, Jim will be relinquishing his control of the CFO position as of October, 2019 AGM. Unfortunately, despite the completed work, documented procedures for a successor, and an efficient group of volunteers in the names of Linda Wiesner and Linda Hilliard who agreed to stay on, no member has stepped forward to fill the Director's role. Jim has advised me he will be available to assist throughout 2019-2020 but that still leaves a void in the Board of Directors. I'm afraid we may have to hire someone outside the club if we can't get this position filled. Our Nominating Committee has had no success in filling the role; and that comes when we are already cash-strapped for new equipment. I urge you to contact me or Jim if you have any experience with financial matters (e.g. Balance sheet / Income statements).

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On SIG news, I've been advised that Marcus will continue to lead the Creative SIG, and replacing Dave Clow will be Peter van Rhijn for the Image Critique SIG. Janet will continue to organize the Locations/Travel SIG as will Doug Johnston who shepherds members on Photo Editing. If you are interested in these areas, please contact the SIG leader directly or check the MCC website.

We continue to have other volunteer positions to be filled. More eager hands make the work enjoyable so please contact me if you have inclinations to help the club move forward. One thing the Membership team looks forward to implementing is collecting a Members' skills inventory so that the Board and the Nominating Committees can assist in filling needed positions directly. I think we all agree that it's nice to be tapped on the shoulder to request some assistance. As it stands now, we must wait for someone to raise their hands and tell us they are willing to help.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Continued

Along with the skills inventory, we have made progress in capturing photos of members. We want all members to feel welcome and what better way than to put a face to a name. Thanks to the work of Gerard Baron, we will continue to capture photos of members and will have them posted on the website. First up will be members of the Board. From time to time, we get questions from interested members such as 'do you have to be a Senior to join MCC?' because of our Senior Centre meeting location. To that end, Liz McNally has drafted an introduction for new members to acquaint them with the club. Combined with a mentorship role which we hope to continue next year, we are hoping new members will feel welcome and eager to challenge their artistic side.

Our Board meets again in August to prepare for the new season. The planning is already underway and it promises to be an exciting year of program delivery, instruction and camaraderie. I urge you to go online and sign up if you have not done so already. The newly implemented Online Registration System (ORS) is a breeze to use and so much easier than mailing in cheques.

To all our great members, I wish you a summer of fun, friends and above allHappy Photography, everyone!

David Penty, President MCC - president@mississaugacameraclub.ca

2018-2019 ACHIEVEMENTS

Photo Essays: 1st and Herb Martin Trophy Winner:
David Clow for *Yukon Colours*
2nd Place: Sandro DelRe for *Auschwitz*
3rd Place: Linda Wiesner for *Rajasthan*

Flower Competitions:

Jim Cranston Winner: Lori Metcalfe for *Sunflower in Afternoon Light*

Maurice de Cunha Winner: Mike Feraco for *Open Up*
HM: Michael Laezza for *Pink Star Magnolia Bud*

Prints Competition:

Level 1 David & Karen Simmonds Trophy: Jon Clarke
Level 2 Jerry Soltys Trophy: Eros Fiacconi
Best Print Wilf Natress Trophy: Eros Fiacconi

Digital Competition:

Ron Manning Cup - Entrant Level: Barbara Kell
Ron Manning Cup - Intermediate Level: Sandy Lu
Ron Manning Cup - Advanced Level: Mabel Au

Herb Martin Best Nature Image: Sandy Lu
Herb Martin Best Pictorial Image: Mabel Au
Herb Martin Best Creative Image: Leonie Holmes
Best Natural Things Image - Bruce Peters Trophy: Mabel Au

Robbie Robinson Outstanding Performance Trophy:

Mike Feraco

25 Year Member:

Hilarie McNeil-Smith

Volunteer of the Year:

Mark Fenton

2018-2019 ACHIEVEMENTS - Continued

Advancements

Prints Advancements –

Level 1 to Level 2

Jon Carke
Mike Monge

Lori Metcalfe
Paul Lindo

Digital Advancements –

Entrant to Intermediate:

Barbara Kell
Corinne Baron
Paul Lindo

Barbara Stephen
Janice Perkins

Intermediate to Advanced:

Daniel Poon
Joe DiLecce
Michael Laezza
Sandro DelRe
Tetyana Boronylo

Gerard Baron
Mike Monge
Myra Jones
Sandy Lu

COMPETITIONS THEME 2019-2020

The mandatory theme for Digital Competition Three
of the 2019 – 2020 season will be

Architecture

Enjoy shooting your favourite sites this summer!

COMPETITIONS REPORT

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS - 2018-2019

- Co-Director Jennifer Fowler was appointed and trained this season, immediately following her graduation from the OCCC Judges Course.
- We are indebted to Warren Davis for his willingness to patiently mentor and guide the Competitions Team. Warren retires as Competition Director after 3 years of service.
- We extend our great appreciation to Efraim Perl who is also retiring this season after his long and exceptional service to the Competition Team, as well as, to the club website.
- Special thanks to Dave Field and to the Print Team for their dedicated efforts to grow and to strengthen participation in this important category.
- Our sincere thanks go to Hilary Callin as she steps down from her outstanding service to MCC as our club representative to OCCC.
- A new Natural Things trophy was dedicated and awarded in memory of deceased MCC member and former Club President, Bruce Peters.
- The Handbooks have been modified to incorporate revisions to the definitions of Pictorial and Natural Things this year. It is anticipated that these revisions, which broaden the existing definitions, will be very popular and further contribute to growth in these two categories.
- Leonie Holmes assumed the role of Mentor for our Judges in Training programme and is doing a terrific job assisting our club JITs.
- Digital Chair, Sandro DelRe, has volunteered to assume the role of Co-Director next season in addition to his present responsibilities as Digital Chair.
- We welcome new Statistics Team member Barbara Kell who has volunteered to work with Team Leader Mark Fenton.
- Four Judges in Training will complete two years of shadow judging, training and mentoring this season. We wish them success in their future endeavours.
- Stephen Balke continues to do an excellent job leading the Advancement Review program with several positive recommendations this season.
- Pradipta Datta joins the Competition Team as Entry Wizard technical administrator.
- A new sponsor, Canvas Palette, has contributed 3 new printing/mounting awards to outstanding Digital Competitors at the annual banquet.
- Our thanks to our senior, volunteer club Mentors who dedicated their efforts to assist five new competitors this season.

ONTARIO COUNCIL OF CAMERA CLUB (O3C) YEAR-END UPDATES

The MCC has submitted a number of images to the annual O3C Interclub 'Open Challenge' competition. We have images from 16 MCC members, for a total of 149 images. We are confident that there will be some award-winners! The competition has been handled by your O3C representative Hilary Callin and two additional volunteers, Larry Biancolin and Marcus Miller. Thank you for your support!

The results and the awards presentation will be held in the afternoon on Sunday October 20, 2019. The previous day, Saturday October 19, 2019, will be the annual 'Capture' education day.

A new venture: The O3C has partnered with Photo Tour Trekkers and Tourcan Vacations to offer some exciting photography tours. The upcoming adventures, which are quickly filling up, are: Parc Omega, Montebello, Quebec in October 2019; Costa Rica in February 2020; and Kenya & Tanzania in October 2020.

For details and registration: <https://o3c.ca/photo-tours/>

I am pleased to announce that Vince Filteau has agreed to take on the role of O3C representative starting in the 2019/2020 year, to replace me, Hilary Callin.

Any questions or comments, please contact us at:

gtccc@mississaugacameraclub.ca

MEMBERSHIP - LIZ MCNALLY

Thank You Membership Volunteers

Refreshments

Special thanks goes to our two ladies who arrive early to set up the coffee and cookies so that at the break we have something to sip and nibble as we chat and visit. Uliana Yaworsky and Audrey Cherevaty ensure that our break is enjoyable and tasty. Thanks so much for doing this at each and every meeting.

Workshops

Throughout the year MCC presented Saturday morning Workshops. Holly Lumley had taken on the role of Coordinator of the Workshops and this past season went smoothly and was very well attended. Thank you to all of our presenters:

Peter Van Rhijn, Larry Jewett, Hilarie McNeil-Smith, Mike Feraco and Stephen Balke.

My apologies for those who may have been missed – I know a number of members demonstrated how to mat and mount photos – thanks to all of you.

If anyone would like to propose and lead a workshop, please contact:

director_memservice@mississaugacameraclub.ca

Outings

Larry Jewett continued throughout the year to provide opportunities for club outings. Many members enjoyed gathering together, usually on a Saturday to carpool to a site or event. Larry ensured that everyone had ample opportunity to visit and share and shoot. Thank you Larry for co-coordinating this. The members value this opportunity.

New Membership Registrar

I would like to welcome officially Janice Perkins to the role of Membership Registrar. Janice has spent the last few months learning about renewals and registrations, membership lists and reports. We are very pleased to have Janice as the Membership Registrar and part of the Membership Team for 2019-2020.

MEMBERSHIP - CONTINUED....

Membership Table

Thank you very much to the wonderful volunteers that helped at the membership table this past year. It was always such a nice feeling to come in to the club and be welcomed by you. Thank you for coming early to set up the nametag boxes and staying late to retrieve the nametags and store the boxes away until the next meeting. I hope you continue to share your warmth and smiles with all the members again in the 2019 - 2020 season. If anyone else would like to join this welcoming group, please email director_memservice@mississaugacameraclub.ca

Thank you to Barb Stephen who took over the organization and scheduling of the volunteers. And thanks to each volunteer: Suman Kathuria, Lori Metcalfe, Mary Ann Rowsome, Linda Salvador, Vida Tirillis



MEMBERSHIP - CONTINUED....

RENEWALS

Thank you to all the members who have renewed their 2019-2020 membership already!
You are in for another amazing year of photography!

For those of you who have not yet renewed, you now have **two options**:

1. Renew online on the MCC website: mississaugacameraclub.ca > Members Portal > Individual membership Renewal or Couple Membership Renewal using a credit card.
www.mississaugacameraclub.ca/Renewal
2. Download the Membership/Renewal form from the MCC website:
mississaugacameraclub.ca > Club Information > Membership > Membership Application/Renewal Form (it is the same form used for both)
and mail it with your cheque to the address at the bottom.
www.mississaugacameraclub.ca/Membership

Remember: **The deadline for renewals is July 31, 2019.** No renewals will be taken in August as we need the month to close off the 2018-2019 database and organize our 2019-2020 database.

If you are renewing online and you experience any difficulty, please contact:
ors@mississaugacameraclub.ca

If you are renewing online and have never been in the Members Portal (option 1) before, enter your competition initials (3 letters) as both your Username and Password. Once you are in, you can personalize your Password. Your Username will always be your 3 competition initials, which can be found on your membership card.

MEMBERSHIP - CONTINUED....

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs) for 2019-2020

We are pleased to announce that our current four SIGs will continue to run in the 2019-2020 season. Each SIG meets once a month for up to 9 months at the Senior Centre. A volunteer member leads each SIG and all members are welcome to join any or all SIGs. Our SIGs this year were very well attended, and we'd like to thank our SIG leaders for their time and commitment and their willingness to share their wealth of knowledge. Thanks to Janet Martin, David Clow, Marcus Miller and Doug Johnson. A very special thanks also goes to Linda Hilliard for booking the rooms for each SIG and doing her best to accommodate last minutes cancellations and additions.

For 2019-2020 there will be a slight change in the \$20 fee payment. \$20 will be required to be paid by each SIG member at the September or October SIG meeting. This year, whether a SIG runs 4 meetings or 9 meetings, the cost for the season is \$20 per person per SIG. The reason for this is that rooms have to be paid for up front and it is difficult to track money trickling in over the course of the year. We are hoping to have our online registration for SIGs up and running in September. This would free up the leader from collecting the money.

The following SIGs will be offered in 2019 - 2020:

- Janet Martin will lead Locations SIG.
- Peter Van Rhijn will lead Image Critique SIG, taking over from David Clow who is moving out of the area.
- Marcus Miller will lead Creative SIG.
- Doug Johnson will lead Photo Editing SIG.

At the first club meeting in September, each of the SIG leaders (or a representative from the SIG) will have an opportunity to showcase their SIG to the membership. We look forward to seeing everyone then.

Finally if anyone is interested in making a proposal to lead a new SIG, please see Liz McNally or any of the Executive at any meeting or email:

director_memservice@mississaugacameraclub.ca

SHOW OFF - Al Tilson

I would like to thank all those who contributed to **SHOW OFF** over the past four years. It is because of your participation that it has been a success. My time has come to move on and I wish my successor all the best.