# SUDBURY VALLEY NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS

September 2014 Newsletter and Meeting Notes

Note: Hendrik Broekman, our newsletter editor, is still recovering from arm surgery. I apologize for my rather haphazard attempt at filling in for him again this month...

Wayne

## September 2014 - "Bird Brains", with SVNP co-founder Budd Titlow

Noted author, nature photographer and SVNP co-founder Budd Titlow gave a fascinating presentation based on his latest book, "Bird Brains – Inside the Strange Minds of Our Fine Feathered Friends". In addition to the expected stunning avian photography, everyone present learned a great deal about bird behavior, as anticipated. Budd is currently shooting with Canon equipment (EOS 60D and 70D), and had high praise for his "go-to" lens – the Canon 70-300mm "L" model. He almost always relies on autofocus, and a typical exposure setting for his bird photography might include a shutter speed of 1/2500<sup>th</sup> of a second at ISO 1600.

Some of his favorite shooting locations in Florida, where he now lives, include the Ding Darling Refuge, the Alligator Farm (St. Augustine), the Viera Wetlands (Palm Beach), and St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge near Tallahassee.

Budd's book is available from Amazon.com and other sources. (editor's note: there are also a few copies available for loan within the Minuteman Library Network at <u>www.min.lib.ma.us</u>.)

#### **Member News**

- 1. Wayne Hall will be participating again this year in the Sudbury Art Association's "Art Around Town" event October 18 and 19. For more information, go to <u>www.sudburyart.org</u>.
- Terri Ackerman's work has been selected for inclusion in the landscape/seascape show at the Post Road Art Center on Route 20 in Marlborough, MA, beginning on Sept. 4 (www.postroadartcenter.com), and for the "animal art" exhibit at the Belmont Gallery of Art in Belmont, MA which begins on Sept. 14 (reception 9/19 5-8PM – www.belmontgallery.org).

## Field Trip to Zion and Bryce National Parks – April 13-19, 2015

Carol Walsh, our resident travel agent, is arranging the above. Ten members are needed to make the trip viable. She had detailed itinerary information available at the meeting for those interested. There may still be a few spaces available. For details, click here:

http://svnp.homestead.com/files/SVNP\_Zion\_2015\_Photo\_Trip\_- Copy.pdf

Contact Carol if you're interested at <a href="mailto:clesliewalsh@hotmail.com">clesliewalsh@hotmail.com</a>.

## Exhibit Calendar

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

Individual Member Exhibiting at:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Member</u>	Exhibit Location
Current	Bob Cooke	Emma's Café, Great Road Shopping Center, Route 117, Stow, MA, and Nancy's Air Field Café, Minute Man Air Field, Stow, MA
AugSept., 2014	Bob Cooke	Emerson Hospital, Concord, MA
Current	Marijke Holtrop	Online Exhibit on the website of the Friends of the Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge ( <u>http://farnwr.org/gallery.html</u>
Current	Terri Ackerman	Farfalle Italian Market, 26 Concord Crossing and New England Olive Oil Company, Sudbury Road, both in Concord, MA
First Thurs. ea. mo.	Terri Ackerman	Open house at Emerson Umbrella, Concord, MA (6-8 PM)
Sept. 1 – Oct. 31	Mark Hopkins	"Shot in Lincoln", Bemis Hall, Lincoln, MA

#### SVNP Group Exhibits:

<u>Date</u>	Exhibit Location
Ongoing	Community Room at Newbury Court, Concord, MA
November, 2014	Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library – annual fall exhibit
September, 2014	Wayland Public Library (Raytheon Room) – River Stewardship Council exhibit (photographs provided by SVNP members)

#### Upcoming Programs

October 9 – Wayne Hall – "A Nature Photographer's Guide to Composition" (developed for the Sudbury Art Association)

November 13 – "Two Takes on Turkey" – Terri Ackerman and Hendrik Broekman

December 11 - Ed McGuirk - subject TBD

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