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Artisan's Craft Sale

On Saturday September 23, 2017, the St Catharines Camera Club will be hosting a first Artisan Craft Sale at the Grantham Church where we hold our regular meetings. This event is to raise money for our Equipment Replacement Fund and to gain more exposure in the community and hopefully expand our membership.

Cheryl and others on her team have been busy this past fall attending craft shows across Niagara contacting potential vendors. Currently we have 46 potential vendors on our list all from the Niagara area including three of our own members. If you'd like to be a potential vendor contact Cheryl at cswain1953@gmail.com. Cost for the table is \$30 and you keep any proceeds from your sales. Cheryl will be sending out invites to potential vendors after the Easter weekend, so let Cheryl know if you'd like to participate.

Cheryl is also looking for helpers so just contact her and let her know how you can help. Check out our face book group page. Cheryl has posted information about the Artisan Craft Sale there including roles for needed volunteers. Cheryl welcomes any ideas you have for how we can make this a special event for everyone who attends and the community. We also plan to have a bake sale table so contact Ginny Cobley if you can donate goodies for the bake sale.

We are hoping to build an event page on face book as well as advertising on as many venues as we can find. Please contact Cheryl if you have any ideas for free or low cost advertising. There will be opportunities for everyone to participate in some way. Plan to attend and bring your family and friends. Share our posts on face book with all your friends and contacts to spread the word!

Cheryl Swain

MARCH 31, APRIL 1, 2, 2017

Buffalo Adams Mark Hotel

The CanAm Photo Expo is a unique photographic educational forum;

combining **9** educational tracks

Three levels of experience

17 International instructors

Live shooting workshops

Field trips for on location shooting

Experienced local expertise

and **over 40** vendors to help you understand the technology

Programs are all educational based, providing insight and hands-on experience that will help to improve you as a photographer.

This is a link to CanAm expo

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VXwAGZ7o8zQ&t=6s>

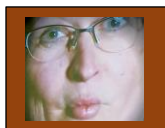
Right click on link and hit open hyperlink then full screen ENJOY

The CanAm Photo Expo registration is now open. Your convention pass gets you full access to all of our fantastic speakers, access to the print salon judging, the Golden Horseshoe Competition, photo shoots, hands on workshops, awards presentation and gala as well as the trade show.

Pricing:

- Convention Pass: **\$189.00** early bird (ends Feb.1, 2017), regularly \$199
 - Convention Pass: **\$199.00**
 - Saturday Only Pass **\$109.00** – no Banquet
 - Saturday Evening Banquet and Key Note **\$45.00**
 - Friday Only Pass **\$50.00**
 - Sunday Only Pass **\$50.00**
 - Children's Photography and Boudoir Workshops limited to 12 participants per session – **\$89**
 - Digital Image Salon: **\$10.00**
 - Print Salon: **\$10.00**
 - Trade show open to the public
 - Student Price **\$99** with valid student ID – no Banquet
 - **Early Bird Registration ends January 15th at Midnight**
- More information about the salons is available at <http://canamphotoexpo.com/salons/>

President's report:



Things are gearing up for the new fundraiser; Artisan and Craft Co-op. If you are interested in a table or helping out please let Cheryl know. This is a great opportunity to get our name out in the Community. This not only helps raise money for our Equipment Replacement Fund it also lets people know we are here. There are a lot of great photo opportunities during the year that fellow photographers will enjoy. The more you teach the more you know. Get to know our new/fellow members - you will be surprised at how much they know and enjoy different topics which will expand you knowledge too!

This year we have seen the passing of a few long term members and are always sad to see that circle of life close. As with all things the circle opened to bring in a few new members and it has been wonderful watching their progress.

Our Henry's Lens Shoot & Potluck is set for Saturday June 17th and shaping up to be another fun day! This is always a wonderful time to spend with club members and their family. It is a perfect fit: new equipment & food. This maybe the last time the event is hosted at the Courchaine's wonderful property. If you haven't attended before don't miss this time.



We are recruiting new Superhero's. Please apply now

There are only a few openings on the Executive and we want to invite more members to attend. We are a fun loving group that just want to make the club the best it can be! If you are interested in learning more please let Cathy know. The openings are as follows: Hospitality, Vice President & President. Cathy is willing to teach the new Superhero anything they need to know. If you want to start off as Vice President as a Superhero Assistant, that position is open with a short learning curve. As mentioned earlier mentoring is available at all times. Cathy has been doing the job for some time and feels it is time to bring in new ideas/new blood. Please apply! We look forward to adding you to the team.

Robert Parker

Welcome to my world of Wildlife and Nature. My introduction to nature was in the North West of England. As a young lad, it was there on the shores and fields that I honed my bird identification skills.

In 1973, at the age of 22, I immigrated to Canada and my passion as a birder continued. It was not until late 2013 that I decided I would try my hand at capturing these wonderful creatures with a camera rather than just a tick on my life list. This was prompted by my wife Lori, who suggested that I should upgrade my point and shoot to a better camera for our honeymoon trip to Alaska. After a bit of research I chose the Nikon D5100 with an 18-200mm lens and enrolled at the local community college on how to use my new pride and joy.

It was not long before I realized that my new equipment was not producing the glorious images that I had seen in nature magazines. Within 3 months I upgraded to a more suitable body and my prized Nikkor 300 2.8 VR II. I joined the local camera club and started entering in both print and digital competitions. After being successful at the club level, a good pal suggested that I enter my images both nationally and internationally.

I have met so many fine fellow photographers on my journey and it is my greatest joy to share my work with family and friends.

I would also like to share my work with you, **if you are interested in purchasing one or more of my images please do not hesitate to contact me."**

Yours truly,

Rob Parker



Black Wolves



Winter Fox

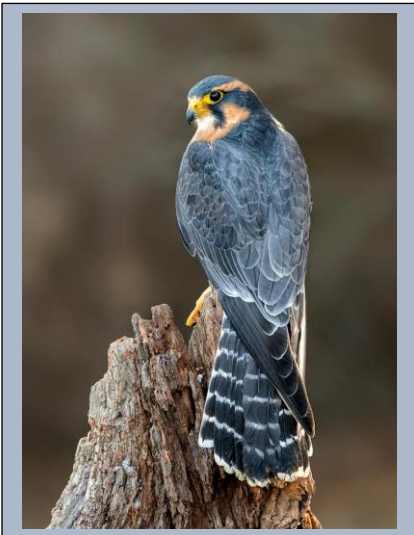


Virginia Stranaghan presenting Rob with CAPA First Place



"The Hunt is on"
**CAPA Digital Fall
2016 first place**

Rob Parker has won so many awards in the past years I was unable to list them all. All of the following pictures have won awards and our Club is very proud to have him as a member. CW



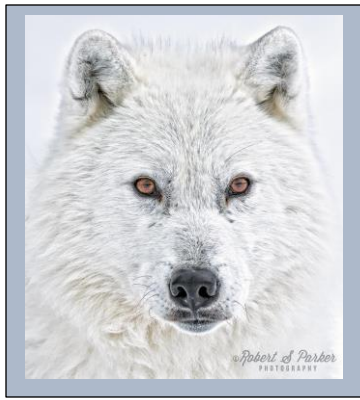
Alpomodo Falcon



Successful Hunt



Belted Kingfisher



Artic Wolf



Great Grey Owl



Short Eared Owl



Dueling Bison



Bluebirds
Great pic for Spring
March 20th



Violet Saberwing Hummingbird



Barn Owl

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MASON WINNERS 2016/17



Vartkes Peltekoglu **MONO** "Tumultuous"



"March 20th"



Ginny Cobby **COLOR** 1st Place

"Light Hearted"



Kristine Casement **Color** 2nd Place

"Playful Pups"

SWAN WINNERS 2016/17



**First Place in Color “Lonely Dog”
Kristine Casement**

A special note that 4 of the 6 winning photos entered in the Swan Competition were all won by

Bryan Urquhart Congratulations



**First Place Winner in Mono
“Red Fox Stalking”
Bryan Urquhart**



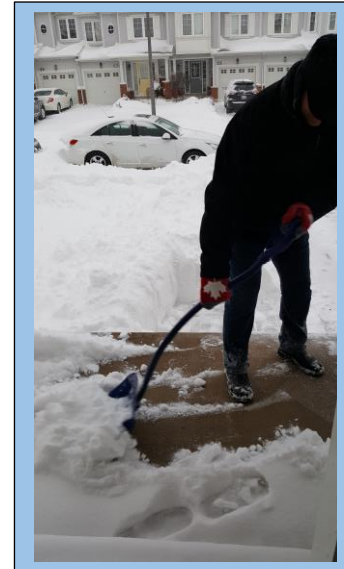
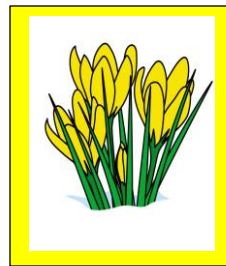
**2ND Place in Color “Nuthatch”
Bryan Urquhart**



**2ND in MONO
“Lunch Time”
Bryan Urquhart**



**3RD Place in Color
“Red Belly Woodpecker”
Bryan Urquhart**



Winter Storm March 14th 2017

I hope to get another Issue out end of April/May and would like your feedback so we can make Tripod Topics a great paper to read and acquire knowledge from. CW

I'm trying something new here and if you are interested please let me know. Karen C. asked me if I could put some camera accessories in Tripod Topics to sell. I agreed to and in the future should you have something to sell let me know.



The backpack is a Kata, Bumblebee UL222. It has a metal frame for support while hiking, a waist strap for added support and comfort; straps to attach to camera so your hands are free while hiking/climbing and camera doesn't drag on your neck.

\$150.00 karenc2810@teksavvy.com

The mono pod is a Giotto, extends to 59 inches from ground to camera base. It has a head that tilts, swivels, turns sideways for vertical shots, has a wrist strap, a pointed pick in bottom for stability, but you can screw the smooth bottom down over the point so you don't damage floors, or other surfaces. Comes with a carrying case. Never used. \$25.00