

Meeting Minutes

Date: April 20, 2022

By: Jean Davids, Secretary/Treasurer

We had 12 out of 17 members attend this meeting which was led by Heather Reinhart. We met in person once again.

We had 3 people share their assignment on night photos. Thanks to those who shared.

The first topic for this meeting was collecting dues. 10 of the 12 members present were able to pay their dues. Those of you who have not paid your dues are asked to bring them to the May meeting. If you do not plan to renew, then please mail them to the club address listed on our website (<http://monticameraclub.com/contactus.html>).

The second topic which was the headliner of the evening was Safety as it Relates to Photography. This was led by Jean Davids who shared 4 videos. Here are the links to these videos:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAVnfrGXltg>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JLjEJ7CnSMg>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qH6g0ee1i8U>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1b1bdt3bnfQ>

Here are some additional tips that you can read that I did not have time to present.

- 8 Tips for Safety and Etiquette When Photographing at Night - <https://www.bhphotovideo.com/explora/photography/tips-and-solutions/8-tips-safety-and-etiquette-when-photographing-night>
- 5 Safety tips every photographer should know - <https://www.myclickmagazine.com/safety-tips-for-photographers/>

Jean led a group discussion on the topic after the videos. In a couple of the videos they talked about having a satellite connection to be able to reach the outside world if you get in trouble. Both brands they mentioned, Garmin InReach and ZOLEO, are satellite communicators with a dedicated SOS button if you get in trouble. The Garmin InReach Mini is \$309 on Amazon and the ZOLEO is \$199. *Note: In reading up more regarding the ZOLEO, they say they require a monthly fee. The garmin makes not mention of any fee. Likely the reason for the price difference.* Here are links to both:

- Garmin InReach Mini with ultimate power pack - https://www.amazon.com/Handheld-Satellite-Communicator-Wearable4U-Ultimate/dp/B07GNW4LJG/ref=sr_1_1_sspa?crid=38OSIE658SZER&keywords=garmin%2Bin%2Breach&qid=1650915415&sprefix=garmin%2Bin%2Breach%2Caps%2C125&sr=8-1-spons&smid=AY1YC2BWA3QO7&spLa=ZW5jcnlwdGVkUXVhbGlmaWVyYPUFHQzRPUjFVSDVJSTImZW5jcnlwdGVkSWQ9QTAXNTQzMTdLSlc3MEg4NjhPWFomZW5jcnlwdGVkQWRJZD1BMDA4MTY3NzFNUUpSQjJNVkc1SjAmd2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zeF9hdGYmYWNoaW9uPWNSaWNrUmVkaXJlY3QmZG9Ob3RMb2dDbGljaz10cnVl&th=1
- Zoleo Satellite Communicator - https://www.amazon.com/ZOLEO-Satellite-Messenger/dp/B07X59RH7T/ref=sr_1_2_sspa?crid=38OSIE658SZER&keywords=garmin+in+reach&qid=1650915415&sprefix=garmin+in+reach%2Caps%2C125&sr=8-2-spons&psc=1&smid=A3N3C6LWDEUMAE&spLa=ZW5jcnlwdGVkUXVhbGlmaWVyYPUFHQzRPUjFVSDVJSTImZW5jcnlwdGVkSWQ9QTAXNTQzMTdLSlc3MEg4NjhPWFomZW5jcnlwdGVkQWRJZD1BMDUzNzUyM1pMSFVRSkFMUK1WSCZ3aWRnZXROYW1lPXNwX2F0ZiZhY3Rpb249Y2xpY2tZWJpcmVjdCZkb05vdExvZ0NsaWNrPXRydWU=

Note: These links are provided clearly as research tools and not recommended as the exact ones you should get.

During the discussion, Bob McGillic stood and mentioned all the planning that went into Bob & Claire's Alaska trip. They found Silver Creek Salmon Lodge to be best for guides and options available. They have Bear and Bird viewing as well as Fishing expeditions. They both highly recommended them. Here's a link to their website: <http://silversalmoncreek.com>. Claire got phenomenal shots of both adult bears and their cubs.

Larry Wilson asked for Mike Shaw to come back and show us stacking and/or compositing night sky photo and others agreed. Jean Davids is working with Mike to find a meeting night that works for him.

Remember dues must be paid by/at the May meeting for the upcoming year. Dues are \$12 for the year. May is also the annual meeting so if you have any suggestions for improvements to the club or any other business, this is the time to bring it up.

2022 Camera Club Meeting Dates and Topics

May 18

- Assignment: spring photo (hopefully)
- Topic: Bifringence – Steve Fowler
- Topic: Finance report and annual meeting

June 15

- Assignment:
- Topic:

July 20

- Assignment:
- Topic:

August 17

- Assignment:
- Topic: Travel Photography - Matthew/Sarah Breiter (tentative)

September 21

- Assignment:
- Topic:

October 19

- Assignment:
- Topic:

November 16

- Assignment:
- Topic:

December 21

- Assignment: Top photos of 2022
- Topic: Holiday party, open discussion