



Summer is almost over!

I know many of us will seek relief from the heat.

I know I enjoy our air conditioning. But, I also enjoy being out to photograph, regardless.

Now that we are more than halfway through the year, we need to think about the New Year for our club. First on the list is a slate of officers for 2015.

I am very pleased with our leaders and everything they do and hope that they will feel they can stay into 2015. But, I am sorry to say that some cannot.

We need to enlist new volunteers to take the roles of Treasurer and Secretary.

- Treasurer Paul Munch has done a very good job now for several years but he must give up his role. His efforts will be missed.
- Secretary Shirley Loflin is in need of more time to mend and not let her church work slack.

So I am first asking for volunteers for those two positions.

As I announced last month, Wes Odell has volunteered to help with providing instructional programs. I am very thankful for his spirit of volunteering. We will see his first program in October.

Secondly, I seek volunteers to provide additional help with field trips and competition.

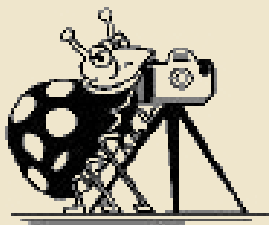
I see a lot of talent in our club and would ask you to think of how you can bring additional help to our leadership team.

So, please, if you can help or have suggestions, please let me know.

Brian Loflin

September 4: Meeting night program "How do you do that?"

During the regular meeting the results of the September competition will be presented. Following will be a panel of club image makers who will discuss selected images from previous competitions and describe tools, techniques and processes for producing the images and methods by which selected images may be improved to produce higher scores. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to learn how to better improve your photography!



August Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 2014

6:30 pm

Northwest Recreation Center
2913 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78757

September is Evaluation and Review.
The assignment is In Flight

Visitors are
always welcome!

October's Guest Speaker will be Austin photographer Alex Labry

Watch for more information in the
October newsletter.

Save the Dates!

The Austin Shutterbug Club has a new series of workshops and events now confirmed and on the calendar. Please make a note and save the dates for these educational activities:

September 20- Field Trip: Painted Churches of Texas

Schulenburg, Texas led by Gregg Mack

The club will travel to the region between Schulenburg and Round Top Texas to photograph some of the exquisite painted churches build by early 19th Century Czech and German immigrants. In 1984 fifteen of these churches with their pristine and unique art were placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Come with us as we capture the profusion of color, murals and details of these churches of another era. All you need to bring is your camera, wide to medium focal length zoom lens and tripod. No flash or other lighting equipment allowed. Meeting and travel details will follow at a later date.

December 6- Christmas Lights: Paseo del Rio, San Antonio, Texas.

Brian and Shirley will lead a field trip to the colorful San Antonio River Walk to Photograph Christmas lights. This trip will be a late afternoon / evening field trip.

From our meeting place in San Antonio we will venture out to the river walk to shoot colorful decorations and holiday attractions. Along our way we will get snacks and refreshments from the many vendors along the river walk. No group meal is planned otherwise. As twilight falls, we will position ourselves to make images of the colorful lights and riverside luminarias. We will continue as we make our way toward the Alamo and complete our photos with a night view of the Alamo and the traditional Christmas tree. Cameras, zoom lenses and tripods will be required for long exposures. Meeting and travel details will follow at a later date.

2014 Assignments

September 2014 - In Flight: An action shot demonstrating motion of anything in flight. Capture a bug, bird, person on a skate board, snow board, bike, an airplane or a skydiver, whatever you can find IN FLIGHT. Color or monochrome.

November - Wet Reflections: Capture reflections and anything wet. Could be as small as a drop of water or as large as the ocean. Wet streets, wet sidewalks or puddles are fair game. (Pray for rain!)

2015 Assignments

January - Weather: An images that depicts weather but NOT a beautiful sunny day. Storm clouds, rain, sleet, snow, ice, wind, fog, rainbows are all acceptable.

March - Still Life: Make an artful arrangement of articles of your choosing, provide just the right light and photograph it. Last years "image of the year" by Barbara Hunley is an excellent example as are beautiful paintings of the old masters. Let your creative juices flow and create a "master piece".

May - Let's go shoot animals! Animal(s) Four legged, warm blooded animals. Not birds, reptiles or bugs! Your pet or a wild beast whatever suits your fancy. A portrait of a single animal or an animal family. Color, BW, or monochrome. Your choice.

July - Trees: Big trees, little trees, single tree, grove or row of trees. Just make the principle subject trees. They can be blooming, in fall color or have no leaves at all. Standing dead trees are acceptable. Color or monochrome.

September - Highways and Byways: A path, trail, sidewalk, road, street or highway serving as the leading lines into your image. Make it something that the viewer might want to travel on. Or it could be something daunting that might challenge them. The important thing is that draws them in to something beautiful, interesting or mystical. Color only

Field Macro Workshop

Field Macro Photography Workshop
With Brian Loflin
Mo Ranch • Hunt, Texas



Photo courtesy Brian Loflin

The wonderful facilities at Mo Ranch in the heart of the Texas Hill Country will again be the home of an intensive macro photography workshop.

Join award-winning naturalist and photographer Brian Loflin for a three-day macro photography workshop geared to shooting in a field setting.

This workshop will be packed with hands-on instruction to help you grow your photographic abilities with newfound skills, techniques and proficiency.

As the June venue was sold out in one week, Brian will host a second workshop in the Fall.

- Dates: October 10-12, 2014.
- Cost \$495.00 per person.
- Two nights lodging and six meals are provided.
- Limited to ten participants.

For more on this and other workshops, visit <http://www.thenatureconnection.com/workshopschedule.html>

To express your interest, please e-mail Brian at bkloflin@austin.rr.com

Only 3 Spaces Remain!

Don't be caught without a space.
Register NOW!

BugShot II – This time it's tropical!



Join photographers
[Alex Wild](#), [Piotr Naskrecki](#), [John Abbott](#), and [Thomas Shahan](#)
on an 8 Day excursion to Belize and learn how to photograph insects!

When: Sept. 7-14, 2014
Where: Caves Branch Lodge in Belize

To view images from past participants, see
<https://www.flickr.com/groups/bugshotbelize2013/>

For details and registration, see
<http://www.eventbee.com/v/bugshot/event?eid=172818003>

Jeff Parker has several upcoming workshops. Visit <http://jeffparkerimages.com/joinme/>
for more information and ASC members
get a \$10.00 discount!

For Sale: Teleplus PRO 300 DGX 1.4x AF Teleconverter for Nikon.

This teleconverter is brand new, used once and is in excellent condition. I am selling in order to purchase the new Nikon version 1.4x teleconverter. New price for the Kenko is \$187.00. I will sell for \$90. Check with Kenko to verify compatibility with your lens. Excellent sharpness.
Contact: Phil Charlton, pcharlton@austin.rr.com

For Sale: Sigma 120 -400mm F4.5-5.6 APO DG OS
Nikon Mount FX and/or DX

Filter size 77, Excellent condition
Original box and padded carrying case included
\$680.00

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Minutes of the Austin Shutterbug Club August 7, 2014

The meeting of ASC was brought to order by President Brian Loflin at 7:00 pm.

He welcomed everyone and new visitors were introduced, including Collin Lord, Ray Laskery, Dennis Duff and Dan & Linda Tonissen, who became members tonight.

Refreshments were provided by Linda Shepherd, Matt Henderson and Nancy Naylor.

Brian presented our Competition Chairman Fred Peebles with a long overdue thank you gift for all his hard work over the years.

We have \$2,244.01 in our bank account.

Several dates of note were announced by Brian Loflin:

- Aug. 15 Photographing flower arrangements with natural light
- Sept. 4 Regular camera meeting with evaluation and review and a special panel discussion on "How did you do that?"
- Sept. 20 Painted Churches field trip.

- Oct. Wes Odell will be presenting a program on Tack Sharp photography.

Pete Holland asked for ideas for program and/or speaker ideas. Please submit by E-mail.

Members were very pleased by the newly purchased fans cooling our room.

Brian introduced this evenings speaker/members Dolph and Beverly McCranie with their fantastic images of the Galapagos Islands.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Call for Entries

A Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX

Call for Entry: "critters"

Juried by: Anne Berry

Entry deadline: September 22, 2014

For more information and entry forms:

<https://www.asmithgallery.com>

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