

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CAMPING & CARAVAN CLUB  
PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP - SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018 AT WELBOURN VILLAGE HALL,  
BECK STREET, WELBOURN, LINCOLNSHIRE LN5 OLZ - COMMENCING 2.30 PM**

Before the meeting commenced the Chairman asked all present to stand for a minutes silence in respect of Francis Spooner and Andrew Nesbitt who had passed away in the preceding 12 months.

**1. Chairman's Opening Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed Mr Chris Chester the National Council Representative of the Photographic Council.

The Chairman explained that there were 7 elected Council member vacancies and hoped at this meeting the vacancies could be filled in order that the Photographic Group continues to be a viable Section into the future. HQ had given special dispensation to co-opt a new Secretary for 12 months.

**2. Apologies for Absence**

Pat & John Perkins, Ken Owen, Gwen & John Smith, Pauline Corrick & Ray Milnthorpe, Helen & Rodney Smith, Sue & Dave Tawn, Adam Redshaw, Peter & Jill Young, Pauline Martindale, Barrie Meloy, Zoe Hartill, Faith Lee, Rodney & Helen Smith, Rosemary & Bob Perry, Cliff & Virginia Carter, Heather & Gordon Clarke, David & Dorothy Morland, Mike & Sue Pointon

**3. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting**

These had been published in Photocamper and on the PG website.

Proposed by Nigel Gardner                      Seconded by Hazel Baxter

**4. Chairman's Annual Report for the preceding Year**

These had been published in Photocamper and on the PG website. A further copy of the Chairman's annual report to the Camping and Caravanning Club was distributed at the meeting.

Proposed by Fred Price                      Seconded by Geoff Forrester

**Photographic Group Report for inclusion within the Annual Report**

Proposed by Nigel Gardner                      Seconded by Jenny Smith

**5. Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2017**

Published in Photocamper and on the PG website

After experiencing many difficulties with the Santander Bank over the past year the Photogroup were now banking with Natwest. It had been a difficult period due to poor customer support from Santander whilst changing over and the Chairman thanked Pat Mitchell for her professional handling of the Groups finances during this time.

**6. Auditor's Report**

The Auditor's certificate signed on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018 for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017. The report is available to members wishing to view it. Dave Tawn was thanked for auditing the accounts.

The meeting was advised of an audit of 2016 accounts by Club Finance Department. The report and recommendations were accepted by the Photographic Group Council at its March 2018 meeting. The report is available to members wishing to view it.

**7. Adoption of Accounts**

The meeting agreed to the adoption of the accounts.

Proposed by Keith Hughes                      Seconded by Becky Hitchcock.

**8. Reports for the preceding year from March 2017 to end February 2018**

The following reports for the preceding year were all available in Photocamper or on the PG website.

- 8.1 Appointed Advisory Officer to National Council
- 8.2 Public Relations Officer -
- 8.3 Sites Coordinator
- 8.4 Web Master and Social Mediator
- 8.5 Editor of Photocamper
- 8.6 Membership Secretary
- 8.7 Regalia
- 8.8 Section Forum
- 8.9 Exhibition Secretaries

There is no PRO report as this is a vacancy. There is no Regalia report owing to resignation due to health reasons. A stock check was presented to the Treasurer.

The Chairman thanked and sent best wishes to all those members who have had to retire on medical grounds from their Council and Appointed positions.

Also thanks were given to members who have voluntarily served the sections during the year allowing members to enjoy their camping and photographic interests.

The meeting accepted these reports en- bloc  
Proposed by Eileen Harrison Seconded by Nigel Gardener

## **8 Notice of Appointments of Honorary Treasurer**

The Council has appointed Pat Mitchell to serve as Honorary Treasurer until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

## **9 Elections**

The Group had 5 existing Council members who did not require re-election at this AGM. On election a Council member stands for 3 years prior to requiring re-election.

There had been 4 resignations on health grounds: Sandra & Mick Harding along with Pat & John Perkins.

In view of the fact that the post of Secretary was unfilled at the time of the meeting; the Club Director General, Robert Loudon had authorised the co-option of a new member Nicola Knott into the role for 12 months. Nicola and her husband Sam were warmly welcome to the meeting.

The Chairman explained there were 7 elected Council member vacancies. Nominees needed to have a full 3 year Club membership together with a full year of PG membership.

After a brief description of tasks involved and meetings to attend the following members volunteered their services to act on Council:

Becky Hitchcock  
Geoff Forrester  
Cherry Forrester

Proposed by John Hartill Seconded by Alan Howland  
Unanimously elected by a show of hands

## **10 Appointment of Auditor**

Dave Tawn had offered to continue with his role  
Proposed by Becky Hitchcock Seconded by Bob Moore

**11 Motions**

No motions received

**12 Chairman's Recognition**

The Chairman wished to recognise and thank all of those members who have done something extra for the Section during the year. He said it does not matter how great or small their involvement, it was something that required that extra effort and commitment.

Well done and thank you to all.

Members were asked to show appreciation to the following:

All Council members who had served during this period and the Appointed and Advisory Officers.

Initially Eileen Harrison and now Fred Price were thanked for keeping members supplied with the quarterly Photocamper magazine.

Members who have run the popular portfolios in various mediums.

Willing Stewards

Heather & Gordon for their efforts in putting the Festival programme together

Sites Co-ordinator Alan Howland for his reliable support, patience and enthusiasm in this demanding role.

Pat & John Perkins a willing, hardworking and committed couple who will be missed.

Ken Owen a steward who is always ready with a story and quip.

Mick & Sandra who were our Regalia Officers, now sadly retired on health grounds.

Keith Hughes a relaxed and calming member

Membership Secretary: The Chairman's ever understanding wife Vivien

**13 Presentation of Colour Folio Certificates**

Certificates were awarded to:

Circle 3 Photographer of the Year Christine Whitehead

Circle 2 Photographer of the Year Pat Mitchell

**14 Date of the 2019 Annual General Meeting**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Brailes Village Hall, Castle Hill Lane, Upper Brailes, Nr Banbury OX15 5AS

**15 Close of Formal Business**

The Chairman closed the Annual General Meeting at 3.04 pm and the Member's Forum followed.