

Wakefield Camera Club  
Committee Meeting  
Held on the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Brookhouse.

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1. Apologies;- David Jones, Vera Jones, Malcolm Dobson, Bob Jones, Steve Womack, Lyndsay Halliday.
2. Present;- Sally Sallett, Steve Slocombe, Trevor Bottomley, Chris New, Steve Wright, Bob Gibson, Steve A Wood and David Kershaw.
3. Matters arising from the minutes.
  - a. Committee name badges, an email from bob Jones assures us that the badges will soon be with us.
  - b. Inventory;- This is almost complete, if any committee member has any items that Steve Womack is not aware of, would you let Steve know ASAP.
  - c. Replacement of Committee posts;- The need for additional committee members was stressed and all current committee members were asked to think of suitable candidates and ask them to join us
  - d. New Hand Mike and ensuring mike usage;- From members feedback it is important that whoever is speaking needs to use a mike. With the clip on mike and the new hand mike, we now have sufficient technology and must ensure that they are used. Steve A Wood and Bob Gibson are learning to use the sound desk.
  - e. Members survey;- This is now complete and makes interesting reading. It's results should help the committee produce future programs that better reflect the interests and needs of the membership. Steve Slocombe was thanked for producing the document. Steve will email a PDF copy to all committee members.
4. Accounts;- Our current balance was noted. The clubs financial year ended on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, so Trevor is preparing the accounts for submission to the auditor. It is hoped that the audited accounts will be ready for the AGM in December.
5. Publicity;- Malcolm Dobson has booked exhibition space in the Ridings for the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of July 2014. David Hall will produce his last newsletter on October 14<sup>th</sup>, the committee would like to thank him for doing an outstanding job over the last year.

David Kershaw will take over the task of producing future newsletters.

Steve A Wood proposed having a "photowalk" where we could invite members of the public to meet up at a set location within a local city / town and wander round for a couple of hours getting shots of whatever you fancy (especially on the back of Will Cheung's recent talk with the street style photography). The event could be advertised through the paper / website / facebook page. On the back of it maybe a digital display / informal competition of the images (especially for any potential members that attend) at the club?
6. Web Site;- The new website just about ready to launch. Steve Wright will demonstrate it to the members on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October and then, with John Gardner's help, replace the existing web site.
7. Competitions;- We are aware of Bills mobility problems following his operation and would like to help. Bob Gibson will contact Bill to see how he can help, especially with the selection of images for the Settle Trophy competition.
8. Programme over next 6 weeks
  - 15<sup>th</sup> October – AV Competition;- because of the low number of entries we will judge the submissions by a vote from the membership. To fill the rest of the evening Steve Wright will demonstrate the new website and Trevor will show the members how to produce a ProShow Gold presentation.
  - 21<sup>st</sup> October – John Gardner – (Bring entries for 5<sup>th</sup> Clubman)
  - 28<sup>th</sup> October – Maurice Biglin Flora Competition
  - 4<sup>th</sup> November - 5th Clubman – Black and White – (Bring entries for Annual Digital)

11<sup>th</sup> November – Bill Mahoney;- In the event that Bill is not well enough to give his presentation the committee will decide at the next committee meeting, upon an alternative in house entertainment for the evening. Hopefully this will not be necessary and Bill will show his wildlife images.

18<sup>th</sup> November – Lights Night and A4 Comp – (Bring entries for Annual Print). Steve A Wood offered to run the A4 competition. Steve Wright and David Kershaw to organize a numbers system to organize the members waiting to take pictures.

16<sup>th</sup> December – Annual Dinner (Tickets Required);- Sally will confirm a menu and price, so that we can start taking names.

9. Syllabus 2014;- Chris has just about completed the 2014 syllabus. It only remains for him to contact Ken Fisher to book him for an advanced Lightroom presentation. The syllabus should go to the printers on Monday evening, thanks to Robert Bilton. Steve Slocombe suggested that we sell any available space on the back of the syllabus, or offer it free to John Gardner and Andy Davies. The time restraints make the second suggestion more practical this year.

**10. Software, Hardware;-**

a. Updating software on laptop. “What about the new Cloud subscription from Adobe? You can get CS6 and LR6 for about £12 per month and that way, the club would always have the latest versions for when a visiting speaker does a demo etc. Never used Elements so not sure what it offers or what it costs. John Gardner”  
The committee were asked to consider the advantages, usage and cost, before making a decision at the next committee meeting.

**11. Any Other Business.**

a. Judge for October on-line competition;- Sally has asked Jack Bunn and he has kindly agreed.

b. “Could we help support an Outwood Scouting club in an endeavor for members in obtaining there photography badge. Bob Gibson”;- yes we could, Bob is to contact the group and ask what help is needed.

c. Should we let members borrow the newer Spider?;- After some discussion it was felt that we should not lend out any of our equipment that is still being used by the club. The danger that any such item could be damaged, or not returned in time for a need at the club, being the main reason for such constraints.

d. AGM;- There is a requirement to give the membership at least 2 weeks notice of any change to club or competition rules before the AGM. If any committee member wishes to change or amend a rule, we need the information at the next committee meeting.  
It was agreed that all committee members think of possible candidates for the 2014 committee, as we need to increase our numbers to cover the committee posts.

e. Request from John Boyd to borrow the small wire print stands, from Wednesday the 13th of November returning them either Sunday the 17th or Monday the 18th of November;- The request was rejected, see item 11c above.

12. Next Meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> at Brookhouse.

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