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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

September 9 - Ron McAdow, Executive Director of the Sudbury Valley Trustees, will give a slide talk on "Knowing Our Birds." He will introduce us to the birds around us, and show images of birds, accompanied by recordings of their songs. He will also explain the birds' habitat needs, and where to go to see them.

October 14 - Chris Rowan may do a presentation on his photography techniques shown at the member images night.

There are no programs scheduled for November and beyond. If you would like to volunteer or if you have suggestions for programs, please email Wayne Hall or Betsy Moyer (Contact info below). We welcome your input!

August Meeting Notes

August 12, 2010 was our semi-annual member images night, with the topic: "A Different Point of View" - Common shots in an uncommon way. Many members brought images to share - Betsy Moyer, Russell Kirby, Carol Walsh, Marilyn Tromer, Suzie MacKenzie, Susan Majors, Don Sherman, Chris Rowan, Marijke Holtrop, and Henry Weisenburger. All were wonderful! It is always such a treat to see what members are shooting, and to see their different points of view.

Announcements

Remember to bring images on memory sticks (not CD's) when you have photos to share at the meeting. Contact Don Sherman (don@donaldsherman.com; 978-443-9450) if you have problems with this.

Whale Watch- SVNP Field Trip (from Carol Walsh, field trip organizer). Sunday August 29. 1:30pm start - 4 hour cruise out of Gloucester on 7 Seas Whale Watch. The cost is \$ 45 per adult, or senior is \$ 39. If you are an AAA member you get a \$ 5 discount.

This is a wonderful whale watch- good boat and always a good naturalist on board. Have a look at their website since they always tell you the latest sightings. www.7seas-whalewatch.com. If you have questions, please email Carol Walsh at clesliewalsh@hotmail.com.

Mark your calendars! Here's our September **Raytheon Room exhibit schedule**, approved by Wayne and the Library:

Wed, Sept 1, 10-12: Bring and hang prints at Raytheon Room of the Wayland Public Library We could use some help with the hanging.

Sun, Sept 19: Reception 2:30 - 4:30. We have the room from 2 - 5 to allow for setup and cleanup. We need volunteers to provide food and help with the cleanup that day.

Thurs, Sept 30, no later than 5 p.m.: Take down.

Please mark your calendar for the next Natick **Oldtown Photo Calendar Competition - October 17, 2010.** Please forward this date to photographer friends. The Competition is made possible in part through advertisements and sponsorship that start as low as \$45. This is a terrific, targeted local marketing opportunity with high visibility (year long!) and low cost. Further information on the project is at www.oldtowncalendar.org.

Exhibition space will be available in the Raytheon room of the Wayland library in 2011, in the months of February, March, June, July, August and November. January may possibly also be available. If anyone is interested in the space, contact George Brauerman (brawerman@verizon.net).

SVNP dues this year will be \$15. Invoices will be sent via email before the end of August.

Two empty chains on the Traditions walls need filling. No need to wait until the next meeting to bring down a print. Come most any time and let the receptionist know you are from Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers and are there to hang a print.

PHOTO CONTEST - ACTON CONSERVATION LANDS

(The following item is from SVNP member Tom Arnold)

Acton's Land Stewardship Committee is holding its first photo contest, and they welcome submissions in the following categories: Landscapes, people on conservation lands, and flora/fauna. A panel of jurors will select a first, second and third place image in each category. In addition, a "Best In Show" will be selected. To be considered, any images must have been taken between April 1, 2010 and October 30, 2010 on any parcel of conservation land in Acton.

Any person may submit up to five images by submitting an optical disc (CD or DVD) to the Conservation or Information Technology departments on the first floor of the Acton Town Hall *not later than Friday, November 5, 2010*. Photo files must be in JPEG (or JPG) format and must be high res JPEG images.

Please write your first and last name on the disc. The disc must be accompanied by an entry form which can be accessed on the Land Stewardship Committee website at http://actontrails.org/2010PhotoContest. Discs will not be returned. Winning photographs will be displayed on the Land Stewardship Committee website with the title of the image and the name of the photographer. Contact: Tom Arnold tba1959@comcast.net

SVNP Exhibit Calendar

Individual Member Exhibits

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

<u>Date</u> <u>Member</u> <u>Exhibit Location</u>

June 5 - September 11 Betsy Moyer "Wildflowers of North Carolina"

Newbury Court, 100 Newbury Court,

Concord, MA

October, 2010 Joan Chasan Panache Coffee House, 680 Worcester Road

Framingham, MA

SVNP Group Exhibits

<u>Date</u> <u>Exhibit Location</u>

Ongoing Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA

September, 2010 Raytheon Room, Wayland Library

April through? Special SVNP website exhibit – "Baby, It's Cold Outside!"

Other Exhibits in which SVNP Members are Participating

Date Exhibit Location

September, 2010 Sudbury Art Association, Goodnow Library, Concord Rd.,

Sudbury, MA

Sherry Fendell, Wayne Hall, and Jon Ehrmann

October 16-17, 2010 Sudbury Open Studios Weekend (various venues)

Sherry Fendell and Wayne Hall

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.

The National Heritage Museum on Route 2A in Lexington is still featuring a stunning exhibit by Quang-Tuan Luong entitled "Treasured Lands – the 58 U. S. National Parks in Focus" until October 17, 2010. It is truly magnificent!

Link: http://www.monh.org/Default.aspx?tabid=587

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