



Mission Statement

The Friends of Hagerman NWR Nature Photography Club promotes interest in Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge and encourages preservation of wildlife and habitats by supporting, assisting and educating nature photographers of all levels.

SHOWCASE FACEBOOK [FRIENDS OF HAGERMAN NWR NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP](#)



Long-tailed Duck by Laurie Sheppard



Elaine Wilson

NEWS

January Photo Club Meeting. Over 30 people braved the near freezing temperatures on January 20 to attend the first photo club meeting of 2024. Russell Graves, owner of [Hackberry Farm Photo School](#), gave an entertaining presentation of his stunning nature photos from around the world.



Photo Club Committee. The photo club committee members are planning exciting events for 2024. Committee members are Jeff Gladden, Linda Glass, Larry Howard, Sherry Howard, Sheryn Jones, Nancy Miller, Pam Rendall-Bass, Shawn Stone, and Lisa Wilkins.

Thanks to Sherry Howard for elevating the quality of snacks for our January 20th photo club meeting. Delicious!

Did You Know...

You can view current and past newsletters and view photos from past photo club events. There are fantastic photos taken by our photo club members for you to enjoy. Go to <https://friendsofhagerman.com/page-18373> to view.

PHOTO CLUB MEMBERS' PHOTOS FROM FACEBOOK
FRIENDS OF HAGERMAN NWR NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP



Harris's Sparrow by Brenda Kay Edwards



Carolina Wren by Donnie Simmons



Red-headed Woodpecker by Laura Spurlock



Winter Wren by Mayve Strong



Western Meadowlark by Laurie Sheppard



Savannah Sparrow by Lisa Wilkins



Yellow-shafted Northern Flicker by Mike Petrick



White-throated Sparrow by Pam Rendall-Bass

EVENT SCHEDULE

FRIENDS OF HAGERMAN NWR NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB EVENTS WEBSITE

<p>February 17, 2024, Saturday 10:00-11:30 am Click for details.</p>	<p>FIELD TRIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Hagerman NWR. • Photo shoot of Lotus flower stalks at Meadow Pond. The Lotus flower stalks form interesting and abstract shapes in winter. • Event is limited to FOHNWR Nature Photography Club members only.
<p>March 16, 2024, Saturday 1:00 pm Click for details.</p>	<p>PHOTO CLUB MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Visitor Center at Hagerman NWR. • Larry Petterborg will give a presentation about Abstract Photography. Larry will discuss abstract art in general to lead into an exploration of abstract photography. Learn what abstract photography is and how it may help one become a better photographer.
<p>April 20, 2024, Saturday Details TBD.</p>	<p>PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Hagerman NWR. • You will be provided with a Photo Scavenger Hunt list that will have categories. On April 20th, go out on Hagerman NWR grounds and take photographs that match categories on the Photo Scavenger Hunt list.
<p>May 18, 2024, Saturday 1:00 pm Click for details.</p>	<p>PHOTO CLUB MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Visitor Center at Hagerman NWR. • Ken Scheepers will give a presentation about his South Africa trip. Ken recently returned from an 8-week, 6,451-mile trip across South Africa, where he was fortunate to have photographed 172 bird species. Ken is one of our Hagerman photo club members!
<p>June 4, 2024, Tuesday Details coming soon.</p>	<p>FIELD TRIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge in Oklahoma. • The Friends of the Wichitas will be leading a tour bus on the Wichita MWR to take us to areas on the refuge for photography opportunities. • Event is limited to FOHNWR Nature Photography Club members only.
<p>July 20, 2024, Saturday 1:00 pm Details TBD.</p>	<p>PHOTO CLUB MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Visitor Center at Hagerman NWR. • Tabletop Workshop.
<p>September 21, 2024, Saturday 1:00 pm Details TBD.</p>	<p>PHOTO CLUB MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Visitor Center at Hagerman NWR. • Topic TBD.
<p>September 1-30, 2024 Details TBD.</p>	<p>FOHNWR ANNUAL NATURE PHOTO CONTEST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photos can be submitted in September. • Details and instructions are currently being updated.
<p>November 9, 2024, Saturday 10:00 am Details TBD.</p>	<p>WINNERS OF PHOTO CONTEST ANNOUNCED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOH Second Saturday program starts at 10 am. After the program, photo contest winners announced, slideshow of winning photographs shown, and awards presented.
<p>November 16, 2024, Saturday 1:00 pm Details TBD.</p>	<p>PHOTO CLUB MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location: Visitor Center at Hagerman NWR. • Slideshow of winning photographs from the photo contest. • Topic: TBD.

HELPFUL INFO

FRIENDS OF HAGERMAN NWR NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB WEBSITE

2023 Photo Contest Best of Show



Jeffrey Rolinc

FOHNWR ANNUAL NATURE PHOTO CONTEST

Every September, the Friends of Hagerman NWR sponsor a nature-themed photo contest.

- All photos entered in the contest must have been taken within Hagerman NWR boundaries within the past five years.
- Entries will be accepted from September 1 – September 30, 2024.
- Divisions: Beginner and Intermediate/Advanced.
- Categories: TBD for 2024

Details at <https://friendsofhagerman.com/Photo-Club-Contest>.

Come on out to Hagerman NWR and take some winning photographs!

NEWSLETTERS AND FIELD TRIPS ARCHIVES

Newsletters and photos from field trips will be posted on the [Photo Club Newsletters](#) website page.

PHOTO CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP

The [Friends of Hagerman NWR Nature Photography Group](#) on Facebook is aimed to support, assist and educate nature photographers of all levels. Post your photos taken on the Hagerman NWR refuge. You can also ask how to improve a photo, share a technique or tip, ask about camera equipment.

PHOTO CLUB MEMBER DIRECTORY

Want to connect with photo club members to ask questions, share information, see camera equipment? You can share and see contact info in the photo club member directory on the [Friends of Hagerman NWR website](#).

BIRD PHOTOGRAPHY OPPORTUNITIES

For photographers interested in birds, Hagerman NWR has various scheduled events that may give you a great opportunity to locate and photograph birds. All are free and open for everyone to attend. Bring your camera!

- [The Little Sit](#). First Saturdays beginning 30 minutes before sunrise. Dedicated birders conduct a bird count as multiple species fly to the water and surrounding land to feed. Leaders will provide tips for identification of the species. This is not a hike, it a "sit" and participants are advised to bring a chair.
- [Early Bird Walk](#). Second Saturdays at 8:00 am. Lead by Master Naturalist Jack Chiles.
- [Birding with Jack](#). Tuesdays. Experienced birders, including Master Naturalist Jack Chiles, traverse 35 miles of refuge roads and hiking trails, documenting every bird they encounter. Each week they provide a link to their Bird Census Results that lists species and quantity of birds seen at the refuge.

MEMBERSHIP

Interested in joining the Friends of Hagerman NWR and Photo Club or have a friend that is interested? Go to the website at <https://friendsofhagerman.com/Membership> to sign up for a membership.

PHOTO CLUB COMMITTEE

The photo club committee works on planning events, including the annual photo contest. Committee members are Jeff Gladden, Linda Glass, Larry Howard, Sherry Howard, Sheryn Jones, Nancy Miller, Pam Rendall-Bass, Shawn Stone, and Lisa Wilkins. Please reach out to any of us with your suggestions.

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