

OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS

Minutes of General Meeting June 7, 2010

Place: Qualicum Community Baptist Church

In attendance: 30 members

Chairman Dave Courtice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Guest speaker Randy O'Donnell talked about available light portraiture. When the volunteer family arrived everyone moved outside for a demonstration of his techniques.

Coffee break 8:00 until 8:20.

After coffee the speaker showed results of the portrait session on his laptop.

Club business commenced at 8:30 with a reminder that annual dues of \$30 must be paid by the July 5 meeting.

Challenge Lynn Bieber-Weir (substituting for Ed Mosier) gave the results of last month's challenge ("In My Yard"):

3rd Paul Edelenbos "Fawn"

2nd Alan Cornell "Towhee"

1st Marjorie Dunlop "Oriental Poppy"

The Chairman announced important Management motions:

- a) it was decided to purchase our own projector with a budget of about \$1000
- b) it was decided to move back to the Civic Centre for our meetings. We are booked for the first Wednesday of every month starting September 1st
- c) we will undertake fundraising activities (to help maintain equipment, etc.) beginning with a 50/50 draw and a garage sale to take place Saturday August 28th. Diane Spence has volunteered the use of her breezeway and Lynn Bieber-Weir and Gail Courtice have volunteered to organize the sale. Lynn asked for a show of hands by those willing to donate items for the sale.

Programs Ken Davies had no program to announce for the next meeting at this time.

Exhibitions Lynn announced that the club will mount an exhibition ("The Best of OP 2010") at OCAC's Nemeth Gallery in October. The deadline for voting for submissions will be the August 9 meeting. About fourteen photographs will be chosen.

Newsletter Robin Pearson invited the membership to come up with ideas to make the monthly newsletter more club-specific. Possibilities include Q&A, Buy & Sell etc.

Social Frieda Van der Ree announced plans for an evening photo-shoot/social gathering to be held at Robin Pearson's ocean-front property at Qualicum Beach on Wednesday Aug 25 6:30 to 9:00. More details to follow.

Marjorie Dunlop raised the question of circulating membership phone numbers to encourage communication between members. It was suggested that the list include members' camera models. The Chairman reiterated that all e-mails to the membership at large should be sent via the Secretary.

Photo Challenge and Field Trip Randy Hall, substituting for Ed Mosier, announced that the July Challenge would be "Natural Light Portraiture". The Field Trip will be the Father's Day Car Show & Shine at Qualicum Beach on Sunday June 20th.

OP Website Randy's presentation of a possible club website design was enthusiastically received.

Slide Show The meeting ended with a slide show Randy had compiled of photos taken during the Nanaimo Harbour field trip. He invited those who hadn't yet seen his slide show of the Milner Gardens field trip to see it after the meeting adjourned.

The chairman asked for volunteers to return tables and chairs to their places.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05.