



Northern Counties Photographic Federation

A Member Federation of the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2020 at Swalwell Community Centre.

The President opened the meeting at 7.30pm

Present: - Joseph Duffy, Jim Welsh, Margaret Welsh, Alan Wilson, Gerry Adcock, Jane Black, John Smith, David Brown, Dave Coates, Keith Kirkland, Mike Allport

20/02/01 Apologies for Absence: - Alan McCormick, Peter Yearnshire, Pax Garabedian, Richard Speirs, Trevor Walters, Debra Taylor, Gerald Chamberlin

Incommunicado: - Stan Bewick

20/02/02 The minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2020 were approved and signed after an adjustment was made to the text in **20/01/08 Any Other Business** – second paragraph, line two should now read ‘The Constitution indicates that ‘all Sub-Committees shall retire just prior to the AGM’.’
Proposed by Mike Allport – Seconded by Dave Coates

20/02/03 Matters arising
No Matters Arising

20/02/04 Correspondence
Margaret read out an email received from Jo Knight regarding the N.C.P.F. withholding the trophies she won at the Annuals as she is no longer a member of any N.C.P.F. club. She is not happy with this decision but the Competitions Sub-Committee are responsible for the safeguarding of the trophies and this decision stands.
No further correspondence has been received regarding South Tyneside Camera Club joining the N.C.P.F.

20/02/05 Treasurer's Report **Appendix 1**
In Peter's absence Margaret read through his report. Due to the Championships raffle raising £99.00, the expenditure for the event was £40.85. There were no queries with the report.
Report attached and accepted.

20/02/06 Reports
20/02/06-1 Acting Competitions Chairman
In the absence of a report Margaret said that the Championships went well despite all of the appointed judges dropping out due to adverse weather conditions in their areas. Our emergency judges, Jim Welsh, Joseph Duffy and Peter MacGuire, did an excellent job and everything ran smoothly. An additional tea break (which was not catered for) was taken by the visitors while the changeover took place from PDI's to prints. Alan Wilson said that there had been a complaint regarding the light box interfering with the quality of the projected images. It was agreed that this cannot be helped and the priority on the day is the actual prints for the judges. Jim Welsh said that the hall rent had been significantly increased but thought that this could be justified because of all of the work they have done to improve the interior of the building.
Reports accepted.

20/02/06-2 International Salon Exhibition
No Report.

20/02/06-3 Representative to PAGB **Appendix 2**
In Richard's absence a short discussion took place regarding the proposal by the PAGB regarding the updating of their database with affiliated clubs details. They suggest that each Federation appoints an administrator to carry out this task. Gerry and Pax were suggested for this role. After reading the reports, David Brown emailed to say he would be willing to take on this task if necessary. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting when it can be discussed with those members present.
Report attached and accepted.

20/02/06-4 Editor Northern Focus
John said that his final publication of the Northern Focus was ready to be sent out. He thanked everyone for their support over the years then said that Alan Wilson would be taking over the position when he resigns at the A.G.M. He was proposed by John Smith and Seconded by Jim Welsh. This was approved unanimously.

20/02/06-5 Judges Sub Committee
Margaret said that there was nothing from the JSC other than to report that Bill Broadley of Blyth PS had been proposed to replace Alan McCormick on the Judges Sub-Committee. Alan asked for ratification of this appointment at this meeting. Bill Broadley was proposed by Keith Kirkland and seconded by John Smith. Margaret then asked Joseph Duffy, as incoming JSC Chairman, if he would send a letter of confirmation to Bill. This was agreed

20/02/06-6 Publications Officer	No Report	
20/02/06-7 Portfolio Secretary	.Alan read through his report. Report attached and accepted.	Appendix 3
20/02/06-8 Beamish	No Report	
20/02/06-9 Webmaster	Gerry reported that the results of the Club Championships were now on the NCPF website.	
Area Reports		
20/02/07-1 Northern – Jim Welsh	No report.	
20/02/07-2 North Tyne- David Brown	Margaret read out David’s report. Report attached and accepted.	Appendix 4
20/02/07-3 South Tyne- Trevor Walters	Report attached and accepted.	Appendix 5
20/02/07-4 Southern – Dave Coates	No Report	
20/02/07-5 Wear – Debra Taylor	No Report	
20/02/07-6 Western - Gerald Chamberlin	Margaret read out Gerald’s report. A meaningful discussion took place regarding the points raised in Gerald’s report with respect to the expenses of the winning clubs who represent the N.C.P.F. at the P.A.G.B. Championships. Two proposals were agreed in principle. A) Clubs would pay an entry fee of £5.00 to take part in the competitions and B) All winning clubs would be given £100.00 each to subsidise their expenses when representing the N.C.P.F. in the competitions. In the absence of the Treasurer it was agreed that this would be discussed further at the next Executive Meeting when a final decision will be made.	Appendix 6
20/02/08 Any Other Business	<p>A.G.M. – A Special General Meeting will be held before the A.G.M. to amend Paragraph 6 of the Constitution relating to the disbanding of sub-committees at an A.G.M. Dave Coates explained the reasoning behind this change. Events are organised and take place between the A.G.M. in March and the first Executive meeting in May, effectively without an authorised sub-committee. After a short discussion, this was proposed by Dave Coates and seconded by Mike Allport and agreed by those present.</p> <p>Margaret said that she was still waiting for a number of reports for the A.G.M. and asked to receive them A.S.A.P. Apologies have been received from Sheila Coates, who usually acts as booking officer on the day. Margaret will need to find a replacement for Sheila.</p> <p>A proposal was put forward for Jim Welsh to take over as President. This was accepted unanimously. Proposed by Dave Coates and seconded by Jane Black.</p> <p>Jim Welsh proposed Alan Wilson as Vice President. No objections were received and this was accepted. Proposed by Jim Welsh and seconded by Mike Allport.</p> <p>Margaret Welsh was nominated to continue as Secretary. This was agreed unanimously. Proposed by Alan Wilson and seconded by Keith Kirkland.</p> <p>Peter Yearnshire has also agreed to continue as Treasurer.</p> <p>The following posts have been nominated and will need to be voted on by the attending delegates.</p> <p>Competitions Officer – John Twizell International Salon Chair – Mike Allport PAGB Representative – Pax Garabedian Northern Focus Editor – Alan Wilson Judges Sub Committee – Joseph Duffy Publications Officer – Pax Garabedian Portfolio Secretary – Alan Wilson Webmaster – Gerry Adcock</p> <p>Area Representatives will be nominated by their areas and reported on the day.</p> <p>After a short discussion it was agreed that we would have a tea break before the election of officers. John Smith volunteered to do this and Keith Kirkland said he would help.</p>	

Meritorious Service Award - ROLL OF HONOUR

Howard Wilson had previously been nominated for the Roll of Honour. Unfortunately, his nomination was not successful at that time. Margaret said that since the original nomination was submitted, additional information had been received which qualified his nomination for resubmission. After reading out his nomination she proposed that he should be considered once again for inclusion on the Roll of Honour. This was seconded by Dave Coates and carried by a show of hands unanimously.

A discussion then took place regarding the certificate. Margaret said she had a PDF copy but could not alter the text on it, Mike Allport said that he may be able to do this. Margaret agreed to send him a copy to work on.

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed

Date

Future meeting dates: A.G.M. Sunday 15th March 2020 Tuesday 05th May 2020

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	Budget	Expense	Income	Variation
NCPF Fees		0.00	0.00	0.00
Club C/ships	200.00	-139.85	99.00	-40.85 *
Annuals	1500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Exec Meetings	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Publishing	90.00	0.00	3.00	0.00
Judges Events	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Area Meetings	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PAGB-AGM	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treasurer	50.00	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	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Events (Beamish)	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Events (Presentation)	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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	110.43	110.43 *
Storage	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Travel Expenses	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Equipment 2020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

PLI (Including NCPF)	-38.26	0.00	-38.26	*
PAGB Fees (Inclusive)	-1862.00	0.00	-1862.00	*
Portfolio	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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Current Account	1695.99	*
Reserve Account	2275.94	*
3 Year Postal Account	15445.68	*

International Salon	1450.06
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REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
PHOTOGRAPHIC ALLIANCE OF GREAT BRITAIN
TO NCPF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

11th February 2020

Good Morning Margaret, this is just a short email before I head off out of the country this lunchtime until nearly the end of the month. Consequently I won't be able to attend the next Executive or to submit a written report about the PAGB meeting this last weekend.

At the PAGB meetings over the weekend one issue agreed was that the Club Directory which is on the PAGB website should be updated by each Federation.

Mark Buckley-Sharp sent out the attached email giving guidance as to how each Federation should use its log in to the Competition Entry system and from there to update Club Details and add in any of the Federation clubs which aren't already there.

Hopefully Gerry may be able to get a handle on how to do this as I think he will probably have the NCPF's access code and details.

One other item of interest for the Federation is that the subscription rates for 2021 were agreed and there is to be no increase from this year which Peter will find helpful I'm sure. If any other details of the meetings are needed I'm sure Dave Coates will be able to fill in the gaps.

Sorry to be so brief.

Richard

Appendix 2b

From: **Mark Buckley-Sharp**

Subject: Club information on the Entries system

Dear All,

As discussed today, it would be really helpful if the Entries system had a complete list of (affiliated) clubs, which is verified by each Federation. Only affiliated clubs and their members can access PAGB services. A verified list will facilitate administrative actions to add individual user accounts.

The procedure to update a Federation's list of clubs is that an approved Federation user must use the Federation logon. Generally Federations have user accounts for Secretary, Executive member(s) and InterFed Officer. Logon is via email and password.

Click on Add or Edit Clubs. This shows your current list of clubs. Clubs cannot be deleted because they may have associated historical event data, but a club can be made inactive. Inactive clubs are greyed out. Compare the displayed list with your current Federation handbook.

Repeat for any missing club:

- click + at the top to add the club
- enter club name in full eg, Somewhere Camera Club
- optional enter club meeting address
- enter club meeting postcode
- do not enter email as this is personal information done later when the club registers a user
- enter club website in full, starting <http://>
- do not enter telephone as this is personal information done later when the club registers a user
- click on Active so that it shows a tick
- click on Add Club
- close using X at the top

Repeat for any club where the name needs correction (but it must still be the same club)

- click on the club name in the list
- edit the club name which must be in full eg, Somewhere Camera Club
- close using X at the top

Repeat for any club in the list which has left the Federation or been dissolved

- click on the club name in the list
- untick the active box
- close using X at the top

Each club in the list can have a link icon if there is a website address and a map marker icon if there is a meeting postcode

Ideally, all active clubs in your list should have both icons

Repeat for any club with one or both icons missing

click on the club name in the list

enter the meeting postcode if required

enter the website address if required, in full starting http://

close using X at the top

The master list display does not update as you make edits. Just continue adding and editing until all done. You can refresh the list by closing (X at the top) and clicking again on Add or Edit Clubs.

Clubs which are active and have a postcode will appear on the Find A Club map which is publicity for the club.

Obviously this is a certain amount of work in the first instance. Lists should then be checked annually with each new Federation handbook, when the work is likely to be minimal.

Regards

Mark

Appendix 3

1. Awards and Alliance Entry and Selectors Choice Portfolio's – 2020

As agreed at NCPF Sub Committee 22nd Jan 2020:

- Next Portfolio presentations shall be offered to clubs with both shows included. (Awards and Alliance Entry and the Selectors Choice).
- Costs: including postage and packing and payable by cheque shall be:
 - DVD's £12:00
 - USB (re-writable) £12:00
 - Via WeTransfer £10:00
- Details shall be advised to each NCPF club including full details on how to order.

Regards

Alan Wilson

NCPF Portfolio Secretary

Appendix 4

North Tyne Area Report: 11th February 2020

A general meeting of North Tyne Area reps took place on Friday 1st November in Whitley Bay PS's club rooms. Sadly I have to report that one of our clubs, Wallsend PS, is experiencing severe difficulties involving loss of many members, resignation of several executives and needing to find alternative accommodation. They were scheduled to host the North Tyne Area Annual Prints Competition (see below), but were obliged to withdraw; and in September gave notice to the area Secretary (Peter Reynolds) that they would be unable to take part in future competitions until further notice. North Shields PS very kindly volunteered to host the competition at their premises with the day and judge as previously arranged by Wallsend. A new 6-clubs schedule for hosting North Tyne Area competitions was agreed.

Thus, the North Tyne Area Annual Prints Competition was held on Wednesday 27th November hosted by North Shields PS and judged by Jim Welsh LRPS CPAGB APAGB. Five clubs took part: in addition to the absence of Wallsend, apologies were received from Ponteland due to unavoidable extenuating circumstances. The Event Trophy was won by Tynemouth PS; and the trophy for best print in the competition (achieving the full 30 points) went to Colin Livingstone of Cramlington CC for his sports print 'Number 3'. Club positions and scores were as follows:

1 st	Tynemouth PS	212
2 nd	Whitley Bay PS	210
3 rd	Cramlington CC	208
4 th	North Shields PS	203
5 th	Gosforth CC	202

The North Tyne Area AGM is scheduled for Friday 21st February at Whitley Bay club rooms. The Annual PDI Competition will be hosted by Gosforth CC on Tuesday 24th March and judged by Keith Suddaby FRPS MPAGB EFIAP FBPE.

David Brown ARPS AFIAP CPAGB

North Tyne Area Rep

South Tyne Area Report Feb 2020

I received a complaint last week from Winlaton CC that the PAGB "find a club" did not show them or indeed many of the other area clubs. I referred the complaint to Richard Speirs hoping that he might be able to throw some light on the subject.

Trevor Walters APAGB

Appendix 6

Western Area Report February 2020

At the last meeting of the Western Area clubs (25th January 20) it was noted that no clubs in the W/A were taking part in the NCPF club championships. This led to a discussion to the reason why. It was concluded that if a club won and was asked to go to represent the NCPF at the PAGB print or PDI championships that the club would have to pay their own expenses (personally or from club funds).

It was proposed that a small fee of "say" £5 be paid by all clubs to enter the NCPF club championships. This money would all be given to fund the clubs which are asked to represent the NCPF. This would help to offset some of the cost of going to the PAGB championships.

I do know that some clubs in the W/A are holding back from entering the club championship as they cannot afford to represent the NCPF at the PAGB championships.

For some clubs 3rd is better than winning as it will not cost them anything.

The Western Area would like the NCPF executive to give this proposal some serious thought.

I have been told by a third party that the Photo Show at Rheged Center at Penrith will be on the first weekend of October 2020.

Gerald Chamberlin DPAGB, EFIAP.

NCPF W/A rep