

**PSA NATURE DIVISION
DIGITAL INTERCLUB COMPETITION – 2009- 2010 SEASON
CONTEST #2**

The judging for Contest #2 of the PSA Nature Division Competition for Clubs was held by the Ridgewood Camera Club of New Jersey on February 12, 2010.

The judges were:

Elena McTighe, APSA
Barbara Lewis White, PPSA
Marie Kane, APSA

The Competition Chairman was Jia Han Dong. He was ably assisted by other members of the Ridgewood Camera Club: Laura Warren, Karen Kruger, Vincent Kempf, Ara Chakarian, Jerry Fornarotto, George Campbell and John Paulyson.

38 Clubs participated in this first contest, 13 in Class A and 25 in Class B. This was our second competition with the clubs separated into two classes.

The Club results are shown below. With the four way tie for 2nd, no 3rd Place awards were given for Class A.

CLASS A			CLASS B		
Club	Score	Award	Club	Score	Award
Saguaro Camera Club	68	1st	Cape Cod Viewfinders	74	1st
New Haven Camera Club	66	2nd	London Camera Club	66	2nd
Greater Lynn Photographic Association	66	2nd	Peoria Camera Club	62	3rd
Exploring Light	66	2nd	Photo Guild of Nova Scotia	60	
Camera Naturalist Camera Club	66	2nd	St. Louis Camera Club	60	
Naples Camera Club	65		Grupo Fotografico Parque	59	
Boston West Photographic Society	65		Foto Club Quilmes	58	
Ridgewood Camera Club	64		Carolinas' Nature Photographers Association	58	
Merrimack Valley Camera Club	62		F67 Camera Club	57	
Loveland Photographic Society	62		Image Makers Camera Club	57	
Stony Brook Camera Club	61		West Cumbria Photo Group	57	
Mount Baker Camera Club	58		Tri-County Camera Club	56	
Unlimited Visions Photo Club	51		Photo Pictorialists of Milwaukee	56	
			Houston Camera Club	55	
			Charlotte Camera Club	55	
			Hillcrest Camera Club	54	
			Hoylake Photographic Society	54	
			Oklahoma Camera Club	53	
			Schenectady Photographic Society	53	
			Western Reserve Photographic Society	53	
			Lowcountry Photography Club	52	
			Tri-State Photographic Society	52	
			Lake Country Camera Club	49	
			Lancaster Photography Association	48	
			South Jersey Camera Club	48	

The Class B Individual results were:

Title	Score	Award	Club	Maker
Owl Eyes	12	Award of Merit	Carolinas' Nature Photographers Association	Ken Barrett
American Goldfinch	12	Award of Merit	London Camera Club	Bill Boswell
Juvenile's First Flight	14	Award of Merit	Cape Cod Viewfinders	Janet DiMattia
Belted Kingfisher with Fish	14	Award of Merit	Cape Cod Viewfinders	Diane Robertson
Mating Laughing Gulls	12	Award of Merit	Cape Cod Viewfinders	Peter Selig
En Familia	11	Honor	Foto Club Quilmes	Javier Castelo
Atlantic Puffin #1	11	Honor	Oklahoma Camera Club	Ward Conaway
Meerkat Family	11	Honor	Oklahoma Camera Club	Debbie Devonshire
Female Merganser and Crayfish	12	Honor	Image Makers Camera Club	Gerald Emmerich, FPSA, EPSA
Empty Web	11	Honor	St. Louis Camera Club	Jim Evans
Immature Gull	11	Honor	Photo Guild of Nova Scotia	Jen Fried
Humming Bird Up Close	12	Honor	F67 Camera Club	Lionel Harris
Octopus	11	Honor	Peoria Camera Club	Steve Herrick
Common Barn Owl	12	Honor	London Camera Club	Ted Lo
Osprey with One Fish	12	Honor	Cape Cod Viewfinders	Bill Low
Evening Lion	12	Honor	Lake Country Camera Club	Quintin McGrath
Providing Gannet	11	Honor	Photo Guild of Nova Scotia	Eugene Mio
Geyser Mineral Deposits	11	Honor	St. Louis Camera Club	Kathleen O'Donnell
Red-Bellied Woodpecker	12	Honor	St. Louis Camera Club	Nancy Parker
Feed Me	11	Honor	Cape Cod Viewfinders	Amanda Reed
Timber Wolves Pecking Order	12	Honor	London Camera Club	Gail Steer
Midiendo Fuerzas	11	Honor	Grupo Fotografico Parque	Jose Luis Urbaitel, PPSA

The Class A Individual results were:

Title	Score	Award	Club	Maker
Hoodie on Frozen Pond	13	Award of Merit	Camera Naturalist Camera Club	Roman Kurwyczak
Protein Snack	12	Award of Merit	Saguaro Camera Club	Phyllis Picardi
Cedar Waxwing with Crabapple	12	Award of Merit	New Haven Camera Club	Gary Prestash
King Beak on Chick	12	Award of Merit	Exploring Light	Joanne Stolte, APSA, EPSA
Heron and Big Meal	13	Award of Merit	Saguaro Camera Club	Lynn Thompson, APSA, PPSA
Male Painted Bunting	12	Honor	Camera Naturalist Camera Club	Phil Echo
Two Red Foxes	12	Honor	Boston West Photographic Society	Frank Forward
Spoonbill with Shrimp	12	Honor	Naples Camera Club	Mike Landwehr
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	12	Honor	Merrimack Valley Camera Club	Mike McNeill
Monarch Feeding on Nectar	12	Honor	Ridgewood Camera Club	Della O'Malley
Cactus Wren	12	Honor	Saguaro Camera Club	Shirley Ramaley
Young Cougar with Pheasant	12	Honor	Camera Naturalist Camera Club	James Stachecki
Hippo in Green	12	Honor	Naples Camera Club	Carol Williamson

Please note that these titles and images may not be used in any future PSA Nature Division Interclub Contest. The five Award of Merit images in each Class will be included in the annual Image of the Year competition at the end of the season.

Class B Season Summary:

Club	Contest #1	Contest #2	Contest #3	Total	Rank
Cape Cod Viewfinders	77	74		151	1 st
Carolinas' Nature Photographers Association	60	58		118	
Charlotte Camera Club	46	55		101	
F/67 Camera Club	64	57		121	
Foto Club Quilmes	63	58		121	
Grupo Fotografico Parque	65	59		124	
Hillcrest Camera Club	61	54		115	
Hoylake Photographic Society	-	54		54	
Houston Camera Club	51	55		106	
Image Makers Camera Club	60	57		117	
Lake Country Camera Club	-	49		49	
Lancaster Photography Association	60	48		108	
London Camera Club	-	66		66	
Lowcountry Photography Club	45	52		97	

Peoria Camera Club	64	62		126	2 nd
Photo Guild of Nova Scotia	65	60		125	3 rd
Photo Pictorialists of Milwaukee	56	56		112	
Oklahoma Camera Club	53	53		106	
St. Louis Camera Club	58	60		118	
Schenectady Photographic Society	53	53		106	
South Jersey Camera Club	52	48		100	
Tri-County Camera Club	46	56		102	
Tri-State Photographic Society	-	52		52	
West Cumbria Photo Group	58	57		115	
Western Reserve Photographic Society	58	53		111	

Class A Season Summary:

Club	Contest #1	Contest #2	Contest #3	Total	Rank
Boston West Photographic Society	76	65		141	1 st
Camera Naturalist Camera Club	73	66		139	2 nd
Exploring Light	69	66		135	
Greater Lynn Photographic Association	75	66		141	1 st
Loveland Photographic Society	65	62		127	
Merrimack Valley Camera Club	70	62		132	
Mount Baker Camera Club	62	58		120	
Naples Camera Club	58	65		123	
New Haven Camera Club	67	66		133	
Ridgewood Camera Club	66	64		130	
Saguaro Camera Club	69	68		137	3 rd
Stony Brook Camera Club	70	61		131	
Unlimited Visions Photo Club	59	51		110	

Contest #3 will be hosted by the F/67 Camera Club. Closing date for entries will be April 15, 2010 with the judging being held in May. Images and makers' names should be sent to Daniel Charbonnet, ddrc3@msn.com.

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