



South Bay Camera Club

NEWS & VIEWS

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The South Bay Camera Club is a non-profit social club providing for its members activities involving photography and continuing education in all types of photographic technique. Regular meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month (unless otherwise noted) at the Zamperini Field (Torrance Airport) Administration Building Meeting Room, 3301 Airport Drive. at 7:30 p.m. President: Phil Cohen (310-212-7200, phil@absolute.net); VP and Membership Chair: Lou Schutzenberger (310-377-1342, sschutzenb@verizon.net); Treasurer: Jim Bardos (310-378-7655, jbardos@verizon.net); Secretary: Lou Schutzenberger (310-377-1342, sschutzenb@verizon.net); News & Views Editor: Bill Berry (310-378-9511, wh.berry@verizon.net). Mailing address: South Bay Camera Club, P.O. Box 1213, Torrance, CA, 90505: Web site: www.sbcccphoto.org.

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EVENT SCHEDULE: Here is the schedule of meetings for the rest of the 2009-2010 year. All meetings are on a Monday at 7:30 PM at the Torrance Airport Meeting Room (Zamperini Field), unless otherwise noted. A table listing other events is given on a following page.

Date	Program/Event	Description/Background
Jan 11	Digital image evaluation	Evaluator is TBD. See below for new guidelines for submissions.
Jan 25	Mark Comon presentation	Mark will give us one of his very popular illustrated lectures, this one titled "A Great Influence --- Famous Photographers who have and continue to inspire me and the world around us!"
Feb 8	Print evaluation	Evaluator is TBD
Feb 22	TBD Speaker	
Mar 8	Digital image evaluation	Evaluator is TBD. See below for new guidelines for submissions.
Mar 22	Video Presentation: "Baraka"	This renowned iMax film will be presented in HD Blue Ray using our new projector.
Apr 12	Print evaluation	Evaluator is TBD
Apr 26	Scavenger Hunt Judging	Judge is TBD
May 10	Digital image evaluation	Evaluator is TBD. See below for new guidelines for submissions.
May 24	TBD Speaker	
Jun 14	Gallery Night	Put your best prints out on tables and discuss them.
Jun 28	Awards Banquet	End of year Banquet. Awards, new officers.

Holiday Banquet: December 14, 2009

The annual Holiday Banquet was held on December 14, 2009, at the Sizzler Restaurant in Torrance. There was no power outage --- we had current throughout the evening. About 35 members and friends attended. There were many raffle prizes, and a very entertaining show featuring image presentations by SBCC members. Many thanks to Marge Robinson for arranging the banquet, and to Phil Cohen for obtaining the outstanding raffle prizes and serving as emcee. And special thanks to those who provided such great picture shows for our entertainment:

Lynne Alexander (to and from the PSA convention in Yellowstone)
Doris Beaman (beach life)
Karen Beatty (Anza-Borrego)
John Bohner (scenes from the southwest)
David Carriere (landscapes)
Bob Houston (2 entries — club outings, and the Wilson Park picnic video)
Michele Uruburu (classic cars in San Pedro)
Robin Young (public signs)

If I missed anyone, I sincerely apologize. Please let me know and the omission will be corrected.

In addition, Joyce Fish prepared a wonderful show, but it was erroneously omitted. It will be shown at the June banquet, if not sooner. Many apologies Joyce.

Upcoming Meeting:

January 11, 2010, Digital Image Evaluation --- 1400 x 1050 pixels!!!

This meeting will be a regular evaluation program, but with a difference! Folks, the new club projector has arrived and will be available for showing our digital images. Since the new projector will have more resolution than the old projector, digital images should be prepared with more pixels than heretofore. You may now resample and size your digital images to a maximum of 1400 pixels in width and 1050 pixels in height. If your submitted image exceeds either of these limits, then the system software will do the reduction in size for you, but not always in the best manner. If your image has fewer pixels in either direction, then the projected image will be correspondingly smaller than full screen in that direction. Other than these new pixel guidelines, submit images in the regular manner through the club website.

There are several candidates for evaluator for this meeting, but the final selection has not been made.

Outings and Field Trips:

There are several outings and field trips already planned or in the planning stages. For an overview and quick summary of these, see the table below.

For questions, or to reserve a place on a tour, call Betsy Treynor at 310-375-6348, or send an e-mail to bgtreynor5@gmail.com.

Fri Jan 8	Whale Watching Cruise	We meet at the sportfishing pier in Redondo Beach. It's next to Polly's Cafe. We should gather no later than 9:45. The weather should be good. It's typically a 2 1/2 hour trip. Bring your parking stub and they will validate it at the pier. If no whales appear, there is plenty of wildlife to photograph. Tickets will be \$8. We will need 15 attendees to get the boat.
Fri-Sun Jan 29-31	Elephant Seal Trip Hearst Castle	We will visit Piedras Blancas to see and photograph the elephant seal rookery. We may even see a live birth. We will also tour the Hearst Castle. Our headquarters motel: Best Western Cavalier Resort, 9415 Hearst Drive, San Simeon, CA, 93452 (spa, heated pool, etc). Phone: 805-927-4688; Toll free: 800-826-8168. We have reserved 5 doubles and 5 singles at the special price of \$106 plus tax. Reserve your room SOON! Please call the toll free number to put your credit card as deposit on your room. Also, sign up with Betsy at the Holiday Banquet on Monday, 12-14. Agenda: Meet at 4 pm for pre-Sunset at Morro Beach & Morro Rock on Friday. Dinner nearby <u>or</u> at the Cavalier Restaurant, 30 minutes north on the coast road at our hotel/resort. Saturday: to Piedras Blancas to view elephant seals. Early. Cold, blustery temps. Tours of Piedras Blancas light-house option. Lunch at hotel before going to Hearst Castle. Tours are \$24. Betsy will find out if there are special tours for photographers. Sunday: return home.
Wed Feb 24	Santa Monica Pier after sundown	Meeting at 3 PM at the carousel, dinner at 5:30, and after dinner, night photography for those who wish to stay.
Sat Apr 17	San Diego Wild Animal Park	<u>Deluxe Caravan Safari, 3.5 hrs, \$150 + admission per person. 2 feedings (giraffe and rhino), 5 enclosures.</u> Ride in open truck, with guide, also sun/rain cover. We depart at 10:30 AM on the Deluxe Tour. We can have whole truck if 15 paid in group. (Max is 15). Rain or shine. It is anticipated that this will be an overnight outing --- stay tuned, more information to follow.

Xmas Lights Walking Tour

About 10-12 of us had a grand time on December 17 photographing the Christmas house decorations in the Sleepy Hollow section of Torrance, famous for its neighborhood lights and decorations. The weather was ideal. It was difficult (impossible) to stay together in the dark, so we immediately broke into smaller groups. Five of us ended up together at a wonderful supper at the Chicago 4 Ribs Restaurant in Redondo Beach.