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# President's Message

Fellow SDUPS Members - This is my last President's Message for the Goby. Voting took place at our November meeting and **James Logan** was voted in as the new club president for the 2023 year. I feel we had a good year even coming off the, dare I say, the tail end of COVID restrictions. Because of the hybrid meetings, people cautious of the virus, or with other issues, could be in attendance of our meetings.

On page two you will find the other people who were elected or volunteered to the various positions. I'd like to thank all of you who have stepped up to help continue to make our club a great place to exchange underwater photo ideas and share those great underwater images. I encourage the membership to support these board members in any way that you can.



On page seven you will find the winners of the Photographer of Year in the three levels. Congratulations to the winners. To those of you who placed second or third in the monthly competitions, don't give up. For the members who haven't entered the competitions, give it your best shot. It's a fun way to learn how to improve your photography.

One of the hardest jobs of being president, is giving out the Service & Dedication Award as there many board members that made my job a lot easier. This year I had two people who were of most importance to the club meetings. The hybrid Zoom meetings would have been a disaster without the help of computer tech, **Johnny Thai.** Also the great way that the competition was set-up online, and the winners presentation at the meetings, was because of all the great work done by **Amy Baldwin-Granger.** I thank you both for all your help and making my year easier.

My last note concerns our Annual Awards/Holiday party held at Marie Callender's on December 3rd. We had approximately thirty-six members and guests in attendance. The people that I talked to were very pleased with the food and the service. Amy and James Logan did a great job with the raffle and prizes. Thank you for your work on that detail of the event. The event provided plenty of chatter about diving and photography, and a great way to get to know other members.

As past president, I am automatically a director at large so I'll still be around to support the new officers. Maybe in a more laid back way. Again thank you all, and have a very Happy Holiday Season. Mike Poirier

SDUPS online **Hybrid Zoom Meeting**, **January 26th**, 7 pm. Join us to see old friends and enjoy an U/W presentation.

- Download the Zoom app to your computer
- (https://zoom.us/download) or
- Click on the Link below
- Meeting ID number: 851 3410 4135
- Meeting Password: SDUPS1961

Zoom

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Congratulations to the SDUPS members that have advanced in the monthly competition

Novice to Amateur: **Helge Weissig** Amateur to Advanced: **Silvana Ghiu** 

## CALENDAR

**January 26th**– 7 pm SDUPS Hybrid Meeting at Sumner Auditorium

Competition for January - Subjects at or near the Surface from below or an over/under shot

Presentation - Alfred Pagano. Alfred is a printer and photographer. He was the owner and founder of Giant Photo. More specifies on the presentation in the January Goby



# **New SDUPS Club Officers for 2023**



President - James Logan



Vice President - Dick Miler



Treasurer - Bill Ring



Secretary/Membership Harold Dorr



Activities - Cindy Lipthay Co-Chair - Greg Beadle



Directors at Large



Mike Poirier Goby Editor



Jani Feldman



Herb Gruenhagen



Beth Beason Computer Tech



Johnny Thai Computer Tech

## **Appointed Positions**



Helge Weissig Web Master Social Media



Dave Hankel Camera Tech



Walter Heim Competition Director

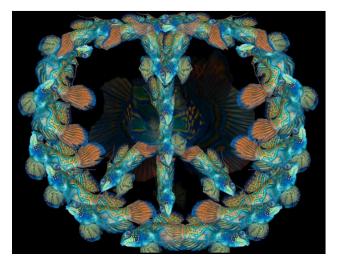


Amy Baldwin Granger Competition Director

# **November Competition**

# "PhotoShopped"

Greg Volger - 1st Place Advanced



Amy Baldwin-Granger - 2nd Place Advanced



Paula Selby- 3rd Place Advanced



Bill Ring - 3rd Place Advanced



Jack Der - 1st Place Amateur



Nan Oselett - 2nd Place Amateur



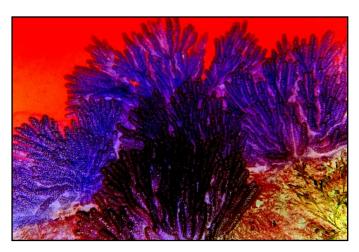
# **November Competition**

# "PhotoShopped"

Lois Miller - 3rd Place Amateur



Doug Bonhaus - 2nd Place Novice



Video Competition November

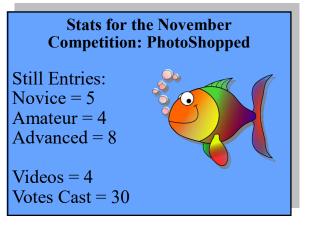


Helge Weissig - 1st Place Novice



Mike Carr - 3rd Place Amateur









## SDUPS November General Meeting

Our November SDUPS Meeting was lightly attended at Sumner Auditorium. We had more members and guests on Zoom than in person. Is this pointing to things to come? Time will tell.

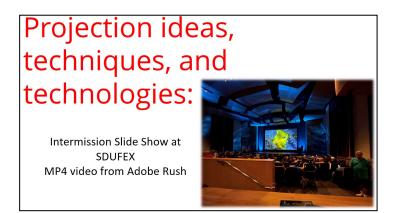
Nominations and voting for 2023 club officers took place. Results are posted elsewhere in this issue. Thank you to those who stepped up to keep the club moving in a positive direction.

Our speaker for the evening was our Vice-President **Dick Miller**. Dick's presentation centered around what is our "Intention" when we take underwater images. As the included pictures indicate, is our intent to tell a story with our images, are they going to be projected on a big screen, or will they be enlarged to be displayed in a show? Dick implied that each reason actually starts before the image is taken. Each scenario calls for different parameters in taking the image, how much post-processing, will it be printed or show digitally, and more. The more thought that goes into this process, the more we will get out of our photography. Thank you Dick for an informative presentation.

Our meeting closed just before nine and we bid everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. I hope yours was.







# SDUPS Annual Awards Holiday Party





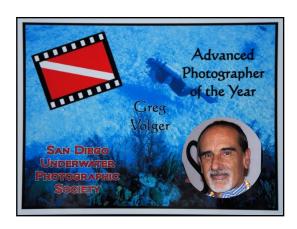








# SDUPS Photographer of the Year Awards



Advanced Photographer of the Year Greg Volger



Amateur Photographer of the Year Silvana Ghiu



Novice Photographer of the Year Helge Weissig



Video Photographer of the Year Bob Yin



Service & Dedication Award Amy Baldwin-Granger



Service & Dedication Award Johnny Thai

# Competition Categories 2023

January – Subject at or near the Surface shot from below or an over and under image

February - Intention, Tell a Story with your image

March - Grey Scale, Black and White

**April** – Sandy Bottom

May – Abstract, Original/color

**June** – *June Gloom*, Photo with predominant dark colors or silhouette.

**July** – Sunlight on the surface from below

**August** – Structures, ships, oil rigs, etc.

**September** – Close up, macro or micro

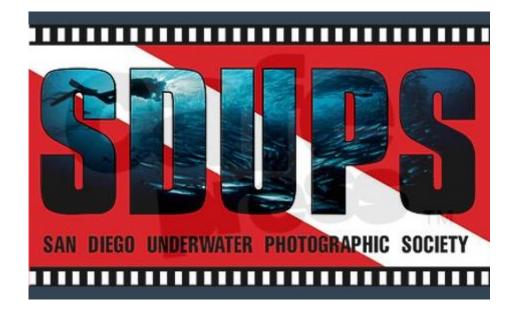
October – Wide Angle. Seascapes

November – Photoshopped, Creative Editing using Software









# **Monthly Meetings**

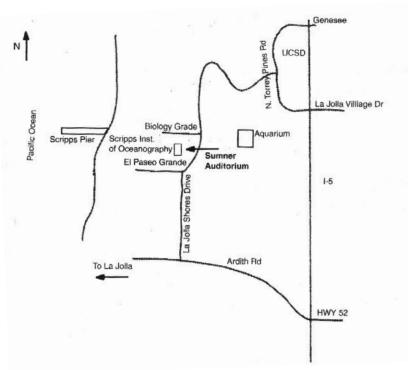
Usually the fourth Thursday of each month 7:00pm (No meeting in December)

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## 2023 Board of Directors

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#### Treasurer

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#### **Board Members at Large:**

Amy Baldwin/Granger Herb Gruenhagen Greg Volger Jami Feldman Mike Poirier

#### **Appointed Positions**

Mike Poirier - Goby Editor Dave Hinkle- Camera Tech Helge Weissig - Web Master Helge Weissig - Social Media Johnny Thai & Beth Beason -Computer Techs Walter Heim - Competition

# Competition Schedule for 2023

January	Subjects at or near the Surface or over/under	July	Sunlight on the surface from below
February	Intention. Tell a story	August	Structures
March	Gray Scale - Black & White	September	Close up, macro or micro
April	Sandy Bottom	October	Wide angle - seascape
May	Abstract original/color	November	Image Editing - Edit using Photoshop or other tools. No restrictions, be creative
June	June Gloom - dark tones/or silhouette	Dec. 2023 - ?	Holiday & Awards/Party

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