



## Minutes of Management Committee 03 February 2016

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Action

**Present:** Rick Cowley (chairman), Colin Hubbard (Treasurer), Jim Doyle (Internal Competitions Secretary), Chris McGinley (External Competitions Secretary)

### 1. Financial update

1.1. Colin tabled the latest budget update. Although we still have some outstanding payments to make, he expects the club still to have a surplus at the end of our financial year of around £800 and a net positive balance of around £3,700 to carry forward to the next year. Various suggestions were made as to how best to make use of these funds, including new equipment (e.g. loudspeakers), inviting more expensive (and hopefully good quality) speakers or reducing the weekly attendance fee. It was agreed that this be raised with the membership for further suggestions.

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### 2. Annual club competition

2.1. Jim reported that our annual club competition judge, Brian Law, now cannot judge our entries in the time originally envisaged. Various options were discussed, but it was agreed that the most practical thing to do was to bring forward the "hand in" date to 2 March (instead of the original 9 March). This is the date of the competition with Whitworth CC, but if members bring in their entries properly labelled etc there should not be too much of a delay in starting the evening's activities. The date of the judge's comments on our entries and our own comments remains 23 March and 30 March respectively. Rick will tell members at this evening's meeting and follow it up with an email to all members. Jim will remind members at the meeting about the competition rules.

JD

### 3. Spring Exhibition

3.1. This is still planned for Easter Saturday 26 March, 9.30 – 3.00pm. Rick has written to his contact at B&E Boys about using the empty shop unit at 5 Market Street but has not yet had a response. He will chase up his contact.

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### 4. Syllabus changes

10 March: members' selection of entries for the Whitworth CC and the ICPA knock-out competitions (the latter to be selected from the former)

17 March: Chis to lead the workshop on Street Photography

9 March: High Speed Flash Photography by George Franks

26 March: Spring Exhibition

4 May; workshop (to be determined)

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### 5. Lentern talks in the main hall

5.1. Jim will try to ascertain if there will be a clash between our meetings and the Parish's lent talks (possibly on 2 March, when we host Whitworth CC. We may have to use the two opened up side rooms).

JD

### 6. Secretary's post

6.1. Jack is having a word with Ian Bramwell about him taking over from Jack when he leaves for pastures new. This would have to be on a temporary basis until the AGM on 27 April. It was agreed that Jack's departure should be marked in an appropriate fashion when we know when his last meeting will be.

JW