

Winchester Photographic Society

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 6th May 2008
7:30pm, Science Lecture Theatre, Peter Symonds College



1. **Apologies** John Duke, Val and Allan Welsh, Peter and Rita Geldard
2. **Minutes of AGM held 1st May 2007** **Agreed** (Pr: D Taylor, Sec. R Buchanan)
3. **Matters Arising** None
4. **Treasurer's Report** See separate report. Mervyn said that the Membership fee should go up to £40, visitors up to £3 Report was Proposed /Seconded by David Taylor, Philip George
5. **Increased subscription above was agreed: Prop.Julia Matthews, Sec.Philip George**
6. **Secretary's Report - including Digital Workshops** . The secretary reported that email continued to be used frequently to contact the vast majority of members. The attendance at digital workshops was down on last year, and there was a suggestion that a workshop is used to choose competition images. Other suggestions will be discussed. Some bookings for next season are for Wednesday (instead of Friday) evenings.
7. **Exhibition Coordinator's Report** There was concern over multiple entries from one author but the scoring system had worked well. Feedback from the judges was good There is soon to be a wash-up meeting. Digital projection outweighed slides and the move to digital fits in with trends of other clubs Variations in digital image resolution caused variation of quality of DVD. Space to walk round the exhibition was constrained by the use of walls for hanging. Some people thought that the space was too limited. Four weeks was a long time to hold prints for a few WPS members who would have liked their prints back sooner. Any feedback on exhibition would be welcome. Roger thanked those who helped. He explained the use of the exhibition cabinets which have to be used as a condition of hire. Prop Zoe Hemsley Sec. Reg Wragg
8. **Programme Secretary's Report** See separate report. Pr. Jenny Hutchinson S. George Walsh
9. **Competition Secretary's Report – including external competitions** Suggestion that Natural History is promoted by visits Prop. Martin Eke .Sec. Martin Struik.
10. **Publicity Officer's Report.** No report.
11. **Webmaster's Report** Separate report Proposed June Walsh Sec Leila Joshua

12. Audio Visual activity report (George Walsh) The group visited two clubs (Romsey Ramblers and St Johns Church Winchester). The group also held two meetings. Already they have two bookings for next season, but are looking for more. Prop. Phil George Sec. Jenny Hutchinson

13. President's Report Joy proposed a vote of thanks for refreshments. Prop David Taylor Sec. Eileen Tilbury

14. To consider and agree the Committee's proposal to amend the Constitution as circulated.

Carried by a Majority Vote.

15. Election of officers (see overleaf)

16. Appointment of Independent Accounts reviewer . Eileen Tilbury agreed to do this. Prop. B Lambert Seconded A Ruffell

17. Any Other Business . None

Final list of officers

Position	Officer	Proposer	Seconder
President	Ron Foulkes	D Simmonds	Mervyn Edwards
Vice President*	Zoe Hemsley	Ron Foulkes	David Simmonds
Secretary	Keith Taylor	George Walsh	Alex Fyfe
Treasurer	Mervyn Edwards	Les Nicholson	Alex Fyfe
Programme Secretary	Anne Burke	Rosie Aldridge	Zoe Hemsley
Exhibition Coordinator	Joe Kaplonek	Joy Auty	Roger Buchanan
Publicity Officer	James Blackburn	Joe Kaplonek	Ian Blanchett
Competition Secretary	Philip George	Mervyn Edwards	John Davis
Digital Competition Organiser	John Davis	Jim Denness	J Joel
Member	Julia Passingham	David Simmonds	Martin Struik
Member	Martin Struik	J Matthews	A Welsh
Member	Gordon Brown	Roger Buchanan	Martin Struik

* Following a vote carried out as follows:

1. Each candidate will be given the chance to address the members and say why they feel that they are the person with the qualities and experience needed to perform the role (in this case Vice President, and then of course President and Immediate Past President). No more than two minutes per candidate.
2. Every member present at the AGM, including committee members, will be given a voting slip and these members will be asked to vote anonymously for the person they prefer.