



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 27 April 2011

Action

Present: J Doyle, D Entwistle, K Brown, R Cowley, C Hubbard, C McGinley, C Metcalfe, T Moore, A Schofield, P Schofield, D Stead, W Warburton, J Whittaker.

Apologies: were received from: A Capuano, I Bramwell, B Keating, S Pankow.

It was announced that A. Capuano was in poor health and would not be standing for re-election as Chairman. Mr J Doyle chaired the meeting.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting.

1.1. The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28th April 2010 were read by the Secretary and accepted as a correct record.

2. Matters arising.

2.1. The minutes of the previous the AGM, having been previously circulated will, in future, be taken as read, before being put to the vote

2.2. Photographs of the committee members have not been placed in the meeting room.

2.3. An exhibition was held in St. Mary's church hall.

2.4. A themed entry in the print competition has not been adopted.

3. Financial Statements.

3.1. The Treasurer presented the interim financial statements (Previously circulated) to the Meeting highlighting the following:

	£
Receipts	1,177.90
Payments	592.14
Surplus for year	585.76
Resources at the of year	1,409.90

3.2. He explained that, as the club's year of account was from September to August, a final set of statements would be submitted to a subsequent special general meeting. A short discussion followed, arising from which it was agreed that there will be no increase in the level of annual subscription for the ensuing year.

CH

3.3. The financial statements were then accepted by the Meeting.

4. Chairman's Report.

4.1. Mr Doyle reported on a successful year for the club, and thanked the officers for their efforts during the year.

5. Terms of Appointment.

5.1. Mr Hubbard's proposal that the elected officers serve until 31st August 2011 (our financial year-end was adopted).

6. Election of Officers.

6.1. The following were elected as club officials for the coming year (up to 31st August 2012):

Chairman	R Cowley
Vice Chairman	C Hubbard
Secretary	J Whittaker
Treasurer	C Hubbard
Exhibition Secretary	TBA
Assistant Exhibition Secretary	TBA
Press Secretary	R Cowley

7. Syllabus 2011/12.

7.1. The following subjects were suggested for the coming year's syllabus:

Applying textures by Christine Widdall	
Printing on canvass	
Flash photography	
The first meeting of the new syllabus to be "holiday images" combined with an auction	JW
Jeff Binns' subject to be "Birds"	
An inter-Rossendale competition with the Irwell Vale and Whitworth clubs.	
A joint display by the Rossendale clubs on the Rossendale Forum	

8. Club Website

8.1. This has not been pursued. Mr Hubbard will re-send his email requesting images from members. CH

9. Summer Trips

9.1. Following a short discussion it was agreed that the Club summer trips in 2011 will be:

June 2011 Appleby horse fair (C McGinley to find out more details) CMc

August/September 2011 Edinburgh (W Warburton to find out more details) WW

10. Summer Meetings

10.1. J Doyle will prepare a programme of summer outings/workshops JD

11. Rules for Merits Competitions

11.1. A proposal that the merit's score cards should state the member's name was rejected by a vote. However it was agreed that a more informative critique should be adopted.

11.2. It was agreed that print entries will be displayed individually rather than all prints shown together.

12. Topics for the merits competitions

12.1. These were agreed as

Bridges

Natural History

Night/Low Light photography (excluding flash)

13. Means of Communication

13.1. It was agreed that the principal means of communication between club and members will be via email.

14. Competition Prints

14.1. It was agreed to hold a meeting early in the year's programme, concentrating on the mounting of prints for competitions. JW

15. Exhibitions

15.1. It was agreed that the club hold two exhibitions in the year. J Doyle will investigate the possibility of using the Bacup leisure hall as a possible venue for one of these. JD

15.2. It was also agreed that the April exhibition would consist of prize-winning entries and the autumn exhibition would consist of four entries per member.

15.3. We will continue with the "REAL" window display.

15.4. We will approach the other two Rossendale camera clubs with a view to having a joint display at the Rossendale Forum. JW

16. Bacup & Stacksteads Carnival

16.1. A Schofield distributed flyers of this event to members.

17. Mobile 'phones

17.1. The Chairman will ensure that all mobile phones are either switched off or set to "silent" mode at meetings where we have a speaker. RC

18. Any other business

18.1. C Hubbard will investigate alternative venues in which to hold our meetings (in preference to the NAT building). CH

18.2. C Hubbard will attempt to find a college lecturer to judge our next annual competition. CH

19. Presentation of Awards

19.1. J Doyle presented the following awards to members:

Hesketh cup (best mono print in the competition)	Ken Brown
Schofield cup (best colour print by a new member)	Tom Moore
Bacup NAT cup (best colour print in the competition)	Ken Brown
Geoffrey Bolton Trophy (best image of Rossendale)	Chris McGinley

John Cooke trophy (best image of Bacup)	Colin Hubbard
Entwistle cup (best set of six film slides)	Wayne Warburton
Bolton cup (best individual film slide)	Wayne Warburton
Certificate of Merit (best set of 6 DPI's)	Ken Brown
Certificate of Merit (best individual DPI)	Ken Brown
Shield (Highest aggregate score- merits mono prints)	Ian Bramwell
Shield (Highest aggregate score-merits colour prints)	Wayne Warburton
Shield (Highest aggregate score-merits film slides)	Rick Cowley
Shield (Highest aggregate score-merits DPI's)	Colin Hubbard
Shield (Jeff Binns Challenge)	Jack Whittaker

20. Closure of Meeting

20.1. There being no other business the Acting Chairman declared the meeting closed.