



Indian River Photo Club September's 2025 Newsletter



Hello Members,

The club only has two more monthly meetings left until the Best Picture of the Year party on December 4. This year has really flown by. The photos this year so far have been outstanding. I am glad for all who have entered and won. Please make sure to mark your calendar.

The month of August program was members slideshow and I want to thank everyone who participated to make it a great success.

The Indian River Photo Club is still looking for Board of Director for next year.

The theme for this month's print and digital photo contest is "Open". Digital photos should be sent to Bill Conway at

billcnwy@yahoo.com

Please send in your digital photos by September 23 Thanks

This month's meeting will have Mike Stewart as our speaker. Mike is a great photographer and this program should be enjoyed by everyone.

This month's meeting is on September 25, at 6:30pm. I hope to see you all there.

Keep your camera ready, your flash cards clean and your batteries charged,

Billy Ocker IRPC, President



Mike Stewart

Program “Bubbles”

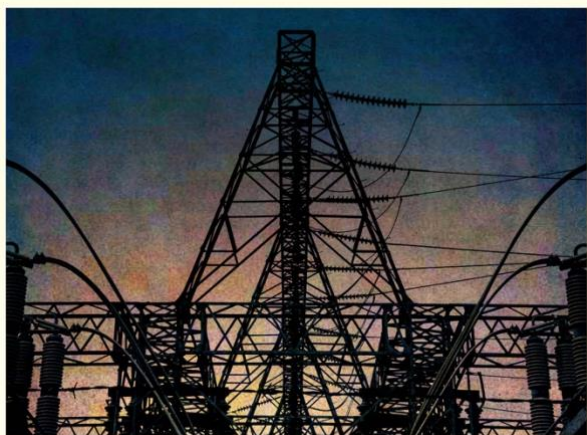
My name is Mike Stewart. My wife and I retired to Vero from Nashville, Tennessee in 2018. I joined IRPC in 2018, as soon as I discovered the club.



My photo story is that I was an Architect in Nashville and when we planned on leaving, my wife suggested I document my buildings. Great idea but although I had enjoyed taking snapshots, I tried and realized I needed to learn how to properly photograph my work and the work of others.

Although I like to focus on architectural photography, I practice macro photography for fun. It's a different technique and quite honestly a different genre of photography with its own unique challenges.

At our next meeting, I hope to demonstrate some “Bubble Macro” photography. We will see what happens when you shine light on a soap bubble. It's fascinating if you've never seen it. I will try to explain some of the challenges of macro and close-up photography in general and try to get a few shots of soap



Best picture of the year Event

Dec 4th 2025

Vero beach community Center



Intake time for the photos will start at 5:45 pm, please make sure to read the guideline so you will be in compliance.

Potluck Dinner will start at 6:30pm , please bring a small dish of something you enjoy, and would like to share with everyone.

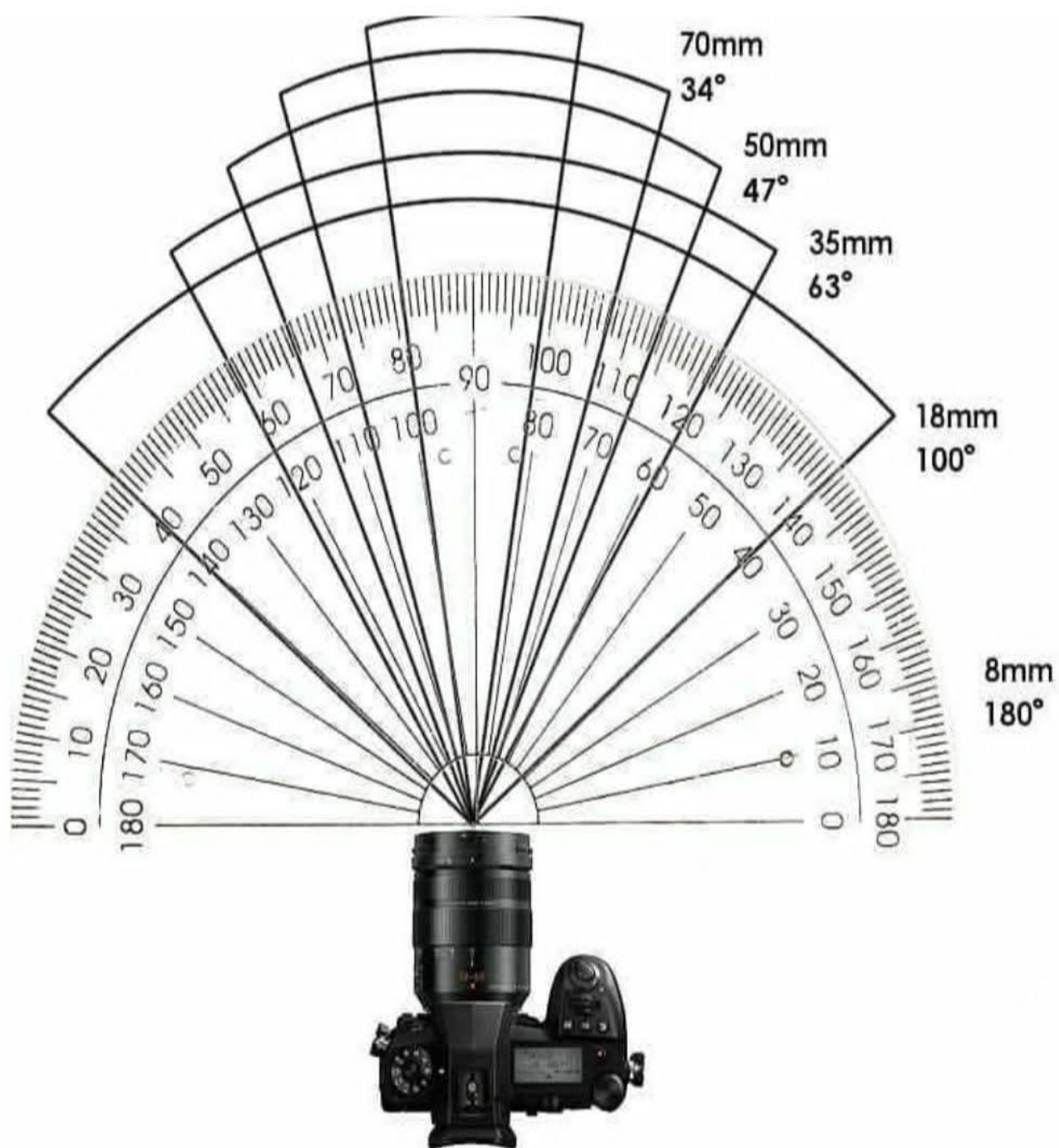
Appetizer , side dish or dessert . The Cub will provide the catered main dishes . Please let Etta Ocker emocker@hotmail.com know if you plan on attending and how many guests will be attending if any. It gives us an idea of how many people will attend, and how much food is needed. There will also be a sign -up sheet at the next meeting also. Looking forward to seeing you there !! Chafer dishes are also available if you need to keep your food warm.



you will provide and use the Top aluminum pan 9x13 size if you wish to to use a chafer dish. The club will provide the bottom pan, sternos, frame

they sell them at walmart for \$1.59 or so

photography tips



August's 202 Winners Theme "Bubbles"

Class Print Color Print

Christine Wickham "Shore Bird Running on the Bubbles" 1st Place

Bobbi Whitlam "Bubbles & Champagne" 2nd Place

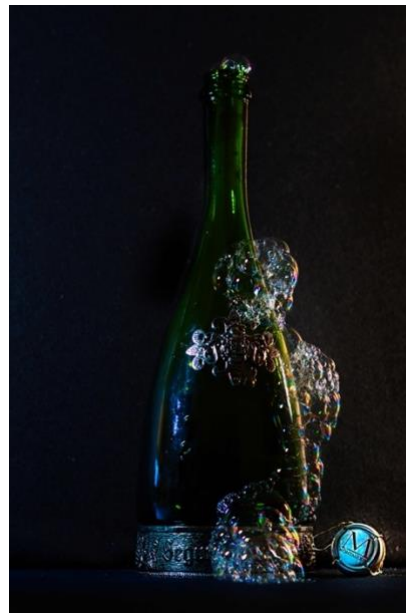
Mike Stewart "Small World" 3rd Place



Christine Wickham
"Shore Bird Running
on the Bubbles"
1st Place



Bobbi Whitlam
"Bubbles & Champagne"
2nd Place



Mike Stewart
"Small World"
3rd Place



Class Print Monochrome Print

Kim Hunt "Bubble Nose" 1st Place

Christine Wickham "A Special Bubble in the Garden" 2nd Place

Bobbi Whitlam "Bubbles from Heaven" 3rd Place



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"Bubble Nose"
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Class Print Special Technique Print

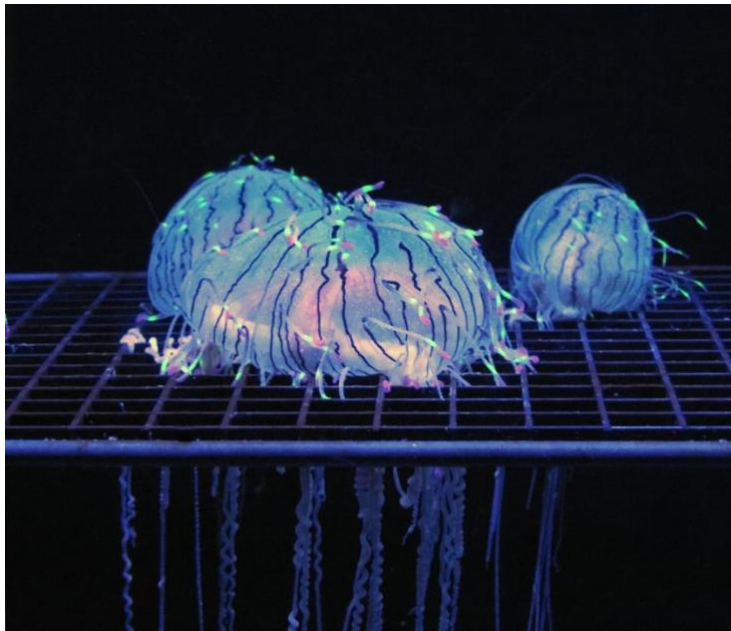
Arlene Willnow "Living Bubbles" 1st Place

Mike Stewart "Bubble Fairy" 2nd Place

Kim Hunt "Bubble Fun" 3rd Place



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"Living Bubbles"
1st Place



Mike Stewart
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Class Digital Color

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Mike Stewart "See Through Bubbles" 2nd Place

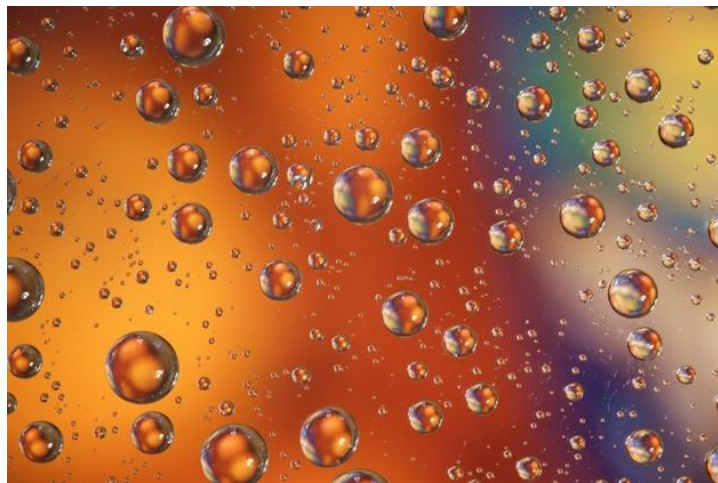
Kathie Phillips "Heart of Bubbles" 3rd Place



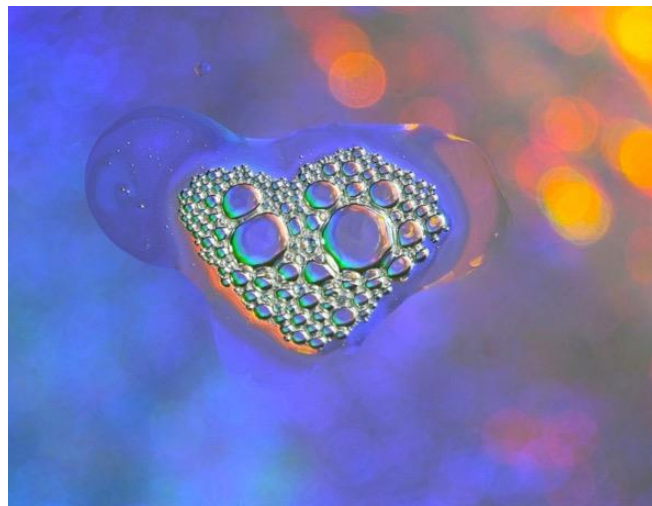
Kim Hunt
“Bite the Bubbles “
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Mike Stewart
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Class Digital Monochrome

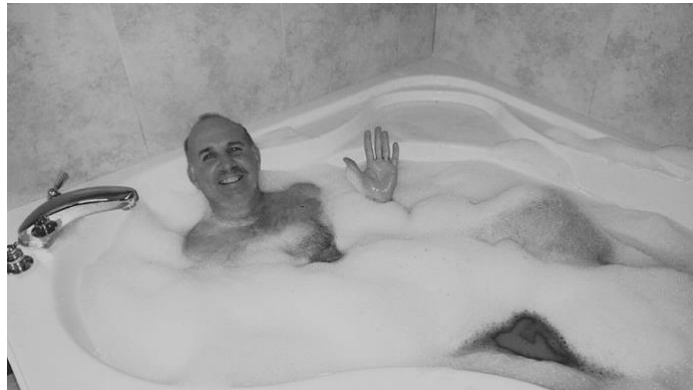
Billy Ocker "Bubble Bath" 1st Place

Kim Hunt "Baby Bubble Fun" 2nd Place

Jasvant Surani 3rd Place



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Class Digital Manipulated

Bill Conway "World in a Bubble" 1st Place

Kim Hunt "Bubble Boy" 2nd Place

Mike Stewart "Blowing Bubbles" 3rd Place



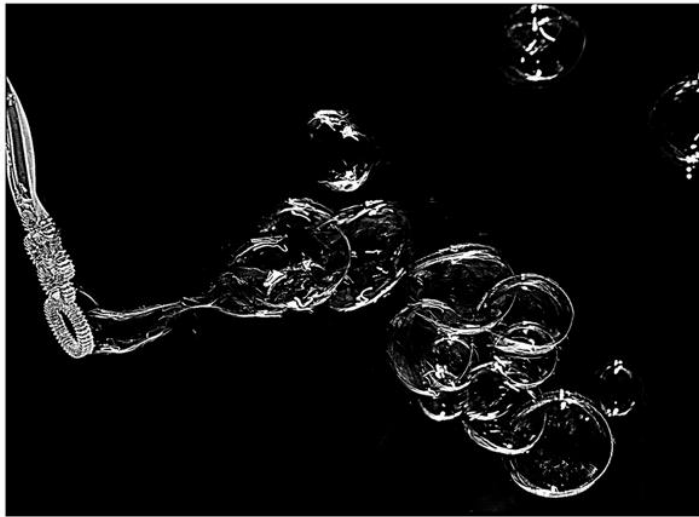
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Next Meeting September 25 at 630pm

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