

LINCOLN CAMERA CLUB

Committee Meeting Minutes 30 August 2017

Present: Jorj Malinowski, Kristy Hill, Audrey Stanley, David Weaver, David Tabberner and Karen Bassett

Guest: Alastair Scammell

1. **Apologies for absence:** None.
2. **The Minutes:** The Minutes from the previous meeting, held on 27 July 2017 were read and approved.
3. **Matters arising** from the previous minutes:-

- (a) Churches Project – Alastair kindly attended to present to the committee his plans for the Churches project. He has arranged for an exhibition at the Chapter House 3rd – 8th September 2018 for no charge (as we are a charity and the exhibition will be not for profit), pending the committee's approval. We would need to produce some sort of disclaimer that the photographers agree to no payment if their image is used on the display. If the exhibition goes well they have asked if we could possibly tour the exhibition at different locations. We all agreed it would be really good press for the Club. Alastair showed to the committee an example of how the photos would be displayed. The committee unanimously agreed it looked professional and suitable for the Chapter House setting. JM suggested using MDF backing as he has a large supply of this. Costs are estimated at £300-£500 for all materials. Alastair may have a contact willing to sponsor us – he will look into this. The committee agreed that £500 will be our top budget should we need to pay for materials ourselves.

We will need volunteers to help produce the backing boards/printing, etc – we will ask members in time. How will the pictures be chosen? What will be the name of the exhibition? Overall, the committee approved Alastair's plans for the Churches project and look forward to the exhibition next year.

- (b) Website & Social Media – Website up to date. JM mentioned advertising. Our policy is no advertising on our website. We decided that recommendations on our Facebook page were welcome but we need to be careful how we stand re charity status. Members are free to post recommendations on the Facebook page but must state that it was them who posted and not the Club itself.
- (c) Membership – DT collating new membership list. We need exact figures by the membership closing date to pass onto LPA and NEMPF. We are looking into a new membership card design. DW mentioned in years past we used to have a different colour for each year of membership – perhaps this is something we could look into in the future.

- (d) Specialist/Educational Groups – folios are slow at the moment due to the Summer break. We have lost a couple of members. JM to get new members interested to keep things moving.

Dawn McCall has kindly offered to run some wildlife photography groups, like the one she did at Chambers Farm Woods. Perhaps we could organise a 'churches group' to help gather images for the Churches Project?

JM's beginner sessions this month were very popular and something that will be done again in the near future.

- (e) Summer & Winter Exhibition – Winter exhibition is booked for 18th – 30th December 2017 at the library. This has been paid for. Audrey will book the Summer exhibition as soon as possible with dates of 25th June – 7th July suggested. We still have access to the LPA frames however they are not going to replace them. We could invest invest in our own however storage may be a problem!

St Barnabas evening will be on 21st September from 6.30pm.

- (f) Mounts and raffle – JM will speak to Lynne about this on the ghost walk in September.

4. Officers' Report

- (a) General Secretary – Nothing to report
- (b) Social Secretary – Nothing to report
- (c) Treasurer – DW ran through expenses this month.
- (d) Programme Secretary – DW ran through upcoming program. 28th November is marked as 'practical' but nothing planned as yet. Suggestion of a mounting/presentation of photos demo from JM. Committee agreed this would be a good idea for those who are new to mounting.
- (e) Monthly Newsletter – Newsletter is finished and ready to send out to members.
- (f) Internal Competition Secretary – DT wants a final run through of Dicentra. JM to remind members when entries are due for the next competition. We have had a few suggestions of competition titles from members, which we welcome.
- (g) External Competition Secretary – LPA battle final in October – we are in the final.
- (h) LPA delegate – DW has updated LPA website with our new committee member details, etc. DW gave general update from LPA.
- (i) NEMPF Delegate – JM will soon be collecting images for the annual exhibition.

5. Any Other Business

- a. Dawn McCall is considering joining the committee – JM will pass on our encouragement to do so! Alastair Scammell has kindly agreed to join the committee as the Churches

Project Manager. We welcome Alastair to the committee and thank him for his work so far on the project.

Meeting closed 20:12

Next meeting: Wednesday 27 September 2017