



Sevenoaks Camera Club

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

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Monday 15th February 2018 : 8pm

Chairman's House

a. **Apologies for absence : Roy Smart**

b. **Present : Brian Tabor, Susan Wilkinson, Barbara Coleyshaw,
Derek Medhurst, Derek Griffin, Peter Dillon, Lynda Atkinson,
Mike Robinson**

1.a. Minutes

The minutes were signed, but SW is to send a version with simplified details of items insured for inclusion on the website. The Treasurer holds the full details.
(Done 16th Feb)

The Google groups have been audited by Derek Medhurst - a few long term members who have left, remain in the Google group for their information.

b. Information and Progress to Report from the last meeting :

Minutes 2. Peter has not bought a stand for the light as it was too heavy. He will lend his own stand for the time being.

Minutes 3. Barbara Coleyshaw has bought the old projector for £25.

Minutes 5. Mike, Derek G. and Peter were unable to put prints up at the interval of the print competition as it was run as one session without an interval - they will trial having prints up next time.

2. Replacements for committee members and the programme for next season :

There is a possible member to take over as Programme Secretary and another who would be prepared to join the committee without a role. **BT will talk to possible new committee members.**

BC is prepared to stay on the committee for another year to help the new programme secretary.

Next year's programme is booked apart from three talks. BC usually contacts judges or speakers by e-mail first and then rings if they do not reply.

Kirsty Ralphs suggested that (although she hadn't needed it) the Club should provide an emergency telephone number for the night. She was going to suggest this be added to KCPA instructions for booking judges. It was agreed that **Derek G. and Peter D. would do this for their competition nights.**

Mike suggested a total cost for speakers of £550 - 850 is what we can afford with around 60 members.

There are two Club nights scheduled and these could be tutorial evenings if we decide we want to do this.

We have no external competition secretary replacement, so we decided to ask the Selection Committee to carry the work forward. *(SW has contacted Pat Jones and Sheila Sargeant to ask for their help or suggestions.)*

We enter the Malling Battle (6 prints), the tripartite competition (prints and PDIs), The Ross Cup (prints) and the Diamond Jubilee (PDIs) and the KCPA exhibition (individual entries). KCPA AV competition has also been entered by individuals.



3. **Next year's Challenge and the Themed PDI**

A judge is already booked for the Challenge and the Theme has been made part of the 3rd DPI competition. It was decided that if we are running these competitions we must try to make them a success. **SW will have a list for the Challenge for next year ready for Monday.** It will have a bit of explanation and all members of the committee will participate to encourage others to join.

It was decided that the **topic will be CONTRAST.**

BC. will act as a Challenge monitor to enquire whether groups are making progress. Each group will have a group captain to try to organise the group getting together.

Next year the **theme for the third PDI will be WATER.**

4. **Questionnaire Results**

Mike gave out print-outs of the results, but we only had a short discussion time. Full discussion was deferred till the next meeting.

Allocating a 'buddy' to new members was suggested?

It was suggested that new members might meet for coffee, **SW offered to meet people at Knole next Wednesday 21st** - 12 for photography, and 2 for tea. *(6 members attended, despite the cold, and said they would appreciate more such opportunities)*

Derek Griffin will offer a **Bluebell photography Saturday on 28th April**, part an expedition, part a mentoring opportunity. The date will be decided finally when we see how the bluebells are progressing.

Mentoring, for producing prints and on other topics was requested so **Peter Dillon will design a leaflet by which members can ask for help on a variety of topics.**

5. **Evenings coming up this year**

The disposable camera competition is happening next Monday with only 14 images. It was decided to show Mike's AV from the Shoreham Church photographic session, as well as some mention of how the pictures were taken. The Church have mentioned a new invitation.

The replacement for Richard Walton on 16th April, Paul Dunmall, is doing a two part evening "Interactive Critique" The first half of the evening is a lecture, and the second half has members submitting 15 - 20 PDI images which he then comments on and they have the right of reply. The images should be submitted by 9th April. **SW will send out a notice to members about this.** *(Done 20th Feb)*

Pat has arranged for Rosemary Wilman to judge the exhibition, and Barbara will contact Paul Adams and apologise the change of date, as well as asking him if he can give us a talk next season.

Peter needs to know the names of the individual panels by 7th, for the competition on 12th March. He also needs any statements (max 150 words) by the same time. The panels can be brought along on the night.

Derek Medhurst has had 9 volunteers to photograph the Bat and Ball renovation.



6. **Any Other Business**

Derek M and Greta will talk about the Challenge next Monday to encourage entries. *(There were a total of 20 entries by the end of the 19th.)*

The Club could improve its communication to members - **this will be discussed at the next committee meeting.** It was suggested that we should have more news on the website, but this is difficult to do.

Should we have more different genres of photographs? To be discussed.

The meeting closed at 10:20 pm and it was agreed that we should have another meeting within a month.

Signed :

Date :