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April Field Trip

FIELD TRIP

Where: Oklahoma City Zoo

Date: Saturday, April 22nd.

When: Meet at the entrance to the

zoo at 9:00AM.

The Oklahoma City Zoo offers a number of great photo opportunities. In addition to the photo ops with the animals, flowers should be beginning to bloom around the grounds. Don't forget to take advantage of the many indoor exhibits as well.

Photo Opportunity

The Ronald McDonald House is looking for a volunteer photographer to take some pictures for them. These pictures would be of children and their families and would be used for the Ronald McDonald House publicity purposes and their website. They have no budget for this project, but can offer a receipt for the cost of the photographer's fee which can be used as a charitable donation for tax purposes. If anyone is interested, they can contact Tommy Evans for more information.

Announcement

A big thanks to Paul Johnson, Paul volunteered to serve as official Coffee connoisseur!

Meeting Location:

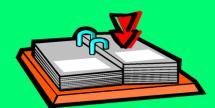
Will Rogers Exhibition Building 3400 NW 36th St, Oklahoma City Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the Month Socializing: 6:45 pm Meeting: 7:00 pm

This Month's Meetings

1st Meeting: April 10, 2017 Competition: PDI

2nd Meeting: April 24, 2017 Competition: Prints & Slides

Competition Deadline



All entries must be submitted to digitalcomp@metrocameraclub.org
by 9:00 PM on

April 7, 2017 for PDI and online for Print/Slide by April 21, 2017

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- April 7th PDI photos due
- April 21st Print & Slide online entries due
- April 22nd Field Trip, Page 1

April Photo Tip – Wildlife Photos

Since the club is going to the Zoo this month for its field trip, I thought I'd include a few wildlife tips.

- 1. If you want to shoot with different lenses bring multiple camera bodies and have your lenses mounted ahead of time. You never know how long you might have to catch a good shot of these animals and sometimes wide angle is better than telephoto and vice versa. However, changing lenses take time and that could cost precious seconds.
- 2. Make sure you can capture the action be on the ready for those quickly passing moments with a high shutter speed and appropriate ISO. Animals don't stay still long and good action shots can be tough to catch at just the right moment so keep your eyes peeled and finger on the trigger.
- Check your depth of focus sometimes you will want to blur the background (and sometimes the foreground if it happens to be a fence) so make sure you know your focal range. Different lenses affect focal range even at similar f-stops.
- 4. Show unique angles and behaviors try shooting more than just the traditional profile or lounging cat. See what you can do to spice things up a bit. Get a different angle of a common shot or wait for that moment the animal does something interesting (i.e. yawning, roaring, fighting, running, etc.).
- 5. Think big, think small animals come in all kinds of sizes so figure out ways to show off their size. For example, get out the telephoto lens and get a close up of an elephant's eye, zoom in on those butterfly's details, get the scales and fangs of those snakes.
- 6. Be patient don't rush through an exhibit. Take some time to study the critters you are hoping to shoot. Maybe you find a pattern of behavior and can capture those silly, scary, awkward, serious, or just down right funny moments. Animals do some crazy things, just wait and watch, you'll see.
- 7. HAVE FUN!!

2017 Judging Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	TYPE	JUDGE 1	JUDGE 2	JUDGE 3
4/10/2017	PDI	K Biddle	Hollis Price	Fortunato Mercado
4/24/2017	Print/Slide	Jack DeLisle	Vickie Jenkins	Bill Webster
5/22/2017	PDI	Carl Shortt Jr	Lynn Nunn	June Ranney
6/26/2017	Print/Slide	Linda Guenther	Mark Henke	Mary Horn
7/24/2017	PDI	Paul Johnson	Tommy Evans	Don Risi
8/28/2017	Print/Slide	Dennis Corbin	Denise Evans	Carolanne Roach
9/25/2017	PDI	Joe Wilson	George Williams	Dave Woodson
10/23/2017	Print/Slide	Robert Thompson	Linda Woodrow	Kay McKinnis
11/13/2017*	PDI	John Bowman	Randy Carr	Joe Messenbaugh

^{*} Competition moved to account for time needed to tabulate end-of-year awards

Photo Gallery



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