

OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS

Minutes of General Meeting February 1, 2012

President - Randy Hall • Past President - Dave Courtice
Vice President - Kim Greig • Treasurer - Dennis Lawrence • Secretary - Frieda Van der Ree
Directors: Exhibitions - Ken Davies • Newsletter - Gail Courtice • Programmes - Kim Greig • Judging - Paul Edelenbos
Education - Libby Lovis • Data & Equipment - Jack Harynuk • Membership - Shelley Harynuk • Social - Susan Lightburn

Place: Windsor Room, Qualicum Civic Centre

Attendance: approx 80 including 17 guests

Vice President Kim Greig called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. President Randy Hall sent his apologies for being unable to attend. Guest speaker Wally Chinn gave an excellent presentation based on images of people, animals and landscapes of Africa. Kim invited him to come back to show us his Antarctica images later this year.

Coffee Break 8:10 - 8:20. Vivienne Bearder won half of \$\$102.00 in the 50/50 draw.

Reports

Treasurer: Dennis was absent but reported by email an available balance of \$2625.73.

Secretary: Frieda reminded members that she sends out weekly notices and anyone not receiving these should contact her.

Programmes: Kim announced that our guest speaker at the March meeting would be Constable Dave Giles who will discuss forensic photography.

Membership: Shelley reported that with the four who joined at the education meeting and another five who joined tonight we have 100 members! Kim said that with the increased membership we would soon be holding our meetings in the East Hall, and the Education Meetings would move from the Lions Room to the Windsor Room.

Judging: Paul announced that the next **field trip** would be Art Knapp Plantland in Courtenay, with lunch at the Crown Isle restaurant. Current **assignments** are *Narrow Depth of Field (Feb) Transparency (Mar) and Nature Macro (April)*.

Newsletter: Gail asked members to contribute items of general interest to the newsletter.

Exhibitions: Ken reported on several upcoming exhibitions:

Viewpoint 25 at TOSH (25 artists created painting from images by 25 photographers): The show will be hung on Monday Feb 20th at 10am and the opening reception will be Wednesday Feb 22nd at 7pm. The event is also a celebration of the 25th anniversary of TOSH.

Destination Vancouver Island at Island Exposures: a detail sheet will be emailed to members.

Education: Libby was thanked for the very successful workshop given last Saturday. There will be an interest sheet put out later to gauge interest for a further workshop. • The next Education meeting will be on Tuesday 21st February in the Civic centre in the Lions

room at 7pm and the topic will be RAW versus Jpeg. She invited members to send her any questions they would like discussed at the meeting. • Next Tuesday 7th February there will be a meeting held at Serious Coffee at the south end of Parksville (next to Craig's gallery) for the Mac group and we have decided to include a group for PCs as well. The Mac group will discuss photo books – good timing for the project – and the PC group will discuss various topics to be decided as the questions come in – some of them are on photo editing.

Social: Susan said the next club social event would probably be the opening reception at Island Exposures.

Data: Jack has posted results of the Lions Gate *Celebration of Nature* competition on the website: look under "Events." He asked for a show of hands of how many members are interested in post-processing, and how many would like their images to be judged by an 'outside' judge.

New Business Kim announced that Ed Dunnett's daughter Fiona has an art exhibition titled *El ser dinamico (Being Dynamic)* at the McMillan Art Centre (by SOS) Jan 31st - Feb 25th. Many members saw examples of her work in a slide show presented by Ed at one of our meetings. The opening reception will be Friday Feb 3rd from 7-9pm.

Kim stated that the nominating committee will accept nominations for executive positions in preparation for the AGM in May.

Assignments 32 members submitted images for the assignment *Reflections* and 33 voted. Results were:

General	1st	Jim Mick (33 points)
	2nd	Christine Budimir (31)
	3rd	Jim Troyanek (29)
Intermediate	1st	Paul Edelenbos (50)
	2nd	Alan Smith (30)
	3rd	Les McLean (24)

Jack displayed the assignment images as a slideshow and then members enjoyed a slideshow of 115 photographs taken during the *King Tide* field trip. Thank you, Jack!

The meeting adjourned at 9pm.