

MARCH CAMERA CLUB MINUTES

Committee meeting 24th August 2011 at 7:30pm Chairman's House

Present: Allan Howe, Alan Blower, John Band, Chris Ley, Mel Harris, Richard Hull, Richard Anker, and Cliff Marsh.

Apologies: Pat Ringham Debbie Millington

Chairman's items:

- The new programme is printed now – one error to be noted is that it is the Annual **projected images** competition that is on 19th April 2012.
- A small promotional exhibition is to be set up at the Library to run from 24th August to 3rd September 2011.
- The EAF Portfolio disc has arrived but no London Salon disc (CL will look at the Salon's web site).
- Special thanks go to Colin Baker (the new light-box), Lydia Molyneux (hosting the BBQ) and Cliff Marsh (taking us to the Black Country and back).
- A suggestions box for ideas for next season's programme will be put out each week until December 2011.
- Discussion about the Special General Meeting and Constitution changes to follow any other business*

Alan Blower: NOB

John Band: NOB

Chris Ley: NOB

Richard Hull: Asked for confirmation that the light-box will be ready for the first monthly competition (AH will check this is correct and also informed us that prints will be shown first for each competition so that members can see them during the interval).

Mel Harris: The last season's accounts are ready to be audited by Celia. Asked RA if any reports of the Club's new season can be announced in the newspapers. RA will telephone and also try the "County View" shop that now takes in copy. Peterborough Photographic Society have been in touch with PR about a new competition (The "Bill Dunn Memorial Trophy"); this will involve a small number of clubs, there will be no charge, and entries will be creative digital files only submitted on an individual member basis (up to 2 per member).

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Richard Anker: Terry Boniface has confirmed he will attend the hands-on evening on 15th September but will be unable to come to the first two club evenings.

Cliff Marsh: NOB

***Discussion about the SGM and the Constitution:**

It was agreed that:

- An agenda is put up at the clubhouse and on line by 1st September.
- Members must have read the Constitution in advance of the SGM
- Three changes to the Constitution be proposed:

The aim of the Club is amended to:

- 1.2 THE AIM OF MCC IS TO PROMOTE THE ART AND CRAFT OF PHOTOGRAPHY FOR THE BENEFIT OF ITS MEMBERS. ***THE CLUB DOES NOT ASPIRE TO OFFER ANY FORMAL TRAINING PROGRAMMES.***

The committee's responsibilities are amended to include:

- 2.1(c) ***The Committee shall set the rules for MCC competitions.***

Financial Statements (para 1) be amended to:

- 4.2 At each meeting of the Committee the Treasurer and/or deputy shall, ***if requested in advance***, present to the Committee an up to date statement of receipts and payments, acceptance of which shall be recorded in the minutes.

Finally a mechanism for members wishing to put forward changes in the running of the club was felt to be desirable. It was suggested that these should be put in writing to the Committee by the proposer and should be seconded by another club member.

Meeting Closed at 9:05pm

Next meeting will be the 5th October 2011 at the Chairman's home