

LINCOLN CAMERA CLUB

Committee Meeting Minutes 30 January 2019

Present: Jorj Malinowski, Audrey Stanley, David Tabberner, Dawn McCall, David Weaver, David Chapman, Chris Gresham, Keris Ayton-Williams, Steve Percival, Kristy Hill and Alastair Scammell

1. **Apologies for absence:** Karen Bassett
2. **The Minutes:** The Minutes from the previous meeting, held on 28 November 2018 were read and approved.
3. Matters arising from the previous minutes:-
 - (a) Website & Social Media – website up to date, lots of positive comments about how easy it is to use, and mobile friendly (as per poll by SP). Map for the studio session has been uploaded. DT just needs to pass on the judges names for all the competitions and then they will be added on the site. KH handing round suggestions received from Darren Juggins – Jorj saying most have already been implemented. Member's websites – a few need to be deleted as they are no longer active members. Dawn asking if her website could be added – passing the details to Steve to add on.

The laptop has a new harddrive, Microsoft office loaded and a new bag all for around £80. Jorj attempted to install Photoshop but the login details were almost illegible – deciphered once handed round the committee. JM will now get this installed.
 - (b) Membership – Everyone is paid up.
 - (c) Specialist/Educational Groups – print folio moving well. Digital still to restart. Chris G has a talk coming up at the club and will announce details of his photography outing then. Discussing what equipment he needs for the talk. Dawn will start to make a list of places we could visit in the Spring.
 - (d) Summer and Winter Exhibition – Winter exhibition went well, we are ready for the Summer one now. Audrey will double check the dates with the library but everything is booked.
 - (e) New Premises – Keys are all sorted – Jorj, Dave T and Darren Juggins all have copies. Storeroom needs organising – JM suggesting looking in charity shops for a box for our equipment. Dave W, Dave T and Chris G are all local to new premises and have volunteered to help with the organising.
 - (f) Churches Project update – Alastair emailed the Cathedral – they have given us the dates of 15th-28th Feb for another exhibition. This is very soon but Alastair said everything is ready. ASc asking if we could have some more publicity? Facebook perhaps? Steve P will sort out a Facebook advert/event. Dawn suggesting radio? ASc will look into this. The exhibition might be quiet in February but it is half term week so hoping for a good turnout.

4. **Officers' Report**

- (a) General Secretary - nothing to report.
- (b) Social Secretary – thanks were given to Audrey for serving the drinks last week. Profits appear to be down on the drinks – is this something we want to continue as we are currently losing money on this.
- (c) Treasurer - DW reporting expenditure for last month. Handing round a draft thankyou letter to our sponsor of the Cathedral Project (Terravesta). Audrey handing over the money she had left over from the refreshments at the Cathedral Centre.
- (d) Programme Secretary – DW running through upcoming talks, competition entries, etc. Long term – there are about 5 empty slots still to fill. JM has 'Photography through the decades' DVD to show. We need a 'plan B' every night just in case a speaker doesn't turn up. Chris G offering to do a 3D photography talk – this sounds really good.
- (e) Monthly Newsletter – a draft has been circulated to the committee then will be sent to members. Alastair wanting to add the Churches Project dates to it – he will email Karen.
- (f) Internal Competition Secretary – Dave T passing round list of judges for each competition. DT hoping for more entries this year.
- (g) External Competition Secretary – LPA pdi competition – Keris received a Commended in the creative section. Amanda Elwell placed 2nd in the portraits open comp. Well done to Keris and Amanda. JM running through upcoming competitions, next one being the AV comp on 24th Feb. Jorj reporting we've been invited to enter the Newark print competition (10 prints needed). JM explaining the types of image we need. Should we enter? Yes, JM will organise this.
- (h) LPA Delegate – Nothing to report. Meeting next week. DW will be attending. The LPA still need a Treasurer and a Secretary.
- (i) NEMPF Delegate – AGM is coming up soon. Executives form filled out and signed by KH nominating JM.

5. **Any other Business**

Alastair – suggesting a boating outing at Rutland Waters. His boat club has an event in June and we could be their official photographers (no one else allowed on the water). Alastair will ask if they can provide a boat then we will provide the photos. A few committee members are interested in having a go.

Dawn – raffle – explaining what money we have, list of prizes, etc. JM thanking Dawn for organising this. We need to encourage members to buy tickets so JM suggesting we keep prizes simple, eg chocolates, booze, etc. Dawn saying she has put a few different prizes in as members may be bored of chocs, booze etc after Christmas.

Jorj – the Chain of Office – do we want to continue with it? The name bars on it are few and far between. It is rarely used (once a year at AGM). Committee seemed indifferent – no strong opinions to keep it other than nostalgia to mark those who have been President. Dave W will look into the cost of updating it. JM passing chain of office to DW.

Meeting closed at 20:30

Next meeting: Wednesday 27 February 2019