

# SVNP NEWSLETTER, NOVEMBER, 2017

INCLUDING MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 9, 2017 MEETING

Wayne called the meeting to order. The annual show at the Wayland Public Library was mounted on Hallowe'en afternoon. The reception took place on the following Sunday, November 5.

Members with photographs mounted in the member gallery at Newbury Court are reminded of the desirability of having fresh images rotated into the display. When you do wish to swap images, please inform Betsy Moyer (bmga@aol.com) of the planned change and provide full photo information: title, contact info, dimensions (framed, horizontal dimension first), medium (e.g., inkjet, etc.), price.

## Call for Programs

We currently have no program scheduled for February, 2018 and none scheduled past March, 2018. Any suggestions you may have for programs - especially of a how-to nature - would be appreciated. Please call (978-443-9226) or email Wayne ([wah@waynehallphotography.com](mailto:wah@waynehallphotography.com)) if you are willing to give a presentation yourself or if you know someone to recommend.

## The Evening's Presentation

Those who attended this month's meeting had the pleasure of hearing Eric Smith present a voluminously illustrated program entitled *Stories of Wildlife from Around New England*. The presentation went light on *How* but dealt in detail on *What*, *Where*, and *When*. In particular, Eric discussed the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge, Daniel Webster Mass Audubon Sanctuary, and the Wellfleet Bay Mass Audubon Sanctuary. Space doesn't allow a complete list of the species shown during the evening but, with seventeen years shooting with ultra-long telephotos under his belt, there are probably few common species, resident or transient, that Eric didn't show.

Following the presentation, Eric took questions from the room. One question that got a lot of attention was where to go other than the three plots that he featured. One resource he suggested to use to get an idea of the possibilities is <http://ebird.org/content/ebird/>. Some of the places he mentioned are Mass Audubon's Habitat in

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Belmont, Horn Pond in Woburn, the Old Grove Cemetery in Lexington, or any local community gardens for hummers and wrens. He ended with this thought, "Town conservation land can be surprisingly good."

### Member News

**Terri Ackerman** will be showing and selling at the Sudbury Arts Association annual Holiday Market, Thanksgiving til Christmas Eve, in Sudbury Center.

For the month of December **Ed McGuirk** is showing prints at the Wellesley Public Library, Wakelin Room. The subject is *Four Seasons of New England Landscapes*.

The Macro workshop led by **Ed McGuirk** took place Sunday, November 12, as scheduled. The number of participants dwindled to half the expected. The misfortune belonged to those unable to attend and the winners were those who did and saw their available shooting and tuition time double. Ed brought a collection of mineral slabs large and varied enough that it was impossible for anyone to say that they had done it all.

Anne Umphrey mentioned she would be participating in a March 2018 photographic trip to Iceland with National Parks at Night. Information may be found at:

<http://www.nationalparksatnight.com/new-workshops-2018>

### Paddling, Anyone?

Reminder: A proposal was made to see if there is sufficient interest in doing one or more photographic field trips by kayak in 2018. There are many options for where to put-in, such as Sherman Bridge, Southbridge Boat House, etc. If you think you might be interested or have suggestions, please let Terri Ackerman know (tackerman5@hotmail.com).

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## December Preview

SVNP member Bob Diefenbacher will present two short videos, made with ProShow Gold.

"A Photo Workshop in Southwestern Utah" consists of images of Arches and Canyonlands National Parks in early fall while participating in a 7-day photo workshop sponsored by Arizona Highways Friends of Photography.

"Yosemite in Winter" features images made during a Tauck Event in San Francisco and Yosemite at Christmas time. It includes interesting spots in San Francisco, a trip through Muir Woods, accommodations at the Awahnee Hotel in Yosemite, a talk by Ansel Adams son, Michael, and the renowned Bracebridge dinner at the Awahnee.

Bob will also be prepared to speak about the software he used to produce the videos.

## UPCOMING SVNP PROGRAMS

- December, 2017      Bob Diefenbacher - "A Photo Workshop in Southwestern Utah" and "Yosemite in Winter"
- January 11, 2018      Terri Ackerman - "A Look at the Former Yugoslavia" and "Autumn River Abstracts"
- March 8, 2018      Shawn Carey - "Tanzania - A Photographer's Journey"

**Please Note - All meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](http://svnp.homestead.com/files/Directions_to_Newbury_Court.pdf)

### **Lower Garage Parking**

Although Newbury Court wants to extend hospitality to Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers to the greatest extent possible, there is concern that the Lower Garage is being opened unnecessarily for SVNP members on our meeting nights. Because Newbury Court is always concerned about security, if no one is using the garage, Newbury Court would prefer to keep it closed. If, however, SVNP members use it regularly or when the weather is bad — snow, rain, etc. — the garage can be opened at those times. Please let Betsy Moyer know (bmga@aol.com) your wishes. Newbury Court will be guided by the members' responses.

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# SVNP EXHIBIT CALENDAR

## Group Exhibits

Ongoing	Newbury Court - Community Room, 80 Deaconess Road, Concord, MA rotating exhibit
November	Wayland Public Library (Raytheon Room)

## Individual Member Exhibits

SVNP members - please notify Wayne Hall ([wah@waynehallphotography.com](mailto: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 ( <a href="http://farnwr.org/gallery.html">http://farnwr.org/gallery.html</a> )
Ongoing	Betsy Moyer	Newbury Court Senior Living, Concord MA Neighborhood Flowers, 5th floor, south bldg Prints and Canvases, 3rd floor, north bldg
Nov 1-20	Sue Abrahamsen	Nancy's Airfield Cafe, 303 Boxborough Rd., Stow, MA Reception Sun. Nov. 19, 3-4pm
ends Nov 16	Betsy Moyer	Southgate Retirement Community Lobby, 30 Julio Drive, Shrewsbury, MA

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Nov 25–Dec 27	Barbara Peskin	Lincoln Public Library, Lincoln, MA
December	Ed McGuirk	Wakelin Room, Wellesley Library, 530 Washington St. Wellesley, MA Artist's Reception Tuesday, December 5, 6:30-8:30
Jan 3–Feb 28	Barbara Peskin	Cary Library, Lexington, MA., Artist's Reception Sunday Jan. 14, 2018, 1:30-3pm

### 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 (a précis of an upcoming presentation, photos, personal news, reviews, neat tricks you find worth sharing, etc.) to me at [henkbroekman@gmail.com](mailto: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 it would be possible to accommodate two 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 no smaller than 1200 px on the 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.

*Hendrik Broekman*



*August Flowers; Photo, Hendrik Broekman*