

OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS Minutes of General Meeting April 4, 2012

President - Randy Hall • Past President - Dave Courtice
Vice President - Kim Greig • Treasurer - Ray Griffiths • 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: Qualicum Beach Civic Centre

Attendance: more than 80, including members of the 4H Snapshot Group and other guests

President Randy Hall called the meeting to order and welcomed the guests.

Programmer Director Kim Greig introduced wildlife photographer Steve Williamson. His presentation of wildlife photographed mainly in the Great Bear Rainforest was enjoyed by all.

Coffee Break. Ed Dunnett drew from the 50/50 hat: Mike Davis' ticket netted \$37.50

REPORTS

VP/Program Director • Kim Greig reminded members that Const. Dave Giles would be giving his presentation on forensic photography next month; Chris Carter will talk about b/w photography in June and John Butterworth will be our guest speaker in July. • Kim asked that we not bring guests to the AGM next month. Previous president Dave Graham has agreed to chair the election procedures. • The Inter Club Event (ICE) has been scheduled for July 22. Kim promised some surprises.

Treasurer Ray Griffiths was introduced as the new treasurer. The club's bank account has been moved from the Credit Union to the TD Bank in Qualicum Beach. The present bank balance is \$1350.73

Secretary Frieda Van der Ree reported that the VP of the Comox club has sent positive feedback about our interclub plans. • The friend of a member is looking for slide carousels. Contact information has been posted on the website bulletin board. • Members are reminded that they may submit digital images for the Snowbirds photo contest this year by paying the \$10 submission fee at the Airport Museum in Comox.

Newsletter Editor Gail Courtice asked that submissions for the Shutterbug Spotlight competition be taken within the year. Images for the current topic "Rhododendrons" should be submitted by May 15th, and "Antique Cars" by June 15th.

Education Libby Lovis reported Shelley Harynuk would be talking about NIK and Topaz at the education meeting April 17th and that David Blackmore will give a presentation in May. • She said that the Baptist Church hadn't proved to be a useful venue for the PC tutorial and may hold it in her own house if a better place isn't found.

Social Susan Lightburn asked that members bring snacks for an expanded social break during the AGM but Randy commented that we may not have time for this. • Susan has been hosting the coffee service for the last few months (Thank you, Susan!!); Diane Spence and Michael Van der Ree have volunteered to take this on.

Membership Shelley Harynuk announced that eight people had signed up tonight. We now have 110 members.

Data and Equipment Jack Harynuk reported that he has been working on the website in preparation for upcoming changes to the assignment format.

Exhibitions Ken Davies reported that OP is now a member of the Oceanside Community Arts Council. Gallery space has been booked for a club exhibition in July. • Randy added that plans are still on track for an club exhibition *Destination Vancouver Island* to take place when the new location of Island Exposures Gallery is ready.

Judging and Fieldtrips Paul Edelenbos stated that the field trip April 15th would be to the Englishman River, from the falls to the estuary. Members may rally at the falls at 10am and meet for lunch at Boston Pizza in Parksville at noon. • Current assignments are *Macro Nature* (until April 18th), then *Hands* in May. With the assignment *Island Cityscapes* in June we will begin the new assignment format of Colour, B/W, and Digital Art. Members may enter a maximum of one image per category, in as many of the categories as they wish.

Results of the assignment *Transparency* were:

General	1st	Donna Wickstrom	28 pts
	2nd	Penny Marshall	24
	3rd	Mary Watts	20
	Hon Mention	Sharon Perrin	19
Interm	1st	Tim Tullis	42
	2nd	Gail Courtice	24
	3rd	Frieda Van der Ree	18
	3rd	Linda Lundberg	18

New Business Kim announced that Shelley Harynuk will be stepping down as Membership Director and that this position will need to be filled at the AGM. The nominating committee (Randy Hall, Kim Greig, Dave Courtice) still requires candidates for several positions and invites interested members to contact them.

Field Trip Slide Show Jack showed 55 images from the Port Alberni field trip. In the time remaining he also showed some of Shelley's photos of bison taken during their recent trip to Elk Island National Park.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm.

