



# Sevenoaks Camera Club

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The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain through The Kent County Photographic Association

## Minutes of Committee Meeting

Monday 14th August 2017 : 8pm  
Chairman's House

1. **a. Apologies for absence : Mike Robinson, Robin Daly**
  - b. Present : Brian Tabor, Susan Wilkinson, Derek Medhurst, Derek Griffin, Barbara Coleyshaw, Roy Smart, Lynda Atkinson, Peter Dillon.**
2. **Preliminary information :**
  - a. Lynda and Robin both apologise but they will not be at the first meeting on 4th September. **Brian will print and bring the signing in list.** The remaining prints from the exhibition will not be available for collection on 4th.
  - b. Mike Robinson has now successfully transferred communication from our bank from Marcus to himself. All present sent him warm congratulations on his achievements wrestling with bank paperwork.
  - c. Susan Wilkinson has submitted images to Neil Donnelly at Eyelines and he is considering whether he can use them.
  - d. There have been two pub meetings, one at The Bullfinch to say farewell to Gyular who has gone back to Hungary. The second at the White Hart. Both were well attended so thanks to Derek for organising these. Thanks to Graham for arranging to present Gyular with a photo book at the Exhibition Opening.
  - e. The Lions Calendar has gone for printing and will be available for sale at the Shoreham Heavy Horse Show on 3rd September. Graham Usher is organising this.
3. **Agenda Item 1 : Review of the Exhibition**
  - a. Analysis of the attendance for this year:

Susan had provided some figures on voting and signings in the visitors book. Derek M. added to these, and he had analysed attendance in votes per day. Brian had also done some analysis and both concluded that whether the exhibition was held in Festival weeks had no detectable impact on attendance. Next year the library space is not available in Festival weeks, but Brian has e-mailed Ros to ask for dates for next year . It was agreed that the committee would prefer June (school term time) rather than July if offered. **Brian will ring Ros to enquire.**
  - b. The important point was made that the annual exhibition is as much for the Club's own members as for the public, and that it is a rare opportunity to see prints up close. We should not be deterred from putting on the Exhibition just because attendance is not as high as we would like.



- c. For the past two years a much greater effort has been put into publicity, and many members stepped in to distribute flyers. It was agreed that the publicity effort should continue. Extra suggestions were to try to get the information into schools, particularly primary schools, who may bring groups to the library. Also would the library be prepared to host bookmarks if we printed them, so that people signing books out would have the exhibition drawn to their attention? And could the library have more flyers available for people to take? Next year a paid advert in the Sevenoaks Advertiser might be worthwhile as it is very good value. Ros asked us for the number of visitors who attended, but we only have a minimum number, in the number of votes and visitor book signings. There is no reliable means of counting visitors .
- d. Should people have the opportunity to vote for the PDIs on a Saturday? Not many people actually sit and watch the show through, but it would be easy to have another box next to the TV. It was agreed we should just call them “photos on the television”, for the general public, who are not used to phrases like “digital images”. No definite decision was taken, though the small numbers who watch the show right through made it doubtful.

4. **Agenda Item 2 : First and third evenings of the season : Club nights :**

**First Meeting :**

Agreed :

We will not have a quiz.

Brian will do a welcome and short introduction.

He will introduce the Committee to new members.

We will have early tea, coffee and cake.

**Susan will bring cake**, so will Barbara for the social part.

**Derek Medhurst will bring the TV with the PDIs from the exhibition.**

**He will also e-mail everyone** to remind them about the first session, including potential new members.

He will **send names** of potential new members to Brian so that **Brian** can have **name badges ready**.

We will have a clip board at the back of the room with a sheet for people to write down any questions they may have for Week 3. **SW will bring this.**

We will ask people to bring in a print each, either mounted or unmounted.

**SW will consult with Brian about what to put in Derek’s e-mail and let him know.** We will also have the two club photo books available.

People need reminding that PDIs are due in on the second meeting for the first PDI competition on 28th.

Derek G will print out copies of the rules and his advice sheet for PDI competitions. It will be mentioned that people should ask for help if they need it and they could be paired up for help.

The Monotones will be mentioned.

After the social section with cake, we will have a bit more information from Brian followed by the opportunity to circulate round, seeing prints brought in and looking at the exhibition PDIs.

If people are bringing prints in we need to ask Pat and George to bring print stands. **SW will contact them.**



### **Third Meeting**

Agreed :

We will review the position after the first meeting and see what questions (if any) have come up.

Various people will bring in their camera gear.

**Roy will bring his infra red camera with different filters and his lens baby** with some prints to illustrate what they can do..

We need a DSLR and other types of camera. Brian has a compact Panasonic Lumix (but will not be there).

Various people have used their mobiles successfully. We could ask Mark Charrington or Maurice Childs. Peter or Derek Medhurst could also illustrate this.

**Peter Dillon will ring Roger Lee** to ask him to say something about using photography to record a holiday.

Susan will be chairman for this meeting.

We will send out an e-mail after the first meeting asking people to send in questions, and possibly to bring their cameras.

### 5. **Agenda Item 3 : Property Insurance**

The attention of committee members was drawn to the property insurance the Club holds, which we thank Mike for arranging. This will not need renewal until the beginning of February 2018, but before that we must decide on what items we want to insure, apart from the projector and the laptop. Committee members should think about this in good time.

### 6. **Agenda Item 4 : A.O.B**

- a. The one use camera cannot be processed at Boots but can at Snappy Snaps in Tunbridge Wells or Bromley, or by sending off to an on-line processor.
- b. Roy and Barbara would like to stand down from the committee. They are doing this year but not next. A vice-chairman is also needed. **Peter Dillon will attend the selection committee** for Roy this year if required. Peter has done the Vote of Thanks Rota.
- c. **Barbara will find out how much Damien Demolder** will cost as people would like him again.
- d. Graham picked up the display panels for the Heavy Horse Show today. **SW will e-mail** a scan of the new programme to Graham. **Brian will send out a note to members about the Heavy Horse Show.** We should have membership application forms available at the show as well.
- e. Brian will be away for the 3rd and 4th meeting of the season, 18th and 25th September.

The meeting closed at 9:50 pm and no further meeting was arranged.

Signed :

Date :