

Wakefield Camera Club  
Committee Meeting  
12<sup>th</sup> June 2012  
Held at the Duke of Wellington Pub, Horbury Rd (A642)

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1. Present;- Steve Wood, Sally Sallett, David Kershaw, David Jones, Vera Jones, Malcolm Dobson, Bill Mahoney, Chris New, Bob Jones and John Bickerdike.
2. Apologies;- Trevor Bottomley, David Hall, Lyndsay Halliday, Steve Wright, Steve Slowcombe.
3. Accounts;- In Trevor's absence David K reported that our current balance stands at £redacted There is one known outstanding invoice for £redacted and we still need to pay membership fees to Brookhouse club (£redacted x total membership).
4. Storage still remains a problem, with equipment presently stored with Steve Wood, John Gardner, Lyndsay Halliday and David Kershaw. It is intended that some members of the committee talk to Julie at Brookhouse and find out just how large a storage cupboard can be accommodated. We then intend to purchase/obtain something to fit the space.  
**Action Steve Wood, David K and?**
5. Matters arising from last committee meeting
  - a. Microphone;- Steve is working with members of Brookhouse Committee to sort this problem. We need several members to be brought 'up to speed' on how we are allowed to connect our Microphone to the Brookhouse system.  
**Action Steve Wood, David H and?**
  - b. Wakefield Hospice Calendar;- we think this is now sorted and look forward to next year's challenge.
  - c. Printing winning digital entries;- There is a sizing and quality issue that is presenting problems. Les Forrester has been asked to print two sample images from winning members files. The intention is to then compare the results with commercially produced prints, to see if asking experienced members to do the printing is the way forward.
  - d. One to One instruction before meetings;- This is a service that was agreed at the last AGM, but implementing it has proved something of a problem to date. We now intend to request that members who would like advice on photographic problems, arrive early at club meetings and talk to Bill Mahoney, Bob Jones and Malcolm Dobson. These three members of the committee will then provide an answer or direct the questioner to a member who is able to help.  
Steve will remind members of this pre-meeting service when giving his opening talk at each meeting and David H will advertise the service on the web site.  
**Action Steve Wood, Bill, Bob, Malcolm and David H**
  - e. 1000 Business Cards;- David K has purchased 1000 Business Cards for the camera club, These will be used as 'hand outs' at exhibitions, as club contact details given out by committee members, etc. The intention is to use these in place of the 'black A6 leaflets' that we used.
6. Competitions;- Vera asked for a volunteer to handle the 3<sup>rd</sup> Clubman Competition as she would be away on holiday. John Bickerdike offered to do the job.

**Action Vera and John B**

This will be Vera's last year as Competition Secretary, so we need to try and find a replacement to work alongside her reasonably soon.

**Action All Committee**

7. Exhibitions;- Steve Wood thanked Malcolm for organising the Chantry Exhibition. Our next exhibition will be in the Ridings on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Help will be needed to set up and man the stand. We will need more members' prints and a request will be made nearer the date. The payment to the Ridings for the space is now due, Malcolm to remind Trevor. David K to order an extra 25 slips to enable 400mm x 500mm prints to fit our 16" x 20" frames.

**Action Trevor, Malcolm and David K**

8. Web Site;- A suggestion that David H select his favourite 'Front Page Image of the Year' was discussed at length. It was felt that formalising such a competition could result in too many entries from the membership. The committee agreed that David H could select his favourite if he so wished and post it on the web page, but not establish it as an annual competition.

**Optional Action David H**

9. Publicity;- David K expressed a concern that out of date and erroneous information about Wakefield Camera Club was scattered across the internet. The Committee felt that this was not really a problem as anyone searching for details would find out web site.

10. Programme over next 6 weeks  
17<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday Outing York Railway Museum.  
Meet there at about 10.00am

18<sup>th</sup> June- 2<sup>nd</sup> Clubman Comp – Bob Free.

25<sup>th</sup> June – Speaker – Longridge Mount Cutters.  
This will be at the Old Convent in Horbury. The meeting will be fronted by David K as Steve and Sally are both on holiday.

**Action David K**

1<sup>st</sup> July – Sunday Outing – Beamish

2<sup>nd</sup> July – Lights Night and A4 Comp  
This will be organised by John G and fronted by Bill M as Steve and Sally will still be on Holiday. We need to know if John G will need the white background that Steve has at present.

**Action John Gardner, Bill Mahoney and Steve Wood**

9<sup>th</sup> July – Spring Challenge Results;- It would appear that the processing for these cameras is actually a scam and we do not expect to have any prints returned. The evening will therefore be a talk on Printing by John Bickerdike ARPS DPAGB.

(Bring entries for 3<sup>rd</sup> Clubman – "Song Titles")

**Action John B and Vera**

16<sup>th</sup> July – Speaker – Leigh Preston FRPS

23<sup>rd</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> Clubman Comp – Colin Gower  
Sally will front this meeting as Steve is away on Holiday.

## **Action Sally**

11. Syllabus;- David J is making headway with the 2013 syllabus and hopes to have some outstanding speakers. David J voiced his intention to retire from the role of Syllabus Secretary after completing the 2013 syllabus. He will follow up all the events and speakers arranged in that syllabus year, but we need someone to take on the task of producing the 2014 syllabus. Prompt acting is required to get someone in place so that he can work alongside David J over the next 12 months.

### **Action All Committee**

12. Software, Hardware;- Steve Wood said that we need replacement batteries (or rechargeable batteries) for the microphones, he is to purchase whatever is needed.

### **Action Steve Wood**

13. Any Other Business

- a. White Gloves;- The issue of using cotton gloves when handling prints on competition nights was raised, but it was generally felt that this was not necessary.

- b. Beginners Workshop – printing;- Malcolm asked if one night on printing was an option when we run the beginners workshops. After some discussion it was agreed that this may be outside the concept of the workshops, as they are intended to be a very basic introduction to photography.

- c. Bill asked if we could have an evening on Astro Photography next year. David J said that he was already talking to a speaker about such a lecture and also the possibility of a limited number of members visiting the telescope at Pontefract.

### **Action David J**

14. Date and place of Next Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> July at the Duke of Wellington.