

May 4, 2021



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Ideas for
keeping
camera clubs
active during
COVID-19
social
distancing

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NECCC FORMS
New England Camera Club Council

IDEAS FOR KEEPING CAMERA CLUBS ACTIVE DURING COVID-19 SOCIAL DISTANCING
CLUBS USE A CLUSTER OF

October 6, 2020 Call

Agenda

- Learn what other clubs are doing
- 7:00 - 7:30 - Virtual conversation as people join
- 7:30 - Meeting Kickoff - Chane Collins
- 7:40 - Meeting agenda discussion
- 8:00 - Virtual Clubhouse - Chuck Fleischman, Colleen Greene
- 8:20 - Virtual Clubhouse - Rhonda Collins, Virginia Thompson
- 8:40 - Q&A plus ideas for the next meeting agenda

Note: we are now alternating the meeting working day every month. This meeting is the first Tuesday of the month, next month will be the first Monday of the month. Then, back to the first Tuesday to maintain the Monday - Tuesday alternation.

September 8, 2020 Call

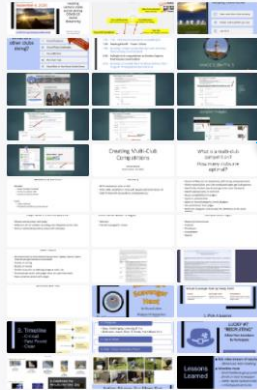
Agenda

- Learn what other clubs are doing
- 7:00 - 7:30 - Virtual conversation as people join
- 7:30 - Meeting Kickoff - Chane Collins
- 7:40 - Meeting a virtual competition by Tracy Fanning, from Windberg Camera Club
- 8:00 - Multiple club presentations by Gordon Rogers, from Boston Camera Club
- 8:20 - Meeting a message from the Chane Collins, from Niagara Photography Camera Club
- 8:40 - Q&A plus ideas for October 6th agenda


Handouts

- September 8, 2020 Presentation (Jesse PDF) [Download](#)
- September 8, 2020 Presentation (Theresa PDF) [Download](#)

Meeting Slides



Meeting Video



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August 4, 2020 Call


Agenda

- Learn what other clubs are doing
- Decide what to do for your club
- Just do it!


Handouts

- August 4, 2020 Presentation (Jesse PDF) [Download](#)
- August 4, 2020 Presentation (Theresa PDF) [Download](#)
- August 4, 2020 Meeting Chat (Jesse PDF) [Download](#)
- Club Activities During Pandemic - Part 1 (Jesse PDF) [Download](#)
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Meeting Slides



Meeting Video



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Thanks to everyone for their ideas,
Chane Collins, VIBE, NECCC UP

PLATE 1000, CLUB 1001 100

Slides

Recording

Agenda – May 4, 2021

7:00 – 7:30 – informal conversations as people join

7:30 – Meeting kickoff – Chane Cullens

7:35 – Antoinette Gombeda – NECCC Online Event – July 17,
Annual NECCC Rep meeting – July 18

7:45 – Chane Cullens – NECCC Photo Showcase Results

7:55 – Rhonda Cullens – NECCC Club Services

8:05 – Open discussion

--- Has your club meeting frequency changed from pre-COVID?

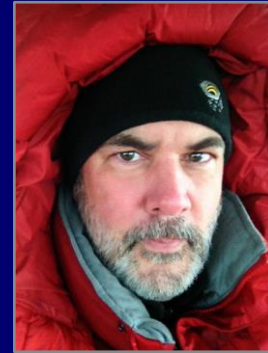
--- Ideas to consider around in-person meetings

--- What else?

A Special NECCC 2021 Online Event

Saturday, July 17, 2021

To thank everyone for being a part of the NECCC family, we will be holding a one-day online event featuring speakers **Richard Bernabe, André Gallant, ANEC and Freeman Patterson.**



Along with our speakers, **Hunt's Photo & Video** will be joining us. There will be an **event projected image competition** and **\$1000 in door prizes.**


Registration is Open!
Registration Fee \$30 (now), July 3 (\$40), July 14 (\$50)
NECCCPhotoConference.org

NECCC Club Rep Annual Meeting

Sunday, July 18, 2 pm

Mark on your calendars!

No Keeping Camera Clubs Active meeting in July



NECCC Showcase Results

Spring Pandemic Photo Showcase

Thank you to the 61 photographers from 28 clubs for submitting 185 photos!

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WINNING FAN FAVORITES](#)

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VIDEO OF ALL PHOTOS](#)

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GALLERY OF ALL PHOTOS](#)

Greatest Percentage of Participants from a Club



First
Quail Ridge
14%



Second
Flagpole Photographers
11%



Third
Cape Cod Viewfinders
9%

Greatest Number of Participants from a Club



First
Cape Cod Viewfinders
9 members



Second
Flagpole Photographers
5 members



Second
Nashoba Valley
5 members

Video of all Spring Showcase Photos

NECCC Spring Showcase

Photos from 61 photographers
April 2021

Photo.NECCC.org

▶ 0:00 / 10:22



Winning Fan Favorites

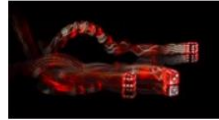
Games



First
Marty Conley – Nashoba Valley
Tic-Tac-Toe in the Time of COVID



Second
Glenn Browning – Stony Brook
Basketball Practice



Third
Chane Cullens – Flagpole Photographers
It's a Roll of the Dice

In the Safety Zone



First
John Yurka – Merrimack Valley
Covid Safety Bubble



Second
Dave Brown – Nashoba Valley
Keeping the peace



Second
Rhonda Cullens – Flagpole Photographers
Keep back! I'm in my safety zone!



Second
Greg DeBor – Gateway
The New Normal

Mealttime



First
Traci Bodette – Merrimack Valley
Social Distance Lunch



Second
Donna Smith – Cape Cod Viewfinders
Dinner in a bubble



Third
SCOTT HUDKINS – Oxford Greens
Pandemic Brunch



Third
George Michael Lane – Cape Cod Viewfinders
Digging Dinner

My Life in Black and White



First
Lisa Morales – Upper Cape
Pandemic Protests



Second
Sal DeFini – Oxford Greens
Pandemic Survival



Second
Christine deLorenzo – Hockomock
no way out



Second
Robyn E. Abrams – Flagpole Photographers
Set Me Aflame And Cast Me Free



Second
Chris Lutton – Seacoast
Walk in the Fog



Second
Barry Elkin – Quail Ridge
Waiting

Pandemic Partners



First
Marty Conley – Nashoba Valley
School in the Time of COVID




Second
Catherine Outhouse – Milford
What the World Needs Now



Second
Rhonda Cullens – Flagpole Photographers
Well partner, what do you want to play next?

Click any thumbnail to see more.



NECCC CLUB SERVICES

Rhonda Cullens





Discover Your Opportunities for Leveraging NECCC

Find out more at www.NECCC.org then click on [Club Services](#)

Evaluations

Interclub Competitions

- Challenge your club against other NECCC clubs three times a year
- Fall, Winter and Spring competitions
- Enter print monochrome or print color, or both
- Digital open or digital nature, or both

Programs

Touring Photos

- Best photos from NECCC Conference competition with live explanations and critiques come to your club
- Schedule your current print circuit as part of your club's program nights
- Schedule your current digital circuit as part of your club's program nights

Contacts

Camera Club Rosters

- Member club presidents, emails and club websites
- Club rep information including emails, phone, and address
- Meeting locations, meeting days and club sizes

Financial

Fees and Donations

- Fill out dues form online, then print and mail with a check
- Interclub competitions, circuits and recordings fees
- Tax-exempt charitable giving to NECCC.org

Commentaries

- Receive a recorded commentary from expert judges on your club's photos
- Digital open and nature circuits with commentaries on your club's photos
- Print color and print black and white circuits with commentaries

Recordings

- Recorded programs from the NECCC library are available
- Educational topics – close ups, composition, elements to capture ...
- Digital circuits from previous years
- Photography topics - zoos, birds, flowers, nature ...

Speakers & Judges

- Speakers for your club meetings with a wide content selection including:
- Landscape, birds, Photoshop, judging, lighting, nature, night and more
- Use the list of judges to help with monthly and annual competitions

Courtesy Conf & Scholarships

- NECCC Conference courtesy enrollment for a first-time attendee from your club
- NECCC Conference tuition and room and board for high school students
- Scholarships for college students

Communication

Opportunities

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NEW ENGLAND CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL, INCORPORATED WWW.NECCC.ORG

YOUR ONLINE CLUB SERVICES PACKET

Go to www.NECCC.org then Click on the "[Club Services](#)" Tab to View All

Here is a listing of the contents of the online Club Services Packet - your club's guide to participation in all the NECCC activities. Some sections are for reference, others need to be distributed to the club members responsible for particular activities. **This document with direct links will also be emailed to Club Reps and Presidents.** If you have any changes or trouble accessing this site or any of the documents or forms, please contact Rhonda Cullens, MNEC at Rhonda@CCullens.com (Print Services in Red have been paused for the 2020-2021 Season Due to COVID-19)

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TIMETABLE

- Reference
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- As Needed
- Before March 1***
- As Needed
- As Needed
- Reference
- September
- September
- September 15***
- As Needed
- As Needed
- 8 Weeks Before Program***
- Before March 1***
- As Needed
- As Needed
- Before April 1***
- Before March 1***
- As Needed
- As Needed

NEW ENGLAND CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL
Member Clubs

CONNECTICUT

Cam Club of Oxford Greens
N/A
of members: 35

Candlewood CC
www.candlewoodcamera.org
of members: 40

Castle Craig CC
www.castlecraigcamera.org
of members: 28

Charter Oak Photo Soc
www.charteroakphoto.org
of members: 70

Meeting Place: Ridge Club, 97 Country Club Dr.
Oxford, CT
Meetings Held: 1st & 3rd Wed
REP: Scott Hudkins
163 Country Club Dr.
Oxford, CT 06478-1192
203-343-9144
sahudkins957@gmail.com
Rep Since: 2012

Meeting Place: Hatters Pk Ballroom Hall, 7 E. Main St.
Danbury, CT
Meetings Held: 2nd & 4th Tues
REP: Candida Valeri
146 Transylvania Terrace
Danbury, CT 06810
860-799-8342
candidavaleri@hotmail.com
Rep Since: 2020

Meeting Place: First Baptist Ch., 460 Broad St.
Meriden, CT
Meetings Held: 1st & 3rd Tues
REP: James Dionne, MNEC
131 Pennypoke Ct.
Meriden, CT 06450-8155
203-427-1008
jimski42@gmail.com
Rep Since: 2016

Meeting Place: Elmwood Comm Ch, 26 Newington Rd.
West Hartford, CT
Meetings Held: 2nd, 3rd, 4th Mon
REP: Meredith Harris, MNEC
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EXAMPLE CLUB
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Keeping Active a year later

Answering Five questions on next page

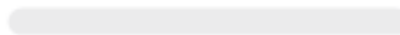

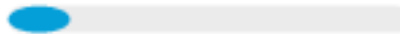
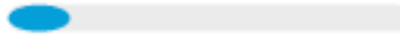
Trends –

1. Membership down slightly
2. Competitions down slightly
3. Programs up slightly 😊
4. Mentoring down slightly

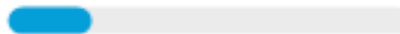

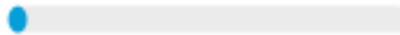
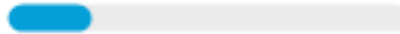
Summary – Remarkably keeping clubs active during the pandemic!

Questions	Results	Bar Graph
1. Membership size		
A. Smaller	5/19 (26%)	
B. About the same	9/19 (47%)	
C. Larger	2/19 (11%)	
No Answer	3/19 (16%)	
2. "Competitions" frequency		
A. Less	4/19 (21%)	
B. About the same	11/19 (58%)	
C. More	1/19 (5%)	
No Answer	3/19 (16%)	


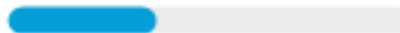
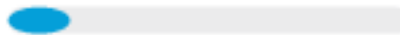
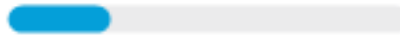
3. "Programs" frequency

A. Less	0/19 (0%)	
B. About the same	13/19 (68%)	
C. More	3/19 (16%)	
No Answer	3/19 (16%)	

4. "Mentoring" frequency

A. Less	4/19 (21%)	
B. About the same	10/19 (53%)	
C. More	1/19 (5%)	
No Answer	4/19 (21%)	

5. "Other" activity frequency

A. Less	4/19 (21%)	
B. About the same	7/19 (37%)	
C. More	3/19 (16%)	
No Answer	5/19 (26%)	

In-Person Meeting Club Discussion Topic Ideas

In-person

- Most likely, meeting facilities will require masks and social distancing for several months
- How to keep the in-person limited to the number of chairs in a social distanced room, masked required ...
- For in-person meetings, we'll probably need to clean before and after the meetings
- In-person meetings lose all the virtual benefits – judges around the world, members around the world ...

In-person + virtual

- More people are needed to run the meeting with remote and in-person
- More points of failure. Additional complexing means increases the failure rate.
- If you don't have good Wi-Fi, will a phone data connection be sufficient for video streaming
- Joint meeting style means paying rent for the half that show up in-person

Members

- The comfort level of staying home could surpass the value of joining in-person meetings, leading to members leaving
- We don't know if remote members want to continue as remote members
- Prints probably require in-person meetings, print gathering, judges viewing
- More than anything, teamwork will be critical when moving away from remote meetings

Survey your members to understand their expectations