

**PHOTOSUB UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB  
2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
DATED 31ST JANUARY 2015 AT  
LITTLE CULMER, WORMLEY, SURREY, GU8 5SW**

**1. APOLOGIES**

**Apologies were noted.**

**2. APPROVAL OF 2013 MINUTES**

**Minutes Approved unanimously, with two corrections relating to mistyped dates.**

**3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**Keith Lyall was unable to attend the meeting but sent in the following report which was read out at the meeting:**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR - 2014**

Welcome all to the 2014 AGM, and a happy 2015 to all club members and family. Thank you to Len and Pat for hosting the evening. Firstly apologies that Jo and I cannot attend this evening as we are in Devon.

The year started with a very successful Xmas dinner at the Farnham House Hotel with guest judge Saeed Rashid. With good food and company, an enjoyable evening was had by all. Congratulations to the winners of the Annual Competition, Sue Guess (Blue Water), Keith Lyall (Blue Water Advanced), Jo Horrocks (Green Water), Jane Morgan (Green Water Advanced) and Peter Tatton (Print Competition). Thanks to Len for organizing the venue and running the slideshow, and to Bert for setting up the print display.

The Photosub Splashin went ahead on schedule, not falling foul of the weather. The results evening at the Photosub BBQ which was held at the Swindon Sub-Aqua Club, with 31 club members making the trip along the M4. The use of this purpose built clubhouse, training pool and meeting room (with bar) was courtesy of Gill Marsh and the Swindon club; what a fantastic venue. Special thanks to Gill's husband Andy for slaving over the BBQ and producing great food. 17 images were entered with congratulations to Len Deeley with his winning image of a Tompot Blenny, 2<sup>nd</sup> place went to Keith Lyall and 3<sup>rd</sup> place to Martyn Guess with a wide angle and closeup shot of a crab respectively.

The Photosub Digital Images competition was held at Keith & Jo's house with 27 members cramming in, and award winning underwater photographer Trevor Rees attended as judge. There were 55 entries in this competition, a great turnout and thanks to all who entered. Honours went to Joss Woolf with a macro shot of a porcelain crab, pipping Len Deeley's whale shark in 2<sup>nd</sup> and Martyn Guess in 3<sup>rd</sup> with a pod of dolphins.

I would like to thank the 2014 committee for the running of Photosub this year; to Len Deeley as Club Secretary for organizing club events and trophies, to Kam Arya for looking

after the finances, and Bert Lee as a committee member.

Thanks to those who hosted Photosub meetings in the past year, in particular to Len and Pat who open their doors on a regular basis.

I have now been Chairman for 3 years, how time has passed since Len ambushed me and asked if I would take on the role. I have enjoyed my time as Chairman and hope my successor also has an enjoyable time. I am happy to carry on the role of website Administrator, unless there are any other willing volunteers.

Wishing you all a successful and safe diving in 2015 and I look forward to seeing everyone at the annual dinner. Enjoy the rest of your evening.

Keith Lyall, Photosub Chairman 2014

#### **4. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Kam was unable to attend the meeting but had issued the accounts for 2014. Copy attached. Closing balance has increased from £1262.44 to £1305.65.**

#### **5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Following officers were approved for the coming year:**

<b>Bob Soames</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Len Deeley</b>	<b>Competition Secretary</b>
<b>Kam Arya</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Len Deeley</b>	<b>Hon. Secretary</b>
<b>Keith Lyall</b>	<b>Webmaster</b>
<b>Bert Lee</b>	<b>Committee member</b>

**These officers were elected unanimously.**

#### **6. FEES**

**It was agreed to keep membership fee at £15.**

#### **7. DIVING PLANS FOR 2015**

- Annual Dinner is on 7th March 2015 at Farnham House Hotel. We have 27 people confirmed so far.**
- Photosub Splash in to be organised for a weekend of 11/12 July. As usual diving can take place anywhere along south coast between Southend and Land End. Members can make their own plans and can notify other club members if they wish to arrange for a group. LD will look into a dive boat to dive the Outer Mulberry.**
- Ken Sullivan has spare places on a dive boat from Shark Bay between 14-21 June. Contact Ken if interested.**
- The new British and Irish Underwater Photography Championships takes place on 5th September (This replaces the previous BSOU Splash-in Competition). Full details can be found on [www.biupc.org](http://www.biupc.org). It is hoped that Photosub members will once again participate in this competition.**

- **It was agreed that the Photosub BBQ, which includes the results of the Photosub Splash in will take place at Martha and Anthony's place at 80 Chalk Hill, West End, Southampton, SO18 3DB on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015. More details will be provided later in the year.**
- **It was noted that Gill McDonald is running some photographic trips in Red Sea in May. Contact Gill if you want more information.**

#### **8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**No other business.**