

Southern Counties Photographic Federation

Club Reps' Meeting no 231

Date: Thursday 23rd February 2023

Venue: Littleton Memorial Hall

Present: Anne Eckersley (President)), Stewart Lacey (Vice President, Patricia Platt (PAGB Executive Member), Steve Kirkby (Handbook and Championship), Peter Rocchiccioli (Publicity), Sue Teagle (Roll of Honour)

Plus representatives from SCPF clubs:

Alton CC, Basingstoke CC, bh photography club, Boundary CC, Burghfield CC, Chichester CC, Fareham & Portchester CC, Farnborough CC, Fordingbridge CC, Gosport CC, Horndean CC, Locksheath & Sarisbury CC, Middleton CC, Overton PS, Petersfield PS, Salisbury CC, South Downs PS, Wimborne CC, Winchester.

Apologies:

Ian Hardacre, Leo Rich, Ken Scott, Ray Hems, Graeme Sleeman, Peter Terry, Tony Oliver, Jason Hyde
Lymington CC, Newbury CC, Cricklade CC, Sandhurst CC, Southampton CC, Jersey PC, Havant CC, Viewfinders of Romsey, New Forest CC; Littlehampton; Bognor Regis; Boscombe; Yateley CC; Steyning, Guernsey Photographic Society, Spectrum and Prism, Beaulieu Camera Group; Haslemere CC

1. Minutes of Club Reps' Meeting 230 – 8th November 2022

- minutes were approved

2. Matters arising:

- there were no matters arising

3. President's Report – Anne Eckersley:

- no comments received

4. Treasurer's Report – Graeme Sleeman:

- no comments received

Graeme asked for all clubs to be thanked for the prompt paying of fees this year

5. PAGB Exec Member's Report – Patti Platt:

In addition Patti said that the PAGB are aware of problems with Hive Insurance and are talking to them.

Fordingbridge said their treasurer had been surprised by the cost of PLI and Patti asked Clubs to check which boxes they tick. It is suspected that some might have inadvertently not opted out of the "All Risks", which is more expensive.

Patti explained that four locations had been identified as potentials to hold the PAGB APM awards in 2024. Negotiations are in progress. Help from local clubs would be required on the day.

April's awards for Photographic Merit are being held on 21st/22nd April 2023 at the Army Reserve Centre in Aylesford. The Credits (CPAGB) are to be held on Saturday and the Distinctions (DPAGB) on Sunday.

This year's Inter Federation Competition is to be prints only and this is likely to remain the case from now on. Prints were requested from all clubs for selection – we need 90 again spread over 3 classes – Colour, Mono and Nature. Peter Roccicchioli suggested it would help if every club try and put forward 10 prints for selection. This year's event is being organised by the L&CPU to be held on 3rd June 2023, the location as yet unspecified. Anne requested that prints for consideration be delivered on Finals Day if not before.

Patti explained that in future for the Inter-Club events, clubs would be expected to upload their "bank" images for the second round before the competition and clarified the meaning of print bank in these competitions. The full rules will shortly be available on the website. Anne explained that the winners and runners up of the SCPF championship would go on to represent the federation at these events and it would only be these four clubs affected.

6. PAGB Awards Officer's Report –Ray Hems

- no comments received

7. League Secretary's Report – Peter Terry

Bh photography asked about scores on the website, but these seem to have been updated since they last looked and Burghfield said they had received theirs and confirmed the site was up to date.

8. Directory & Handbook and SCPF Championship report – Steve Kirkby

Steve asked for clubs to recommend their members who were also speakers for inclusion in the SCPF directory.

Fareham and Portchester asked whether the menu options on the page could be coloured instead of greyed out. Salisbury asked if there could be a way of the system sending out "forgotten passwords" resets.

SCPF Championship:

Steve requested all clubs upload their images by midnight on 28th February and he is looking for offers to host the championships in 2025.

Bh photography commented on a spelling mistaking in the email address link on the report.

Salisbury mentioned the possibility of them hosting the event at Old Sarum and Longhedge Community Centre in 2025 and will talk the matter over with their committee.

A/V:

Steve requested clubs seriously consider entering the AV challenge in October and mentioned that the PAGB are planning on holding an AV adjudication this year as well.

9 Exhibition Report

Anne reported that the exhibition had been very successful and thanked everyone who had been involved. It is hoped that 2024 will also be held at the same venue in Salisbury.

10 Publicity Report – Peter Rocchiccioli

Peter requested that Federation members should patronise the sponsors as much as possible. Introducing themselves would help the Federation in future negotiation on sponsorship.

Fotospeed, Point 101, Mifsuds, Nomads, Permajet, Sigma and London Camera Exchange.

Fotospeed and Sigma will be in attendance at the Championships. Anne mentioned that they usually offer attendees special discounts.

Peter announced he is planning on standing down in about a year's time and would like to hear from volunteers for this post. He is happy to talk them through the role and support them while they ease into it.

11 Roll of Honour report – Sue Teagle

Sue asked Anne to remind clubs to consider long-standing members for these awards. Recipients do not have to be committee members to be eligible.

12 Judging advisor report – Ken Scott

- no comments received

Anne reminded clubs to contact Ken regarding the judges' Q&A session and for any interested judges to get in touch with him.

13 Webmaster report – Jason Hyde

Jason asked that it be reported he was working through outstanding issues as time allowed.

14 Newsletter – Anne Eckersley

No comments received. Anne asked for contributions to future ones.

15 AOB

Ian H has requested that Anne clarify that the November Reps' meeting is for dropping off of league and exhibition prints and the February Reps' meeting is for the collection of exhibition prints. September reps' meeting is scheduled to be by zoom.

Fordingbridge asked for the league rules on the website to be amended to show the later start date, as there was some confusion last year and queried the date of November meeting. Anne to confirm. (It is Thursday 9th November 2023 – not Tuesday – sorry for the confusion)

Ideas for recruiting new members were talked through. A number of clubs run beginner courses which are proving popular.

Anne encouraged clubs to get their members to sign up to the SCPF Facebook group. This would allow clubs/members to easily post SCPF events etc. thought to be of interest to other members.

Ideas were sought on how to improve communications and Peter suggested that clubs consider holding their own exhibitions to showcase their work.

16 Date of Next Meeting

The next Club Reps meeting is the AGM and Finals Day meeting on 14th May 2023 starting at 10.00a.m. Littleton Memorial Hall – Barbie and Rusty Lindsay will be judging and speaking and sponsors will be invited.

Meeting closed at 20:45

Dates (22-23)		
Council (Zoom):		Club Reps Meetings:
448: Wednesday 28 th June 2023		232 and AGM: Sunday 14 th May 2023 Littleton
Dates (23-24)		
449: Wednesday 30 th August 2023		233: Tuesday 12 th September 2023
450: Tuesday 17 th October 2023		234: Thursday 9 th November 2023 -Littleton
451: Friday 8 th December 2023		235: Thursday 22 nd February 2024 - Littleton
452: Monday 12 th February 2024		236: Sunday 12 th May 2024 -Littleton
453: Thursday 28 th March 2024		
454: Wednesday 26 th June 2024		
2023 Exhibition Judging		Sunday 19 th November 2023 - Sparsholt Memorial Hall
2023 AGM - Finals Day –		Sunday 14 th May 2023
2023 - Selection for PAGB Inter-Federation Competition		Tuesday 16 th May 2023
Dates 2024		
2024 Championships – Bognor Regis		Sunday 17 th March 2024 (Easter 31 st March; Mothers' Day 10 th March)
SCPF hosting PAGB Awards for Merit		27 th /28 th April 2024