



## Minutes of the Delegates Meeting.

Held on Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup> 2017, Redwood Drive Community Centre, Waddington.

Alan Tyrer chaired the meeting which commenced at 8.20pm.

1. **Apologies** were received from Deepings; Spalding; Dunholme; Ashby; Trusthorpe. (A late apology was received from Grantham owing to their delegate being taken ill.) Ten clubs attended:- Axholme; Cleethorpes; Grimsby; Horncastle; Lincoln; NELPS; RB; Scunthorpe; Skegness; Sleaford.
2. **Minutes of the February meeting** had been circulated. It was proposed by Jorj Malinowski and seconded by Peter Webster that the minutes be accepted as a true record
3. **Matters Arising.** There were no matters arising.
4. **President's report.** The President had attended exhibitions at Grimsby; Barton and Horncastle. He again thanked the organisers of the AV competition; the Day of Photography and Foster's Colour Challenge which had been held since the last meeting.  
The Print Battles were ongoing at present and the President wished to remind clubs that the home club should notify the visiting clubs and judge of the date; venue **and the start time**. It was also important that the full title of prints were put on the evening's sheet and announced in full. He was also concerned that it had been reported that some judges had viewed the prints in separate piles before they were sorted into the evenings running order. It was agreed that these comments should be added as notes to the rules and a draft brought to the next meeting.  
The President asked the meeting whether Redwood Drive was still the best venue for the meetings in view of the rise in rent. It was agreed that the availability of Nettleham Community Centre be queried and a proposal brought to the next meeting. Delegates were asked to consult with club members.
5. **Secretary's report.** The Secretary had nothing further to report.
6. **Treasurer's report.** The Treasurer had nothing further to report.
7. **Directory Secretary.** Ron Abbott had sent a report. No problems with this year's directory but he intended to send out the request for updates in September this year. Clubs were reminded that accurate membership figures were required to determine subscriptions.
8. **Judges and Lecturer's Secretary.** Jorj Malinowski reported that there was to be a joint Judges seminar with N&EMPF early in 2018. Delegates were asked to encourage members to consider becoming judges.
9. **Webmaster.** Alan Tyrer reported that the site was being well used. He apologised in advance that the site may not be updated during the next few weeks. He reminded

delegates that the site was only as good as the information he received. Any information for the website should be sent to him in a Word document.

10. **N&EMPF.** Jorj Malinowski reported that he had been elected onto the N&EMPF executive committee and also onto the exhibitions and judges sub committees. He informed the meeting that he would be collecting entries for the N&EMPF exhibition in late September/early October from four locations:- Scunthorpe CC; Cleethorpes CC; Horncastle &DPS; Lincoln CC. Other clubs should get their entries to those locations. Exact dates would be circulated later. The entry free for the exhibition was to remain £1.
11. **AV Group.** Ron Abbott had sent a written report. Attendances had been poor and the May meeting was cancelled. The future of the group will be discussed at the next group meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>.
12. **Monochrome Group.** Mike Martindale reported that the group was going from strength to strength with 25-30 members, the programme was complete for 2017 and an exhibition was being considered for 2018. It was agreed that Jean Brumby would remain as Treasurer for this group
13. **Individual PDI.** It was agreed that the organisers should look into making this an all day event in view of the large entry, possibly with separate judges for Open and Creative.
14. **AV Competition.** Allan Rowsell reported on a very good competition with a very good judge but poorly attended. The two section format seemed to work well. Delegates were asked whether the competition should be continued in view of only four clubs being represented and if so, were the two section format and the audience vote to be continued. Jorj Malinowski reported that N&EMPF representatives had attended the event and were considering their own AV competition and had suggested it might be combined with the LPA competition. If this were the case it would have to be run under the auspices of the PAGB. Allan Rowsell queried what that would mean in practice. There was some uncertainty as to whether this was a good idea. It was agreed that the AV group should consider the future of the event and report back to the next meeting.
15. **Day of Photography.** Ian Wright had sent his apologies and a written report. He thanked all those who had helped in the organisation of the day and felt it had offered a balanced and varied programme. He reported that the 2018 programme was settled with the speakers to be Christine Widdall; Mik Crithlow and Joe Cornish. He was also working on the 2019 programme and would like to receive suggestions on possible speakers.
16. **Foster's Colour Challenge.** Ron Abbott had sent a written report. 13 clubs took part with Grimsby first; Sleaford second and Cleethorpes third. It was a good evening and the judge enjoyed the competition. Ron asked delegates to consider changing the rules so that prints should be at the venue by 7.00pm (currently 7.15pm). All clubs were there by 7pm and this gave the judge time to have a look at the prints before the competition. It was agreed that a draft rule change be brought to the next meeting.
17. **Print Battles.** David Connor reported that the first round was complete and all the results were on the website. He asked for volunteers to help in the kitchen on finals day.
18. **Interclub PDI.** Nothing to report.
19. **Photographer of the Year.** Nothing to report.
20. **Portfolio.** Mike Martindale reported that the Folio was progressing well on its route.
21. **Club and other print exhibitions.** Grimsby and Cleethorpes joint exhibition 12<sup>th</sup> June; Lincoln exhibition 26<sup>th</sup> June; NELPS exhibition 5<sup>th</sup> June.

**22. Any Other Business.**

- It was agreed that the change to the signatories on the cheques should be resolved at an Extraordinary General Meeting before the August delegates meeting.
- The Secretary was asked to give dates for 2018 delegates meetings to Steve Haw to check Nettleham availability before the next meeting.
- Peter Webster thanked those who provided refreshments.

**23. Date of the next delegates meeting:** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.