

Sevenoaks Camera Club

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Minutes Committee Meeting

Monday 1st May 2023: 7.30pm on Zoom

Attendance: Derek Griffin, Susan Wilkinson, Tom Briody, Derek Medhurst, Sandy Wyndham, Anne Roberts, Rob Weighill, Peter Dillon and Ann White who was invited There were no apologies.

- 1. The minutes of previous meeting on 21st November were approved by all members who had been present.
- 2. Welcome to Ann White, Deputy Town Clerk for Sevenoaks Town Council.

 She requested that we send out an e-mail asking Members that if they take any photos of coronation events, please could they send her a couple for Sevenoaks Town Council archives. The Town has no archive photos from the 1953 coronation.

 Send photos to dtc@sevenoakstown.gov.uk. (SW sent the e-mail on 1st May.)

3. Events

- a. We sadly note the death of Herbert Inglin who was chairman of the club for ten years and who came back to be Print Secretary at the end of last year. Three members of the Club will be attending the funeral and other members will be given the details so that they can join the funeral online.
- b. Damien Demolder led a Street Photography workshop in London on 16th April. Seven members participated and the event was filmed and will be on Damian's website.
- c. Eight club members photographed the Kentish Opera dress rehearsal of the Yeoman of the Guard at the Stag on 19th April. This was arranged by Brian Tabor.
- d. Derek G arranged a bluebell outing to Shipbourne on 25th April.
- 4. Derek Medhurst: Update on the Darenth Valley Exhibition. The exhibition is now fixed for Saturday and Sunday 13th and 14th May. Mike Robinson is sending an order for the prints to DSCL. Derek is asking for volunteers to help to put the exhibition up on Friday 12th, pm. He also needs volunteers to steward the Exhibition on the Saturday and Sunday, wearing their Club badges if possible. (e-mail sent to members on 1st May).
- 5. Sandy Wyndham : Update on the programme for next year.

Sandy has sent the proposed programme for next year to the committee so that they can check the submission dates for competitions. She needs one more speaker, but otherwise the programme is complete.

We need a Theme for the 3rd PDI. SW has a list of past titles and one of previously proposed themes. She will send these out to the Committee and set a deadline for replies so we can decide a Theme over the next ten days. (e-mail sent on 3rd May).

We have a Team Panel Challenge in April next year so we need to go ahead setting up the teams as soon as possible. **SW will send an e-mail** asking that members tell her whether they would be prepared to join a team as soon as possible. *(e-mail sent 3rd May.)*

Club Nights: the first Club Night will show members' examples of street photography but the other Club nights are still unassigned.

Peter Dillon and Rob Weighill could shorten hand-in deadlines for some print competitions, but on balance they felt the official deadlines should stay the same. They will check the proposed programme to identify any possible problems.

6. AGM

- a. Reports Last year's reports will be sent out to committee members. (done 1st May)
 The reports for this AGM need to go out to all members with the Agenda a week before the AGM.
- b. List of proposed Committee Members and Selection Committee members. Members of the committee have all been willing to remain in post unless others put their names forward. A possible new Membership Secretary was proposed and will be approached. Derek M is the temporary Membership Secretary. SW will approach the five non-statutory members of the selection committee to see whether they are happy to continue. (Done on 1st May). (Derek Griffin, Pat Jones and Roger Lee have agreed to continue and Mike Robinson and Milt Ives have withdrawn.)
- c. Tom Briody Treasurer: Tom reported that if we exclude the yearbook, our expenditure and income balanced to the nearest pound. He proposed subscriptions for next year of £55 for single members and £85 for joint members. Student and child memberships will be kept the same.

 These increases in subscriptions were approved with no dissent.

 They will be proposed and voted on by members at the AGM.

 Tom felt that with a good balance in the Bank, there was no problem in buying a new laptop for the PDI secretary, Rob Weighill. This will be discussed and decided between Rob and Tom in time to have a new laptop set up for the new 2023/24 season.
- d. AGM Agenda items. We decided to have no topics for discussion, though members will be asked to submit any topics they would like to discuss. (On 1st May SW sent out an e-mail asking for any members who want to propose themselves for committee positions or selection committee positions. They were also asked whether they wanted discussion of any issues. The previous AGM minutes were sent out.)
- 7. Exhibition Graham Usher is leading this set up is on 15th August and take down on 26th August. **Sandy is going to update the submission form**. Derek Medhurst will organise the PDIs as usual, but with a special plea for accuracy in submissions as he is busy with his own exhibition beforehand.

It was agreed that there would be no charge for entry this year.

Peter Dillon, who is print secretary since Herbert Inglin resigned, will get print boxes to Susan and Sandy on 17th as he cannot be at the AGM. Members will be invited to submit their prints either at the AGM, or to bring them to Susan or Sandy's houses.

Sandy will ask the judge, Zoe Garnham Archer, when she needs the prints and then we can set the final submission date.

Peter will collect the boxes, take them to Zoe in Rochester and later bring them back. **DG will send out an e-mail to members** when the submission date is finalised.