

OCEANSIDE PHOTOGRAPHY SOCIETY
Minutes of General Meeting
September 6 2017

President - Richard Peake-Vout Past President -Ed Dunnett Vice President -Kathy Desjardins
Treasurer - Nick Bosma Secretary - Rick Horte

Directors: Education - John Critchley Exhibitions - Vacant

Programs - David Cotton

Membership - Frieda Van der Ree Newsletter - Vivienne Bearder Data & Equipment - Jack Harynuk

Field trips/Assignments- LoreneKimura Social - Sally Shivers

The meeting was held at the QB Civic Centre at 7pm, September 6th

Attendance: approx 39 members and guests

7:00pm: Richard welcomed everyone.

Wayne Duke presented his photo that was selected by Nikon for their Nikon 100 show.

Membership: Frieda-introduced 3 guests and one new member. The club has 98 members.

Vice President: Kathy-no report

Treasurer's Report: Nick reported that our bank balance is \$7582.46 as of today.

Secretary: Rick-no report

Education: John-education meetings begin this month and the topic will be Off Camera Flash, theory first then a demonstration.

Assignments and Field Trips: Lorene- The September field trip is to Englishman River Falls. Lunch will be at Trees. The assignment is Inspiration.

Newsletter: Vivienne-the newsletter needs articles for this month.

Programs: David-the October speaker is Lisa Graham

Exhibits: Ed-thanked Gail for her help with the TOSH artist booklet.

Social: Sally-no report

Data and Equipment: Jack-Lightroom and Photoshop are on the club computer for members to try at an education meeting.

Past President: Ed-no report

President: Richard explained how the second half of the meeting was designed to give members a chance to give input into the future direction of the club and that the leading library was being disbanded.

Results for Assignment:

B/W

- 1 Vivienne Bearder
- 2 Rick Horte
- 3 Teresa Lange Kings

Colour

- 1 Teresa Lange Kings
- 2 Vivienne Bearder
- 3 Mary Watts

Digital Art

- 1 Shelley Harynuk
- 2 Vivienne Bearder
- 3 Teresa Lange Kings

Slideshows- Field Trip and July and August favourites
Thanks to Jack and Richard for putting together these presentations.

Break: 7:40-8:00

Smug Mug: John gave a brief description of what Smug Mug is and how it works. The club would need 12-15 members using Smug Mug to pay for it if the club added it to the website. Other sites such as Flickr are free.

Richard asked members to speak up as to whether or not the club needs an Exhibits Director. A microphone was set up for speakers. Only a few members spoke.

Summary of comments:

Not enough members were interested in Smug Mug for the club to support it.
Was the purpose of exhibits for sales or to get the work out for the public to see. No stats have been kept on sales but a few members have sold pieces.
Exhibition dates offered the club by the main galleries were not in peak tourist times.
Venues such as Shaw and Leftys are for business reasons and the identity of the club would be lost.
Harbour City Club has a dedicated person to put the show together for Shaw.

The point was made that only a small number of members submit work for our exhibitions and maybe something should be done to encourage more participation such as use of reusable frames to keep the cost down.

Perhaps one person is insufficient for the putting on exhibits and a committee of five was suggested. Richard thanked members for their ideas.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm

Minutes prepared by Teresa Lange Kings