#### Minutes of the 51 st Annual General Meeting of the Pittwater Camera Club Inc Held on November 21 st, 2016 at Pittwater RSL, 82 Mona Vale Road, Mona Vale,

#### Present

Peter Squires, Airlie Andrews, Darryl Bullock, David Naar, Brian Smith, John Taylor, Al Purnell, Mike West,

Marie Windred, Bob Hunting, David Hipsley, Ron Grimes, Ray Chappelow, Bill Roberts, Peter Bliss,

Mike Fisher, Brian Halls, Sue Kleverlaan, Takis Pallas, Mark Godfrey

#### Apologies

Trevor Holman, Robyn Aldridge, Fenella Clarke

The meeting commenced at 7.34 pm

The Minutes of the previous meeting were acknowledged as read by the Secretary

The Minutes were Accepted by Marie Windred Seconded by Ray Chappelow

#### **Business arising from the Minutes**

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The	Treasu	urer's	Report

The Treasurer's Report was read by David Naar

The Treasurer's Report were Accepted by Bob Hunting Seconded by Mike West

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Business arising from the Treasurer's Report

David noted that although membership is up, attendance is down.

It was suggested that perhaps our members spend a lot of time travelling which may account for

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The Treasurers report is tabled at the end of the AGM minutes for 2016

### The President's Report

The President's Report was Accepted by Marie Windred Seconded by David Naar

**Business Arising from the President's Report** 

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## Election of Office Bearers

Peter Squires declared all positions vacant, the chair was taken by Al Purnell and the ensuing election of officers was as follows.

Position	Nominee	Proposed by	Seconded by
President	Peter Squires	Airlie Andrews	Peter Bliss
	Bill Roberts		
Vive President (1)		Peter Squires	Ray Chappelow
Secretary	Airlie Andrews	Marie Windred	Bob Hunting
Treasurer	David Naar	Peter Squires	Takis Pallas
Public Officer	David Naar	Peter Squires	Takis Pallas
FCC Delegate (1)	Peter Squires		
FCC Delegate (2)	Bill Roberts		
FCC Delegate (3)	Marie Windred		
Program Co-ordinator	Trevor Holman		Proposal not required
Social Media Co-ordinator	Takis Pallas		*
Social Secretary	Brian Smith		Proposal not required
Digital Committee (1)	Mike West		Proposal not required
Digital Committee (2)	Brian Smith		Proposal not required
Digital Committee (3)	Mike Fisher		Proposal not required
Digital Committee (4)			Proposal not required
Web Master	Mike West		Proposal not required
Point Score Steward	Bob Hunting		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (1)	Mark Godfrey		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (2)	Bill Roberts		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (3)	Marie Windred		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (4)	Mike West		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (5)	Bob Hunting		Proposal not required
Selection Committee (6)			Proposal not required
Selection Committee (7)			Proposal not required

#### **General Business**

Following on from the Treasurers report that membership is up but attendance down, Peter Bliss commented that at DYRSL Camera Club they are enjoying a rise in membership. He puts their success down to not holding competitions, rather they have critiquing nights with no point scores given. They enjoy weekends away which provide photographic opportunities and workshop experiences. They regularly give members challenges.

They pay judges \$50 is they are an FCC judge or \$100 when it is a professional

It was proposed that we trial evaluation evenings. The idea being that members form small groups of say 6 or 8 at a table, members bring along 1 or 2 images each that they are struggling to improve and the group at the table then discuss the manner in which the image/s can be improved. Then at the next meeting they bring back the worked on images to discuss with the same people. This keeps continuity of thoughts. It was agreed that this process would be trialled in 2017.

It was suggested that if members are experiencing difficulties with any area of their work that they post their question to members on our Facebook page. Members who know the answer to the question should respond giving details on how to fix whatever the issue is. Please, do not refer people to Google – our Facebook forum is for member interaction not a link to Facebook.

There was discussion regarding the number of images to be entered to our comps. The majority of members are happy with the 2 images to colour, mono and digitals balance that we now enjoy.

The wording for comps for 2017 is to be amended to read "Images may be entered to 2 competitions only plus 1 Images of the Year, the images may then no longer be entered to any subsequent club competition"

John Taylor suggested that we have more weekends away and that perhaps we can organise a 1 day workshop with Len Metcalfe up in the Blue Mts. He currently charges \$395 pp, but most people were quite happy to pay that plus accommodation and meals etc to attend one of his workshops.

It was agreed by those present that 2016 will be the last year we issue Perpetual Trophies. Instead we will be recording on the club website some Honour Boards. These will record the names of all those people over the years who have been winners. This is a great way to honour those past.

It was asked that we always use a microphone at meetings. Some members have hearing issues and would appreciate hearing everything that is being said by judges and presenters. Those who set up the room are asked to ensure that the microphone is ready at the beginning of a meeting.

It was suggested and agreed by all present that we hold one open comp later in the year – called it – First Addition – in which the images entered are images that have never been entered previously. We will give it a try.

Marie Windred took the opportunity at the end of the meeting to thank the committee for their work during the year – that it was greatly appreciated by all the members.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at <u>8.50</u> pm Signed <u>Date</u> <u>21/11/2016</u>

#### Pittwater Camera Club

#### Treasurers Report For The 12 Months 1 November 2015 to 31 October 2016

Please find attached the P.C.C. Financial Statements for the 12 Months ended 31 October 2016.

The cash at bank was **\$3,570** compared to the cash at bank on 31 October 2015 of **\$2,307.47.** 

We had 46 paid members as compared to 38 last year.

The Net Income Surplus of \$1,262.50 is reflected in the increase of the bank account. This was due to the fact that there was no major equipment purchase.

A worrying issue is that even though we have an increase in paid members, fewer members are actually attending the meetings with an average of 20 members per meeting.

# Balance sheet Pittwater Camera Club As at 31 October 2016

### Asset

Current Assets	
Cheque account	3,570
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Total Assets	3,570
Liability	
Total Liabilities	0
Net Assets	3,570
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Equity	
Member Funds	2,307
Current year earnings	1,263
Total Equity	3,570

David Naar Hon Treasurer Jeee

Date 21/11/16

Peter Squires President

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## **Profit and loss** Pittwater Camera Club

## 01 Nov 2015 - 31 Oct 2016

Net Profit		1,262.50	-1531.17	-1413.39
Operating Profit		1,262.50	-1531.17	-1413.39
Total Expenses		2,972.20	4990.38	4606.50
66500	Web Expenses	109.45	109.45	
6-2050	Other Expenses			0.00
61900	Dues & Subscriptions	477.00	449.90	
6-4200	Printing & stationery	86.00		
6-4000	Postage & courier	16.85		
6-3200	Prizes and Trophies	94.60	160.42	
6-3000	Presenters and Judges	900.00	850.00	784.62
6-2000	Filing Fees	54.00	53.00	1002.47
6-1900	Equipment Expenses	740.00	1768.51	1632.47
6-1250	Catering	740.30	1296.10	1196.40
Less Expenses 6-1000	Board Purchases	494.00	303.00	
Total Income	· · · · ·	4,234.70	3459.21	3193.12
4-1800	Miscellaneous sales	130.00		
4-1700	Raffles	279.00		
4-1600	Donations	50.00	0.00	0.42
4-1500	Interest	2.95	6.96	6.42
4-1400	Membership Fees	1,970.00	1660.00	1532.31
4-1300	Meetings Board Sales	1,290.75 512.00	1608.25 184.00	1484.54 169.85
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		Total	13 Months	Months
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David Naar Hon Treasurer Squires

Date

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Peter Squires President

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### Pittwater Camera Club Inc. President's Report - 21 November 2016



On behalf of all the other members, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your contribution to the club in its 50th year.

You have inspired us with your images and enthusiasm, provided valuable feedback and advice, and freely shared your expertise.

You have organised and participated in meetings, outings and workshops.

You have created a program of great presenters, competitions and workshops.

You have risen pre-dawn, traipsed through the bush, travelled near and far, ventured out in the rain and wandered the streets to capture those memorable images.

You have setup and contributed to Facebook pages, web pages, galleries, resources, newsletters and emails to keep us informed.

You have displayed our images, managed our finances and fulfilled our legal obligations.

You have setup stands, chairs and lighting to help get our meetings under way.

You have been up in hot air balloons, off in boats and waded through water to capture your shots. You have tallied our points, selected images for inter-club competitions and critiqued our work.

You have captured Godwits in flight, the Flinders Ranges, Bagan sunsets and been creative with media blends.

You have been up close and personal with snakes, lizards, insects and flowers.

You have waited patiently to capture birds, sports, elusive light and weather events.

You have captured subjects that have gone unnoticed by passers by, that spark our insights.

You have ventured out in stormy weather, sub-zero conditions, hot sunny days and in the middle of the night.

You have looked up, down, through, under, over and around. You have taken great care to capture the sharpest images, using cable release, tripod and skilled techniques.

You have purposely blurred your images through camera movement, time exposures or selective focus.

You have ventured to the far corners of the earth, pointed your camera at the stars and taken shots around your home.

You have captured joy, love, anger, and intrigue with images of old and young alike.

You have tried new techniques and honed well used ones.

You have filled in for others when they are away and offered your help when you see someone needs a hand.

You have captured stunning images in camera requiring little processing and created impressive images through your processing.

You have produced stunning portfolios and assisted others in the development of theirs.

You all make Pittwater Camera Club what it is

..... and for this, we thank you.

We would also like to thank Pittwater RSL Club for their sponsorship and for providing such a great venue for our meetings and to Peninsula Reflections and Newport Travel for their support. We also wish to thank those who have kindly donated lucky door prizes to help us celebrate our 50th year, donated items for our end of year raffle and to those friends and family who provide us with encouragement to pursue our passion. Have fun and enjoy your photography.

Peter Squires

**Peter Squires**