OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHERS Minutes of General Meeting June 3, 2015

President - Richard Peeke-Voute • Past President - Vivienne Bearder • Vice President - Brad Powell
Treasurer - Ed Dunnett • Secretary - Libby Lovis

Directors: Education - John Critchley • Exhibitions - Levonne Gaddy • Programs - Lajla Stevenson

Assignments and Field Trips - Sally Shivers • Membership - Debra Kuzbik • Data & Equipment - Jack Harynuk
Newsletter - Shelley Harynuk • Newsletter Assistants - Vivienne Bearder, Frieda Van der Ree

The meeting was held at the QB Civic Centre, East Hall. **Attendance**: approximately 40 members and 3 guests

7:00pm: Richard called the meeting to order.

Levonne (Exhibitions) announced that the Quality Bayside exhibitions scheduled for July and August would be combined with the same pictures hanging throughout the two months. Photographers would pay a wall rental share of \$5.00 per picture per month. Levonne also stated that space remained for five more pictures, plus space for up to 15 at the MAC in our August exhibition there and invited anyone interested in filling these spaces to speak to her during the break.

Lajla introduced our **presenter tonight**: **Education Director John Critchley** who laid out an agenda for his planned education programme for the coming year. Contained within his talk was a lesson on the Exposure Triangle. The assigned exercise is to upload a picture or two that demonstrates control over focus point and exposure (use focus and exposure lock then recompose within the camera for desired effect without cropping).

Break: 8:00-8:15

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Exhibitions: Levonne announced that all the exhibition space for both the Quality Bayside and the MAC is now fully subscribed.

Membership: Debra announced that 50 members have now paid their dues. She introduced the three guests; all signed up for membership tonight. Debra suggested that other members join her in supporting the MAC's dedicated photo gallery by volunteering at the MAC.

Vice President: Brad described the two projects he is undertaking this year. First, to bring in professional speakers both as interesting presenters but also as possible fundraisers for OP. One possibility is Rick Hulbert whose fee for a one day presentation of about four topics would be \$1000 plus travel expenses. Brad asked for help in researching other possible speakers. Second is for OP to host a CAPA judging course. Plans are underway for a date in November. A suitable venue needs to be found.

Treasurer's Report: Ed's emailed report: Bank balance today is \$4682.89. Revenue after prepaid and May paid memberships is down 15% from last year.

Field Trips and Assignments: Sally reminded members that the next field trip is June 14th at the **Raptor Centre near Duncan**. Admission will be \$14/\$12 seniors. Lunch at Tim Horton's in Duncan at 11:00am.

This month's assignment is Landscape/Panorama.

Education: John's report was the presentation topic tonight.

Programmes: Lajla summarized upcoming programmes:

Jul 8 - Chris Boar and Tony Pierzer: Astrophotography

Aug 5 - Brian Argyle: Stitching and blending multiple exposures

Sept 2 - Kerry Dawson: How to design and present a superb slideshow

Oct 7 - Randy Hall: HDR photography

Nov 4 - Members present their travel slideshows

Dec 2 - "Best of 2015" slideshow to showcase members' best shots

Jan 6 - 4H Club

Feb 3 - London Drugs: Blogging

Newsletter: Richard explained that the newsletter will be taken on by Shelley Harynuk as Director with Vivienne Bearder and Frieda Van der Ree as Assistants. Members should send submissions to Frieda as was done previously. Issues may be published every second or third month, depending on number of submissions.

Data and Equipment: Jack was absent.

NEW BUSINESS

- Richard explained that the judging time for assignments will be extended to allow voting to continue another month. It's hoped that the extra time will increase the number of votes cast.
- "My Favourite Photo" is a new venue that will give members a chance to showcase their best recent shot regardless of subject or style. Each month members are invited to upload an image to be shown in a slideshow at the next general meeting.

Voting results for Assignment "Food" Jack Harynuk prepared the slideshow of submissions.

Colour 3rd (tied) Linda Lundberg, Mary Watts

2nd Beate Kuhn 1st Cliff Anderson

B/W 3rd Cliff Anderson

2nd Frieda Van der Ree

1st Rick Horte

Digital Art 3rd Mary Watts

2nd Jack Harynuk 1st Beate Kuhn

Field Trip Slideshow of Field Trip to French Creek prepared by Richard Peeke-Vout.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm.

Minutes prepared by Frieda, substituting for Libby.