

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CAMPING &  
CARAVANNING CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP SECTION HELD AT 2.30PM ON  
SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017 AT BROMSBERROW VILLAGE HALL, ALBRIGHT LANE,  
BROMSBERROW, LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE HR8 1RT.**

**CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.**

Mr. Steve Wynn, Chairman, opened the meeting at 14:33 and welcomed members to the 2017 Annual General Meeting. Steve was pleased to report there were 45 members in attendance. A warm welcome was extended to Steve Chandler, Management Committee Representative from C&CC Club HQ. Steve explained that there were no time restrictions as with last year, and that the AGM would be followed by the usual Member's Forum, with the Appointments meeting and Council meeting taking place in separate facilities to allow the organization of the Festival activities to be completed.

Steve also made mention of those members who had passed away since the previous AGM, these being Bill Chambers and Christopher Rimmer

**APOLOGIES.**

Mr. & Mrs. R Smith, Mr. & Mrs. M Harding, Mr. K Owen

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016**

Mr. Keith Hughes proposed that the Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting be signed as an accurate record, with Mrs. V Hartill seconding - by a show of hands the Minutes were approved

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Section's membership remains at a healthy level with a small upward variation from last year.

In 2016 we visited many and varied areas of England and, as in previous years, our meets have ranged from informal village hall sites but we have also utilized Club Sites including Roundhill in the New Forest, which provided members with many opportunities for photography.

As is found in many other sections, the burden of stewarding duties still has a tendency to fall on the shoulders of the willing few and this continues to present a problem, not least because many experienced members are getting older – however, training in stewarding is being provided at meets and this is encouraging members who have not previously considered stewarding to come forward

We continue to hold our showcase Festival meet in May where, as well as in-Section competitions and activities for non-photographers, our skills are pitted against those of other clubs in the country, as is also the case at our Annual Exhibition meet in August. By a show of hands the Chairman's Report was accepted.

**HON. TREASURER**

Mr. Keith Hughes, the 2016 outgoing Treasurer, presented to members his Annual Report and Accounts.

Mr. Hughes reported that the group had retained a surplus position of approximately £300 Highlights of the year included: £309 raised from raffles, £391 raised from regalia sales The Group's financial position had improved from that of 2015 with funds available to the Group having increased. Final Position:

Surplus reported	£300+
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Main Changes to income:

Raffles	£ 309
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Main changes to expenses:

Purchase of flag and PA	£ 397
Magazine costs	£1535
Storage costs	£ 691
Buffet for 80 <sup>th</sup> anniversary	£ 50

Mr Hughes reported that a satisfactory handover of the accounts had been made to the Honorary Treasurer for the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2017 - 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2017

### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

There was one change since the production of the Auditor's Report in that the report showed two items of equipment mislaid, with a recommendation from the Auditor that these be written off. Since this date, however, one item – the Group's spare projector – had been found in storage and therefore would be added to the equipment register and only the missing print stand be written off.

The accounts and supporting documentation for the year ending 31st December 2016 was satisfactory in all respects.

Mrs. V Hartill proposed that the Accounts be accepted and this was seconded by Mrs. S Tawn.

By a show of hands the Auditor's report, Annual Report and Accounts were approved.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

The Chairman explained that all Annual Reports had been published in Photocamper to reach every member, as well as on the web site. It was agreed it would not be necessary to read through them again at the AGM and the Chairman called for a proposal to accept Reports

### **NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY TREASURER.**

In accordance with Camping and Caravanning Club Rules Mrs. Patricia I Mitchell of 3 Ashwood Close, Bedhampton, Havant PO9 3QT has been appointed to serve for the period of 1.1.2017 to 31.12.2017.

### **MOTIONS OR NOMINATIONS.**

There were no Motions or Nominations to put to the Annual General Meeting.

However, a new constitution document had been received from HQ, and the Chairman explained to the meeting the differences to be found against the previous constitution. HQ required the Group to complete certain fields in the document, which included the number of council members to be elected by the Group, and a list of those posts that the Group felt necessary or advisable for the smooth running of the Group. These had been completed and the details were reported to the meeting so that the Council elections following could be held according to the new constitution.

The Chairman requested acceptance of the new constitution as outlined.

Proposed by Mrs. J Smith, Seconded by Mrs. H. Baxter, Approved by show of hands.

### **RETIREMENT FROM AND ELECTIONS TO COUNCIL**

Retiring from Council: Mr. D Morland, Mr. A Nesbitt

Standing members for year 2017-18: Mrs. M Wynn (1 year to run), Mrs. V Hartill (2 years to run), Mr. K Hughes (2 years to run)

For election for year 2017-18:

Mr. J Hartill and Mr. S Wynn, having completed their three-year terms, were willing to stand for re-election.

Mr. M Harding and Mrs. S Harding, having been co-opted during the last year, had

expressed their willingness to stand for election to the Council

The following members had also expressed their willingness to stand for election to Council:

Mr. A. Howland, Mr. K. Owen, Mrs. P Perkins

The Chairman was pleased that members had come forward to join the Council, as the continuing success of Photo Group was reliant on having an adequate number of Council Members. He also advised that there was still room for two more and asked if there was anyone else who would like to join the Council. If this was the case, then volunteers would be co-opted following the election.

A formal paper ballot then took place, with each member present being asked to vote for up to four candidates from the above. This was duly carried out and the results collated by Mr. D Tawn and Mr. S Chandler.

The outcome was as follows:

Mr. J Hartill, Mr. A Howland, Mrs. P Perkins, Mr. M Harding were elected to 3-year terms

Mr. K Owen, Mrs. S Harding were elected to 2-year terms

Mr. S Wynn was elected to a 1-year term

Mr. J Perkins, having earlier volunteered for council, was co-opted for one year

This result left one 1-year Council position unfilled at the time of the 2017 election.

### **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR**

Mrs. H Baxter proposed that Mr. David Tawn be appointed as Auditor for the coming year, Seconded by Mrs. S Tawn. By a show of hands the Appointment of Auditor was approved.

### **CHAIRMAN'S RECOGNITION**

The Chairman advised that several members were worthy of special recognition this year. Firstly, **Eileen Harrison**:

For many years now, members have received their quarterly newsletter through the post, and the production of this would not have been possible without the effort put in by one particular person – Eileen Harrison. As of this year, Eileen has found it necessary to hand over the mantle of editorship to a new editor (of which more at a later stage) and I am sure that all of the membership would join me in extending our grateful thanks to Eileen for the work she has put in over the years.

Quite apart from editing and compiling the items that have been sent in by members, she has also been a regular contributor of poetry and other articles in her own right.

We look forward to seeing both her and David again soon at meets, and hope that she will soon find something to fill her new-found leisure time away from the computer but hope that she will still find time to contribute to upcoming issues

Next, **Keith Hughes**, who has retired as Treasurer as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016 but continues as a member of Council

Also, **Dave Morland**, who is retiring as Festival organizer and member of the Council following this AGM/Festival meet.

I would also like to make mention of the extra effort that has been made by John Hartill in managing the meets calendar over the past months since Andrew Nesbitt stepped down – without his input in this area on top of his other work for the section we would be in a different place with regard to meets this year

It was recognized that there had previously been awards plaques presented at this point, but that these had been mislaid in recent years – Mr. J Price requested that consideration be given to the replacement of these items for future presentations.

### **COLOUR CIRCLES FOLIO**

The Chairman announced the winners for Top Prints of the Year in the three Colour Folios.

Certificates were presented to:

Circle 1 Sue Tawn.

Circle 2 Eric Sheffield.

Circle 3 Dave Tawn.

**DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**

Saturday 26th May 2018 at 2.30pm. at Welbourn Village Hall. Beck Street, Welbourn, Lincolnshire LN5 0LZ

The Chairman closed the Annual General Meeting at 15.33pm and the Member's Forum commenced at this point.