



**MINUTES OF A BIDEFORD CAMERA CLUB
COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 19.30 HRS ON 1 JULY 2019
IN THE VESTRY ROOM, BIDEFORD METHODIST CHURCH**

In Attendance: Margaret Dolan, Vice Chairman (MD)
Mac Chivers, Treasurer (MC)
Tony Coleman, Member's Rep (TC)
Michael Bowden, Member's Rep (MB)
Mike Middleton, Secretary (MM)

1 Matters Arising from Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 17 May 2019

MC confirmed that he has some name badges that can be used. MD said that she will take responsibility for ensuring that badges are ready to be issued at the beginning of the first meeting.

It was agreed that the provisional programme should be put on the club website as soon as possible. MC and MM said they would meet to coordinate information on speakers and judges for the programme. MC needs to find two more judges and MM one more speaker to complete the programme.

The issue of who has/where is the monitor colour profiling equipment (Color Monkey?). MD will investigate.

2 "Why Would Anyone Join a Camera Club" paper submitted by Richard Smith

The committee members discussed the above paper and agreed that it contained many ideas and issues that need to be considered and taken forward.

When devising the content of the Workshop evenings in the programme, the issue of "new skills" will be incorporated. It was suggested that one format could be an evening when multiple skills subjects could be covered by a number of small groups; the groups rotating throughout the evening. MC reported that Braunton and Barnstaple clubs are interested in joining with us to run a number of special interest groups. Reps. From clubs will be asked to meet to take this forward. This format would be a possible way of taking forward the suggestion that studio photography sessions are held.

MD will ask Richard if he would organise a coach trip with the help of a small sub-committee.

MD will see if he can get a visit to SS Freshwater arranged.

MC will approach Bob Crow for a talk on 11 or 18 February 2020 on vintage camera equipment.

The issue of hired speakers for special events was discussed. Our main problem is that high profile speakers are very expensive and the last time the club did this we only just broke even. Perhaps this is something that could be approached as a 3B venture.

The Devon Battle was discussed and it was agreed that the members who take part in this could talk to the club about it – will be included in the programme.

MC agreed to prepare a session on preparing images for sending off to external printing companies.

Exhibitions have been talked about many times in the past. It was agreed that MD will talk to Richard about this idea of pop-up exhibitions.

MD said she would write to Richard thanking him on behalf of the committee for submitting his paper.

3 E-mail from Tony Brewer re. Mount Boards and Charges for New Members

It was decided to sell the pre-cut mounts to Nomads Photo Group if they want them, but to offer them to our members first before doing this.

As the issue of “free fees” for new members was a constitutional issue it will need to be raised through an Extraordinary General Meeting.

4 WCPF Print Competiton

Entries for this competition have been decided from prints submitted by members and details have been submitted to WCPF.

MC reported that the themes for Knightshayes and Kingswood competitions have not yet been decided by WCPF which has implications for the themes for our internal competitions on 5 November 2019 and 7 January 2020. MD will contact Peter Fry to see if she can expediate.

5 Any Other Business

TC agreed to run a weekly raffle to increase club funds. Tickets £1. The winner to get half the takings and the club the remainder.

The meeting closed at 21.50 hours.

MM
Secretary