

Brighton and Hove Camera Club
Minutes of Committee Meeting
20 August 2015
Dave Gerrard's Place

Members Present

Paul Stillman (President)	David Eastley (Vice President)
Tony Crowther (Secretary)	John Francis (Treasurer)
David Gerrard	Norman Atkinson
Jo Teasdale	Jerry Webb

1 Welcome and apologies for absence

There were no absentees from the meeting

2 Actions from previous meeting

<u>Summer programme information</u>	Jo Teasdale confirmed this had been done	
<u>Visit to Jubilee Library</u>	Paul Stillman reported that he had visited the library with Maggi Tillotson and Steve Boyle and Steve had agreed to produce a suitable hanging system. Paul suggested there would be space for about 80 prints. It was decided that members would be charged for each accepted print. Members whose prints were not selected would be refunded their fee.	(SB) (MT)
<u>Update of Officials list</u>	Tony Crowther confirmed this had been done	
<u>Image Selection for Archive</u>	Tony Crowther reported that he had not spoken to Peter Charnaud regarding this	TC
<u>Scheduling of Website Meeting</u>	Tony Crowther reported that he had not spoken to John Hazard regarding this	TC
<u>Programme Booklets</u>	Jerry Webb confirmed these had been completed and Norman Atkinson said they had been distributed to all 2014/2015 members Jerry added that the programme had been uploaded to the website. He added that the programme would not be put onto the club's Face book page Jerry also noted that the Programme Team he had proposed at the last committee meeting had since been established and he was confident it would be effective.	
<u>Projection Software and Screen</u>	Tony Crowther reported having contacted Tony Knight regarding software updates but had not mentioned the purchase of a spare screen	TC

Update of Website

Tony Crowther stated he had not undertaken a review of the website wbut would do so before the next meeting and try to ensure any updating requirements are communicated to John Hazard

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3 Treasurer's report

John Francis gave a brief report confirming that all outstanding bills for last year had been paid and that there had been no unusual items of expenditure since the last meeting. John also confirmed that the accounts had been audited.

4 Archive selection

It was considered that this item was not relevant at this stage of the year and, indeed, only needed to appear once a year to confirm the selection process had taken place. It was agreed that this should be at the AGM where the successful photographers could be acknowledged by the members

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5 2015/2016 season

The meeting considered our preparedness for the start of the new season and the following outcomes were agreed

First Meeting

Jerry Webb proposed a schedule for the opening night and after some discussion the following was agreed:
Hall set-up: theatre seating for 100; projection table and screen; print stands for two panels

Schedule

a Welcome and Intoduction to the club (Paul Stillman)

b Introduction to the Programme (Jerry Webb)

c The Entry Group (Audrey Marshall & Jo Teasdale)

d Mystery Portraits (Jerry Webb)

Tony Crowther agreed to forward to Jerry the list of photographer pairs

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e RPS Distinctions (Steve Boyle)

Jerry agreed to contact Steve

JW

Break

f Summer Programme (Paul Stillman)

Paul would contact members for images from the Summer Programme to be sent to Jerry by September 7: 2 per member per event

PS

g Workshops Programme (David Eastley)

Some workshops still need to be covered.

David agreed to contact Wayne Grundy and Colin Miller and Jerry agreed to speak

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Damon Hart

JW

h Q&A (paul Stillman)

Venue Booking

Tony Crowther confirmed he would ensure all venues would be booked

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Continuing Members

Norman Atkinson confirmed all existing members had been contacted regarding renewal.

New Members

The committee considered it was important to try to promote the club. Jerry Webb agreed to put an invitation to the first night on Face book and also to produce a press release

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Communication with Members

Some discussion took place regarding the various channels of communication available to us. These included the website, the Face book page, the printed programme and the emergency text system. In addition we discussed the notion of a "rolling" news display at the beginning of meetings and possibly the use of the TV in the entry hall at the Methodist Hall. John Francis suggested we could use the emergency text system for sending reminders of the visits of key presenters

7 AOB

John Francis asked whether it was felt necessary to rejoin the Sussex Photographic Federation. It was decided that, for us, it served no useful purpose and we should not renew.

Tony Crowther pointed out that the new edition of the Surrey Photographic Association handbook included a section entitled "Obligations of Member Clubs" and which asked for the inclusion of a phrase referring to the SPA (and the PAGB) to be included in all member clubs' printed materials. Our new programme did not bear such a statement. It was hoped this omission could be rectified in future programmes

David Gerrard asked whether any progress had been made in improving the website (using Word Press). It was decided to leave discussion of this to the next meeting. The committee was, however, invited to examine other photographic websites and seek examples of good, modern practice.

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