



Northern Counties Photographic Federation

A Member Federation of the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

<http://www.ncpf.org.uk>

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 06th June 2017 at Swalwell Community Centre.

The President opened the meeting at 7.30pm

Present: - Alan McCormick, Joseph Duffy, Margaret Welsh, Peter Yearnshire, Gerry Adcock, Pax Garabedian, Richard Spiers, John Smith, Jim Welsh, David Brown, Trevor Walters, Dave Coates, John Gilkerson, Keith Kirkland

17/06/01 Apologies for Absence: - Cliff Banks, John Twizell, Gerald Chamberlin
Incommunicado: - Jane Black, Stan Bewick

17/06/02 The minutes of the meeting held on 03rd May 2017 were approved and signed.
Proposed by Keith Kirkland – Seconded by Richard Speirs

17/06/03 Matters arising
No matters arising from the minutes. Alan suggested that it would be a nice gesture to send a get well message to John Twizell, who is currently waiting to go into the Freeman for an operation. This was approved by all present.

17/06/04 Correspondence
Margaret read out an application for a new club (Wear Valley Photography Club – formerly Bishop Auckland PS) to be considered for membership. This was approved by the committee subject to ratification at the next A.G.M. Margaret will send a confirmation email. Peter will also contact them regarding P. L. Insurance.

Margaret then read out an email received from Winlaton Camera Club regarding Social Media Policy. They would like to draw up a policy and asked if the NCPF had any guidelines for this. The short answer was 'No'. The content of such a policy is entirely up to the club and should be ratified with its members. Margaret will send a reply stating this.

17/06/05 Treasurer's Report **Appendix 1**
Peter read through his report.
Report attached and accepted.

17/06/06 Reports
Competitions Chairman **Appendix 2**
The results of the PAGB Inter Federation Competitions were included in John's report. N.C.P.F. did not do very well.
Report attached and accepted.

International Exhibition
No Report

Representative to PAGB
No Report. Invitations for entry into the PAGB Print Championship will be sent out in August.

Editor Northern Focus
John Smith reported that items were coming in for the next issue. No response as yet from the club selected for the Club Spotlight. An alternative may be contacted. He has also been in touch with the printers and they have confirmed that the pages are printed in 4's. An obituary for Vince will also be required. It was suggested that he contact either Davy Bolam or Dave Bissett of Morpeth CC asking for permission to use the text published on the website. The deadline for submissions is August for September distribution. Each club will receive 4 copies. Any extras can be viewed on the website.

Judges Sub Committee
No report.

Publications Officer
The last club to submit their information form has just been received. The Wear Valley information will also be included. Pax will send the draft copy to John who will take it to the printers for costing.

Portfolio Secretary **Appendix 3**
Joe said that the Selectors Choice Portfolio CD had been recorded with Richard Speirs. He had a problem getting one set of comments from the selector but it has now been sorted. Running time is approximately 58mins. It was pointed out that some images have been duplicated in the Awards and Selectors Choice. This should not happen and will be discussed at the next subcommittee meeting when John is well enough.
Report attached and accepted

Webmaster

Gerry said that an obituary had been posted on the website for Vince Rooker and this has also been sent to Rod Wheelans for publication on the PAGB website.

Beamish Exhibition

Appendix 4

The Beamish Competition currently has three judges, two from N.C.P.F. and one from Beamish. Joe suggested that, due to the number of entries received for this competition this was excessive and could be reduced to one N.C.P.F. judge and one representative from Beamish. He also proposed dropping the print section and only accepting PDI entries. These could then be sent to the judges by email or memory stick which would save on expenses. The winner of the Beamish Trophy would be asked to produce a print for display purposes. After discussion it was agreed that an N.C.P.F. judge would be appointed by the Judges subcommittee. These proposals were unanimously agreed.

Report attached and accepted.

17/06/07 Area Reports

Northern Jim Welsh – No Report

North Tyne David Brown – No Report

South Tyne Trevor Walters – No Report

Southern Dave Coates - No Report

Wear John Gilkerson – No Report

Western Gerald Chamberlin – No Report

17/06/08 Any Other Business

Ratification of Sub Committees

International Subcommittee

Jane Black – Chairman, Cliff Banks, Joe Grabham, Joseph Duffy, Dave Coates, Alan McCormick, Mike Allport

Judges Subcommittee

Pax Garabedian – Chairman, Alan McCormick, David Stout, Jim Welsh, John Williams, Stephen Fowler, George Ledger, Jack Bamford

Competitions Subcommittee

John Twizell – Chairman, Cliff Banks, John Gilkerson, Jim Welsh, Margaret Welsh, Joseph Duffy, Gerry Adcock, Peter Yearnshire

Proposed by Dave Coates - Seconded by Peter Yearnshire – Approved

Archivist

Costings need to be done regarding storage facilities in the event that Stan decides to give up the post. It was suggested that Tynemouth could be approached regarding the use of the back room for storage of equipment etc. for a small fee. The immediate priority is the archive prints. A discussion as to exactly what is held in storage at Stan's and Tynemouth took place. Alan said that he would speak to Stan and arrange to view the archive content.

Joe reported that Walter Sharp, who was a Whickham member, had passed away. John Smith asked him to email the information to him for inclusion in the Northern Focus.

Margaret had received a query regarding the posting of the minutes on the website. Apparently this had not been done for a while. Gerry said he would update this. She also asked him to check out the exec.org email address as she had received a notification rejecting Ed Wilding's email address. He should not be on this list any longer. Gerry said he would check this out too.

A discussion regarding the venue for the A.G.M. took place. As the Torch Centre, Hexham turned out to be more expensive than originally expected it was decided to stay with Swallwell Community Centre. The proposed date is Sunday March 18th 2018. Peter will contact Lynne to confirm the booking.

Margaret said that she had amended the rules for Awards for Meritorious Service and the Judges Sub-Committee Guidance notes in the Executive Committee Rule Book as agreed at a prior meeting. She handed out the updated copies to those present.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 04th September 2017



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	Budget	Expense	Income	Variation
NCPF Fees		0.00	3430.00	3430.00
Club C/ships	250.00	-131.00	85.00	-46.00
Annuals	1500.00	-947.41	0.00	-947.41 *
Exec Meetings	300.00	-233.50	0.00	-233.50
Publishing	90.00	-52.00	0.00	-52.00
Judges Events	200.00	-170.00	0.00	-170.00
Area Meetings	20.00	-30.00	0.00	-30.00
PAGB-AGM	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treasurer	58.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gen Sec's	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
President	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Printing for Directory	85.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Events (Beamish)	150.00	-75.00	75.00	0.00 *
Events (Presentation)	250.00	-40.00	0.00	-40.00
PAGB (National Finals)	80.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Webmaster	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Medals and Ribbons	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest from Postal A/c	0.00	0.00	8.30	8.30
Inter A/C Transfers		-500.00		-500.00
New Equipment 2017		-1000.96	0.00	-1000.96
Other		-235.80		-235.80 *
Self financing items				
PLI		-1899.72	1862.03	-37.69
PAGB Fees (Inclusive)		-1800.00	1728.00	-72.00
Portfolio		0.00	262.50	262.50 *
Running Totals		-7115.39	7450.83	335.44
Bank Balance at 6.6.17				
Current Account	4654.13			*
Reserve Account	2268.70			*
3 Year Postal Account	15232.41			
Bank Balance at 3.5.17				
International Salon	692.17			*
Cash in Hand				

June 6th 2017

Competition Chairman Report 6th June 2017**Results of the PAGB Inter Federation Print & PDI Competition 2017****Mono Print:-**

1 st Midlands Counties PF	188pts
2 nd Lancs & Cheshire PF	182pts
3 rd Yorkshire PF	180pts
NCPF Finished 11th with a score of: -	171pts

Colour Print:-

1 st Midland Counties PF	189pts
2 nd Lancs & Cheshire PF	185pts
3 rd North & East midlands PF	177pts
NCPF Finished 11th with a score of: -	165pts

Open PDI Comp:-

1 st Lancs & Cheshire PF	185pts
2 nd North & East Midlands PF	183pts
=3 rd East Anglia PF	182pts
=3 rd Midland Counties PF	182pts
NCPF Finished 15th with a score of: -	158pts

Nature PDI:-

1 st Lancs & Cheshire PF	190pts
2 nd North & East Midlands PF	183pts
3 rd Scottish PF	182pts
NCPF Finished joint 12th with Kent PF with a score of: -	167pts

No Individual awards were awarded to any NCPF members

Details for Keswick PS and Durham PS who will be representing the NCPF in the Interclub Digital Image Competition have been submitted to Peter Cheetham.

I have, to date, not received instructions from the PAGB regarding the submission of details for Keswick & Gosforth PS who will be representing the NCPF in the PAGB Interclub Print Competition.

I am due into the Freeman Hospital on June 12th to have my plumbing sorted out and hopefully will be fighting fit for the next meeting.

Regards
John Twizell

Portfolio Secretary's Report 06 June 2017

To date there are 24 bookings for the Awards and Alliance Portfolio and 24 for the Selectors Choice. Recording of both portfolios will take place on the 4th June at Richard's.

Joseph Duffy
Portfolio Secretary

NCPF Beamish Weekend 2017

The weekend of May 20-21 saw the annual exhibition of 125 prints by NCPF clubs. Blyth PS, Ryton CC, Sunderland PA and Whickham PC club members supplied prints for the display. Carmel Morris of Stockton CC's winning image from the Beamish Trophy Competition 2016 was also on display and Joe Sheridan of Washington CC brought along his framed prints from his BA (hons) degree course in photography and media. There was also a small display of prints in tribute to the late Vince Rooker to honour the work and dedication he has shown to photography for many years.

A total of 750 people visited the exhibition over the course of the weekend with 4 prints sold. Congratulations to the successful authors – it is always nice when somebody likes your work so much they are willing to put their hands in their pockets and buy it.

It was nice to see familiar faces both at the exhibition and out and about at the museum enjoying their photography and (hopefully) working on entries for the Beamish Trophy.

Many of the photographers commented on how they liked visiting the museum and several said they were working on a project. Others commented on how the year long pass let them come and photograph more often than they would if they had to pay every time.

The Beamish exhibition provides a chance for NCPF clubs to showcase the work of their members, spread the word about the Federation and hopefully get some membership interest at the same time so if you haven't been to the exhibition before or submitted work for the show/sale then please, give it some thought for next year.

Can I also say a big THANK YOU to the volunteers who manned the exhibition over the course of the weekend, talked to the visitors and promoted our hobby. Without them things like this simply wouldn't happen.

Look out for competition entry details early in the new season.

Joseph Duffy