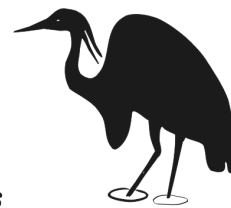


# SVNP NEWS



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### **About SVNP**

*The Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers*  
is an informal group of more than one hundred talented advanced amateur and professional photographers from the western suburbs of Boston, brought together by their passion for capturing the beauty and power of nature through photography.

The group was established in 1995, and regularly exhibits its members' work throughout eastern Massachusetts and on the Internet.

Meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Great Room in the Main House at Traditions Senior Living Facility, 10 Green Way, Wayland, Massachusetts.

## **Schedule of upcoming SVNP programs**

Next Meeting: March 11, 2010 at 7:00 pm. - Sue Abrahamsen is hosting a CD presentation from the Mass. Camera Naturalists (CAMNATS) 50th Anniversary Exhibition. It's a 45 minute program full of nature images, set to music, and will be wonderful to watch! Come early and enjoy snacks and conversation at 6:30 pm.

April 8, 2010 - Amitava Gangulee - "Ancient Bharat to Modern India - a personal view"

May 13, 2010      TBD

June 10, 2010      Mark Hopkins – “Making a Difference (with a camera) in Rural Honduras”

If you have suggestions for programs, please email Wayne Hall or Betsy Moyer (Contact info below) We welcome your input!

### **February Meeting Notes**

Betsy will send around an email with a data gathering form for our membership list, developed by Jon Ehrmann. Participation is voluntary (but strongly encouraged) and for our own use only.

The next group show at the Raytheon Room in the Wayland Public Library will now be in September, for both this year and next - so mark your calendars! It was found out after the meeting that these times were available, so they were reserved.

The field trip to Roger Williams Botanical Center and Zoo in Providence, R.I. was fun, although not many animals were outside and the plants were not properly identified. Linda Crews mentioned that sometimes, if you're lucky after a snowfall, you can see the big cats outside, which makes for lovely photographing. Keep that in mind if you're thinking of a trip there!

The Sudbury Valley Trustees will again host the Riverfest photography (photographing the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord rivers) contest June 12-14. Details will be coming in another newsletter, when they are announced.

As per survey results, SVNPN will look into hosting more educational events, which may be held on a different Thursday than the meeting. If you know of some good topics and teachers, please contact Wayne or Betsy.

Our February member's image program, "Baby, It's Cold Outside!" was a wonderful collection of images submitted by members, which captured the outside winter weather very well! Everything from birds, barns, ice, snow trees, dogs, ice crystals, and ponds were in evidence, and were great fun to see. Being able to see the "before" and "after" shots for some of the pictures also helped understand post-processing techniques that people are using to make the pictures stand out better. **Wayne will create a new special website exhibit based on some of these images. Please send one or two to Wayne as soon as you can.**

### **Announcements**

Carol Walsh is considering coordinating a field trip in early April to Tower Hill botanical garden and greenhouse. <http://www.towerhillbg.org/thweborang.html> Date and details to be determined. If you are interested in going, please let Carol know by email - clesliewalsh@hotmail.com

The Boston Flower Show runs from March 24-28.  
[www.massshort.org/blooms2010](http://www.massshort.org/blooms2010)

Wayne Hall reminds those who indicated an interest in having a page on SVNPs website that he will be happy to do so. Just in case you missed the announcement in the January newsletter, here it is again:

### Showcasing Your Work on the SVNPs Website

Nearly half of the members who responded to the member survey indicated that they were not presently displaying their work on our group website, but would like to.

So, here's what to do to get your own page on our site (<http://svnp.homestead.com>).

1. Choose six images which you would like to display. Technical requirements are:
  - JPEG files
  - A maximum of 700 pixels on the longer dimension
  - Resolution of 100 dpi, JPEG quality setting (compression level) 8 or 9This should yield a file size, on average, in the 100-200 kilobyte range for each photograph. Provide a title (caption) for each image.
2. Write a brief bio describing your photographic interests and accomplishments (see the website for examples).
3. Provide contact information (name, Email and/or phone number). If you also have your own website, please include its URL.

Email all of the above to Wayne Hall, webmaster, at [wah@waynehallphotography.com](mailto:wah@waynehallphotography.com). JPEGs must be sent as Email attachments. Email or call Wayne (978-443-9226) with any questions.

<b>SVNP Exhibit Calendar</b>		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Exhibit Location</u>
<i>SVNP Member Exhibits</i>		
Feb/Mar	Betsy Moyer	First Parish Church, Wayland Center "Florascapes"
<i>SVNP Group Exhibits</i>		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Exhibit Location</u>	
Ongoing	Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA	
September, 2010	Raytheon Room, Wayland Library	

Do you have an upcoming exhibit? Toot your horn and announce it in the newsletter! Send details to Wayne Hall or to Betsy Moyer (Contact info below) Feel free to cc details to Suzie for the newsletter as well: [mackenzie45@gmail.com](mailto:mackenzie45@gmail.com).

### **Steering Committee Meeting notes from February 25, 2010**

In attendance: Betsy Moyer, Wayne Hall, Carol Walsh, Jon Ehrmann, Susan MacKenzie, and Don Sherman.

1. Membership list info request will be emailed to members soon. Responses tallied by March 15th.
2. Betsy Moyer will work on scheduling a photoshop seminar.
3. SVNPN Exhibit at the Wayland Library will be in September of 2010 and 2011.
4. Betsy and Jon are working to set up some sort of bank account.
5. Steering Committee will attempt to meet every quarter. All are invited to attend.
6. Betsy will develop a welcome packet - Susan agreed to help.

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Do you have interesting website links or other information useful for SVNPN members? Feel free to send it to the Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the Newsletter!

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