

TCC Newsletter 01/2024

New Meeting Announcement!

The TCC Meeting has been moved up to the FIRST TUESDAY of every month!
(For those who haven't heard.)

We have a meeting place again!

The TCC meets at the American Legion Post on Center Street in Taft.

618 Center Street

1st Tuesday of every month.

6:30 PM

The host requests we contribute a fee of \$25 monthly for use of the facility.

JANUARY is Show & Tell Month!

This month is one of the Show & Tell months.

All photos that are submitted by Saturday, January 6th will be shown at our meeting on Tuesday, January 9th.

Upcoming Events of Interest

The weather has gotten cooler and weather is a big factor for this season.

If you attended one or more of the many holiday/seasonal activities in the last few months, feel free to share your adventures with the camera club, we'd love to showcase your photos/outings on the website.

Summer Project Theme

Since we didn't get much of a chance to get into the Summer project theme last year, we will continue the theme of Signs & Fences.

There will be more time to get photos together over the upcoming Summer months.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schedule for Tejon Ranch Conservancy Events:

<https://www.tejonconservancy.org/calendar>

This month (January) is SHOW & TELL (1/9/2024) - [CANCELLED]

Photos have been submitted, and the deadline has passed.

Oildorado - Oildorado is coming up in just two years! Planning meeting dates & times TBD sometime later in 2024.

Noir Night Photo Shoots

Noir night photography is back! Get ready for dressing up and fun opportunities to expand your photography skills! If you want more info, contact Maureen on possible future dates & times, and possible collaboration on planning future events.

Meet & Greet

Our next monthly Meet & Greet event will be to be determined.

Dues during our January meeting. \$20 membership & \$5 (\$1 for each month of competition) Total of \$25 for the year. Those who want to contribute to the host fee please contact Tyrone or Esther. To continue meeting at the American Legion, they have requested we contribute \$25 a month.

February, April, June, September, and November are all Competition months, the rest are all Show & Tell

Club Events/Social Gatherings

EVENT	Date & Time	Location	Etc.
Monthly TCC Meet & Greet	TBD	TBD	Camera-Accessories Badge/Networking/ props-costumes

Old Business

Website: check often for uploads & updates

Judging/critiquing photos - guidelines for members to judge competition photos are listed at the top of each page, please read & consider them with each photo viewed.

Arthur Tamayo has chosen to be our representative at the San Joaquin council meetings in Fresno. If anyone chooses to attend one of the meetings, ask Esther or Arthur for more information.

PLACES OF INTEREST:

Bakersfield Art Association - (more info TBA)

Winter is here! There are numerous places to take picture hiking and take photos like WindWolves & Carrizo Plains(Visitor's Center is open Thurs-Sun)

Bird Sanctuary (near Delano)

Elk Reserve (Sundays - look up info online)

West Kern Oil Museum

Wind wolves Preserve

New Business

January - returning to the American Legion Post - \$25 monthly usage/service fee for the facility.

Ideas for social integration and reaching more photographers in the community.



TCC General Info

TCC Meet & Greet: Suggestions for the future meet & Greet locations are welcome, make sure it's local within the general Taft area for the public to attend. These Meet & Greet sessions are for publicity for the club. Past meeting places include the ***Community Gardens, Oilworkers Monument, Rec Center, Fox Theater, and the West Kern Oil Museum.***

Places of Interest: Places of interest will be posted as a special notice on a regular basis for *anyone* who is interested to go and take photos on their own or with a small group of friends or whenever the time is convenient to you. These are places of interest and no one is obligated to go. You can go with anyone who wants to go with you! These places of interest are places that have great impact and a lot of great photo opportunities. Watch for these special notices in the future!

All members are welcome to suggest places of interest for future photo opportunities! Contact Maureen, send a text to the TCC member chat, or post in the Facebook group!

Official Club Events

Members can suggest future club trips, outings, and activities. These events must be approved by all club members before making it an official outing.

→ After being approved by club members, trips/outings will be planned at least a month in advance.

→ Preparations for the official club event need to be planned carefully. Everything needs to be taken into account. cost, transportation, disabilities, accessibility, accommodations for meals, comfort, and other important factors.

Contact Maureen Webb or Esther Livingston for more information on suggesting future official club activities.

Maureen: maureenwebb.neenach@gmail.com

Esther: estherlivingston@gmail.com

Also available to contact via phone or Facebook Messenger.

Unofficial Club Events

These events are more relaxed and anyone can suggest locations, dates, times, and costs of these events.

→ Unofficial club events scheduled at the last minute or on short notice are not considered official club events but anyone interested can participate if they are available at the time the trip/outing is scheduled.

→ Anyone (including non-club members) can attend these events and participate in any activities included in the events.

→ Those interested in the event contact the individual(s) suggesting the event/activity for dates, times, meetup info, and other important info.

Photography Pamphlets

We have a pamphlet for general photography guidelines! Pamphlets with valuable information on photography including how to critique & judge photos, general terms, and other interesting facts are available. If interested in getting a copy, contact Esther Livingston. (estherlivingston@gmail.com)

SJVCCC meetings

Anyone who would like to attend the SJVCCC meetings is welcome to do so. The meetings are held on the second Sunday of every month before our Taft Camera Club monthly meetings. For more info about the SJVCCC meetings check their main website.

[The San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council](#)

Next Month's Agenda **Februrary 2024**

-Competition

-Suggested Outings and Events will be posted on Facebook & the Website.

Suggestions/announcements that members want to be included on next month's agenda please contact Maureen Webb at least 3 days before the meeting.

Competition Scores are archived on the website.

TAFT CAMERA CLUB LINKS

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/TaftCameraClub>

Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1585630718173924/>

Website: <http://taftcameraclub.org/>