

# THE REGNUM CROUCH GROUP

*of Photographic Societies in West Sussex*  
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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Friday 5th May 2017

Venue: Church hall of Henfield Evangelical Free Church, High Street, Henfield, West Sussex BN5 9HP starting at 7.45pm

### Minutes

1. Apologies were received from Worthing PS, John Peters and David Waterhouse.
2. Minutes of the AGM held on 26 May 2016 at the Evangelical Church Hall, Henfield at 19:30 hours were published on the Regnum web site.
3. Matters arising from the minutes.
  - a) The matter of setting up a rota for Chairman and Vice Chairman positions was raised by Sylvia White. Following the previous AGM, the rota was further discussed by committee. Due to late agreement of a new competition rota following the retirement of some clubs, plus no confidence by the committee in achieving continuity of Regnum matters it was agreed that the principles discussed would be unworkable. It would be better for the Regnum Crouch Group to continue as set up with continual pressure on clubs to volunteer names for vacant posts.
4. The Chairman's position being vacant there was no Chairman's Report
5. The Treasurers Report present to the meeting is attached to these minutes.
6. Secretaries Report

All correspondence over the past year had been by electronic mail. The important announcements etc. had been circulated to all clubs. Other correspondence was between committee members only.
7. Election of Committee

As of the date of the issue of the agenda for the AGM there had been no nominations for the vacant positions on the committee. Cliff Carter who had served previously as Chairman and in other committee positions agreed that he would nominate himself for the vacant Chair on condition that he will only stand for 2 years. This means that a name for Vice Chair is required to take over the Chair in 2 years.

Alec Pelham and John Peters agreed to continue in their current positions.

	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconder</i>
Chairman: <b>Cliff Carter</b>		Alec Pelham

Vice-Chairman: **To be elected**

Secretary Alec Pelham

Treasurer John Peters

8. Rule Amendments / Proposals. There were no proposals for changes to the Group rules

9. The Competitions.

The following rota was agreed

Annual Print Competition

2017 Littlehampton

2018 Worthing

2019 Storrington

2020 Southwick

2021 Steyning

Annual PDI Competition

2018 Chichester

2019 Henfield

2020 Mid Sussex

2021 Worthing

10. Any other business/ Resolutions received.

There was no other business or resolutions received.

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### **TREASURER'S REPORT - YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

First, apologies. My apologies to the meeting for my absence this evening. Unfortunately, my wife's arrangements have taken precedence over mine.

I also have to apologise for the late production of the accounts this year. I shall distribute the full accounts once I have received a replacement bank statement. I was late in starting the process this year.

#### **Membership**

The number of clubs that currently belong to the Regnum Crouch Group is 8 with a total membership of 570, down from 582 last year.

#### **Operating Statement**

Income: £225.50  
Payments: £186.57  
Surplus: £ 35.30

Reserves: £1,260.71

#### **Comments**

Judge Fees have been below average this year at £85.00.

Two years web costs of £59.60 were paid this year.

The previous Regnum Crouch Secretary charged £31.50 expenses.

Taking these items into account, the income vs running costs is adequate. Accordingly, my proposal is that no change is made to subscriptions for the coming year, leaving these at £10 / club plus £0.25 per club member.

Subscriptions may need to change in future, as we have been fortunate with the level of Judges fees this year.

The Regnum Crouch Group rules cap Judge Fees at £75 per competition, demonstrating the potential.

John Peters, Treasurer, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017