

Tottenham Photography Club

Meeting

14th March 2018

The Lordship Hub

Lordship Recreation Ground

Present:

Glynnis Kirkwood - (G.K)
Gary Oland - (G.O)
Mustafa Suleman - (M.S)
Stephen Furner - (S.F)
Louise Hannah - (L.H)
Stewart Roberts - (S.R)
Alex James - (A.R)
Ray James - (R.J)
Joan Curtis - (J.C)
Mark Bambridge - (M.B)
Colin Pink - (C.P)
Ian McLaughlin - (I.M)
Terry Nichols - (T.N)
Toby Latimer Sayer - (T.LS)
Maureen Cole - (M.C)
Valerie ?????? - (V.?)

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1.	Apologies Julian Gnass, Ruth Green, Ali Piotrowska, Linda Jessop, Julia Parnaby.	
2.	Previous Minutes The previous minutes were agreed as accurate. Approved minutes must be signed off in future. Copies of minutes are available in the document section on Group Facebook page.	
3.	Constitution A number of amendments were made to the constitution following the last meeting. The amended constitution has been circulated for review. The group approved the constitution at today's meeting.	
4.	Finance and Funding £740 funding has been received from Tottenham Green Ward Charitable Fund. Bruce Grove and West Green Wards have yet to reply to the applications made to them, this has likely been delayed due to purdah. Further funding can be applied for now that the constitution has been agreed.	

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	<p>Subs were discussed and it was suggested that a poll is set up on Facebook to gauge how members feel about paying subs.</p> <p>Glyn and Gary still need to return the bank account forms to Mustafa.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Set up a poll on Facebook regarding paying subs. 2. Consider applying for further funding now the constitution has been agreed. 3. Return completed bank account forms to Mustafa. 	<p>M.S/G.K</p> <p>G.K</p> <p>G.O/G.K</p>
4.	<p>Calendar / Plans</p> <p>4.1 Talks</p> <p>28th March 2018. 7.30pm – Camera Basics A session looking at the basics of using cameras has been scheduled for 28/03/18. People are welcome to bring their cameras along for practical learning.</p> <p>April 2018 – Still Life Andre has agreed to give a talk on still life photography, this will be mainly theory based due to the large group size. Andre may also bring a friend with him who specialises in Social Media and Public Relations.</p> <p>May 2018 – Wildlife Photography David Cotteridge has agreed to give a talk on Wildlife Photography. David has a range of talks available and will give the group a selection to choose from nearer the time.</p> <p>June 2018 – Portraiture Karim has agreed to give a talk about portraiture. Karim is a Wedding Photographer by trade and is knowledgeable in the use of many different Cameras.</p>	
5.	<p>Future Shootouts</p> <p><u>April</u> The April shootout has been scheduled for Saturday 7th April and will be a visit to Brooks Farm to photograph large animals. The group will travel to the farm via train from the South Tottenham Station.</p> <p><u>May</u> Both David and Louise have a key to the hides at Tottenham Marshes. A date for a visit will be arranged in May 2018.</p> <p><u>June</u> A day trip to Lea on Sea has been suggested. This will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	

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	<p><u>Suggestions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arms Houses (near Lordship Lane) • Magistrates Courts • Water Works Nature Reserve (Lea Bridge Road) • E17 Pump House • Hindu Temple (Neasden) <p>A visit to the disused theatre at Alexandra Palace was previously suggested. Glyn made enquiries about this but unfortunately it is currently undergoing extensive building work and it will not be possible to visit until it has been completed.</p> <p>Tottenham Hotspur Football club were also approached about a visit to their grounds, however they are undergoing redevelopment and cannot grant access to the public at present, it is hoped that it will be possible to arrange a visit after June 2018.</p> <p>Further suggestions are welcomed via Facebook.</p>	
5.	<p>Website</p> <p>The club website has been set up at www.tottenhamphotographyclub.org . It is currently just a template and is ready for content. The group agreed it would be nice to have a monthly blog detailing each shootout, which could be authored by a different person each month, it would also be useful if the website could be used to collate photo submissions as these can be used to highlight the work that the group are doing in the community. Part of the application for funding was for to set up the website so some money will need to be spent on this. Mustafa mentioned that there are plugins available which can automatically add the Exif data to pictures when they are uploaded, this would be useful and is relatively inexpensive.</p> <p>Julia Parnaby is willing to take over management of the website. Mustafa will look at the technical side of things and give Julia editor access to the site.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Liaise with J.P regarding management of the website. 	M.S
6.	<p>Club Logo</p> <p>A number of fantastic logo's for the group have been produced. Joan Curtis has produced 3 different versions and Julian Gnass and Jonathan Maris have each produced one. Glynn will set up a poll on Facebook so that members can vote on which one they prefer.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Set up a poll on Facebook to choose the logo for the club. 	G.K

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7.	<p>Community Events</p> <p>One of the objective of the club is to support local groups/organisations with photography for their events. The offer is open to all local groups so please offer if you know of any that may require this support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ali will be taking photo's at the Mayors Laughing yoga event on 23rd March. • Glyn is attending a meeting regarding tackling youth violence and has been asked to take some photographs. • Stephen has taken some photo's for both the Seventh Sister and Tottenham Community Press. • NLT have asked for a photographer for some of their Mother and Baby sessions, however they have yet to provide details. <p>Maureen asked if a CRB/DBS check was required when working with children. Glyn confirmed that this was not necessary and was only required if the Job Description stated that the person would be working alone with vulnerable adults or children. Events are always public and if we are being invited to support them it is for the organiser to seek the relevant permissions. Ray suggested that it would be useful to have an 'Official Photographer' badge to wear when attending these events.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Look into purchasing some 'Official Photographer' badges for use at Community events. 	G.K
8.	<p>Critique Session</p> <p>8.1 <u>Feb-March Monthly Theme – Metal</u></p> <p>There were a lot of great submissions exploring the theme of metal.</p> <p>Glyn took a lovely photo of a tree in Yorkshire in to which someone had hammered pennies.</p> <p>Ray submitted a photograph of an old Iron Mangle in someone's front garden and a really nice photo of the slide at the Olympic Park in Stratford. Both Ray and Alex went up to the viewing platform and Ray took the slide down.</p> <p>Stephen took a great photo of the Metal Chimney at the Bernie Grant Arts Centre and also photo of a reflection in a metal fridge. Stephen commented that the curve in the fridge allowed him to stand off centre and not capture his own reflection in the image.</p> <p>Mustafa submitted a photo of a large number of padlocks attached to a bridge in Poland. The photo was a very good example of depth of field. Mustafa focussed on the middle panel of the bridge to give a narrow depth of field to the panels either side.</p> <p>Mark took some nice photos of metal objects in the snow, an old bike wheel</p>	

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8.2	<p>and a bracket. These were both taken using his new camera.</p> <p>Joan submitted a number of great photos, one of which was a metal structure on the Thames between Hammersmith and Bow. Joan commented that this reminded her of a Trojan Horse. There was also a really nice photo taken in the Tottenham Cemetery which gave a nice contrast between the metal fence and the trees.</p> <p>The group agreed that the theme for March-April will be Entropy, as suggested by Mark. Entropy is the breaking down of things, the effect of time, rotting, things coming to an end, a degree of randomness or disorder in the system.</p> <p><i>*Reminder – Submissions limited to 3 per person for monthly themes*</i></p> <p><u>March Shootout – Tottenham Cemetery and All Hallows Church</u></p> <p>This was a very popular shoot out and our best attended shoot out so far. We have been invited back to All Hallows Church should we wish to take some more photo's at a future date.</p> <p>There have been over 100 photos submitted to the album on Facebook.</p> <p>Stephen took a number of shots using the High Dynamic Range technique. Toby asked why he used HDR instead of turning the ISO up. Stephen explained that using a high ISO tends to bleach out the image and lose detail, whereas using HDR enhances colour range in the highlights and lowlights and improves detail.</p> <p>Ray took photos of the Cemetery on a digital camera and used an i-Phone for the indoor shots. There was a really nice photo of a lone memorial to an air mechanic, Ray noted that it was almost exactly 100 hundred years to the day that the mechanic had lost their life.</p> <p>Glynn took a very atmospheric shot of the Chapel through a broken window and an image of a statue of a lady which Glynn had straightened in post edit. It was noted that straightening the statue had made the horizon go wonky.</p>	
9.	<p>Next Meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 11th April 2018, 7.30pm The Lordship Hub, Lordship Recreation Ground</p>	

I agree that these minutes are an accurate reflection of the meeting.

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