

LINCOLN CAMERA CLUB

Committee Meeting Minutes 27 September 2017

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

Guest: Dawn McCall

1. **Apologies for absence:** David Weaver, Alastair Scammell.
2. **The Minutes:** The Minutes from the previous meeting, held on 30 August 2017 were read and approved.
3. **Matters arising** from the previous minutes:-
 - (a) Churches Project – Alastair has passed on the good news that we have a sponsor to fund the cost of materials for making the display boards. The display has been confirmed by the Cathedral for the first week of September 2018.
 - (b) Website & Social Media – Website up to date. A suggestion from the suggestion box asked if we could post details of upcoming speakers on the Facebook page. All agreeing this was a good idea and KH saying that she would schedule posts for the next few weeks to remind members of upcoming sessions the day before and on the day. We would also like to start inviting non-members to lectures when we have a good speaker. £3 was a suggested amount to charge.

Another item from the suggestion box was asking if we should advertise on the Lincolnite page. KH would look into this.

- (c) Membership – DT reporting that there were a few who still hadn't paid. Some had explained that they have chosen to drop out, others may have just forgotten to renew. JM will contact those he thinks may want to stay.

Membership cards – David Piper has kindly given DT a few templates for membership cards. DT handing one round that he thought would be suitable. Committee agreeing that it looked a good choice and approved.

- (d) Specialist/Educational Groups – folios are going ok, a few have dropped out of both but JM has asked a few newer members to join in.

JM thanking Dawn McCall for organising the visit to Chambers Farm Woods. It was very popular and we would like to do more of these in the future. Dawn has kindly agreed to join the committee as a 'tour manager' and will arrange for more visits in the future. She has lots of ideas for good locations to visit. We welcome Dawn to the committee and thank her for her participation.

There is a demand for more beginner groups. These have proved popular in the past. There is a split between the club as to beginners and more advanced capabilities so we have to find a good balance between the two so as to give value to both in terms of meetings throughout the year.

From the suggestion box again came a question if we could have a Lightroom tutorial. We have one of these scheduled soon.

KB and KH both suggesting a HDR tutorial. Dawn McCall suggesting a photostacking demo.

- (e) Summer & Winter Exhibition – Audrey has booked and paid for the Summer exhibition with dates of 25th June – 7th July. Audrey to be reimbursed for this.

St Barnabas exhibition was popular, a total of £140 was raised through sales on the evening.

- (f) Mounts and raffle – JM will speak to Lynne about this.

4. Officers' Report

- (a) General Secretary – Nothing to report
- (b) Social Secretary – The committee sends its best wishes to our member Jarek and will send a get well soon card.
- (c) Treasurer – report read out to committee by JM.
- (d) Programme Secretary – JM ran through upcoming program. A start has been made for the 2018 program. In October 2018 we have booked Bob Brindle for his talk 'beyond auto'. This will cost the club quite a lot so we will open this up to non-members for £3 to help cover the cost.
- (e) Monthly Newsletter – Newsletter is finished and ready to send out to members.
- (f) Internal Competition Secretary – DT needs to do a few tweaks on Dicentra but overall he found the software easier to manage the competition entries. The website needs updating to explain how to email in competition entries – JM to contact DW about this. JM mentioned the use of Dropbox – we could look into using this in the future.
KB's competition theme suggestions were read out. All agreeing that 'textures in nature' would be a good subject for next year.
- (g) External Competition Secretary – LPA battle final on 15th October – we are in the final.
- (h) LPA delegate – Nothing to report.
- (i) NEMPF Delegate – JM is now collecting images for the annual exhibition. The deadline is 10th October.

5. Any Other Business

- a. Suggestion box – a member asked if it would be worth contacting ex-members to send them our program? We need to be careful as we don't always know the reason for

someone leaving the club. We don't want to appear tactless in some cases. JM will send an email out to those ex-members he feels comfortable in contacting and has an email address for.

Meeting closed 20:16

Next meeting: Wednesday 25 October 2017