

LINCOLN CAMERA CLUB

Committee Meeting Minutes 25 July 2018

Present: Jorj Malinowski, Audrey Stanley, David Weaver, David Tabberner, Dawn McCall, David Chapman, Keris Eyton-Williams, Chris Gresham, Alastair Scammell, Karen Bassett

1. Apologies for absence: Kristy Hill and Steve Percival
2. The Minutes from the meeting held on 27 June 2018 were approved.
3. (a) Alastair reporting on the progress of the project. Saying that they were approximately half way through and on time. Mentioning that the ink costs were quite expensive but Jorj content with cost as they had been budgeted. Jorj saying they will have to order some more backing boards. Keris suggesting a possible alternative. Alastair saying that a second batch of flyers had now been printed as the first were not up to par.

(b) David Weaver confirming that the website was up to date. Jorj noting that Steve Percival had done a good job with social media sites and that Twitter now had 52 followers and as a result there were some possible new members interested in the club. Steve had mentioned that the Club had received an enquiry from Boutham Park and inviting the Club to donate a prize. After discussion it was suggested that a year's membership could be offered as a prize on the proviso that it was offered to over 16s only. Noting that Boutham Park had offered to pay for prize.

Steve had also looked into the issues relating to emails (i.e. hotmail, live, open) and appears to have resolved the problem after discussion with Microsoft. The problem seems to have originated from email being classed as spam from the president's email from a couple of years ago which had resulted in Microsoft adding to the banned list. This has now been reversed and the block has been lifted.

(c) David Tabberner reporting that 39 payments for membership had now been received and new membership forms completed. Reviewing the non-payers.

(d) Jorj said that the print folios were okay although he has to renovate them. There have been problems with the digital portfolios. One stick was completely unusable and the other partially so Jorj will obtain new sticks.

Dawn suggesting an August trip to Bigby. She will scope it out and let Jorj know.

Chris suggesting a possible aircraft group and expressing an interest in giving a talk.

Alastair had approached his sailing club who were not keen on photographers but there may be possibility of accompanying Alastair on his boat which holds approximately 6.

David Chapman mentioning motorcycle photography but he is usually on the other side of the barrier. Jorj saying that with all these activities members would need guidance on the best techniques to get the best out of the equipment.

(e) The summer exhibition had been a success albeit some images had been incorrectly labelled. One problem was that although the library has a lot of string there were a lack of hooks. Jorj has now purchased more hooks. Winter exhibition is booked and Audrey will confirm next time she passes. Keris mentioning that Sam Scorer Gallery will be having an open session later in the year with folk being able to submit up to 3 images for consideration.

(f) David Weaver saying he had received letter from the Cathedral Centre regarding existing bookings and current arrangements. Jorj saying he had received an email from Cathedral Centre previously re door being left open and the Cathedral Centre wishing to install a person at £120 per week. This had been mentioned to David Davies who had talked with the Cathedral Centre and Deans Verger about problems who intimated that it was their insurers who were forcing them to review the position. Jorj will be meeting with Cathedral Centre at BBQ to discuss their concerns and see what can be worked out.

Jorj had also been exploring other options for possible venues. One option being "Mansion of the Future" which had rooms and equipment, who were not after rent but would require odd jobs. However, the building would need to be vacated by 9 pm. This may be something to negotiate further. Darren Juggins was looking into space on Doddington Road and had given Jorj details of contact there. Other possibilities included the hall at St Botolphs on the High Street and community centre near the Grandstand.

(g) Jorj reporting that Mike Lincoln was doing well with the raffle. Dawn had purchased different items other than wine and chocolate. Mike and Dawn to liaise.

4. Officers' Report

(a) Nothing to report

(b) Nothing to report

(c) David Weaver saying we have £10,000 in bank. Saying that he has now received list of signatories from Scottish Widows and that two signatures are required to transfer. However return rates were pretty dismal most places.

(d) David Weaver reporting that he had one spot to fill in September. Dawn to consider doing another trip.

(e) Nothing to report

(f) David Tabberner providing a list of potential competition themes for 2019. The two salvers will remain i.e. architecture (to include modern and old) and nature (i.e. flora and fauna), digital open and creative, mobile phone photography, people, water and either food or doors. The panel competition will also remain. An open competition where two internal judges can have a go at judging/critiquing.

- (g) Jorj reporting that we have won the last heat of the battles and will definitely be in the finals with Grimsby and three other teams. The final to be held in October at Nettleham.
- (h) David Weaver saying next LPA meeting was August 15.
- (i) Nothing to report

5. Any other business

David Weaver asking if there would be any interest in the LPA portfolio which would consist of looking at prints and voting. However in the past there had not been a lot of enthusiasm for this and travel to collect and then deliver the prints to next venue was onerous. It was not thought worthwhile.

Keris suggesting that a link be put on the website for the sponsors of the Churches Project and possibility of reception at either start or end. Keris to provide contact details for sponsors.

Meeting closed at 9pm

Next meeting 29 August 2018