

PentaxForums.com Second Annual East Coast
Workshop/Gathering: Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge
June 26-28th 2009

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Welcome to the Workshop/Gathering Below you will find most of the information you will need for the Gathering.

If any questions please contact Brendan Cavanaugh at brendanp3@gmail.com or 410-382-4478
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We will need to drive to 1 or 2 places (depending on options/hikes chosen); I ask if we can carpool to save gas/parking. Those who opt to be a group-vehicle (anyone have a mini-van?) for this I will give an extra 16x20 print or two to compensate for gas

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge Regulations please visit: <http://www.fws.gov/blackwater/>

What to Bring: *Note this is a rain-or-shine event!*

- >Camera, Lenses, Flashes, Tripods, batteries, chargers, surge suppressor etc.
- >Camera bag and/or day pack suitable for hiking up to 2.5 miles with
- >Summer-clothing + 1 set of WARM clothes if it gets cold (can get down to 40's even in the summer!)
- >Sturdy hiking shoes, any hiking staffs and/or braces if needed (though low-impact hikes, they are not paved or on even ground)
- >Rain gear (both camera and personal) this is a rain-or-shine event!
- >Food and light snacks of your choice
- >Film and/or Laptop for digital downloads
- >**Insect repellent** (It is tick season and they have mosquitoes that will carry you away while we photograph it; it is the outdoors)
- >WATER! And Water bottles (at least 2 16-20oz bottles for hikes) to stay hydrated. They do have potable water and ice there, but if picky, bring bottled stuff.
- >A collapsible/camp chair
- >Flashlights (storms can cause power outages and are needed for evening hike)
- >Medications (general and prescription) This is the outdoors, if you are severely allergic to something bring those medications (ex: epee-pen) EVERYWHERE you go!
- >Small first aid Kit (recommended with an ACE bandage)
- >Support braces (knee, ankle etc) if needed
- >Any other supplies you may need (toiletries etc)

I will have some gear to try out/borrow but you must have your own SD cards (or CF if it's the old *ist-D) I have lenses ranging from 14-400mm of various brands, makes models etc. some flashes and other random equipment.

Please plan to share your lenses (especially if you have unique ones) with others too

Schedule:

Tentative schedule Subject to change due to weather and requests

Friday

We can shoot around the refuge/sunset etc. I will figure a good place. We will do a M&G again, We will probably have a Pizza Party!

Saturday

Sunrise! for anyone interested... I have never shot sunrise in the reserve so I can't say around there, but there are many places we can find water to shoot over

Breakfast (at hotel) Fig around 7am-ish (depends on sunrise, again I fig someplace close) than

after breakfast off to the refuge for a day of shooting etc. (we can head into one of the towns to shoot for a bit mid-day too if you like) After I am trying to find a place for a group meal, than another slide-show of the days works back at the hotel

Sunday

Sunrise??? Breakfast, checkout than off to OC for a day at the beach, dinner? (Dutch treat at the beach) than home

Food:

I will be providing dinner Friday and we will be eating in a local restaurant Saturday evening (included in price)

(Light Snacks water and sodas provided/included w/ workshop fee)

Breakfast provided with room at hotel (extended/delux contential)

Friday:

Evening M&G with Pizza sodas & other 😊 (included, byob though)

Saturday:

Lunch:

BYOS (bring your own sack) Plenty of Fast-food around when we break for lunch

Dinner:

(Included) Local restaunt TBA (any food restrictions I need to know about?) Drinks (alcohol not included)

Evening review: Snacks and Pot-luck deserts (show off your talents, make something to eat/share)

Sunday:

Lunch:

BYOS, we will be along the boardwalk at Ocean City

Dinner??

YOU MUST PROVIDE THE FOLOWING FOOD:

All breakfasts (comes with Room at the official hotel)

Packable lunches or plan to head in to town mid day Saturday and Sunday will be on the boardwalk

Any special food requirements are your responsibility.

In the event of storms some activities may be moved, postponed or canceled, we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause but will try our best to cope and adjust.

Other questions may be addressed to me Brendan Cavanaugh at
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For Reservations Please call Holiday Inn Express Cambridge at 410-221-9900

Mention "Pentax Forums Gathering" for the Discounted Price

Workshop cost:

Full 3 (2.5 really) days \$125 before, \$150 on site (Includes M&G food on Fri. Workshop giveaways, t-shirt, dinner sat. and 16x20 print)

Saturday Only with Dinner and t-shirt \$75

Sat only, w/ t-shirt No dinner \$40

Dinner only (for spouses) \$40 (for fri and sat, sat only: \$30)

Work Shop Form (the legal stuff)**Please make a copy for personal purposes.**

By signing you WAIVE all liabilities of personal injury, loss, damage, theft, additional costs etc incurred while at or traveling to/from the Pentax Forums.com Workshop/Gathering in Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, Ocean City beach/bowardwalk/community, and any other locations chosen for photography from June 26-28th

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Also by signing (unless noted here I _____ do not wish to have my personal image/likeness.) you allow Brendan Cavanaugh/P3 Imaging Inc, PentaxForums and Sponsors of the workshop/gathering to use your image/personal Likeness for promotional purposes.

Images taken by you may also be requested but will include a separate release form.

We Require if you break anyone else's (including the organizers) equipment while trying/using it that you offer (and if requested by that person) pay for repair/replacement of said item with your own money. Workshop/Gathering organizers and sponsors are not responsible.

Refunds for workshop/gathering costs are available only if a personal emergency occurs.

Lodge refunds must be handled by you and the Hotel

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Price Paid: _____ Cash or Check only Check # _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If under 18 (must be accompanied by a guardian at all times) guardian must sign and print name and relation:

Contact Numbers:

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