

Southern Counties Photographic Federation

Club Reps' Meeting no 233

Date: Friday 8th September 2023

Venue: Zoom

Present: Anne Eckersley (President), Patricia Platt (PAGB Executive Member), Steve Kirkby (Handbook and Championship), Ray Hems (PAGB Awards Officer), Stewart Lacey (Vice President), Ian Hardacre (Secretary); Jason Hyde (Website); Ian Byers (Exhibition secretary), Leo Rich (Council Member)

Plus representatives from SCPF clubs (identified on the call):

Farnborough CC, Bracknell CC, Bishops Waltham CC, Beaulieu Camera Group, Bognor Regis CC, Fareham & Porchester, LHS CC, Littlehampton, Littlehampton & District CC, Storrington CC, Focus Ryde Imaging Group, Practical CC, South Downs PS, Hordean CC, Newbury PC, Salisbury PC, Niton & District CC, Steyning CC, Fordingbridge CC, New Forest CC, Wareham CC, Gosport CC, Petersfield PS, BH PC,

There were 37 participants in all on the Zoom call.

Apologies:

Ken Scott (Judging Advisor), Graeme Sleeman (Treasurer), Peter Terry (League Secretary), Sue Teagle (Roll of Honour), Peter Rocchiccioli (Publicity),

Apologies from Clubs:

Sandhurst CC, Overton, Jersey Photographic, Hayling

1. Minutes of Club Reps' Meeting 232 and AGM on Sunday 14th May 2023

- 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:

- Graeme had asked Anne to report that he would like to step down from the post of Treasurer at the end of the season

- Clubs were asked that if they know of anyone willing to become SCPF Treasurer and to please contact Anne, as early as possible so that we can have a smooth handover

-no other comments received

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

- it is unfortunate that the next APM is in two places due to the halls in use

- see Patti's report about AI; see also the PAGB e-News; AI images would be regarded as plagiarism

Q: Could clubs have their own rules for images?

A: Yes, but such images would not be eligible for SCPF, PAGB, FIAP etc competitions

- recommend that clubs adopt these rules from PAGB/SCPF this would be the simplest way

- forward

Further comment from Patti: trained image generation is not allowed but trained Image modification software (such as noise reduction) is allowed

- judges are expected to accept images at face value as not having been AI generated
- images that have benefited from your camera's options are your image and not impacted by these AI discussions
- no comments received

6. PAGB Awards Officer's Report –Ray Hems

- no comments received

7. League Secretary's Report – Peter Terry

Q: if some judges ask for the digital images in advance so we not run the risk of having less entries because the closing date would be early

A: this is a question to have with a judge in advance, perhaps when originally booked

- Note this request could apply to both club or SCPF competitions; it is up to the judge and the club to agree for club competitions; the rules presented are for SCPF League only

Q: The rules as presented so there is no reason for images not to be provided

A: please note this is for SCPF League competitions and the images will already be available

Jason (webmaster) reported a new version of the rules had been received for the website; it was his understanding that the changes were typos and confirmed his belief that the rules in Peter's report under discussion at this meeting were unchanged

Q: Anne noted that Peter mentioned was considering reducing the number of clubs in each division and asked for comment from the meeting

A: rebalancing may be unpopular?; noted lower divisions are already critical with only 5 clubs; 64 vs is probably OK on an evening as would be 56 for a judge to get through

A: Anne noted that this is a not decision already made and that discussions would be taking place throughout the coming season

- No other comments received

8. Directory and A/V and report – Steve Kirkby

- Note Steve in his report highlighted that clubs should make sure to update any club venue details that have changed on the website

- please also update also any club name changes and let Anne know, the PAGB will only update their records if a club's website reflects the name change

- note entries for the upcoming A/V competitions will be accepted until 1st October

- clubs can enter up to 3 A/Vs

- contact Steve directly if you have any questions

- No comments received

9. Championship – Steve Kirkby

- delighted that Bognor Regis are hosting, note is a week earlier due to Palm Sunday and Mother's Day

- No comments received

10. Exhibition Report – Ian Byers

- no comments received

11 Publicity Report – Peter Rocchiccioli

- Anne requested if anyone knew of possible new sponsors to contact Peter
- No comments received

12 Roll of Honour report – Sue Teagle

- please do make recommendations for club members, details and the form necessary are available on the SCPF website
- no comments received

13 Judging advisor report – Tony Oliver on behalf of Ken Scott

- please note there are 10 new judges that can be booked over Zoom

Q: will the course in future be over Zoom again

A: we hope to have face-to-face in future especially so we can have print appreciation

- no other comments received

14 Webmaster report – Jason Hyde

Q: we cannot see our club treasurer's details on our page

A: this is by design to 'protect them' from others on the Internet, your club secretary can see and update as needed

- no other comments received

15 Newsletter – Anne Eckersley-

- no comments received

16 Demonstration – Jason Hyde

- the recording of the demonstration is available on the SCPF website

<https://southerncountiespf.org.uk/2023/09/directory-updates-and-demo-video/>

17 AOB

From Patti:

- she will check to ensure that there are no 'concrete issues' with the venue for the APM at the college in Basingstoke
- suggests that perhaps clubs might want to check their venues are not impacted also

From Stewart:

- an addition to the useful information would be draft risk assessments (RA) that Basingstoke are preparing, RAs are a requirement for the insurance provided by Hive
- also an accident log should be maintained by a club (and a first aid kit)
- Basingstoke when applying for a grant were required to provide policies for "Equality, Diversity and Inclusivity" and "Environmental Sustainability" , drafts of these will also be made available
- the boilerplates will be made available on the SCPF website

From Anne:

- a useful information page is in draft form on the website that will include useful information made available by the Federation or if clubs have similarly useful information (a such as Stewart's boilerplates) , please do contact so links can be added also

- Jason will be running DiCentra courses, please drop a note to Anne if you would like to have details

The next Club Reps meeting is on : Thursday 9th November 2023 -Littleton 7:30pm at Littleton Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at 20:20

Dates for Future Events

Dates (23-24)		
Council (Zoom):		Club Reps Meetings:
		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 – AGM & Finals Day - Littleton
453: Thursday 28 th March 2024		
454: Wednesday 26 th June 2024		
Other Dates: 2023-24		
2023 Exhibition Judging		Sunday 19 th November 2023 - Sparsholt Memorial Hall
2024 Championships		Sunday 17 th March 2024 - hosted by Bognor Regis
2024 SCPF AGM and Finals Day		236: Sunday 12 th May 2024 Day - Littleton
Dates 2024		
2024 – 54 th Annual Exhibition Preview and Presentation Evening 6.30pm Young Gallery, Salisbury		Friday 5 th January 2024
2024 – 54 th Annual Exhibition Young Gallery, Salisbury		Saturday 6 th January 2024 – Saturday 27 th January 2024 inclusive
2024 Championships – Bognor Regis		Sunday 17 th March 2024 (Easter 31 st March; Mothers' Day 10 th March)
SCPF hosting PAGB Awards for Merit – Queen Mary College, Basingstoke		27 th /28 th April 2024