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AGM SAT 12th October 2019
Clyst St Mary Village Hall, Exeter EX5 1BG

Coffee 10am. Meeting Start 10:30.

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and opening remarks**
- 2. Apologies for Absence**
- 3. Minutes of 2018 AGM – Available on the WCPF website**
- 4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on Agenda**
- 5. Election of officers to the Executive**
- 6. Financial Statement Committee Members Reports - Q & A Session (Reports will be available in advance to clubs)**
- 7. Travelling exhibition Club print competition**
- 8. Any Other Business**

1. Ian Bateman opened the meeting at 10.15, welcoming attendees.
2. Apologies received from Beryl Heaton, Julie McGowan, Ann Owens, Pam Sherren, Di Tilsley, John Tilsley.
3. The minutes of the 2018 AGM were agreed (Proposed Chaz Madge, seconded Dennis Knowles) and signed by Ian Bateman.

4. There were no additional matters arising.
5. All current members of the Executive are standing for re-election, with the exception of Julie McGowan. Nomination proposed en bloc by Sheila Haycox, seconded Ernie King, and accepted.

There were two additional nominations for the Executive, to stand as Print Competition Secretaries.

Helen Jones, Dorchester, proposed by Pedro Landers, seconded by Ian Bateman
 Stephen Jones, Dorchester, proposed by Ian Bateman, seconded by Sue Bishop

Officers are -

President	Ian Bateman
Vice President	Nick Bodle
Secretary	Sue Bishop
Treasurer	Chris Marsham
Members Exhibition	Ralph Snook and Sandie Cox
AV competition	Ian Bateman
PAGB rep	Peter Fry
Directory	Bill Aven
Publicity	Ann Owens
PAGB awards	Russell McGowan
Knightshayes & Kingswood	Eddy and Pam Lane
DPIC Secretary	Russell McGowan
DPIC Assistant	Alex Hamer
Travelling exhibition	Pedro Landers
Webmaster	Nick Bodle
Archivist	Dennis Knowles
Print Competition	Helen and Stephen Jones

There will be a reshuffle next year, as Ralph Snook is standing down as Members Exhibition Secretary. It would be advantageous if someone willing to take on the role for 2021 would shadow for the 2020 event.

6. Officers reports were circulated with the agenda.

Webmaster - Information is made available on the website as and when it is received from event secretaries. There was a request to add an explanation of the Knightshayes and Kingswood Salver competitions, together with a list of past winners.

Sheila Haycox made some comments about ease of use of the website, she will look at where improvements can be made.

It was suggested WCPF news and information is not always filtering down to club members, Ian Bateman will produce a short promotional AV that clubs can show.

Members Exhibition - preparation is underway for 2020. The visitors award in 2019 was won by Pam Sherren.

AV Competition - Ian Bateman confirmed that the Innovation Trophy will be renamed the Judges Special Award in 2020.

A downloadable show will be made available for clubs.

It was stated that the requirement for a licence to include music in an AV was off-putting. Ian Bateman confirmed that an annual licence can be obtained for around £8, a PRS licence is not normally required as most public halls will already be covered. Details will be added to the website.

PAGB - Peter Fry mentioned new competition rules will be coming out in January, details will be released on the PAGB website.

Clubs were reminded that lectures can be downloaded from the PAGB website for use at club meetings.

Directory - The new PAGB directories are currently being distributed. WCPF directory is currently being updated in preparation for 2020 edition.

Publicity - Penny Piddock expressed appreciation for the event publicity.

PAGB Awards - the 2020 adjudication will be held at Combeshead Academy in Newton Abbot. Entries already being accepted.

There will be an advisory day for AV, this will be on 29 February 2020 at Woodbury Village Hall. It is fully booked, but there are spaces for observers.

Kingswood Salver / Knightshayes Trophy - 19 entries have been received for the Kingswood Salver. Judging will be on 16 November at Bovey Tracey Golf Club. Online entry worked well, although information sent to the club contact does not always get forwarded to the photographers who want to enter.

Knightshayes Trophy will be judged on 7 March 2020, the theme is Urban Landscapes. Club members can enter 2 images free of charge, entries are collected at DPIC.

Imaging Festivals - despite slow ticket sales the days went very well, with 50 attending St Mellion and 40 attending Bristol.

Travelling Exhibition - Pedro Landers managed to resolve the transfer logistics successfully, despite a few initial issues.

Archivist - Dennis Knowles is trying to produce an annual archive, during his research he discovered that the Knightshayes Trophy is 50 years old.

Print Competition - is currently in early planning stages, but is likely to be taking place the 2nd Sunday in August 2020 in a larger venue in Newton Abbot, to be confirmed. There will also be digital projection of the prints for the benefit of the audience.

Financial report - Chris Marsham reported that a minor correction had no effect on the balance figures.

The Federation is grateful for the sponsorship from Fotospeed, helping to keep membership subs low. Very small clubs do struggle to meet costs of WCPF / PAGB and insurance.

Thanks to a new data protection regulation it may not be possible for WCPF to collect PAGB insurance from clubs.

Acceptance of the finance report was proposed by Eddie Lane, seconded by Pedro Landers and accepted.

Peter Weaver was thanked for auditing the accounts.

Secretary - Sue Bishop noted that since taking over the role, she has been getting emails regularly rejected as spam by some recipients, and is concerned that some clubs are not getting any information from WCPF, this has been partly resolved, but there are still a few persistent rejections.

DPIC - Russell McGowan noted that Sandie Cox is assisting with procuring judges.

Ian Bateman thanked all Executive members, both with their formal roles and behind the scenes help at events.

John Tilsley was thanked for his organisation of the judging seminars. Full details for the 2020 event which will be held on Saturday 25 April 2020 at Wicklea Academy, Bristol. The event will be hosted by Reflex CC.

Ian Bateman proposed a vote of thanks to Julie McGowan for her time on the Executive.

The meeting closed at 11.25