

SVNP NEWSLETTER, DECEMBER, 2020

INCLUDING MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 10 MEETING

There are currently opportunities to give presentations starting as soon as May, 2021. Any suggestions you may have for programs – especially of a how-to nature – would be appreciated. Please email (wah@waynehallphotography.com) or call (978-443-9226) Wayne if you are willing to give a presentation yourself or if you know someone to recommend.

The Evening's Presentation: Down on the Farm

Wayne Hall presented a show detailing his long involvement with the Stearns Farm on Edmands Road in northwest corner of Framingham. Wayne started by giving a short history of the land, from the farm's founding, in 1723 by Timothy Stearns, through several owners up to its current status as the base of a non-profit CSA. After an overview, the program was organized by farm activities: In the fields, greenhouse, and ready for pickup. After this Wayne moved away from documentary style to images displaying a more aesthetic air, along with photos from the flower garden as well as some displaying end/out-of-



*Stearns Farm: Peppers;
photo, Wayne Hall*



*Stearns Farm: Late Season;
photo, Wayne Hall*

season scenes. The farm seems to have a loyal following of customers and volunteers. Some of these images have been shot with an eye to their inclusion in a planned cookbook the organization expects to publish in the coming spring. Anyone who has had to deal with a “new-to-me” vegetable in a CSA share will recognize the usefulness of such a volume.

More information about Stearns Farm and its programs may be found at: <https://stearnsfarmcsa.org>

Member Images

Ed McGuirk showed a series of fine landscapes taken on pandemic day trips ranging from northern New Hampshire to the Quabbin to the Newbury Salt Marsh.

Hendrik Broekman continued his documentation of the proposition that, with a camera along, dog walks need not be boring.

Karin McQuillan showed several photographs of impressive, evocative weather she has seen across the western half of the country, from the Pacific coast to the eastern Rockies.

Marilyn Tromer showed four recent sky images taken at Heard Pond.

January 2021 Preview: 20 Years in Jackson Hole Wyoming

Karin McQuillan writes, "My husband and I moved from Concord to Jackson Hole in 2000. One of the few things I miss is the camaraderie, learning and sharing at SVNP. Doing nature photography in the Sudbury Valley, I was interested in macros, close-ups and intimate views of nature. It took me a while to figure out how to adapt to Jackson - this is a retrospective of my development as a wildlife and landscape photographer. I will include the national park, but most of the photos will be from my own backyard. You will be amazed!"

UPCOMING SVNPN PROGRAMS

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| Jan 14, 2021 | Karin McQuillan - <i>20 Years in Jackson Hole Wyoming</i> |
| Feb 11 | Anne Umphrey - <i>The People of Cuba</i> |
| Mar 11 | Semi-annual Member Images Night: <i>Theme TBD</i> |
| Apr 8 | Terri Ackerman - <i>The Younger Generation</i> |

Please Note - We expect meetings to be held electronically, via the web, until such time as the membership feels safe in engaging in face-to-face gatherings.

SVNP EXHIBIT CALENDAR

Group Exhibits

Ongoing/ On Hiatus	Newbury Court - Community Room, 80 Deaconess Road, Concord, MA rotating exhibit
Postponed	Wayland Public Library - Raytheon Room, 5 Concord Road, Wayland, MA
May-June 2021	Trinity Episcopal Church, 81 Elm St, Concord, MA; <i>25th Anniversary Exhibition</i>

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)
Ongoing	Betsy Moyer	Newbury Court Senior Living, Concord MA <i>Neighborhood Flowers</i> , 5th floor, south bldg

An Invitation from your Editor

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. 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 or so 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



*Late Summer Dragon;
photo, Hendrik Broekman*