

SVNP NEWSLETTER, AUGUST 2015

INCLUDING MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 13, 2015 MEETING

Wayne called the well-attended meeting to order by reminding those present that September will see the continuation of Terri Ackerman's travels to North Vietnam and India. The joint program stemming from the just-completed six-member trip to Zion National Park will be presented in October. There were announcements of exhibit activity. Please see the exhibit section of the newsletter. We were warned expect a call for images for the November show in the Raytheon room at the Wayland Public Library.

Call for Programs

Although our programs are scheduled through October, there is nothing in the pipeline. If you have suggestions for programs - especially of a how-to nature - please contact Wayne.

Newbury Court Display Space

Even with the recent addition of Betsy's "Kite", a striking 22" x 55" canvas wrap extravaganza, 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). Come see "Kite"!

Member Images, August 13, 2015

There were two themes: images from properties administered by the Sudbury Valley Trustees (or neighboring properties) and "Near/Far", an opportunity for personal examination of the results

available from varying one's point of view either by moving toward (or away from) the subject or using a zoom lens to good effect.

Betsy Moyer showed far/near shots of Vinalhaven, Maine, wildflowers and butterflies at the Butterfly House in Westford, MA.

Wayne followed with intriguing images of bubbles being blown by a family group at Walden Pond – wait for it – in the snow! Close-up views of Marsh Marigolds taken at Gray Reservation helped demonstrate the power of varying point of view.



Bubbles – Wayne Hall

Two views of locomotives surrounded by spring wildflowers provided good examples of the difference between portraits and environmental portraits.

Carol Walsh started with an image taken in Zion National Park of a bush on the banks of the Virgin River. Inconspicuous in the branches is a Western Junco but, with the miracle of modern zoom lenses, voila, a portrait! Carol then showed a series of five images of a rock outcropping on Deer Isle that went from an overall view to very detailed abstracts of clefts and texture.

Sue Abrahamsen offered views of Pickerel Weed in the Sudbury and others taken on a trip to the Pacific Northwest with a new squeeze, an Olympus E-M10, a micro 4/3 camera.

Marilyn Tromer had a varied selection of near/far images: her dog in the backyard, Cat Rocks in Weston, a painted turtle at Garden in the Woods, and two from the Carlisle Cranberry Bog, a dragonfly and heron .

Hendrik Broekman showed a set of near/nearer images taken mostly at the Cow Common in Wayland. The last, a composite star trail taken on the evening of the Perseid peak, started a discussion of blending modes in Photoshop.

Anne Umphrey offered several near/far pairs of different cacti taken in Arizona at the Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park. Her image "Ice Goblets" of ice formations at the North Bridge in Concord provoked much comment.

Terri Ackerman offered further progress on photos shown at previous meetings, "Hazelbrook" and "Explosion". She also had some images of a fritillary from the Butterfly Garden at the Acton Arboretum.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING SVNPN PROGRAMS

- Sept. 10, 2015 Terri Ackerman - North Vietnam and India
- Oct. 8, 2015 Utah - joint presentation by participants in the
recent SVNPN 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

SVNP EXHIBIT CALENDAR

Group exhibits

Ongoing	Newbury Court - Community Room, 80 Deaconess Road, Concord, MA rotating exhibit
November 1-30	"Nature Preserved" - Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library, Wayland, MA - a collaborative effort with the Sudbury Valley Trustees

Traveling Exhibit sponsored by the River Stewardship Council

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.

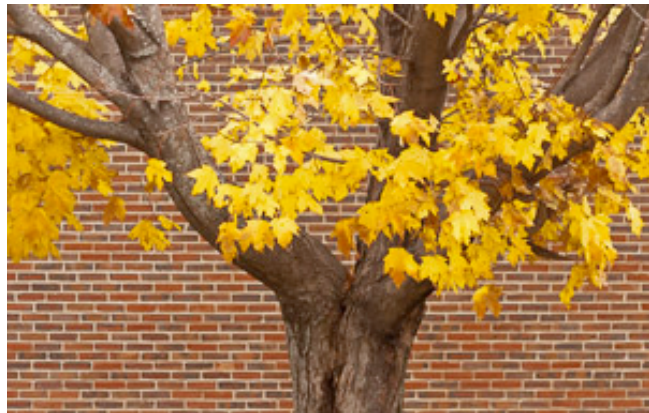
Date	Member	Exhibit Location
Ongoing	Marijke Holtrop	Online Exhibit on the website of the Friends of the Assabet River

		National Wildlife Refuge (http://farnwr.org/gallery.html)
Sept.-Dec.	Terri Ackerman	Reasons to be Cheerful, Commonwealth Ave. W. Concord, MA
July 15-Sept.15	Mark Hopkins, et al.	Copley Society of Art Exhibit at Dayton Home, 276 Washington St., Wellesley Hills, MA http://tinyurl.com/nodwqbw
Oct. 1-31	Barbara Peskin	Cary Memorial Library, Lexington, 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 750 px long side.



Photo, Hendrik Broekman

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.

Hendrik Broekman