OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING JULY 6, 2011

President - Randy Hall • Past President - Dave Courtice

Vice President - Kim Greig • Treasurer - Dennis Lawrence • Secretary - Frieda Van der Ree Directors: Exhibitions - Ken Davies • Newsletter - Robin Pearson • Programs - Kim Greig Judging - Paul Edelenbos • Education - Libby Lovis • Data & Equipment - Jack Harynuk Membership - Shelley Harynuk •

Place: Windsor Room, Qualicum Civic Centre

Attendance: 48 members, 6 guests

- President Randy Hall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- •Vice-President Kim Greig introduced guest speaker Ken Meisner who gave a talk and slide show on landscape photography. He has left a PDF summarizing highlights of his talk that will be distributed to the membership.
- A coffee break followed the presentation. Arlene Johnston hosted the Favourites table.
- •Randy introduced Dennis Lawrence who was appointed treasurer to replace Ed Mosier. A letter of resignation from Ed has been filed. Dennis and Vice President Kim Greig will become signing officers for the club's account with the Credit Union, to replace Ed Mosier and Past President Dave Courtice.

Reports:

contributing clubs.

Treasurer: Randy standing in for treasurer announced a bank balance of \$3630.91. **Secretary:** Frieda reported on correspondence from Michael Healey of the Central Okanagan Photographic Society asking for input about judging/critiquing methods. Judging Director Paul Edelenbos has replied. A summary of responses given to COPS will be sent by them to all

Judging: Paul thanked members who had helped with the club's garage sale. The sale brought in \$830.62. Dave Courtice suggested that Paul be reimbursed for the lunch and snacks that he provided for volunteers at the sale. All present concurred.

Paul announced results of the assignment "Water"...

3rd Paul Edelenbos2nd Shelley Harynuk1st Anna Genoe

The next assignment will be "Sports" and the one after will be "Simplicity."

Field Trip: Randy announced that the next Field Trip will be to Barton and Leier at 7 p.m. on Friday July 22, following refreshments/dinner at the Crow and Gate Pub from 5-7 p.m. A reminder with map and details will be sent out.

Newsletter: Robin announced that he plans to move out of the Oceanside area when his house sells and at that time will be resigning as Newsletter Editor.

Exhibitions: Ken reminded us that *Art from the Heart* will be on display at the OCAC Gallery all through July. He announced that a framed photograph donated by Paul Edelenbos raised over \$200 in auction at the opening.

Those who have images to enter in the *A Day in the Life of Qualicum Beach* competition are asked to submit a maximum of four images to Randy by July 15th. These and further details will be put on the website calendar. Members' images will be judged by Lynn Bieber-Weir, Wayne Buhr and Craig Carmichael.

Membership: Shelley stated that membership stands at 78 pending payment of outstanding dues, and that six guests were attending tonight. (Two more guests came forward later.)

Education: Libby suggested that we cancel education meetings until the rooms at Ballenas Secondary are available again in September. Other educational activities may be announced.

Social: Susan announced that Libby and Eric Lovis have volunteered their garden as a venue for our club's Summer Social which will be held Thursday evening July 28th.

Data and Equipment: Jack announced that two categories will now be available for monthly assignments: members may enter at either a general or an intermediate level. A point system for entries selected in the past will determine who must enter the intermediate level. Those without points may enter either. Occasionally a third category (such as HDR) may be added. Members may cast three votes in each category. Members are reminded that information about uploading and voting are available on the website.

New Business:

- •50/50 Draw: The new treasurer Dennis Lawrence was invited to draw the ticket for \$32.50, which was won by Alan Smith.
- •Kim spoke about the newly initiated annual inter-club event which she volunteered that we would host next year. She asked for suggestions for a venue that is not too obviously 'touristy' and which would accommodate possibly 60 photographers.
- Frieda introduced Ed Dunnet who will fill a Public Relations role including inter-club correspondence.
- Randy asked that members please cull repetitious shots from submissions to the slide show.

Slide Show: Randy presented a slide show of members' images taken during the field trip to Pipers Lagoon and the inter-club photo shoot of derelict cars in Courtenay. As usual this was a highlight of the evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Frieda Van der Ree Accepted at Management Meeting July 14, 2011