

Carson Valley Photo Club – Minutes May 12, 2026

Attendees:

Sandy Jonkey	Chuck Diephus	Connie Peters
Sherri McGee	Fannie Sing	David Broady
Dennis Cook	Rick Pott	Stephanie Broady (Guest)
Ginny/Mike Virdin	Gordon Stowe	Joe DeLaTorre
NJ Thompson	Andi Parson	Joe Clements
Kim Steed	Scott Parson	Milly Seibel
Susie Roaldson	Becky Cathey (Guest)	Don Seibel
Steve Davis	David Morris (Guest)	Jim Valenzuela
Ken Struven	Robin Grueninger	Pam Reddock
Lori Mogab	Tami Force	Nancy Florence
Kimberly Burchiel	Felicia Sotomayor	Tom Monti
David Arstein		

The meeting began with the introduction of guests.

Upcoming events:

Hot Air for Hope is this weekend

Balloon launches Fri, Sat and Sunday at 6:15 am

We have been contacted by Carson Valley Cancer Center to provide artwork for the walls of their new facility, Andi is coordinating this

The Board has voted to revise the procedure for winning photos on the monthly contest. Winning photos will be electronically sent to Kim at Mountain View framing where she will print them out and hold for Sandy to display in the library. After they are removed from the display, the print will be given to the photographer. The club will reimburse Mountain View for the prints.

The Board also voted to send \$300 to the Nature Conservatory at River Fork Ranch in appreciation for the use of their facility for Birds and Buckaroos.

Per the by-laws, a nomination committee has been started with Sherri McGee. Sheri will be contacting members to help serve on the committee. The open positions will be”

President, Vice President, Secretary, Director of Contest Speakers and Judges, and Director of Field Trips/Special Events. Contact Sherri if interested.

Dennis Cook then shared his experience on sizing of photos. He presented two photos printed 16x20 that he gave away since he didn't like them. He then printed them smaller and the appearance was more to his liking. I guess that “size matters”.

Photo Contest – Judged by Rick Pott

Subject is “Horses-Wild or Domestic”

First Place goes to Tom Monti for “Boys will be Boys”

Second Place goes to Kimberly Burchiel for “Princess of the Pine Nut Range”

Third Place goes to Tom Monti for “Let’s Dance”

Honorable mention goes to Kimberly Burchiel for “Petite Mare”

Our speaker was club member, Tami Force, also known as NVTami, who shared some daytrip locations suitable for photos.

Tami first discussed just what is a ghost town, as there are many interpretations. She also shared ghost town etiquette. Leave no trace and most items found are legally protected.

She also described that many times, nothing remains as the settlers took all reusable items with them as they moved on.

First Trip -Pine Grove Hills. Located south of Yerington. Also, at nearby locations Rockford and Cambridge. Should only travel with a high clearance 4 wheel drive vehicle

Second trip – Bridgeport Area – Chemung Mine, and Masonic. Don’t forget to stop at the Jolly Cone in Bridgeport on the way home.

Third Trip – Carson River route – Snowshoe Thompsons cave, Devils Ladder, Rock of Angels, Unknown Pioneer, Tragedy Springs Maidens Grave and the Woodford Green house. All of this is along highway 88

Fourth Trip – Nevada Copperbelt Railway, Ludwig, Wabuska and the Thompson Smelter. All located in the Yerington area.

Fifth Trip – Fish Springs valley. Location of Slaters mine and Zirnvile. Not much left.