

Tidewater Camera Club  
January 7, 2008 meeting Minutes

Tim Champney called the meeting to order at 7:15, welcomed our visitors (we again had a large number of visitors and new potential members), and our guest speaker, Roger Miller. He made the announcement that the digital meeting would probably again be at the Rec Center on Route 50 North of Easton, and may have to continue there for the rest of the year. Please watch your emails for this information.

A short discussion preceded the vote on the By-Laws and Photo Competition Rules changes that were thoroughly discussed at the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Tim explained that copies of the new By-Laws and the Photo Competition Rules with changes proposed at the December 17<sup>th</sup> meeting had been sent out by email. A motion was made, seconded and then approved by a majority vote that the new By-Laws be accepted as written.

The discussion moved on to the changes in the Photo Competition Rules. There was again much discussion. Tim explained the changes in photo competition rules, stressing that we need guidelines so that those submitting prints or digital images and the judges are on the same page. Some pointed out that the main purpose of the competition should be education. It was suggested that we have feedback/critique available to members who want that feedback and whose photos do not win. Possibly we could add a critique box to the submission form to check if you wish to have your print or image critiqued. A motion was made and seconded that we accept the changes proposed but that the discussion continue next month since our speaker for next month had cancelled, and there would be more time. The new By-laws and Competition Rules are posted on the website.

Tim then introduced us to Roger Miller, photographer of Maryland, and publisher of many books on Maryland and the Naval Academy. He presented a slide show with beautiful and amazing photos of the military academies and tall ships, including the Coast Guard's Eagle.

After Roger's presentation, we moved on to the print competition. The winners:

In the print competition, there were three A section winners: Graham Slaughter in first with "Red-winged Blackbird," Cynthia Ramsey in second with "From the Hen House," and Jay Friedman in third with "Nature's Paint." The B section produced a total of nine place winners. Leading the pack was Jack Upchurch in first place for his "Squeaky Wheel." Tim Champney ("One Twenty Seven"), Barbara Suman ("Inside Antelope Canyon 2") and Morris Ellison ("Waiting for the Sun") shared second place, while Jack ("Hairy Berry Bugs"), Tim ("Shenandoah Farm"), Barbara ("Cactus Flower") and Morris ("Zion") were joined by Jay Harford ("Vanessa") in third. Barbara Saulsbury's "Jefferson Memorial Colonnade" took first place honors in the C section, while Suzanne Hood picked up both second and third with her "Crabs Piled High" and "Walkway in Hum." Congratulations to all.