



COMMITTEE MEETING to be held on
Thursday 25th July at 7.45pm

MINUTES

Present: Lindsey Green [LG] chair; Chris Green [CG] deputy Chair; Steve White [StW] vice chair; Sylvia White [SyW], secretary; Martin Tomes [MT] web master; Cliff Carter [CC]; Representing Storrington CC - Liz Barber [LB]; Janet Brown [JB]

1. Apologies for absence.

No apologies were received.

2. Minutes the last committee meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true record and signed accordingly.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes that are not addressed on the agenda.

4. Minutes of the AGM

The minutes of the AGM were reviewed by the committee.

The minutes will be formally ratified at the next AGM.

5. Matters arising from AGM minutes

There were no matters arising from the AGM

MT explained that committee minutes were posted on the web-site until 2017. The committee agreed we should return to this practice.

Action

SyW to send MT all current minutes for posting on the RC Group website.

6. Chairman's Report: *attached to the minutes*

LG explained, her report was short as she had only been in office for 3 months.

She had taken steps to invite three clubs to join the group.

7. Treasurer's Report.

In treasurer, John Peters, absence there was not a treasurers report on this occasion.

8. Correspondence

Secretary

SyW had little to report. She had forwarded Lindsey's invitation to the three clubs the AGM had agreed to approach.

- Bognor declined due to a full program.
- Middleton also declined
- Horsham haven't replied

Action

- SyW to resend the invitation to Horsham

SyW had received positive comments from both Mike Hancock [Chair Chichester Camera Club] and Philip Acland showing intent to attend competitions and AGMs.

Philip has been recovering from an accident causing him to be 'out of action'. Unfortunately, until recently, he had been our initial point of contact

Others

There was no other correspondence.

9 Tribute to Alec Pelham

CC showed the shield he had made. He explained he had sourced small shields etc. to complete the design.

The committee discussed the wording.

Decision

- The wording should simply be 'THE ALEC PELHAM SHIELD'

Action

CC to prepare a design and email to the committee for comments/agreement.

It was suggested that Alec's wife, Mary, be invited to present the trophy to the first winner.

It was also decided to publish a temporary dedication on the RC Group web site, John Peters [JP] had been asked to talk to Mid Sussex Camera Club, where Alec had been a long term member, for thoughts re said dedication.

In JP's absence it was unsure if this had been completed.

Action

SyW to contact JP to establish the situation and to ask him to forward any thoughts direct to CC.

10 Forthcoming Competitions

Regnam Shield

Next print competition; hosted by Storrington CC – 13th November 2019

Judge: Leo Rich ARPS, EFIAP/gold, DPAGB, BPE3 HonPAGB*

LB and JB, representing Storrington, were present.

LG explained that competition 'rules' and notes for 'host club' could be found on the RC website.

However the rule change, agreed at the AGM had not yet been updated on the website.

Action

MT to update changes ASAP.

Each club entry shall consist of eight images of any subject – not more than two from any one person – and must contain images from at least six members

StW asked about the age of prints: it was established that: '*Prints entered for this Competition must have been produced within three years before the date of entry for the Competition*'. As in the competition rules on the website. The committee understand that the host club cannot enforce this.

JB asked about recovering the trophy from the last winning club – Chichester CC.

Positive contact has been established by SyW and JB with contacts from Chichester and there is every indication they will be represented at the competition. The shield could be returned at this time but JB would prefer to have recovered it sooner.

Action

LG and CG to investigate when they visit Chichester's exhibition.

JB will be contacting the judge, Leo Rich, to arrange delivery of the print entries for pre judging. The judge will be expected to return the prints on the night of the competition.

JB also asked about lighting and sound etc. MT said a screen was needed and there was the possibility of using 'back projection' which would avoid a vast amount of cables etc.

Discussion took place regarding print stands and other ways of previewing the prints: eg tables. LG said Littlehampton's print stands could be made available; CG and she were prepared to help set-up. It was felt that these together with Storrington's own stands would be adequate.

As the hall being used for the competition had not yet been viewed, there was, as yet, no lay-out plan.

Due to an incident, involving intruders, at a previous competition it was suggested it might be advisable to have someone manning the door all evening – which was agreed.

Storrington are happy to create a flyer using either club images or previous winners. The flyer will be emailed to all competing clubs and posted on the RC website.

Crouch Shield PDI Competition – 23/03/20 [Mid-Sussex]

CC was already in contact with Marcus Scott-Taggart and was waiting confirmation of his availability on said date.

Regnum Print Competition – 19/11/20 [Southwick]

LG suggested Jerry Webb, a renowned B&W photographer, be considered for this competition.

CC offered to contact Jerry re said competition.

Action

CC to invite Jerry Webb to judge the Regnum Print Competition on 19th November 2020.

11 AOB

Winning image shield

CC still has the winning image shield which was won by a member from Chichester CC.

Discussion followed re. presenting to said winner.

Action

LG & CG to take it when they visit Chichester's exhibition

Past committee members

It had been suggested past committee members be invited to all Regnum Crouch competitions. CC explained that this had been discussed before the last competition but there hadn't been time to fully initiate. The committee considered this to be a good idea and CC agreed to continue in his efforts to contact previous committee members.

Print/PDI competitions

SyW had noticed that although the competitions where Regnum Shield [prints] and Crouch Shield [PDIs] they were often referred to in various different ways, especially the PDI competition.

Decision

Following discussion it was agreed that in emails & paperwork relating to the print competition Regnum Shield should be **included** and for PDI [Projected Digital Image] competitions Crouch Shield should be referred to.

Date of next meeting

The date of next meeting will be Tuesday 10th December 2019.

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NOTE

SyW reported that Middleton had declined the invitation to join the group but on reviewing the email they will actually be going to consider our invitation after their summer break.

CHAIR's report

25th July 2019

It is already three months since my election to Chair.

It has been a time for sending out feelers to encourage other Camera Clubs to join us, to grow. Sylvia can enlighten you on the responses so far.

Planning for next competitions had started and further input is on the Agenda for tonight.

Something, within the framework of what has already been discussed, by which to remember Alec could be finalised at this meeting with your input.

Our Treasurer will give an up-date on finances (within the ten year plan).

The Website has been kept in check very efficiently by Martin.

Thanks to the Committee and welcome to the new Members.

Lindsey Green.