



CPOPC June 2025

Monthly Meeting and AGM

June 14th, 2025

Welcome !

- Welcome back members, guests and prospective members!
 - If you see somebody new or that you've never spoken with, go talk to them!
- Please join in, ask questions and participate
 - Be respectful of others and the person speaking
 - Restroom is upstairs
 - We will have a short break and the potluck

Agenda

- Spring Competition Results
- Short break
- Annual General Meeting
- Notices
- Next Meeting
- POTLUCK !



Spring Competition Results

Spring Competition – Flora

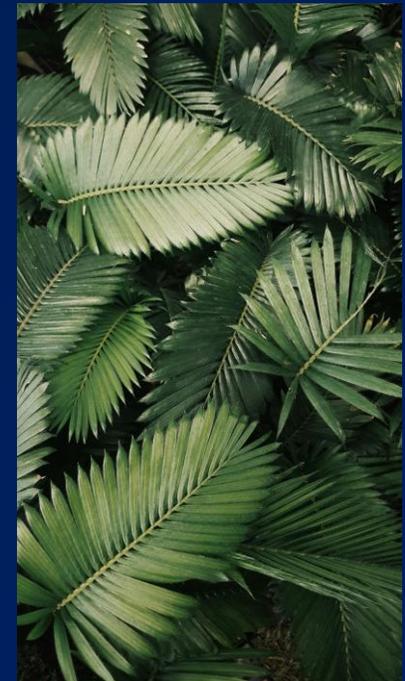
- Photo from the plant world such as flowers, leaves, trees, bark, seeds, etc.
- **Off Topic:** Any image where another subject dominates the image even if there is flora in the photo. For example, a horse in a meadow would be off topic. The flora must be the primary subject.
- Up to **3 images** can be submitted
- Images must have been taken since **June 01, 2024**
- Submission deadline: **Saturday, May 24, 2025 (midnight)**



Vicholius Ho, Unsplash



Kwang Emonti,
Unsplash



Stretch Break



Annual General Meeting

AGM Annual General Meeting (AGM) Agenda

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- Summary of 2024-25 Activities
- Financial Report
- Executive Committee Membership
- Look Ahead to Next Year

AGM President's Report

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Jean-François Riel

- Seven club meetings held in person at QHCC
- Three online meetings via Zoom
- Positioning of the Club for improved financial viability
- Member Survey provided helpful feedback which is being taken into account by the Executive Team
- Two potluck socials after our December and June meetings
- CPOPC presence on Facebook and Instagram is increasing visibility and membership
- Membership increased to 61 by year end (+7)

AGM 2024-25 Speakers

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Program Director : Marianne Pethke

Date	Speaker	Topic
October 12	Michael Willems	How to Develop Your Style
November 9	Andrea Girones	Photographing the Milky Way
January 11	Matt Huras	Capturing Compelling Wildlife Images
February 8	Hazel Meredith	Working with Textures and Overlays. Turn Ho-Hum Images into a Work of Art
March 8	Peter Dulis	The Art of Frozen Flower Photography
April 12	Chris Taylor	Whoa, Backup! Effective Strategies for Keeping your Computer Files Safe
May 10	Lisa Payette	My Journey into Landscape Photography

AGM 2024-25 Workshops & Outings

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Outings : Johan Carignan

Outings

- **5 October** **Fall Colours - Gatineau Park**
- **9 November** **Scavenger Hunt**
- **15 December** **Christmas Lights - Sparks Street**

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Year end summary Challenges/Competitions

Showcasing our talent!



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Topics for 2024-25 Challenges/Competitions

Competitions Director: Lynda Buske

1. October challenge – [Open Category](#)
2. November challenge – [Black & white](#)
3. December FALL COMPETITION – [Long exposure](#)
4. January challenge – [Up close](#)
5. February challenge – [Creative imagery](#)
6. March challenge – [People at play](#)
7. April challenge - [Waterside](#)
8. May challenge – [Horizontal panorama](#)
9. June SPRING COMPETITION – [Flora](#)

2024-25 Award of Excellence

Scott Udle

Nick Ingold



Name

Marianne Pethke (2)

Scott Udle (3)

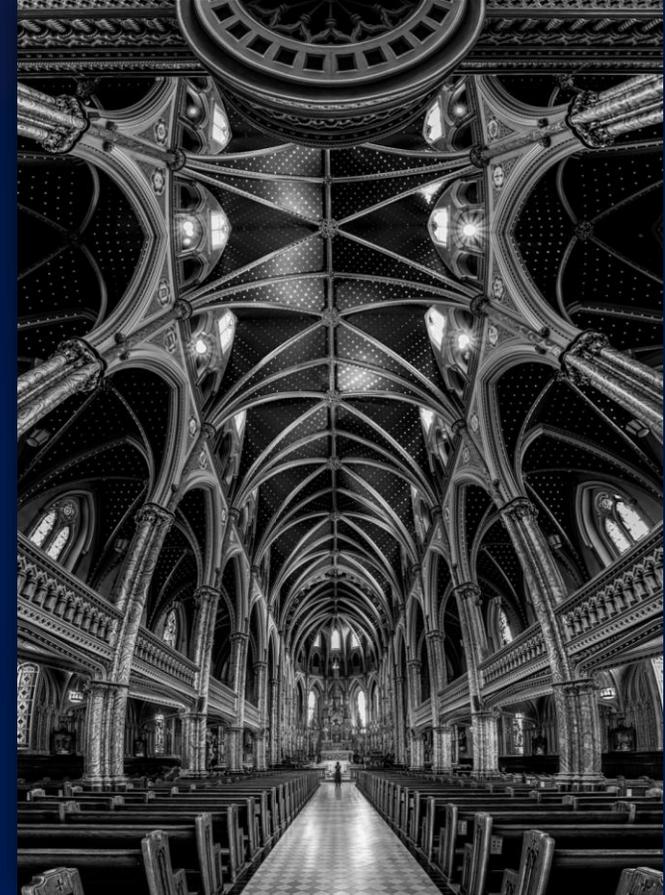
Ramesh Chauhan

Sharon Fry

Nick Ingold

Patricia Parsons

Marianne Pethke



Ramesh Chauhan

2024-25 Award of Excellence (cont'd)

Patricia Parsons



Marianne Pethke

Scott Udle



Sharon Fry



Top ribbon winners 2024/25 – Level 1



Name	Ribbons
Matthew Krolak	5
Rob Cochrane	5
JP Lauzon	3

Rob Cochrane



Matthew Krolak



JP Lauzon



Other ribbon winners 2024-25 - Level 1

Andrea Fisher



Yves Jardon

Name	Name
Barry Evans (2)	Leo Grigaitis
Andrea Fisher (2)	Marc Nagainis
Yves Jardon (2)	Stephen Symons
James Peverley (2)	Peggy Wareham
Jean Moore	



James Peverley



Barry Evans

Other ribbon winners 2024-25 - Level 1



Marc Nagainis



Stephen Symons



Leo Grigaitis

12 different people won ribbons in Level 1!

Peggy Wareham



Top ribbon winners 2024/25 - Level 2



Ramesh Chauhan

Name	Ribbons*
Marianne Pethke	6*
Scott Udle	4*
Ramesh Chauhan	4*
John Ingold	3
Lynda Buske	3

* Includes awards of excellence

Marianne Pethke



Lynda Buske

John Ingold



Other ribbon winners 2024-25 - Level 2



Johan Carignan

Name	Name
Nick Ingold (2)	Donald Fry
Jean-François Riel (2)	Sharon Fry (2)
Chris Taylor (2)	Richard Godin
Johan Carignan	Elizabeth Kaminska
Beverley Dawson	Patricia Parsons

* Includes awards of excellence

Chris Taylor



Jean-François Riel

Donald Fry



Other ribbon winners 2024-25 - Level 2

Richard Godin



Elizabeth Kaminska



Sharon Fry

14 different people
won ribbons!

Beverley Dawson



HIGH SCORE

IN CHALLENGES	Score
Marianne Pethke	26.8
Scott Udle	25.9
Ramesh Chauhan	25.6
Ramesh Chauhan	25.4
Nick Ingold	25.1

IN COMPETITIONS	Score
Patricia Parsons	30.0
Sharon Fry	29.2
Yoline Joseph-Hoskin	29.1
Ramesh Chauhan	29.0
Marianne Pethke	28.0



Participation in Challenges/Competitions

- 19 members entered at least 7 of the 9 challenges/competitions
 - 3 in Level 1
 - 16 in Level 2
- 7 members in Level 2 entered all 9 challenges/competitions
- 1 member in Level 1 entered 8 of the 9 challenges/competitions



Congratulations!

Level 2



Matthew Krolak



Matthew Krolak
Robert Cochrane



Robert Cochrane

Level 1

AGM Webmaster's Report

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John Miner / Darren Bessette

2024-2025 Season – Focus on CPOPC website stability

- Appointment of Darren Bessette as Assistant Webmaster to share website maintenance workload, enhance responsiveness in website support and enable future website enhancement
- More discipline in website maintenance tasking using Click Up project management software

Goals for 2025-2026 season

- Review of website licensing to reduce costs
- Further study of custom Photocon software to avoid problems with future website software upgrades

Thanks again to Jeff Ashton for programming support

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2024-25

Financial Report

Treasurer : Roger Régimbal

Revenue		Final	Budget	Yr to date
		2023-24	2024-25	2025-06-10
110	Membership	2,258.59 \$	2,200.00 \$	2,682.43 \$
120	Workshops	- \$	- \$	311.65 \$
130	Other Income	- \$	- \$	- \$
Total income		2,258.59 \$	2,200.00 \$	2,994.08 \$
Expenses		Expenses	Expenses	Expenses
		2023-24	2024-25	2025-06-10
210	Bank Charges	163.14 \$	60.00 \$	59.31 \$
220	Rent	478.69 \$	500.00 \$	748.12 \$
230	Office Supplies	63.09 \$	50.00 \$	42.52 \$
235	Insurance	- \$	- \$	259.48 \$
240	External Org Membership	150.00 \$	150.00 \$	100.00 \$
250	Web Charges	- \$	900.00 \$	826.18 \$
260	Marketing	- \$	- \$	- \$
270	Workshops	580.00 \$	600.00 \$	200.00 \$
280	Equipment	451.99 \$	200.00 \$	- \$
300	Gifts/Ribbons	47.35 \$	50.00 \$	62.31 \$
310	Expenses presenters/Judges	1,150.00 \$	1,000.00 \$	1,191.46 \$
320	Social events	183.75 \$	250.00 \$	43.86 \$
500	Contingency	- \$	150.00 \$	- \$
Total expenses		3,268.01 \$	3,910.00 \$	3,533.24 \$
700	Revenue over expenses	(1,009.42) \$	(1,710.00) \$	(539.16) \$
100	Opening bank balance	4,455.19 \$	3,295.77 \$	3,295.77 \$
800	Closing Bank Balance	3,295.77 \$	1,585.77 \$	2,756.61 \$

AGM Executive Committee Membership

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- All members of the Executive have decided to continue in their role.
- They will be continuing if acclaimed by the membership.
- Election to be held if necessary.
 - President : Jean-François Riel
 - Vice-President : Chris Taylor
 - Treasurer and Secretary : Roger Régimbal
 - Webmaster : John Miner, assisted by Darren Bessette
 - Competitions : Lynda Buske, assisted by Scott Udle
 - Programs : Marianne Pethke, assisted by Johan Carignan
 - Communications : John Ingold

AGM Look Ahead to 2025-26

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- Seven club meetings will be held in person at QHCC
- Three online meetings via Zoom in January, February, March 2026 to account for weather and enjoy out-of-town speakers
- All meetings still to be held second Saturday of the Month @ 10h00
- Will have two potluck socials after our December and June meetings
- Continued focus on great programming, balanced with improved financial viability

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2025-26 Speakers

Program Director : Marianne Pethke

Date	Speaker	Topic
October 2025	David Duchemin (video)	The Heart of the Photograph
November 2025	Manfred Muller	Elevating your Photography
January 2026	Eileen Sklon	Negative Space
February 2026	TBD	
March 2026	TBD	
April 2026	Jamie Johnson	Mobile Phone Photography
May 2026	Allan Cameron	Landscape Photography

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Challenges and Competitions

2025-26

Month	Topic	Type
October	Open category (within the last year)	Challenge
November	Blue Hour	Challenge
December	Boats & Planes (within the last year)	Competition
January	Human connections	Challenge
February	Snowy scene	Challenge
March	Negative space	Challenge
April	Architecture	Challenge
May	Reflections	Challenge
June	Furried or feathered friends (within the last year)	Competition
April	A picture is worth 1,000 words	Interclub competition

AGM Membership Fee Increase

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- Discussion was held in recent months with CPOPC membership with respect to need to increase fees as follows:
 - Individual - \$50, to increase to \$75
 - Family - \$75, to increase to \$115
 - Online only - \$25, to increase to \$37.50
 - Fees now charged for some of the workshops as we did in the past
- Membership was receptive throughout these discussions
- Need official membership vote and approval

AGM In Closing the AGM

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- Any questions or comments?
- This officially concludes the AGM 2024-25

Notices

Ontario Council of Camera Clubs

- CPOPC membership in the Council
 - Decision was made by the Executive not to renew our membership
 - Not been able to participate in any meetings
 - Complex process for participating in competition
 - Limited value-added for CPOPC at this time

CPOPC Communications

Communications Director: John Ingold



- Monthly Newsletter + deadline reminders
- Facebook: **Orleans Photo Club**
 - Challenge and Competition winners' photos, event updates
 - <https://www.facebook.com/CPOPC>
 - Everyone can now post relevant images!
- Instagram: **Orleans_Photo_Club**
 - Member contributions photos, event updates
 - https://www.instagram.com/orleans_photo_club/?hl=en





Facebook Mentions Thread to Share Photos



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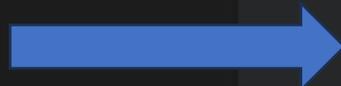
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John Ingold

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Add photos/videos
or drag and drop



Add photos and videos from your mobile device.

Add

Add to your post



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Why Join the CPOPC Forum?

- Ask a question
- Share a link
- Buy/ sell gear
- Discuss any aspect of photography



Contact Chris at: Chris.Taylor@opcug.ca

Activities Coming Up

- One-Light Portrait Workshop : Postponed until Fall 2025
- *Please share upcoming events with the Club*

Presentations at Ottawa Public Library by Lynda Buske & Chris Taylor

FREE but best to register at

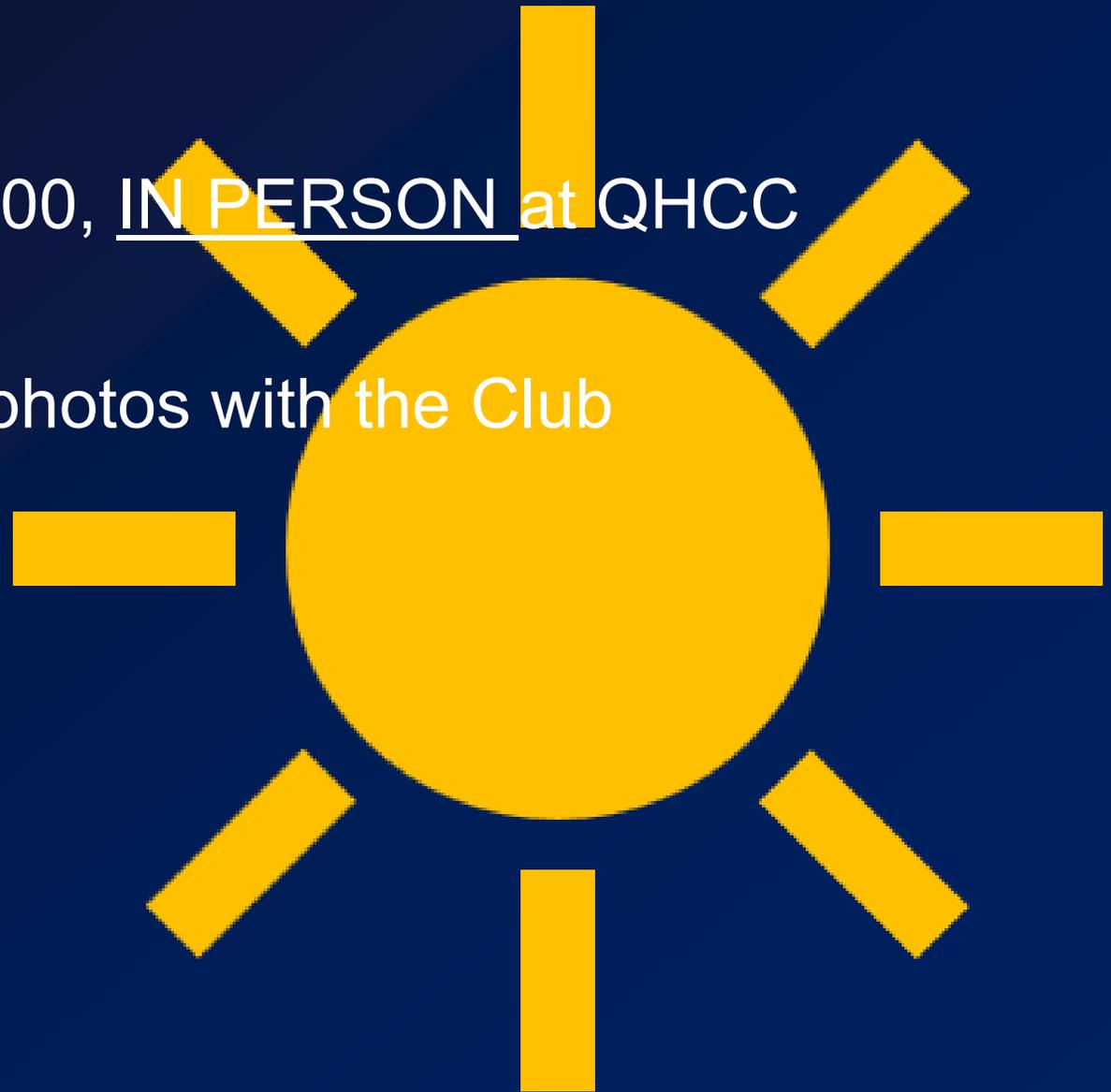
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- June 16 – Macro photography, Rosemount, 6pm
- June 17 – Armchair travel, Newfoundland, Ruth E Dickinson, 2pm
- June 19 – How to use free AI tools, Beaverbrook, 6pm
- June 21 – Armchair travel, Norway, Centrepointe, 2pm
- June 23 – Armchair travel, British Columbia, Carlingwood, 6pm
- June 26 – Armchair travel, Norway, Alta Vista, 6pm
- June 30 – Fun with fonts, Carlingwood, 6pm

If not registered, can still attend but first contact lbuske@sympatico.ca to confirm it has not been cancelled.

Next Meeting

- Saturday, September 13th at 10h00, IN PERSON at QHCC
- Share up to six of your summer photos with the Club



Thank you!
Enjoy the potluck!
Have a great summer!