

#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

As I mentioned at the last meeting, I'll be departing for another year-long trip to Australia on October 8. I apologize for not finishing out my term as president, especially to Bob Bush, who will have to take over the presidential tasks in addition to continuing his V.P. critique night duties and chairing the "Spirit of Central Oregon" book editorial committee. That's a big load, so please treat him well. I will continue to participate on the book committee, contributing what I can remotely.

Jeannie and I won't be attempting another "big lap" camping trip this time. We will be based mostly in the Central Coast of New South Wales, where my son and daughter-in-law live, but we also have some great travel plans lined up, including a six-week trip to the Grampians mountains of Victoria, a month in the beautiful Blue Mountains of New South Wales, a summer spell at the white sands and turquoise waters of Jervis Bay, a northwest trip to the incredible Karajini National Park and the tropical city of Broome, a "top end" bird photography tour, and a return (for the sixth time) to the amazing Kangaroo Island off of South Australia. Oh boy!

Please keep the book submissions coming. Good landscape and foliage photography opportunities will resume in the fall so think about that. Be prepared to jump on the first snow at Sparks Lake, for example. Until then, maybe attempt to capture the quintessential Central Oregon beer-drinking photograph. It's out there somewhere. (I've tried, but I always get distracted.) Cheers. Dan



"Not Abandoned" ©Todd Towell Theme "Abandoned Buildings"

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Welcome to IN FOCUS, newsletter of the Cascade Camera Club, located in Bend, Oregon.

Our meetings are held at Larkspur Community Center (formerly known as the Bend Senior Center), 1600 SE Reed Market Rd, the First and Third Monday of each month (except September) from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. We use the Multi-purpose Room, Check the Cascade Camera Club Website for meeting updates.

> Website: cascadecameraclub.com Email: cascadecameraclub.com/contact/

> > **August Critiquer Bev Murphy**

Theme Was "Abandoned"

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE **11:59 pm PDT ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO CRITIQUE NIGHT**



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# AUGUST SUBMISSIONS

#### Theme:

l Quit <sup>Dead Mail</sup> Through Looking Hole of an Abandoned Mill
Old Homestead Facing Eternity
Timeless
Terrible Tillie in Faux
Moonlight
Abandoned Homestead
Nobody Home
Left Hole in the Heart of U.S.
Independence Station
Finnish Forest Home of Old
Heavenly Spire
Restore Me
Abandoned in Alfalfa
Old Memories Remain
Shirk Ranch
Not Abandoned

#### **Open:**

Michael Gallagher New Life **Brian Russell Mountain Bluebird** NOT an Abandoned Bldg. Larry Teague

#### **Critiquer for September Oscar Berlanga**









August Theme Images "Abandoned Buildings"











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August Open Images





## **STOP IN TO SEE SHIREEN'S FIRST FRIDAY EXHIBIT**

### Dry Canyon Arts Association invites you to see the impressive digital photo art of Shireen Gastineau at the **High Desert Music Hall in Redmond** during **First Friday, September 2nd from 4-7pm.**

As you may remember, Shireen gave our program a couple month's back. Her use of 20-100 layers in Photoshop has produced many unique images, which can be printed on metal, archival linen and/or canvas in any size.

She enjoys puzzles and mysteries and using her photography, you see both in her images, as well as a healthy dose of "fairytale landscape". Using her creative talent, she takes many of her photos from nature, then using different painting effects and blending layers in Photoshop, combines them into her beautiful unique images of digital art.



# **BOOK PROJECT UPDATE**

The book becomes more real each month, and is shaping up be to be a volume of art which we can all be proud to own and to share with others.

We have adjusted some of our thoughts on to make this successful venture

- 1. We are now working with an 11" square format for the book (subject to change).
- 2. We are still working on the premise of 192 pages and about 400 images (subject to change).
- 3. Submissions will be accepted through December 31, 2022.
- 4. Based on what we currently know about printing schedules, we expect the publication date to be mid 2023.
- 5. We have increased the number of monthly images to submit to 7.

We're still discussing ideas on how to come up with funding for the book. We plan to approach local businesses for the bulk of the money needed, but we would like to hear from our members on how to sell these books. Ultimately, we will need to know how many books the membership is interested in purchasing.

There will be a larger draft of the book sometime later in the year. To that end, there is a 16 page mock up of what the book could look like on our website. We need to state the photos used in the draft mock-up <u>may or may not be included in the final version of the book</u>. With around 375-400 images in the book, there is every reason to believe we can have everyone published in this book who has submitted images for consideration. We hope to have participation from all Cascade Camera Club members.

Please submit your ideas, thoughts, questions, recommendations and marketing suggestions to Bev Murphy (bbmurphy@earthlink. net), or speak directly to one of the Committee members. The Book Committee

# Another View By Robert Agli

# FIRMWARE BEFUDDLEMENT

I remember in the day of VCR's all the folks who would joke about seeing family members, neighbors etc. who had a VCR with the red illuminated panel constantly blinking because inputting the information to set the time was beyond their technical ability. Given that level of incapacity as my benchmark, I'm fairly certain there are a significant number of people who never upgrade the firmware in their cameras. Not doing so is like being given a new version of your camera and throwing it in the trash. And, indeed, before firmware updates the only way you got improvements was to buy the next version of the camera. Many of the manufacturers do make significant updates via firmware and it's free! Or it's free until some marketing genius figures a way to stick it to us.

l urge you to click on this link and read John Greengo's article on firmwarehttps: //www.johngreengo. com/blog/2022/08/updating-camera-firmware/

It's very well written and typical John. John Greengo is a commercial photographer, photo tour leader and produces excellent detailed videos on different camera models among many other topics. I always get his videos when I get a new camera. Unlike many other media gurus he does not barrage you with weekly special deals.

## **2022 THEMES**

Sep	Night Life
Oct	Barns
Nov	Snow
Dec	.The Shape of Water

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Air Show of the Cascades - Saturday August 27th