

Frankston Photographic Club Inc.
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Annual General Meeting Minutes 2018
Meeting Held at BSL 26 High Street, Frankston
At 7.00 pm 21st November 2018

Member Attendees:

Jesse Bralshaw, Peter Kewley, Dennis Nolan, Jeff Symons, Cheryl Adams, Gail Penny, Phillip McKenzie, Debbie Louth, Roger Henderson, Bob Date, Darryl Oats, Mack Fenwick, Eugene Gerhson, Brendan Edwards, David Hunt, Esmir Zukancic, Dawn Tapscott, Denise Tyrie, Jan Jones, Annie Lees, Mick Taylor, Diane Bell, Rebecca Hodgkins, Ronda Rodda, Tony Alevizopoulos, D Burke, John Fleiner, Andrew Stiller, Julie Balaam, Doug Lutz, Rod Carruthers, Jane Jacobson, Rob Allica, Daryl Lynch, JoAnne Smith, Dale Jones, Derek Rowe, Bill Williams, Judith Meier, Ian McPherson, Cristina Solomon, Lore Singer, Bob Williamson, Peter Colverd, Loen Wallis, Amanda Hully, Julie Cook, Andrew Cook, Frank Elliott, Vince Tallarida, Melanie Kuhn, Ross mcGarvie, Bob Hayter, Steve Strauss.

1. Present, Proxies & Apologies None
2. Minutes of Previous AGM on Club Website. Motion Moved: Cheryl Seconded : Rhonda
3. Business Arising from Last AGM Minutes. None

4. Secretary's Report

Frankston Photographic Club Inc.
Secretary's Report for AGM 2018

The 2017/18 Year and the clubs 62nd year in operation has once again been very busy, challenging and rewarding in many ways. Our quality weekly program this year averaged 40 members per week all enjoying the learning opportunities, guest speakers and practical activities. Feedback from the membership is always welcome and very important to allow a balanced and interesting program for the year.

Our club membership presently stands at 136 which is similar to the same time last year, and usually fluctuates during the course of the year.

Our Club Website is well visited and allows members access to a wealth of information regarding the club activities and booking services for events. Special thanks to bob Hayter our Web Master for administering this very important club asset.

Our club this year ventured into the world of Social Media with the development of a Facebook page and live steaming of Guest Speakers presentations. This is thanks to Steve Strauss who has worked tirelessly to ensure this page is managed under the strict guidelines of the Committee. This activity will no doubt become essential in the future for our club in many ways such as the wide publication of the club's activities, general marketing of the club and new membership drives to name a few.

Our club is well administered and compliant with all regulatory bodies such as VAPS and Consumer Affairs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all retiring members of the committee for their diligence and input to the management of the club and to all members that have assisted with presentations and leadership roles who willingly share their great knowledge of Photography. I would also like to congratulate members that have submitted their images to National Comps, International Salons and to our Tri-Club Comp. These individuals have had great success around the world this year and should be inspirational to all other serious members of the club.

It is through these activities that our club maintains its prestige within the camera club community of Victoria and Australia.

My final thanks go to Peter Kewley, our President who stepped into the role when Terry Dyson our last President retired from the club through sickness.

Bob Date FPC Secretary

Accepted: Brendon Seconded: Darryl

5. Treasurers Report

FRANKSTON PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB **TREASURERS REPORT FOR AGM 2018**

The financial year ending 30 June 2018 showed that the club remained in a sound financial position with income exceeding expenditure for the year.

Asset purchases of just over \$4000 included, upgraded Laptop, audio equipment and Bowen Studio Lighting system.

Income from Digital Photo Course and Weekend Seminars was \$4170
Member Subscriptions & \$2 Door takings amounted to \$12000

Matt board sales continued strongly, door takings were up slightly on the previous year.

The clubs printing service has commenced and is generating income that is offsetting the cost of ink and paper; it is a valuable service to members and will continue to generate a small income stream for the club.

Judging and speaker fees increased over the previous year due to the increase in speakers through the years program.

A council grant of \$500 offset any expenses associated with the VAPS convention and the BBQ lunch at the convention contributed over \$1000 to the club.

Current assets were depreciated as necessary with a number of small items being written down.

The current year is not looking so good with increased rent and little income from Seminars & Photo Courses.

The Reckon software used to manage and reconcile the clubs accounts ensures that we have an accurate and fully reconciled accounting of all financials at all times.

Copies of the financials are available have been distributed.

I move that the treasurer's report be received.

Bob Hayter / Treasurer.

Accepted: Cheryl Seconded Jeff

6. Vice Presidents Report

Frankston Photographic Club Vice President AGM Report 2018

Prepared by Stephen Strauss

Introduction of Live Streaming

In April, the committee approved the trial of live streaming via Facebook and the creation of a YouTube account for future use. While the YouTube account has remained unused at this stage, the Facebook streaming has been popular among members as a resource for people who can't attend certain weeks, who wish to review the topic at a later time to refresh and has now been added to our website so having access to a Facebook account is not necessary to view. Purchase of new AV PC and integration with new audio equipment.

Unfortunately, the live streaming and presentation software running at the same time put a lot of strain on our existing computer system. This caused it to overheat and crash a number of times during presentation nights. The need to invest in a new more powerful system that could handle the additional load of live video encoding was discussed, and purchases were made later in the year after securing special pricing for our club with HP. New microphone headsets were also required later in the year and a digital mixer was purchased and installed last year, which has been working well with the current system and will continue to serve us in our next location.

Programme for 2019

The program for 2019 has been broken into a 5-week structure, with week 5 only occurring 3 times through the year.

Week 1 is competition night. Week 2 will be a basics night where we review a basic photography subject that is for the beginners and will usually be led by a volunteer from the club. Week 2 is a how-to night and is how to complete a specific task or project and would be more intermediate to advanced level.

Week 3 is guest speaker week where we have presenters from outside the club on various topics. Week 5 will be a practical shoot week similar to the shoots recently done. Workshops are not included on the Wednesday night program for 2019 and will be hosted on weekends as availability and demand dictates.

Accepted: Jeff Seconded: Jess

7. Presidents Report

PRESIDENTS REPORT FRANKSTON PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB 2018

This past year has been a busy and successful year for the club.

Thanks to the work of the Committee, Steve Strauss and Brendan Edwards there have been numerous photoshoots, great presenters and external activities where the members have been able to experience hands on photography and to join in socially and continue learning their camera skills.

I express my thanks to the members, the committee and many individual members who are so willing to help out each night, and particularly the retiring committee members, Darryl, Mack, Jeff and Tony.

All committee members have devoted much of their personal time to the club and have contributed in many ways to ensure the club operates in an orderly manner and to the interests of members.

In particular I would thank Darryl Oats who has supported the club with delivery of the Nationals and compiling many of the external exhibitions that the club enters and has been most successful with, Mack Fenwick for his stewardship of the very successful Day Group and their many photographic adventures, and Jeff Symons for his considerable contribution to our future directions paper and for his valuable advice to the committee and club in general, and Bob Hayter who has maintained the Treasures role, the Web Site and many of the technical functions that ensure the club functions as it should.

Whilst not continuing on the committee Mack has agreed to maintain the Day Time role for the coming year and we thank Mack for his continued support.

And special thanks to Cristina Solomon for her work in producing a great newsletter every month and Christa Tapping for her organising of judges and the monthly competitions.

And of course, our thanks as always go to Cheryl and Gail for their expert assistance with the catering of teas each meeting.

Without the support of our generous volunteers the club would not be as enjoyable and successful as it is.

Despite all of this great work we have now been faced with having to find new meeting rooms for next year.

I am pleased to announce that we will be moving to Ebdale Hub located just the other side of Fletcher Road, this community centre offers us similar style of room

as we have here at the BSL, and particularly storage on site for all of our equipment.

It will be a little different from what we enjoy here, I am sure we will get used to it and continue to be part of the Frankston community.

When the time comes to move we will put out a request for help and it would be appreciated if members can spare time to assist in moving the cupboards and equipment, this is planned for Saturday December 15 - hopefully we can do that in one day, as soon as we have all of the logistics worked out we will let everyone know.

Whilst moving out of these rooms is disappointing, I am sure we are all thankful to the Brotherhood of St Laurence for the 12 years that we have been lucky enough to enjoy the facilities and opportunities that have been offered to the club.

We want to leave the BSL on good terms and I will be conveying our thanks to them when the time comes.

To all of our members on behalf of the committee, we thank you for your continued support, and involvement in all of the activities, seminars, and general business that has maintained the Frankston Photographic Club as one of the most active and prominent clubs in Victoria.

We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Christmas, take care and keep the shutters clicking.

Peter Kewley
AFIAP, AAPS

Accepted: Rhonda Seconded: John Fleiner

8. General Business: No new general business

9. Questions from membership: No questions from membership

10. Election of New Committee for 2018/19

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE 2018/2019

PRESIDENT	PETER KEWLEY
VICE PRESIDENT	STEVE STRAUSS
SECRETARY	BOB DATE
TREASURER	SHARED ROLE, BOB HAYTER. P KEWLEY, BOB DATE
COMPETITION STEWARD	CHRISTA TAPPING

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES SECRETARY BRENDAN EDWARDS

DARRYL OATS

INTER-CLUBS AND NATIONALS COORDINATION

BOB HAYTER

WEB MASTER/TECHNICAL OFFICER

ASSISTANT WEB MASTER

STEVE STRAUSS

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

MICK TAYLOR

ASSIST FRONT DESK

ESMIR ZUKANCIC

ASSIST FRONT DESK

NON-COMMITTEE CLUB TASK HOLDERS

CRISTINA SOLOMON

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

MACK FENWICK

DAY GROUP LEADER

JUDITH MEIER

MEMBER IMAGE MENTORING

JESSE BALSHAW

ASSIST PRINTING OPERATIONS

AGM finalised at 7.40pm

Next Committee Meeting Monday 10th Dec 2018