



COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday 10th December 7.45

MINUTES

Present

Lindsey Green [LG] – chair; Chris Green [CG] - deputy chair;
Steve White [StW] - vice chair; Sylvia White [SyW] – secretary; Cliff Carter [CC];
Simon Baker [SB] – external competition secretary, Mid-Sussex Camera Club

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from David Waterhouse – chair of Mid-Sussex camera Club

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.

4. Chairman's Report

The chair had nothing to report.

The chair, however, did mention that she had received, from Storrington CC, feedback regarding the last competition, hosted by said club - Regnum Shield Print Competition.

Feedback will be reviewed later in the meeting.

The committee felt feedback from hosting clubs would be very valuable.

Action

- Hosting clubs to be asked to provide feedback.
- **Competition Feedback** to be included in each agenda following a competition.

5. Treasurer's Report.

In the absence of treasure John Peters [JP] no treasurers report was available.

In his capacity as treasurer of Littlehampton Camera Club, CG had wished to ask JP about paying club fees to RC group.

6. Correspondence

- **Secretary**

SyW reported:

A very nice email from Middleton CC explaining they would not be joining the RC Group but may reconsider in the future.

Action

- To consider inviting Middleton CC again in a two/three years

Carol Spanton informed the secretary of her new position as external competition secretary of Littlehampton CC. SyW has updated her records accordingly

Received an email from Philip Acland of Chichester CC confirming he was recovering from his accident catching up with admin and duties. He apologised for ChCC not being represented at the AGM and confirmed this would not happen again.

- **Others**

Cliff Carter

Received confirmation from Marcus Scott-Taggart re judging next Crouch PDI competition and also, Jerry Webb re judging the next Regnum print competition.

10 Crouch Shield PDI Competition

- *Date – 23rd March 2020*
- *Host club - Mid Sussex Camera Club*
- *Venue - The Kings Centre, Burgess Hill*
- *Judge - Marcus Scott-Taggart*

SB asked about the responsibility of Mid-Sussex with regard to the running of the competition.

Explanation was given:

- RC committee book the judge and support the host club which would include subsidising the host club should the competition make a loss.
- The host club book the venue and run the competition in its entirety:
 - Arrange and book a suitable venue.
CC advised SB of expected attendance – possible 100 people.
Mid-Sussex will consider a larger room in the King Centre as their current room may not easily meet the needs.
 - Send request to clubs, together with the rules which can be found on the RC website.
 - Collect images. The deadline for images should be six weeks before the competition.
SB explained that Mid-Sussex used 'PhotoEntry' for their competitions and would expect to use the same system for this competition. SyW thought SxFed used a similar entry system so clubs should be familiar with this form of submitting images.

- Liaise with the judge and organise delivery of the images.
- Provide equipment.
- Decide on the entrance fee
- Run a raffle.
Contact John Read, of Marrutt. Marrutt are sponsoring RC group and will probably provide some raffle prizes.
- Provide refreshments.

Further discussion took place regarding feedback by Sorrington CC in relation to the last competition.

Chair of Storrington reported that one entry was significantly similar to one entered in a previous competition which seemed unfair.

The committee discussed this extensively.

Considering the following points, the committee felt this would be difficult to monitor/police:

- How long could images be recorded for
- Different clubs hosting competitions means less coordination of previous competitions.
- Popular subjects could be photographed by many authors
- Photographs taken on club trips
- Husband & wife / partners capturing similar images.

Feedback also indicated an issue with accessing club email addresses.

SyW gave SB the list of email addresses she has amassed.

The committee also noted that the RG print competition was the same week as SxFed PDI competition. This was a result of SxFed organising their competition early in November instead of their historical date of later in the month.

11 Forthcoming competitions

- *Regnum Print Competition*
Host - Southwick Camera Club
Judge - Jerry Webb
Venue - Barn Theatre, Southwick Centre
- *Crouch Shield PDI competition*
Host – Littlehampton CC
- *Regnum Print*
Host - Steyning CC

CC has prepared a continuation of the rota until 2024.

Approved

- The committee approved the rota

year	Crouch Shield PDI	Regnum Shield PRINT
2020	Mid Sussex CC	Southwick CC
2021	Littlehampton CC	Steyning CC
2022	Storrington CC	Chichester CC
2023	Southwick CC	Henfield CC
2024	Steyning CC	Mid Sussex CC

11 Venue for AGM

In view of the hire cost the committee agreed to hold the AGM in the same venue as last year: Small Dole Village Hall.

Action

- CC to book the venue for Tuesday 5th May 2020.
- CC to confirm date with SyW
- SyW to notify clubs

12 AOB

There was no other business to be discussed.

Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be **Tuesday 18th February**

If Mid-Sussex CC do not need follow up support this meeting will be rescheduled.

Signed

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NOTE: I have now been informed that the Crouch Shield PDI Competition 2021 hosted by Littlehampton CC is scheduled for Wednesday 17th March 2021