**Meeting held at St Mary’s Parish Centre, Monday 24th April 2017 at 20:00 hrs**

**Agenda**

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| 1. Welcome by the President 2. Apologies for Absence 3. Minutes of Last Meeting 4. Treasurers Report 5. Competition Secretaries Report 6. Additional Reports 7. Vote of Thanks for Retiring Officers | 1. Reply by the President 2. Election of Officers 3. Set Subscriptions for season 2018-2019 4. Appoint Examiner for Accounts 5. Date of 2019 AGM |

**Key Points of Information**

* **Apologies:** Kathryn Scorah, Brenda Dean, Martin Coupe

**Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer (Gordon Jenkins) presented the clubs accounts reporting that the finances are in a healthy state, and noted that income was slightly below the previous year, mainly due to a smaller tax rebate and sundry other expenses such as print boxes, PAGB tickets etc.

**Internal Competition Secretaries Report**

The Internal Competition Secretary (Noel Morgan) presented a summary of the competitions during the previous year, noting the following highlights:

* The one line portal is working well and allows members to make alterations to their submissions.
* No noticeable drop off in entries towards the end of the season, possibly due to new members.
* With a similar membership to 2015/16 season the entry into the league competitions was up. PDI’s from 48 to 56 members and Prints from 29 to 33 members. This increase, especially in PDI’s, resulted in a modification to the rules to enable a manageable number of images to put before the judge. The number of images per competition could be reduced by the competition secretary to two per member if the total entry exceeded 120 mages.
* Entries for the Annual competition have also increased.
* ‘The Annual Trophy’ for the best worker in the Annual competition goes to Sky Caskey.
* ‘The Tankard’ for the most improved photographer over the season also goes to Sky Caskey.
* The following members are promoted from B to A section: Graeme Cuerden, Sam Lee.
* The following members are promoted from C to B section: Sky Caskey, David Kevill, Ruth Hill, Susan Jackson, Peter West, Carol Hewitt.

**External Competition Secretaries Report**

The External Competition Secretary (Jane Lines) presented a summary of the competitions during the previous year.

* For the Inter-club and ICPA competitions, as many different members work is used as possible.
* Chorley won the Federation Competitions in November.
* At the L&CPU Clubs competition, the club won the Print section and can second in PDI (to Wigan 10).
* In PAGB Competitions, the club was placed in the top 10 for all competitions.
* The club qualified for the PAGB Print Championship.
* One issue raised was the submission of images from members who are also or have been members of other clubs. Clarification is needed to ensure any images have not been used before for external competitions.
* PAGB Accreditations will be hosted at St Marys next year.

**Membership Secretary’s Report**

* The Membership Secretary presented a report, the main highlights being:-
* Membership currently stands at 98.
* 77% of members have paid using Paypal.
* Use of Gift Aid benefits the club by £10 on a £50 subscription.

**Vote of Thanks**

Adrian Lines offered a Vote of Thanks to the Officers and Committee.

**President’s Reply**

The President thanked the various members of the committee for their hard work during the year. Additionally, those members who put up screens, print display boards and ensure everything is ready for the evening.

Subscriptions will rise by £3 for the forthcoming season to cover increasing costs and allow the club to get better lecturers

**Election of Officers**

The committee was elected as follows (Carried):

**Committee Nominations 2017/18**

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| Position | Nomination | Proposed | Seconded |
| President | Will Stead | J Hardy | G Jenkins |
| Past President |  | | |
| Vice-President |  |  |  |
| General Secretary / Delegate to L&CPU | James Hardy | J Cobham | B Dean |
| Treasurer | Gordon Jenkins | J Hardy | B Dean |
| Membership Secretary | Joan Gauld | J Gauld | J Hardy |
| Programme Secretary |  |  |  |
| Internal Competition  Secretary | Noel Morgan | M Coupe | M Brookes |
| External Competition  Secretary | Jane Lines | G Cuerden | M Brookes |
| Publicity Officer |  |  |  |
| Principal Delegate to L&CPU and Ordinary Member | M Brookes | P West | S Shaw |
| Delegate to L&CPU | L Dawson | J Chafer | C Owen |

**Decisions Made**

| **Decision** | **Proposed** | **Seconded** | **Vote** |
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| Minutes from last year were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting | Noel Morgan | Ruth Hill | Carried |
| The Treasurer’s report was accepted by the members. | Jane Lines | Louis Dawson | Carried |
| The Competition Secretaries reports were accepted by the members | Joan Gauld | Dick Mobey | Carried |
| Subscriptions to increase by £3 | Louis Dawson | John Cobham | Carried |
| Committee Nominations were accepted by the members | Stuart Shaw | Howard Brown | Carried |
| Norman Thompson to remain the external examiner of the accounts | James Gauld | Jane Lines | Carried |

**General**

The next AGM will be held on April 23th 2018.

Meeting closed at 21:10