

# Winchester Photographic Society

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2010  
7:30pm, Winchester Discovery Centre



1. **Apologies:** Anne Ruffell, David Taylor, Les Nicholson, Dave Biddlecombe, Roger Buchanan, John Tennent, Victor Mobbs
2. **Minutes of AGM held 19th May 2009 Accepted.** Proposed Martin Farrow, Seconded Ron Foulkes
3. **Matters Arising** None.



Treasurers report

4. **Treasurer's Report** See separate report . Mervyn made some minor amendments to the accounts. Slight increase in income to subscriptions and visitors (including David Noton lecture). No 2010 exhibition in these accounts. Workshops made a small loss – we may need to increase the fee to £3. Main expenditure is to rent for meeting room. Slight increase in the web site fee. We are writing off some old equipment. Depreciation is higher than last year, including some from new projector. Recommended subs £45 single/£85 double Student £10. There was a discussion about the amount of increase. 3 votes for £43 30 for £45 (agreed) 16 for £50 . **A vote of thanks to Eileen Tilby was agreed** Proposed Tony Smith, Seconded Philip George
5. **Secretary's Report** This has been another year where email has played an increasing part in the correspondence to and from club members and other clubs. This year has seen an increase in the number of notices I send by email, and the total number of notices I receive. I am aware that there are one or two club members not on email, and important notices are still announced at meetings.

Could I remind everyone to let Mervyn and I know if you change your email address, otherwise you will not get any notices. I usually get one or two delivery failures for each email I send, but they vary. Important notices should be identified in the emails.

Last week, as you know, we tried out simultaneous projection and display of prints. I had some positive feedback from members on this, but I am still not sure that the technology is ready yet. However, we will continue to explore the possibility at appropriate evenings and discuss in the committee.

Proposed Joe Kaplonek, Seconded Barbara Lambert



Exhibition

Co-ordinators Report

6. **Exhibition Coordinator's Report.** See separate report . **AOB from Joe Kaplonek** " I'd like to add the topic of denying members access to the judging of this year's Annual Open Exhibition." It was agreed that a small number of places would be made available if there was space after that for volunteer helpers

Proposed Phil George Seconded Joy Auty



Programme  
Secretary's report

7. **Programme Secretary's Report** See separate report  
Brown , Seconded Eric Blake

Proposed: Louise



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Proposed Martin Farrow , Seconded Anne Burke

9. **Reports from other officers. Publicity Officer's Report** . Adrian reported questioned his role but we need some focus for new members and how they learn about us. We lose and gain over 30 members each year. New channels such as the Web site are increasingly important.  
Proposed Eric Blake , Seconded Chris Hammond



A. V. Group AGM  
notes

**A/V Report** . George Walsh and John Davis prepared a report  
presented. , but it was not



Webmasters Report  
2010

10. **Other reports; webmaster's Report** See separate report  
Farrow, Seconded Joe Kaplonek

. Proposed Martin



Panels Group report

**Panels: From Zoe/Anne Ruffell** – see separate report : Proposed Dean Wheeler,  
Seconded Simon Mann

**Outings: Barbara Lambert:** Barbara Lambert has arranged a variety of outings, including “War on the (Watercress) line”, Gunwharf Quays, and Christchurch Priory. There have also been a number of visits to photographic exhibitions, including Chichester. Barbara thanked those who have supported the outings, and hopes that members will continue to do so. . Proposed: Rafe Pascual , Seconded Phil George

**Workshops: Chris Lillywhite:** There have been 4 workshops supported by members and Permajet. There are more planned for next year. Proposed Julia Passingham, Seconded Dean Wheeler



Presidents report

11. **President's Report** see separate report . Phil thanked Zoe for her work.  
Proposed: Tony Smith , Seconded Rafe Pascual

**12. Election of officers** The nominated committee were elected unanimously. John Davis indicated that he would not be standing. See table.

**13. Appointment of independent financial examiner: Eileen Tilby agreed** Proposed Mervyn Edwards, Seconded Keith Taylor

**14. Annual fees: see section 4**

**15. Any Other Business**

**a. From Joe Kaplonek:**

"I'd like to add the topic of denying members access to the judging of this year's Annual Open Exhibition." See item 6.

**b. From Julia Passingham and Michael White:**

Re Competition scoring

"I (Michael White) feel that the club PDI competitions should be scored in the same way as the prints with 1st 2nd 3rd and highly commended awarded directly without the intermediate step of awarding marks out of 10. If the projection software allowed the judge to hold back the better images and then see them all on screen together it would make the final decision easier and more transparent and remove some of the anomalies. At present you can see the judge mentally attempting to award marks to give a correct relative outcome whilst trying to remember which images he has held back. As far as the software goes there are programmes available that will allow this way of scoring."

"I (Julia Passingham) think that print competitions should be scored as digital to give better feedback to members on how their prints got on"

Comments:

More highly commended pictures needed to encourage beginners

Points penalise missing a competition unduly

We should have scoring consistent for both digital/prints

We should not have a "last place" which you get with points

Placing gives consistency across judges

Judges are not much good at awarding points

Software needs to support the scheme nominated

We should have categories with certificates of merit

Use points and places together (award points and then award places independently)

**Votes: Consistent scheme—unanimous**

**Points - 3**

**Points plus places - 7**

**Places only - 23**

**Classes with certificates – 8** (some people thought that they should be able to vote both for this and for one of the three above)

**The meeting was closed by Gordon Brown, the new president at 10pm**

**Results of committee election.**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Officer</b>	<b>Proposer</b>	<b>Seconder</b>
President	Gordon Brown	Anne Burke	Joy Auty
Vice President			
Secretary	Keith Taylor	Mervyn Edwards	John Davis
Treasurer	Mervyn Edwards	Keith Taylor	Tony Smith
Programme Secretary	Anne Burke	Anne Ruffell	Martin Farrow
Exhibition Coordinator	Louise Brown	Martin Eke	Tony Smith
Publicity Officer	Adrian Brophy	Martin Farrow	Keith Taylor
Competition Secretary	Philip George	Keith Taylor	Roger Kevern
Digital Competition Organiser	Eric Blake	Phil George	Keith Taylor
Member	Colin Chase	Louise Brown	D Biddlecombe
Member	Chris Lillywhite	Roger Kevern	Michael White
Member	Ron Foulkes	Chris Lillywhite	Roger Buchanan