

Wakefield Camera Club  
Committee Meeting  
Held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 at Brookhouse.

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1. **Apologies;** - Sally Robinson, Sally Sallett, Michelle Howell.
2. **Present;** - Steve Womack, Trevor Bottomley, Malcolm Dobson, Steve Wright, Steve A Wood, Peter Wells, Paul Wagstaff, Robert Bilton and David Kershaw.
3. **Matters Arising from the minutes**
  - a. All members of the committee were requested to email Sue Whitely ( [whiteley.s1@sky.com](mailto:whiteley.s1@sky.com) ) their projected expenditure for 2017. ;- We are awaiting the figures from Sue.
  - b. Access to cupboard. ;- We are still waiting for Brookhouse committee to provide one.
  - c. Pay Brookhouse for our room by standing order. ;- This is now in place and will be paid quarterly in arrears.
  - d. Move sum from the savings account to the current account. ;- Now in the current account.
  - e. Future of the Audio-Visual Competition. ;- The recommendation from the committee is to combine audio video with other events on Members Nights – TBA.
  - f. It was agreed that we should remove the forum from the web site as no one seems to use it.;- The link from the web site has been removed, but the programing is still in place, should we ever wish to re-instate it.
  - g. Replacing the microphone. ;- It was agreed that Robert Bilton and Steve A Wood should take any action needed to ensure we have a working microphone system. They can spend if this proves necessary.
  - h. Possible on-line questionnaire. ;- Steve Wright asked for sample questions so that he can use the most appropriate software. David Kershaw to provide a set of sample questions.
  - i. Christmas party. ;- Sally Sallett has organized a menu and is taking bookings. Two members of the committee asked that 'Cheese and biscuits' be added to the menu.
  - j. YPU Delegates. ;- Copies of the minutes from the last delegates meeting have been given to Michelle Howell and Sally Robinson. It is hoped that at least one will be able to accompany David Kershaw to the meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Paul Wagstaff may also attend, if he is able.

4. **Marketing and Exhibitions;** - Malcolm Dobson needs a copy of our public liability insurance.

Sally Robinson is checking the wooden frames to find out how many need to be repaired. It may be possible to get Bevelos to repair the damaged ones.

5. **Accounts**

a. The current balance was noted

b. We had a paid up membership of 61 at the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2016.

c. Details of expenditure since 1<sup>st</sup> of October. ; - Trevor read out the total expenditure for October.

d. Auditing the Accounts. Trevor told the committee that Peter Sallett was unable to audit the accounts this year. Peter Wells has taken on the task for this year only.

e. Discussion on finances. A budget for 2017. ; - We are unable to discuss next year's budget, until we have a projection of expenditure from Sue Whiteley. Trevor was asked to try and get the figures from Sue as soon as possible.

6. **Programme over next 6 weeks; -**

7<sup>th</sup> November – Del Delap – Experiences from Chernobyl.

14<sup>th</sup> November – 5<sup>th</sup> Clubman -Windows

21<sup>st</sup> November – John Gardner – Annual Retrospective.  
(Bring Entries for Annual Print Competitions)

28<sup>th</sup> November – Presidents Night.

5<sup>th</sup> December – Annual Print Competitions

12<sup>th</sup> December – Annual General Meeting

7. **Programme for 2017; -**

a. Printing the syllabus. ; - Robert Bilton presented a draft copy of the 2017 syllabus. Having checked its contents, the committee asked Robert to go ahead with the print run.

b. Outing to Andy's Studio? ; - David Kershaw will ask Andy for a suitable time slot, for some of the committee to visit and inspect the facilities.

c. Railway Photography. ; - Peter Wells is in discussion with Middleton Railway Trust.

**He will try and arrange a 'pilot visit' to explore the practicality of arranging a club visit.**

**8. Website**

**a. The judge for the November on-line Competition will be – Low Light – Trevor Bottomley.**

**b. The Judge for the December on-line final has been chosen by Sally Sallett and is Richard Walton... FRPS EFIAP MPAGB BPE3\* ;- It was agreed that we should present a glass trophy to the winner and print award cards for the first three places.**

**c. Subject and Judge for January On-line Competition. The subject (to be published in the Newsletter) will be 'Street Furniture' and the judge will be Paul Wagstaff.**

**9. Internal Competitions; -**

**a. Future of Applied competitions (Peter Wells) ;- Peter asked if the 'Applied' sections of the annual internal competitions had any relevance and suggested that we ask the membership if they should be dropped. David Kershaw to ask in the Newsletter and discuss at the AGM.**

**10. External Competitions; -**

**a. Wath Salon – hand in at YPU delegates meeting 12<sup>th</sup> November. ;- David Kershaw is organising this.**

**b. 10 DPIs will be needed for the Mersea Island competition, hand in before Christmas. ;- Michelle Howell and the selection team have this in hand.**

**c. YPU event to select clubs to represent them at the DPI and Print PAGB competitions. The Selection day will be January 29<sup>th</sup> at Carlton. ;- Michelle Howell and the selection team have this in hand.**

**11. Hardware, Software and Lighting; - The laptop will be updated over the Christmas period.**

**12. The Structure of the Committee for 2017**

**a. Handover of Presidency. ;- Sally Sallett will be asked to take over from Steve Womack as of the end of November, though Steve will technically continue as President until the AGM.**

**Sally Sallett will automatically become President at the AGM.**

**David Kershaw commented "when Steve was first elected I expected to find our two roles in constant conflict – Steve and I had very different approaches to dealing with problems. However, time has proved me wrong, not only was Steve a pleasure to work with, but he, in my opinion, has been one of the most dynamic presidents I have had the pleasure to know. To say he will be missed is an understatement."**

**b. Vice President? ;- Though the position will be open to election at the AGM, the committee will recommend Steve A Wood for the post.**

**c. Other Posts. ;-** Club Rule 4 states the committee shall consist of ;- President, Treasurer, General Secretary, all Life Members and any officers or posts recommended by the outgoing committee.

The committee recommended the following;-

**Syllabus Secretary, Competition Secretary, Assistant Competition Secretary, Marketing and Exhibitions Officer, Web Masters (2), Light and Sound Team (2) and up to three (3) Elected Members.**

David Kershaw also asked that we have a 'set up team', though these could be drawn from any of the committee members, or the general membership.

**d. Changes to rules? ;-** David Kershaw proposed a change to all the competition rules, to clarify the hand in procedure for digital images and digital copies of prints.

The proposed wording to read;-

**"Digital images and digital copies of prints** must be in JPEG format. Images may be of any size, but not larger than 1400 pixels wide, or 1050 pixels high and ideally at 300 dpi.

Entries should each have a title and be in a folder (see separate instruction if you are intending to email your entry). The title of the folder should be 'Your Membership Number (space or hyphen) the Competition (space or hyphen) D or P' (P=prints, D=DPI). We need a separate folder for DPIs and for Prints.

As an example, my print entry folder for the 1<sup>st</sup> Clubman entry, would read; -

'277 1<sup>st</sup> Clubman P'

**Submissions** must be given to the Competition Secretary [or other specified recipient] on or before the date specified in the syllabus and/or on our web site. The Folders should be on a memory stick, or disc.

**Emailed Entries;** If you email the images it is not possible to email folders, so please put your membership number, the competition and P or D (P=prints, D=digital) in the subject bar. Then attach your images, but always send Digital copies of your print entry and your Digital entry separately."

**e. Keighley Trophy ;-** Steve Womack asked that someone take on the responsibility of returning the Keighley Trophy to the YPU on or before their AGM.

It was suggested that Steve contact the YPU and ask if they would accept it back at the November Delegates meeting. David Kershaw will take it to that meeting if there is agreement.

**13 Any Other Business.-** There was no other matters to discuss.

**14 Date of next meeting will be agreed by the new committee.**