PHOTOSUB UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DATED 18TH JANUARY 2014 AT 37 WEST HILL PARK, HIGHGATE, LONDON

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were noted.

2. APPROVAL OF 2013 MINUTES

Minutes Approved unanimously.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Keith Lyall reported on the events of the year as follows:

Welcome all to the 2013 AGM. Thank you to Joss for hosting the meeting.

As ever another very busy year. The year started with a very successful Xmas dinner at the Farnham House Hotel with guest judge Martin Edge. With good food and company, a very enjoyable evening was had by all. Congratulations to the winners of the Annual Competition, Wendy Eve (Blue Water), Bob Soames (Blue Water Advanced), Rob Robertson (Green Water), Keith Lyall (Green Water Advanced) and Peter Tatton (Print Competition). Thanks to Len for organizing the venue, to Bert for setting up the print display, and to JP for organizing and running the slideshow competition.

The Photosub Splashin for once was not blown out. The results were announced at the Photosub BBQ held at Godfrey Bevan's; thanks to Godfrey and Judith for hosting. Congratulations to Len with his winning image of that underwater supermodel Godfrey and wreck. 2^{nd} place went to Len with Bob Soames in 3^{rd} place.

In The BSOUP Splash-in there were awards for Photosub members, to Alex Tattersall who was the winner of the Marine Life category with a macro image of a nudibranch on kelp, Keith Lyall who was runner up in Mankind in the Sea with a wide angle shot of anemones and a diver, runner-up in the Theme category was Len Deeley with an image of an anemone reflected in a mirror, and Joss Woolf's "Bad Hair Day" in the Humorous Category.

The Photosub Digital Images competition was pretty much a one sided affair with congratulations to Bob Soames in 1st and 3rd place with an eel and seal shot respectively. Only the intervention of Wendy Eve in runner up spot stopped a complete rout.

Congratulations to JP and Becky on the birth of Thomas this year, maybe not the most efficient way of expanding the membership.

I would like to thank the 2013 committee for the running of Photosub this year. To Len Deeley as Club Secretary, for organizing events and trophies, to Kam Arya for looking after the finances and JP in his role as both Competitions Secretary and Website Administrator.

JP is standing down from these two roles due to both work and family commitments; Photosub wishes him well and I have no doubt we will see him from time to time. Keith will take on the role of website Administrator while Len has volunteered to also take on the Competitions Secretary unless there are any other volunteers.

Also thanks to those who hosted Photosub meetings, in particular to Len and Pat who open their doors on a regular basis.

Finally thanks to those who enter the competitions ... to those who do not enter, consider it a new years resolution to enter at least one Photosub competition this year.

Here's to a successful 2014 and look forward to seeing members at the annual dinner in March.

Keith Lyall, Photosub Chairman 2013

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Kam issued the accounts for 2013. Copy attached. Closing balance has increased from £1094.94 to £1262.44.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Following officers were approved for the coming year:

Keith Lyall Chairman

Len Deeley Competition Secretary

Kam Arya Treasurer
Len Deeley Hon. Secretary
Keith Lyall Webmaster

Bert Lee Committee member These officers were elected unanimously.

6. FEES

It was agreed to keep membership fee at £15.

7. DIVING PLANS FOR 2014

- Annual Dinner is on 1st March 2014 at Farnham House Hotel. We have 25 people confirmed so far.
- Photosub Splash in to be organised for a weekend of 19th/20th July. It was agreed to move this event to a later part of the year in the hope of better conditions. There was discussion on the rules regarding the area where diving could take place for this event but it was agreed to keep it as existing i.e. 'end to end' (Southend to Lands End).

Bert Lee advised that Ken Sullivan is organising trip to St Abbs in June. Contact Ken if interested.

Len has a trip organised to Coll in the Western Isles, which is a mix of divers and non divers for basking sharks, diving and land photography and caters for each interest. There are a couple of places available if interested. Contact Len.

- Len has a group going to Raja Ampat from 3rd September to 16th September with a few places left. Contact Len if interested.
- Len is planning to arrange for a small group to dive from Sahl Hasheesh in November. Accommodation will be Len and Pat's apartment in Sahl Hasheesh. Max of 3 people. Let Len know if interested.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Gill Marsh has offered to have the BBQ and Splash in Results event at her diving club clubhouse on 16th August. This is located in Swindon, Wilts. It has a pay bar at below public house prices, so members do not need to bring drinks. Gill will organise the food and will also advise details of local bed and breakfast accommodation in the area for those who would like to stay overnight. More information will be advised in due course.