

# Chesham Camera Club

## Minutes

Of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2008.

At 1 Hawridge Hill Cottage, Chesham.

**Present.** John Harding, Jim Conboy, Geoff Walker, Mel Walker, Anne Bourne, Linda Sharp, Wilf Clark.

**Apologies.** Kat Hall, Albert Braithwaite, Kathryn Collinson, Andy Mason.

**Matters Arising.**

None.

**Secretary's Report.**

A poster has been sent via e-mail from Hemel Hempstead Photographic Society about a presentation being given by Eamonn McCabe on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February.

A brochure was received from Canda Phototours about phototours in Murcia, Spain.

A brochure was received from Aigas Field Centre in the Scottish Highlands on Nature Photography Courses.

**Treasurer's Report**

Account balance at present is £2,164.37 CR. There is one outstanding cheque to £24.00. The sum of £26.57 petty cash is in hand. This time last year we held a balance of £2581.45. The Equipment insurance premium is due for this year, premium £100.62. As you can see this will knock our funds down to around £2066.32.

Income since meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2007

Subscriptions	£65.00
Raffle income	£106.00
Maloney Raffle	£60.00
Income from Club Printer	£9.00
Refreshments	£19.62
Maloney ticket sales	£180.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>£439.62</u>

**Expenditure**

Whitehill Centre Hire, store etc	£183.00
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Social evenings	£42.89
Speakers expenses	£260.00
IT domain renewal & mouse renewal	£131.61
Judges expenses	£57.00
Raffle prizes	£26.29
Annual subs CACC £43.00 + Insurance £45.08	£88.08
Stationary	£2.88
<u>Total</u>	<u>£791.75</u>

### **Programme Secretary's Report.**

For this year, a judge is needed for the presentation evening.  
2008/2009.

Linda produced a proposed schedule for 2008/2009.

There will be 6 open competitions for all categories, prints, enprints, digital and slides and the number of talks will be upped.

There will be one set subject per evening as having two different set subjects per evening is confusing. There will be 3 set subjects per category and it was proposed that we ask the judges if they want to suggest the set subject.

John will print cards with the set subjects on to give out at the AGM.

Mike Maloney has been booked to come back to give another talk on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.2008.

Other speakers who will be asked to give a talk are Chris Palmer, Barry Senior, Steve Brabner, Alan Copeland and Colin Southgate.

Talks suggested on Birds and Mounting/ framing.

Christmas party will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

We have had a e-mail from Michael Day from Gerrards Cross Camera Club asking if we would like a friendly competition on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at Gerrards Cross and there was agreement that we would like to.

It was suggested that we are the hosts for the NW Federation competition on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008.

### **Competition Secretary's Report.**

As Albert was not at the meeting, there was no report.

### **Membership Secretary's Report.**

Current membership is 43.

11 have not renewed their membership this year and we have 8 new members.

An e-mail has been sent out to all those who have not rejoined and also 4 prospective members and letters have also been sent to some.

We also have one prospective new member from our website.

### **Publicity Officer's Report.**

Mel will produce a newsletter for this month. Only 20 will be printed as the newsletter will also be put on the website. Ideas are needed for subjects for this and future newsletters.

We have had a query from Calumet, they want to sponsor us next year. They will have the rest of this year's advertising free.

Mel will do the printing of the programme for 2008/2009 and will put in the names and addresses of the Committee Members.

More adverts are needed for the programme.

### **IT Co-ordinator's Report.**

Web hits are approx 100 per day.

Zone alarm virus scan has expired - £30.00 to renew.

Jim will research other Virus scans ie AVG, which are free.

John will ask Dave Ryder if he will take on the role of assistant digital projectionist. It needs to be checked if the digital screen is flicking.

The blue bar across the bottom of the digital screen has been solved.

It is being suggested that the Rosebowl competition should be standardised across the area ie with the same projectors etc. They are going digital in 2008/2009.

Mel said that many of the clubs have more images on their website and it would be good if we could increase the number of images on our site.

### **Floor Manager's Report.**

Andy has asked that Kat Hall to be his assistant and she has agreed.

### **Exhibition Secretary's Report.**

It was suggested that 11<sup>th</sup> October 2008 be the date for the Annual Exhibition and Wilf to provisionally book it.

### **Any Other Business.**

Mel suggested a raffle where we buy an expensive camera ie £2000 and sell tickets at say £40.00 per ticket. Mel to check the legal implications of such a raffle.

It was suggested that the Floor Manager should be a proper elected member of the Committee and not a co-opted member as at present. As all were in favour it needs to be changed at the AGM.

### **Date of the next Meeting.**

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2008 at Margaret's house.

Thank to Margaret for her hospitality.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.50pm.