

Wakefield Camera Club
Committee Meeting
Held on the 3rd July 2014 at Brookhouse.

1. Apologies; - Lyndsay Halliday, Malcolm Dobson, Sally Sallett, Steve A Wood, Peter Wells, E David Jones and Vera Jones.
2. Present;- Steve Womack, Ian Waddington, Steve Wright, Jack Bunn, Bob Gibson, Chris New, Trevor Bottomley and David Kershaw.
3. Matters arising from the minutes;-
 - a. Hosting the YPU annual assembly 2016.

QEGS – have a suitable hall and charge £55 per hour, Peter Wells has provisionally booked it.
 - b. Exhibition Venue – finding a suitable room within reasonable distance of the assembly was proving a little difficult, options currently being explored include the Elizabethan Gallery and Wakefield Town Hall. Peter intends to contact the council and ask what is available. This is a still an ongoing search.
 - c. Sally is investigating a possible outing to Kinsley Greyhound Stadium for some time later in the year.
 - c. Leaflets required for the exhibition in the Ridings. These have been produced and distributed.
 - d. Advertising the exhibition on Facebook. Sally will be asked to do this.
 - e. Use of Committee room on Mondays. It was agreed that we should try and arrange alternative events in the small room when we have a lights night, or other event that leaves members with some spare time. One other possibility is to try and offer more advanced sessions in the small room when we are running the Beginners Workshops.
Ideas for next committee meeting please.
 - f. Replacement Projector. John Gardner has now purchased a 1080p HD ready Optima projector with 3 years warranty. The intention is to try using it on Monday when John gives his Processing Workshop. Ian asked if the laptop connections were compatible with the new projector and suggested that we may have to look at purchasing a new laptop. Ian intends to bring his laptop just in case the connections are not compatible.
 - g. Chain of Office;- The original is lost and needs replacing, David K to look at costs and designs. One possibility offered is Browns in Wakefield but looked a little dated. David asked for ideas for a new design and has provisionally booked a meeting with Mr Townsend of Townsend Jewellers to explore options. Committee members are asked to submit ideas for a design.

h. We need to check if it is possible to actually book the small room on the first Thursday of each month.

After discussions with Brookhouse representatives it was agreed that the committee room would be available on the 1st Thursday of each month. Should the room be needed for other functions we would be informed at the earliest possible time and alternative arrangements made.

During the discussions one of their group asked if it would be possible to re-arrange our syllabus to free up the Concert room for Brookhouse AGM in April 2015? It was agreed that we would try and accommodate this, if they could tell us the date as soon as possible to let us re-arrange out 2015 syllabus.

4. Accounts; - Trevor Bottomley reported the current balance
5. Marketing and/or Exhibitions; -
The plans for the Ridings Exhibition seem to be progressing, though it would help if more members could be involved in the set up and manning the stand. David K still needs a list of titles and authors to produce the labels for the prints. The membership will be asked on Monday if they can help man the stand.
6. Web Site; -
 - a. Judge for July on-line competition; - Bob Gibson.
 - b. Judge for August on-line Competition; - David Kershaw
 - c. Steve and Ian were asked to outline on the front page our 'Open House' policy of letting none members attend all/any of our meeting for a fee of £2.50 per visit.
7. Competitions; -
 - a. PAGB Inter-Club PDI Championships
Everything now seems to be in place for this event.
8. Programme over next 7 weeks;-
 - 7th July – Processing workshop – John Gardner.
(Bring entries for Maurice Biglin flora competition)

 - 12th July Inter-Club PDI Championship at Warwick.

 - 14th July – Kira Weston – Birds of Prey - At Farmer Copley's
Chris informed us that Kira was unwilling to use Farmer Copley's as it had become too windy and also there was a circus on site. She wished to hold the event at Carlton Community Centre. This was deemed too far for an evening visit and alternatives were needed. Chris undertook to ring Kira on Friday and ask for a nearer venue. If that was not possible then it was agreed we should cancel the arrangement and have an evening outing to Seckar Woods. Members to be told on Monday evening and also in the Newsletter.

 - 18th to 20th July – Summer Exhibition.

21st July – Maurice Biglin Flora Competition – Judge David Burgess.

28th July – A4 Competition + Informal Digi Comp and Cold Blooded Encounters. There are several logistical problems with this event and we will certainly need the committee room.

4th August – Beginners Workshop 1 – Ken Fisher

11th August – Beginners Workshop 2 – Ken Fisher

18th August – Beginners Workshop 3 – Ken Fisher

The general feeling was that we should restrict the content of these lectures to beginners' photography. David K to forward Malcolm's poster to Chris and comment on content, so that Chris could pass this on to Ken.

9. Syllabus 2015

a. RPS Workshop? This is still a work in progress. David K to contact RPS.

10. Software, Hardware; -

a. Portable multi-print stand. Steve Womack is following up a design.

11. Any Other Business;-

a. Replacement for Steve Slocombe? No action at this time.

b. Competition Labels – Steve Womack had produced a new design for our internal competition labels. David K had modified this slightly and the committee were asked to select a finalised design. This was done and David K was asked to forward the design to Steve Wright who would alter the fonts to better match the heading and then email the finished design to all the committee.

c. Polo Shirts – the latest batch have been produced and collected. We will continue to offer the polo shirts to the membership at a discounted price of £20.

d. Three free prints for members. Jack will take on the task of ordering these. Members will be reminded of the offer.

e. It was suggested that we reward members who attended the most meetings throughout the year. After much discussion, it was agreed that this item would be put on a committee agenda nearer to the time of the AGM.

12. Date of next meeting 7th August.