## Message from the President

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Hello everyone, my name is Teri VanWell, your delighted new president. I am happy and honoured to assume this role in our Club. I am passionate about the art of photography and I intend to do my absolute best to leave a mark of this passion on our group.

I would like to begin by thanking all my predecessors who have made this Club the vital and active community it is today. Very special thanks to Garry Schaefer and Steve Smith who leave the executive to become regular members. My hope is to approach my role in a way that does them and all other members proud.

At this moment the camera Club is running very smoothly because of all its involved and supportive community members. I am constantly impressed by the ideas, insight, and efforts that are forth by members to help fellow members grow and thrive in the world of photography. I myself have grown and learned a great deal under the watchful eyes of so many of you.

My intent is to support the current activities and maintain the smooth running of the Club. I want to honour the past of the Club, particularly as we grow and adopt new members. A tight-knit feeling and tone are what has guaranteed the success of the Club in our changing world. However, as we all know, change is an inevitable force. From new field trips and adventures to new camera technology, the Club has excelled at adapting and improving with the times and I intend to be encouraging and supportive of change that will continue to move us forward.

As we go through the summer months in Victoria, I'd like you to think about what you'd like to see for our upcoming season such as new locations for field trips, new techniques in a workshop, or maybe sharing your story during member's night. Please reach out to me with any new (or old) ideas and thoughts you have for the continued enjoyment of fellow Club members. If we know what our members are looking for, we can try to put something together and my door is always open. Thank you again to all members for electing me as your president. I will do my best to represent and support all of you in the coming months. I am looking forward to taking photos and spending time with each of you.

Teri VanWell, President