

SVNP NEWSLETTER, JUNE 2015

INCLUDING MINUTES OF THE JUNE 11, 2015 MEETING

Betsy called the meeting to order by announcing upcoming programs: Bob Cooke and Sue Abrahamsen in separate presentations dealing with the Southern Hemisphere on July 9. August is slated to be semi-annual Member Images night. See below for the subject. The September program will be the continuation of Terri Ackerman's southeast Asian journey. The previously scheduled joint program stemming from the just-completed six-member trip to Zion National Park has been moved to October. There were announcements of exhibit activity. Please see the exhibit section of the newsletter.

Member Images Night Theme

This time, a choice of two options (combining them is encouraged, as well):

1. Photographs from Sudbury Valley Trustees properties, in support of our upcoming November exhibit
2. "Near and Far," using either the "wrist twist" or "foot powered" zoom methodology (or annoying zoom lever, in some cases...) - near and not-so-near images of the same subject. Explore how varying the context can affect a subject's impact or meaning. This is not at all like cropping, since it's done with the camera at shooting time, not afterwards.

Important to Note: Reminder repeated from last issues

We still need someone new to take care of certain correspondence, help with newspaper and electronic publicity (e.g. write articles for the Concord and Lincoln Journals, post event announcements on the Internet), occasionally run the monthly meeting in Wayne's absence, etc. Please contact Wayne if you're willing to help out.

Art in Nature, Continuing

The SVNP exhibition, Art in Nature, organized by Carol Walsh, opened in May. The room is spacious and easily accommodates the 33 images (most of them sizeable) collected from the 12 participating members. This is a very strong show in a wonderful space – a must-see. The exhibit will be up until July 25. The address of the Betty Meyer Gallery may be found in the exhibit listings, given below.

Artists in the Garden

In case some members have not received this invitation, Garden in the Woods is offering a program that gives artists access to the Garden on select Fridays between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m., before it opens to the public and when the light is especially beautiful. This gives participants a chance to photograph, paint, draw, and sketch beautiful landscapes, native wildflowers, pollinators, and more. Garden in the Woods is located at 180 Hemenway Road, Framingham, MA 01701. For more information about their Artists in the Garden series, please visit <http://newenglandwild.org/learn/our-programs/artists-in-the-garden-4>

Riverfest Photo Walk, June 20, 2015, 6:15pm

Just a reminder from the RSC Riverfest listing:

Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers will host a Photo Walk around the Cow Common in Wayland. Join SVNP member Hendrik Broekman in a stroll around the 65-acre plot, looking for interesting photos in a mixture of forest and field with some views across the Sudbury River marshes (leaves permitting).

Meet at the Cow Common parking lot on Old Sudbury Road (Route 27) across from the North Cemetery. Rain date: Sunday. If you have any questions, call 508-358-2980.

Newbury Court Display Space

There is yet more space available on the walls of the Community Room, our present gallery space. For those who have not yet visited Newbury Court, Wayne has placed two images of a portion of the space up on the SVNP website (click on Upcoming Programs). The project to produce a self-guiding tour of the display in the Community Room has, according to Betsy, come to limited fruition in the form of “a carry-around list available on the piano”. Should you have any suggestions or questions, please get in touch with Betsy (978-369-1261 or bmga@aol.com).

The Evening’s Presentation, June 11, 2015

Paul Smith: Favorite Florida Birding Locations

The presentation was given by Paul Smith among whose other distinctions is holding down the post of newsletter editor for the Gateway Camera Club. Paul led the group on a clockwise tour of favorite Florida locations for bird photography. Logistical issues were dealt with in favor of gear or settings although he showed no reticence in answering questions of technique. The presentation was copiously illustrated with fine examples of bird photography, both static and in flight. At the conclusion of the presentation the group was unanimous in offering admiration. A pdf of the meat of the presentation, the where & when sorts of information for each location, can be found at the link given below.

<http://tinyurl.com/junepresentation-PaulSmith>

Congratulations to Mark Hopkins

Mark has communicated the following: “One of my photos was just awarded a Juror’s Choice award in a photography competition at the ASmith Gallery, which is a very active, nationally recognized photographic art gallery near San Antonio, TX. It’s a really nice show that’s now up online, and I’ve included a link below since I think many SVNP members would enjoy paying it a visit.

<http://svnp.homestead.com>

“I should also mention that another of my photos was awarded Second Prize in the Copley Society of Art’s last summer member show, an all-media event.

“Thirdly, there’s another really nice on-line exhibition at the Photoplace Gallery in Middlebury VT that is very much worth a visit. I’ve added a link below.

<http://asmithgallery.com/current-exhibition/>

<http://photoplacegallery.com/the-golden-hours-at-dawn-and-dusk/>

“Lastly, I just learned that the Copley Society of Art is planning a small photography exhibition of its members’ work at Dayton-Home, a home furnishings retail facility in Wellesley Hills, July 15 to Sept 15, that might be worth a visit. The theme is “Water’s Edge”. It features the work of five photographers: Bobby Baker, Kathleen Archer, Debby Krim, Max Stern, and myself. There appears to be some talent here based on a quick scan of their websites, which you can visit via the Copley Society link below. Clicking on the artist’s name takes you directly to his/her site.”

[HTTP://WWW.COPLEYSOCIETY.ORG/ABOUT/ARTISTS.HTML](http://www.copleysociety.org/about/artists.html)

<http://svnp.homestead.com>

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING SVNP PROGRAMS

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| July 9, 2015 | Bob Cooke, former Boston Globe science reporter - "The South Pole and Antarctica - 1983" and Sue Abrahamsen - "Images of the Amazon" |
| Aug. 13, 2015 | Semi-annual "member images" night on the twin subjects given on page 1, above. |
| Sept. 10, 2015 | Terri Ackerman - India, Cambodia, Viet Nam Part 2 |
| Oct. 8, 2015 | Utah - joint presentation by participants in the recent SVNP trip to Southwest Utah |

Please Note - All meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month, at 7:00 pm, at the following location:

Community Room
Newbury Court
80 Deaconess Road
Concord, MA

Directions may be found at the link immediately below

http://svnp.homestead.com/files/Directions_to_Newbury_Court.pdf

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SVNP EXHIBIT CALENDAR

Group exhibits

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| Ongoing | Newbury Court - Community Room, 80
Deaconess Road, Concord, MA
rotating exhibit |
| May 3 – July 25 | Art in Nature - Betty Meyer Gallery, United
Parish of Auburndale, 64 Hancock St.,
Auburndale (Newton), MA |
| November 1-30 | Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library,
Wayland, MA - a collaborative effort with the
Sudbury Valley Trustees |

Traveling Exhibit sponsored by the River Stewardship Council

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| Aug. 2015 | Sudbury, Goodnow Library |
| Oct. - Dec. 2015 | Carlisle, Gleason Library |

Individual Member Exhibits

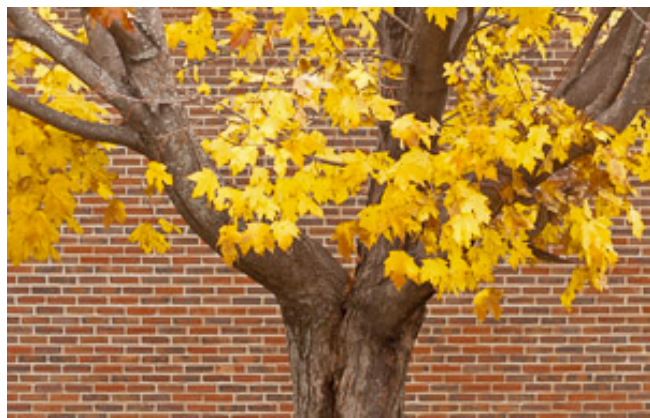
SVNP members - please notify Wayne Hall (wah@waynehallphotography.com) of your upcoming individual exhibits for posting on the SVNP website.

Date	Member	Exhibit Location
Ongoing	Marijke Holtrop	Online Exhibit on the website of the Friends of the Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge (http://farnwr.org/gallery.html)
Current	Terri Ackerman	New England Olive Oil Company, 191 Sudbury Rd., Concord, MA
Current	George Brawerman	Online exhibit in the Archives of the Pelican Cove, FL Photo Club website http://pelicancovephotographyclub.zenfolio.com/p912264185
Apr. 17 – June 5	Terri Ackerman	Harvey Wheeler Community Center, 1276 Main Street, West Concord, MA
July 17- Aug. 28	Joan Chasan	Harvey Wheeler Community Center, 1276 Main Street, West Concord, MA

An Invitation from your Editor

As you may have noticed, these newsletters have displayed a tendency to get longer. If having a meatier monthly read is of interest to you then, please, I invite you to send anything you may wish to contribute to future newsletters (photos, personal news, reviews, neat tricks you find worth sharing, etc.) to me at henkbroekman@gmail.com. Please include SVNP in the subject line.

I especially invite presenters and members sharing images to select and submit files for illustrative purposes. I expect we could accommodate 2 images for main presenters and one each for after-presentation sharing. Generally, expect to see half-column layout along the lines of this example. If you have photos you may wish to share, please submit jpg files sized to no more than 300 px long side. Submission deadline will be 11:59 pm on the Monday following the meeting. Inclusion in any particular newsletter will be at my discretion based on newsletter length, distribution file weight, current workload, etc.



Photo, Hendrik Broekman

Hendrik Broekman