



# CPOPC June 2023 meeting + AGM

June 10, 2023

# Welcome

- Acknowledgement of guests and prospective members
- Zoom difficulties? – [john@miner.ca](mailto:john@miner.ca)
- 10 min break between 10:45 and 11am
- Our agenda



Scott Udle

# June 2023

## Agenda topics

Spring Competition and Feedback - [Water](#)

Break

### [Annual General Meeting](#)

Summary Report, including financial statement

Challenges and Competitions

Highest Scoring Images etc.

Promotions to level 2 and Rule Changes

2022-2023 Topics

Election of new executive committee

Look ahead to next year

Member Contributions – Ottawa Walkabout

Photo 101 – Posting and Copyright Issues

Notices

Next Meeting – Strawberry Social NEXT WEEK

Next Club meeting - September 9



Ramesh Chauhan

# Spring competition – Water

- Photos can be bodies of water, droplets, ice, snow, waves, reflections, fog, etc.
- Other objects can be present (even dominant) as long as water plays a key role in the image
- Images must have been taken since June 2022
- Submit up to three images

Our Judges Today

Manfred Mueller  
André Geick



Mrijn Photograph  
on Unsplash



Boxed-water-is-better on Unsplash

Timothy Eberly on Unsplash



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## AGM Agenda

### Annual reports

President's report

Challenges and Competitions

Financial report

Elections – All by acclamation?

Look Ahead



Marianne Pethke

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## President's Report – Alan White

- All (10) club meetings held online via Zoom
- Five workshops, all in-person
- Scavenger Hunt
- Three Photoshoot Outings
- Three Social get-togethers
- Image enlargement now available on the voting page (Thanks, Jeff!)
- Presentations and meeting agendas now archived on website
- Improved calendar now on website
- CPOPC Forum now available for discussion and info sharing by email
- CPOPC now present on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram
- Membership steady at 48 by year end



Ehsan Roshani

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## 2022-23 Speaker and Topics Schedule

Programs Director: Marianne Pethke

Competitions Director: Lynda Buske

Meeting date	Challenge/competition	Presentation Topic	Speakers
September 10, 2022	None	Summer picture share	members
October 8, 2022	Aged or weathered surfaces	Abandoned photography	Robert Scott
November 12, 2022	Rocks	Landscape/Nature Photography	Stephen DesRoches
December 10, 2022	Close-up (competition)	Judges to comment on entries & announce winners	
January 14, 2023	Urban life	Wildlife Photography	Daniel Cadieux
February 11, 2023	Tools	Back to Basics -Photography after dark	Peter Fundarek
March 11, 2023	Places of worship	Still Life Photography	Manfred Mueller
April 8, 2023	Diagonal lines	My approach to a shot	Scott Udle
May 13, 2023	Skyscapes	Street Photography	Monique Campbell
June 10, 2023	Water (Competition)	Judges to comment on entries & announce winners	
April 2023	Urban Life (interclub competition)		

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## 2022-23 Workshops, Outings, Social and Other

Programs Director: Marianne Pethke

Date	Activity	Topic/Location	Presenter/leader
September 17, 2022	Coffee and Pastries Social	Café Latte Chino	
October 22, 2022	Workshop	Flash Photography	Michael Willems
October 29, 2022	Outing	Gatineau Park	Ehsan Roshani
November 24, 25, 2022	Scavenger Hunt		Marianne Pethke
December 4, 2022	Outing	Cumberland Museum	Marianne Pethke
December 17, 2022	Christmas Social and Potluck	Queenswood Heights CC	
February 18, 2023	Workshop	Still Life (Hands on)- RA studio	Allan Cameron
March 18, 2023	Workshop	Composition and Light	Michael Willems
April 22, 2023	Workshop	Lenses	Michael Willems
May 20, 2023	Outing and lunch	Ottawa Downtown	Johan Carignan
June 17, 2023	Strawberry Social	Queenswood Heights CC	



# Top ribbon winners – Level 1 – 2022/23

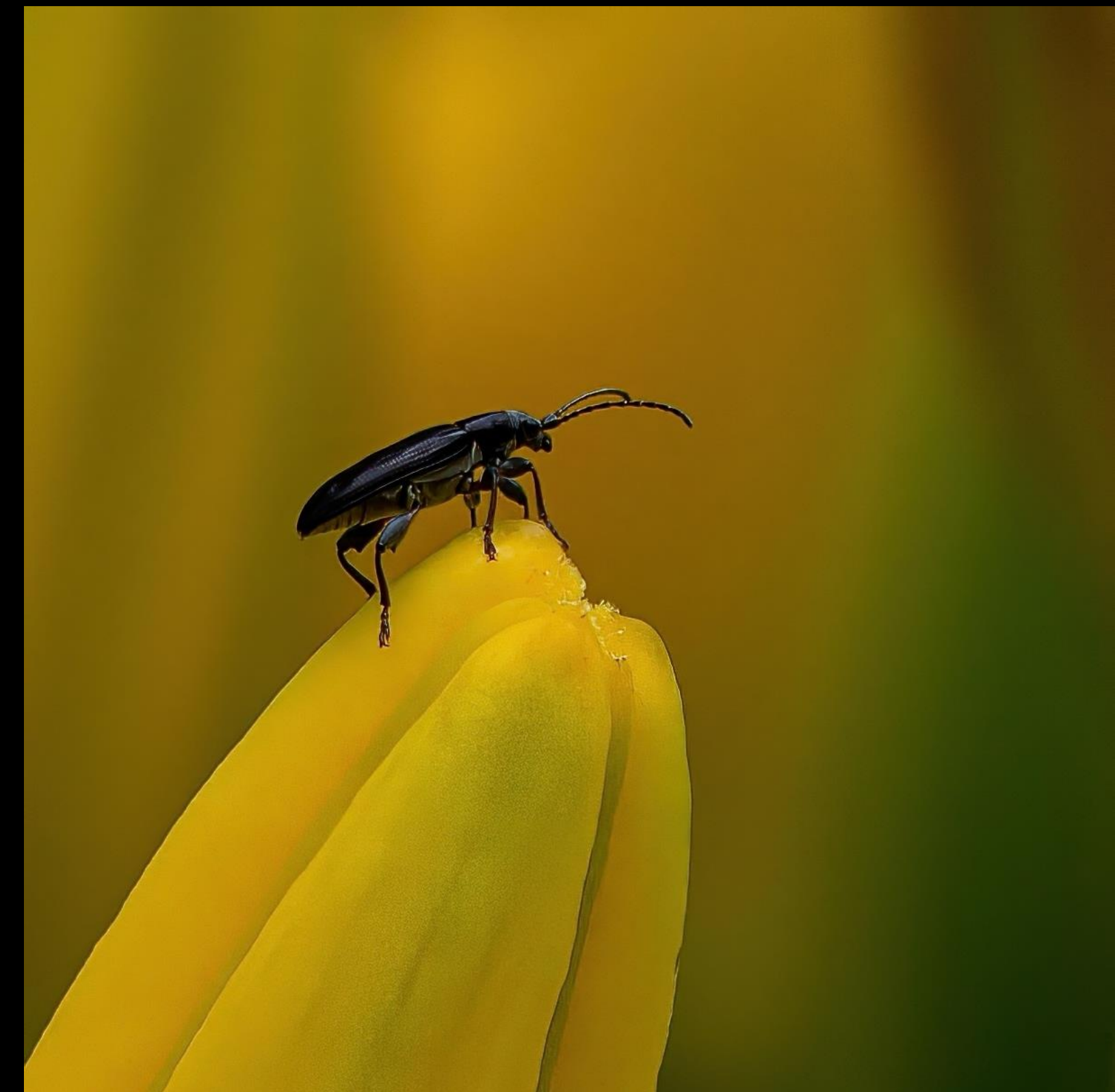


Name	# of ribbons
Beverley Dawson	6
Lynda Buske	6
Richard Godin	4
Kathy Burke	3

Richard Godin



Beverley Dawson



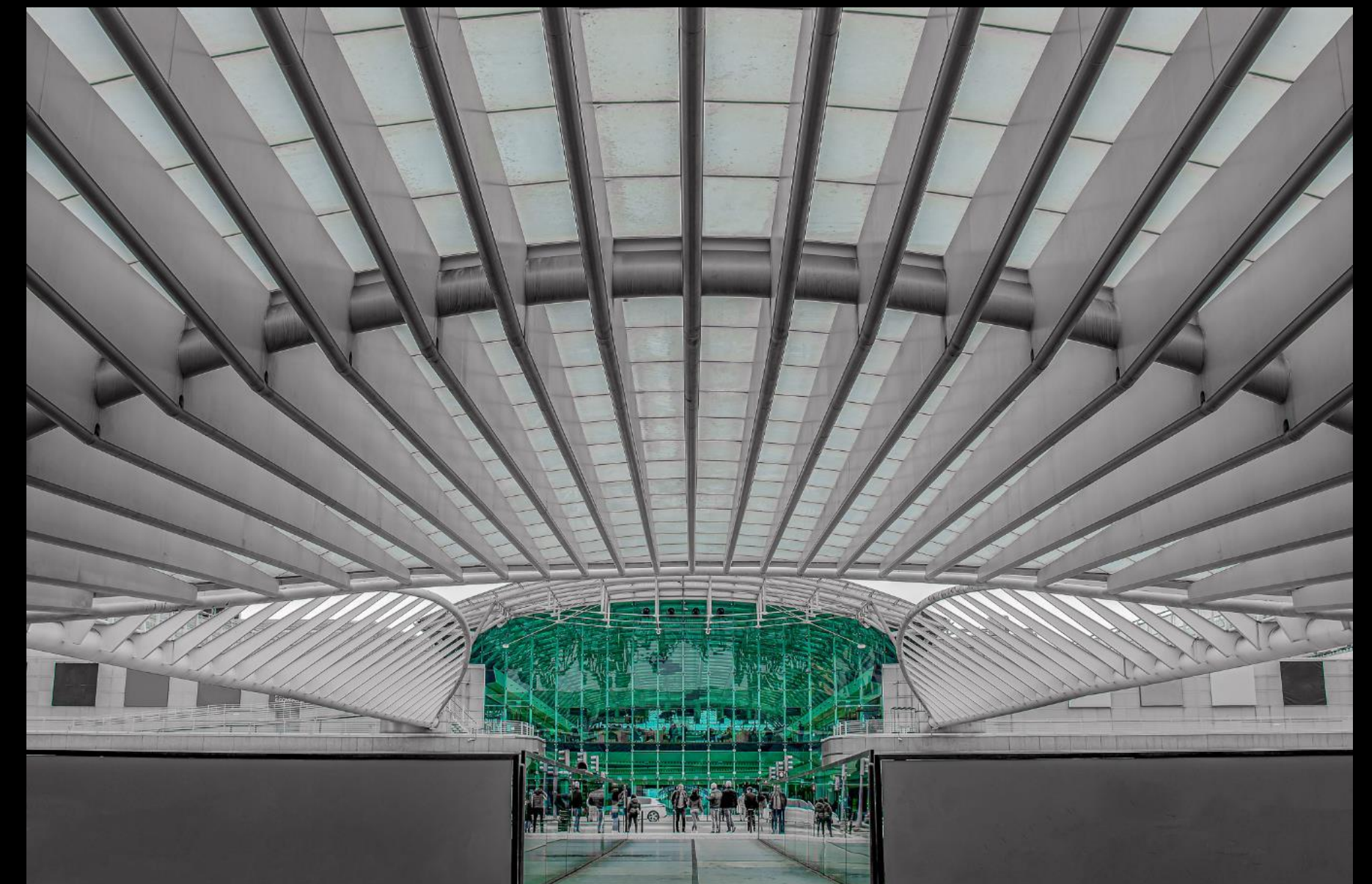


# Top ribbon winners - Level 2 – 2022/23

Name	# of ribbons
Marianne Pethke	7
Scott Udle	5
Yoline Joseph- Hoskin	4
Johan Carignan	3
Ramesh Chauhan	3



Scott Udle



Yoline Joseph-  
Hoskin



# Other ribbon winners 2022-23

Name	Name
Alan White	Louise Roy
Chris Taylor	Michel Allie
Christine Martel	Paul Downing
Diane Cummings	Pierre Roy
Jean-Francois Riel	Roger Régimbal
John Ingold	Roselyn Grigaitis
Kathy Burke	Shirley Udle



Louise Roy

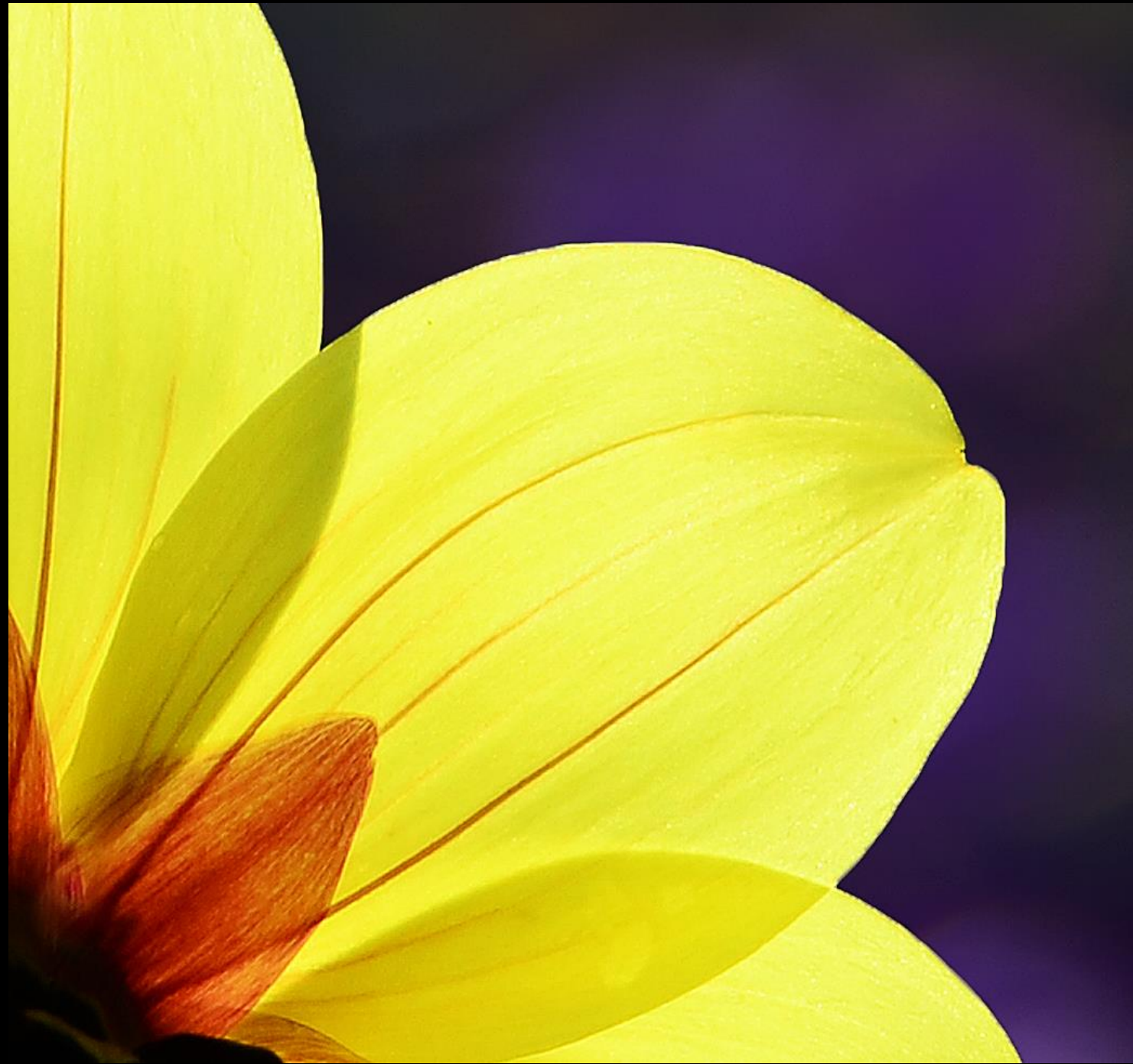


Alan White

22 different people won ribbons!

# Honourable Mentions Placed 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>

- Andrea Fisher
- Barry Evans
- Jean Moore
- Pierre Poirier
- Sharon Fry
- Wendy Noble



Sharon Fry

Barry Evans



**HIGH SCORE**



Marianne Pethke

Name	Score
Marianne Pethke	28.0
Chris Taylor	26.6
Pierre Roy	26.1
Scott Udle	26
Scott Udle	25
Marianne Pethke	24.1
Scott Udle	24.8
Paul Downing	24.0



Chris Taylor



# Interclub competition – Urban Life

## First place ribbon to Marianne Pethke



# Moving up from Level 1 to Level 2



Beverley Dawson  
Lynda Buske  
Richard Godin

Watch out Level 2!!



Lynda Buske

## New rules for graduation from Level 1 to Level 2

### Previous rule:

- Three ribbons of any colour in one season
- OR six ribbons over multiple seasons

### Issues:

- Low participation in Level 1 challenges/competitions made it too easy to get 3 ribbons in one season, eg. Skyscapes had only 4 participants.
- Level 1 could end up very small with the vast majority of members in Level 2.



## New rules for graduation from Level 1 to Level 2

### New rule:

Each ribbon will be assigned a point with greater weight being given to higher placements.

- First place ribbon = 3 points
- Second place ribbon = 2 points
- Third place ribbon = 1 point

A member must accumulate either 9 points in a single season or 18 points over multiple seasons to qualify for graduation to Level 2.

# AGM Use of drones

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Starting in the fall of 2023, drone photography will be allowed for all club challenges and competitions.



# AGM CAPA position on AI (Artificial Intelligence)

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- An image created from scratch by an AI system that contains no image captured by the entrant will not be accepted.
- AI sky replacement is permitted providing the new sky was captured by the entrant.
- Permissible AI features are limited to: clear, de-noise, masking, sharpening, subject selection, tone adjustments, upsizing.

## Levelling the playing field

- The Exec has received feedback from members who feel a small cadre of photographers in the club take home a disproportionately large number of top ribbons.
- Several frequent winners have decided to skip challenges in an effort to help “spread the wealth”. This, unfortunately, removes the opportunity for other members to learn from their images.
- The Exec has approved in principle a proposal that would help alleviate the problem and work within the confines of a small club.
- The approval is contingent on the assessment from the technical team, which will be completed over the summer. Stay tuned for updates.

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## Topics for 2023-24 Challenges/Competitions

1. October challenge – [Getting around](#) (modes of transportation)
2. November challenge – [Trios](#)
3. December FALL COMPETITION – [Simplicity](#)
4. January challenge - [Truly Canadian](#) (same topic as for interclub competition)
5. February challenge - [All creatures great and small](#)
6. March challenge - [Glass](#)
7. April challenge - [Ruins](#)
8. May challenge - [Veiled images](#) (fog, snow, mesh, vegetation, etc.)
9. June SPRING COMPETITION - [Vertical landscape](#) (portrait format)

Note: all challenges will allow archives; competitions will be images taken since June 2023.

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Treasurer and Secretary  
Roger Regimbal

Club Photo Orléans Photo Club					
2023-05-29 Financial Report					
Income		Final	Budget	Income	Remaining
		2020-21	2022-23	2022-23	2022-23
100	Bank Balance	4,289.98 \$	5,403.90 \$	5,403.90 \$	- \$
110	Other Income	- \$	- \$	30.00 \$	(30.00) \$
120	Membership	2,200.00 \$	2,500.00 \$	1,785.64 \$	714.36 \$
130	Workshops	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$
<b>Total income</b>		<b>6,489.98 \$</b>	<b>7,903.90 \$</b>	<b>7,219.54 \$</b>	<b>684.36 \$</b>
Disbursements		Final	Budget	Expenses	Remaining
		2020-21	2022-23	2022-23	2022-23
210	Bank Charges	60.00 \$	60.00 \$	44.55 \$	15.45 \$
220	Rent	300.00 \$	500.00 \$	98.25 \$	401.75 \$
230	Office Supplies	100.00 \$	100.00 \$	- \$	100.00 \$
240	External Org Membership	50.00 \$	50.00 \$	50.00 \$	- \$
250	Web Charges	500.00 \$	500.00 \$	226.00 \$	274.00 \$
260	Marketing	- \$	250.00 \$	- \$	250.00 \$
270	Workshops	- \$	700.00 \$	576.02 \$	123.98 \$
280	Equipment	100.00 \$	600.00 \$	- \$	600.00 \$
300	Gifts / Ribbons	- \$	- \$	702.05 \$	702.05 \$-
310	Expenses presenters / Judges	400.00 \$	800.00 \$	375.00 \$	425.00 \$
320	Social events	- \$	800.00 \$	406.89 \$	436.89 \$
500	Contingency	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$
<b>Total expenses</b>		<b>1,510.00 \$</b>	<b>4,360.00 \$</b>	<b>2,478.76 \$</b>	<b>1,925.02 \$</b>
Consolidation					
Total income		7,219.54 \$			
Total disbursements		2,478.76 \$			
Bank balance		4,740.78 \$			

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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Total income over year = \$1815

Total expenditures = \$2479

Bank balance at year end = \$4740

Year End	Balance-\$
2019	1831
2020	2083
2021	4290
2022	5564
2023	4740



Lynda Buske

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## Executive Renewal

CONTINUING (If acclaimed):

Alan White – President

Chris Taylor – Vice President

Roger Regimbal – Treasurer and Secretary

John Miner – Webmaster, assisted by Jeff Ashton

Lynda Buske – Competitions, assisted by Scott Udle

Marianne Pethke – Programs, assisted by Johan Carignan

John Ingold - Communications

Our THANKS go to Ehsan Roshani for his work as Communications Director (until recently) and to Jeff, Scott and Johan for their continuing assistance.



Diane Cummings



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## Look Ahead to next year

We plan to;

- Resume in-person meetings in September, but have up to four online meetings in the winter months
- Continue with in-person workshops and events
- Have a Christmas party after the December meeting and close the year with a pot luck after the AGM
- Try to grow our membership through advertising and social media
- Have more paid speakers during meetings and in workshops
- Continue our low membership fees

Are there any questions or comments from members?  
THIS CONCLUDES THE AGM

## May 2023 Event – Downtown Walk-about and Lunch

**Saturday, May 20**

Meet at 10AM in front of the  
Market Building

Optional Lunch, 12 Noon  
at the Auld Dubliner Pub

Please register your intention to  
participate

Please join us for an in-person social event in downtown Ottawa where we are going to have a photographic walk-about. We will have the opportunity to photograph tulips, architecture, sculptures and much more. Try new techniques such as ICM or panning.



Ottawa Byward Market

We will be starting our walk-about at **10am** in front of the **Byward Market Building** (55 Byward Market Square)



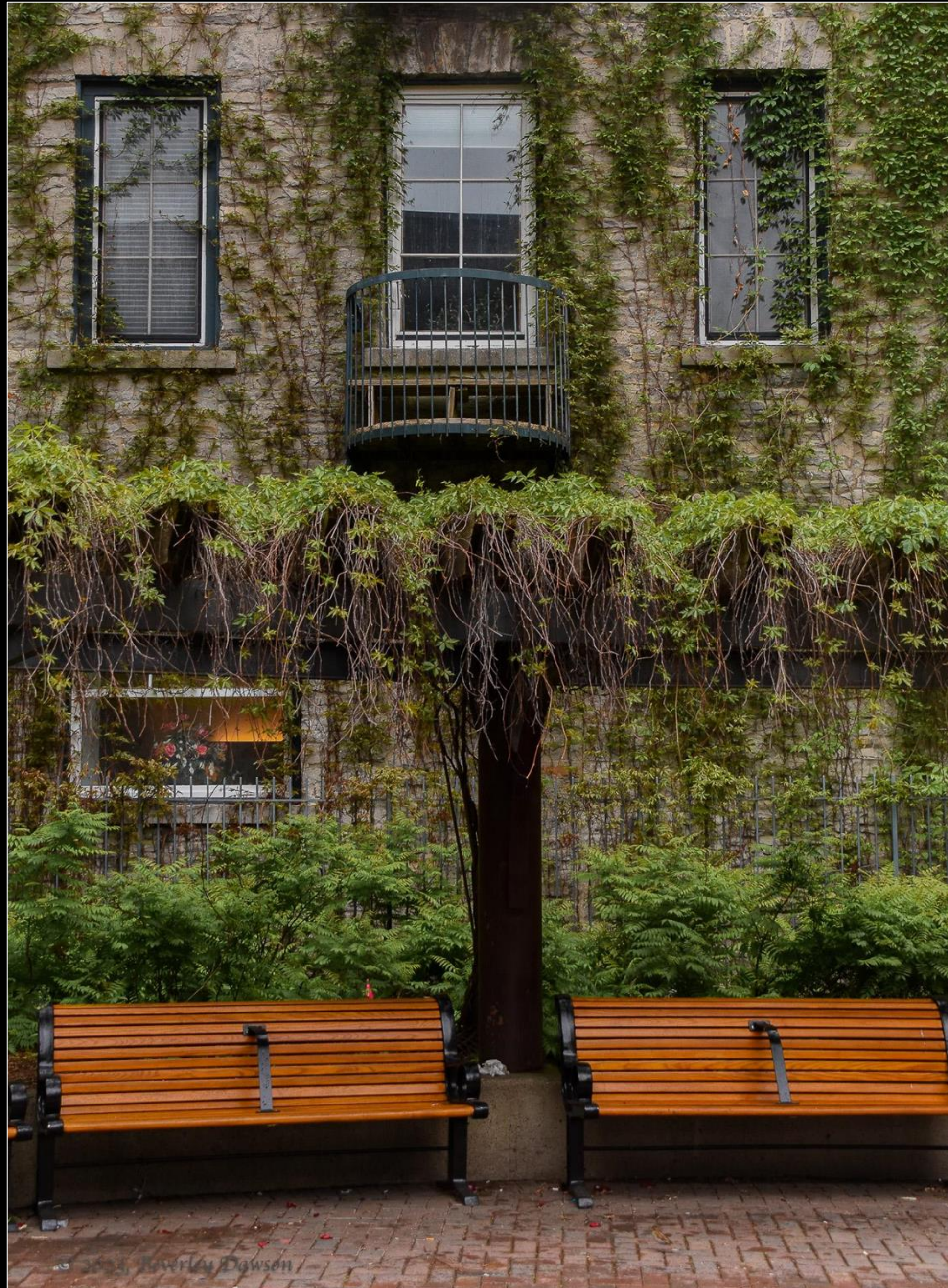
55 Byward Market Square

# Byward Market Outing – May 2023



Beverley Dawson

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Beverley Dawson



Donald Fry



Donald Fry



Johan Carignan



Johan Carignan





Sharon Fry



Sharon Fry



Ken Udle



Ken Udle



Andrea Fisher



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Alan White



Alan White





Patricia Parsons



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# Next Meeting; **Strawberry Social**

**17 June** from 10am to 12.30

Queenswood Heights Community Centre

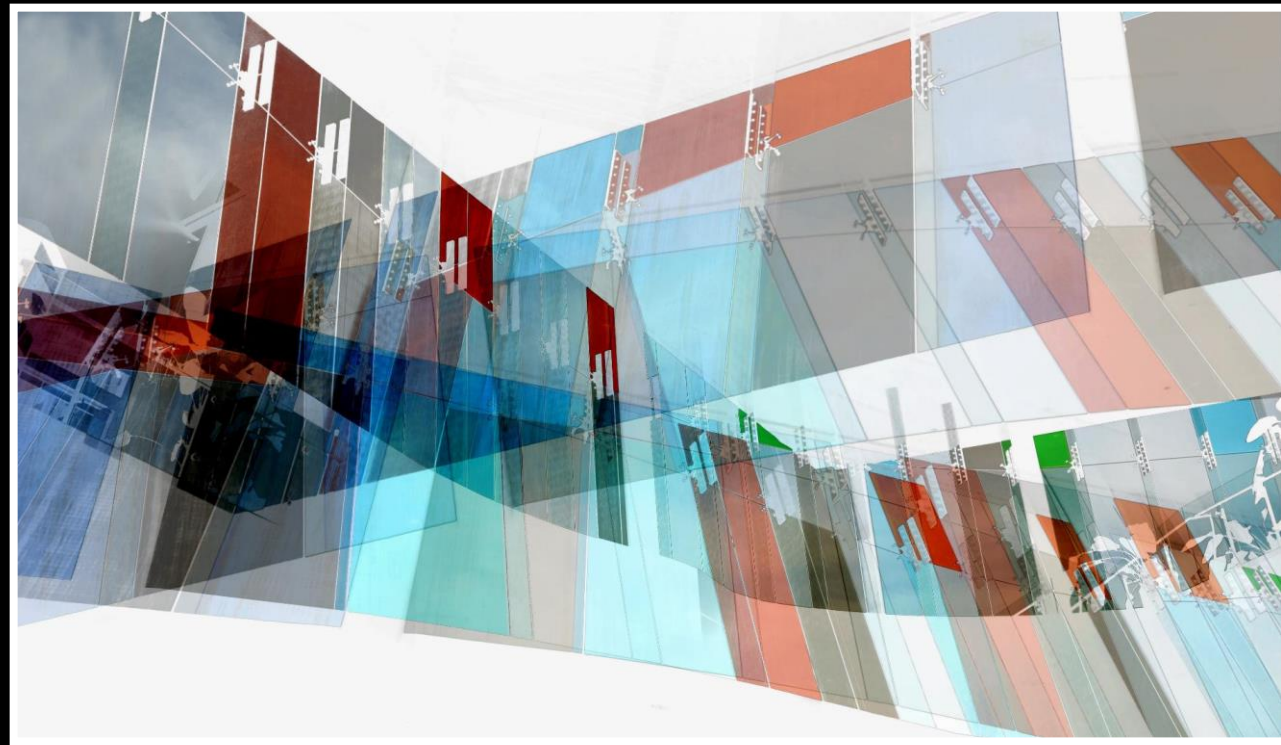
- Come and celebrate summer and wrap up the club year with us
- The club will provide Strawberries and toppings plus beverages
- If you want to contribute, just bring a pastry or two
- There will be a slideshow of this year's challenges and competitions
- Family, friends and neighbours are welcome



# Next Monthly Meeting

10 September at 09.30

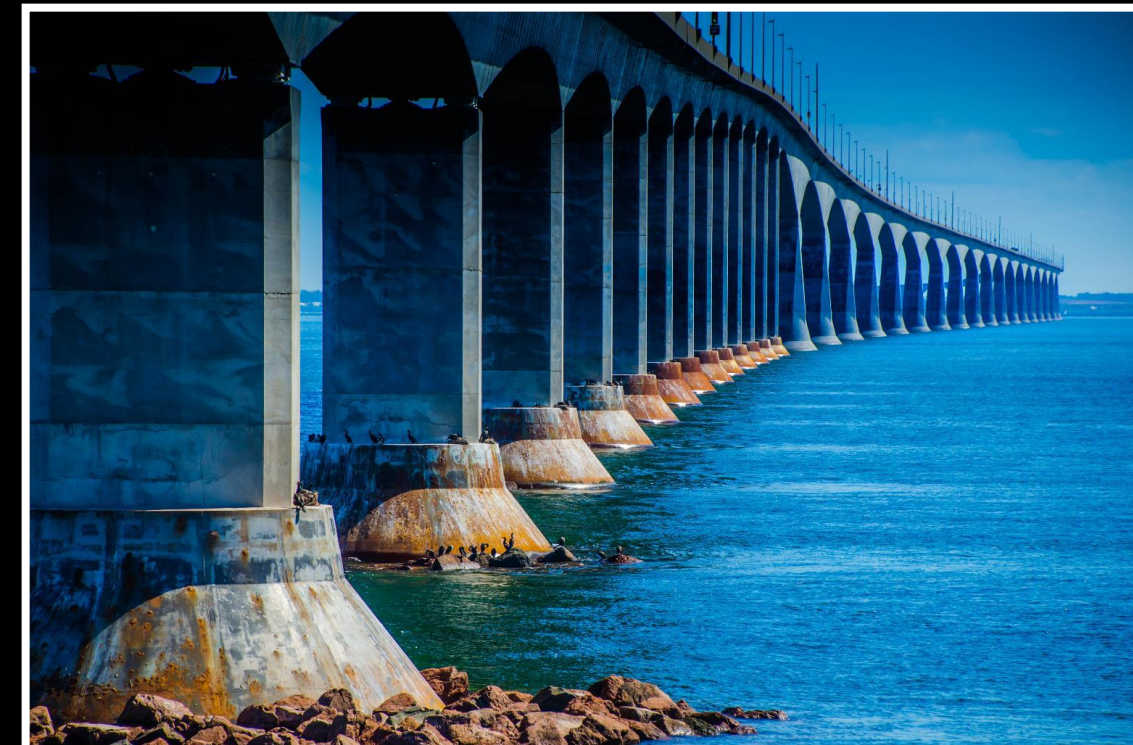
Live!..... at Queenswood Heights Community Centre



Sharon Fry



Dianne Cummings



Pierre Roy



Jean Francois Riel

**Stay well....Take care....Take pictures....Bring them.  
Enjoy your summer!**