**PORIRUA PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB INC.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

 **THE WOOLSHED, GEAR HOMESTEAD, PORIRUA**

**20 February 2024 7.30 PM**

**Attendees:**

Bill Anderson, Deb Anthony, Laura Campbell, Glen Coshan, Steve Courtenay, Keith Harrison, Christine Jacobson, Gary Jones, Margaret Jorgensen, Tom Kneebone, Peter Lang, Geoff Marshall, Tim Smith, Keith Thomas, Paula van Wijmen, Jim Air, Trish Brennan, Denise Courtenay, Mark Fisher, Chris Ford, Kate Hall, Brent Higham, Peter McDonald, Huey Huang, Peter Kappert, Wayne Kelsell, Moira Lipshaw, Nick Maitland, Sarah Middlemiss, Dave Patterson, Mark Wilkins, Paul Whitam.

**Apologies:**

Destina Munro, Rob Penhey, Jim Embury, Richard Williams, Roger Hayman, Bill Anderson, Margaret Low, Donna Shiell

**Previous minutes:**

The minutes of the previous AGM, held 21 February 2023 were taken as read.

Moved, GJ. The motion to accept the minutes was carried unanimously with no objections or abstentions.

**Presidents Report:**

Gary Jones reported on the activities of the club over the last 12 months. Report attached below.

Gary thanked the Committee and those members who are standing down –, Donna Shiell and Nick Maitland and presented Nick with a gift (Donna an apology).

**Financial Report:**

Treasurers report attached below.

Gary Jones moved that the financial report to end of year, December 2023, be accepted.

The motion was carried with no objections or abstentions.

On the recommendation of the Club Treasurer, the Committee recommended that a financial review was not required due to the low level of expenditure and small number of transactions.

The motion to accept the Committees’ recommendation was carried unanimously with no objections or abstentions.

**Election of Officers:**

The following Committee positions were assigned and voted on. All votes were unanimous.

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| Role | Nominee | Moved | Seconded |
| President | Keith Harrison | Gary Jones | Keith Thomas |
| Treasurer | Keith Thomas | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |
| Secretary  | Richard Williams | Gary Jones | Keith Thomas |
| Membership | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison | Keith Thomas |
| Committee | Laura Campbell | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |
| Committee | Trish Brennan | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |
| Committee | Richard Williams | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |
| Committee | Tim Smith | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |
| Committee | David Patterson | Gary Jones | Keith Harrison |

Gary thanked those members who are standing for the Committee.

The role of Vice President was not filled due to no one standing for the role.

The role of Programme Coordinator was taken up as a split role with Destina Munro acting as coordinator outside the Committee with the programme planning performed within the Committee.

The role of Salons and Competitions Coordinator has been split with Laura Campbell and Dave Patterson providing administrative and web support and other committee members coordinating images, judging and presentation.

Geoff Marshall agreed to continue as PPC Attic Management Committee Representative, a role he has held for 37years.

Paula van Wijman will continue to represent PPC on the Porirua Community Arts Council, also as a long standing member.

**Subscriptions:**

The Committee proposed that subscriptions for the 2023 financial year be unchanged from 2023:

Under 25’s free

Adults $55

Family $80

A vote on the proposal was carried unanimously with no objections or abstentions.

A proposal from the floor to review the subscriptions for under 18’s under the new Committee was noted.

**Other Business:**

KH thanked Gary for his contribution to the club as President and presented him with a token of the clubs appreciation.

**Meeting close:**

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

**Porirua Photography Club**

**Presidents Message 2024**

Welcome to the AGM of the Porirua Photography Club. It has a year mostly free from the Covid and it has been nice to be able to have real face to face meetings with tea and bikkies and to have fields trips again.

I would like to thank the Committee for their hard work this year with a busy programme.

While we have lost a number of members this year these have been compensated with gaining new members. Our membership currently stands at 87.

I would like to thank the following presenters to the club:

* Amber-Jayne Bain for Still Life
* James Gilbert for Curating a collection and also Black & White
* Peter Ambrose for Astro Photography
* Keith Harrison for Bokeh and 10 Years at Glenburn Station side show
* Helen Westebreke for How making an image a day leads to growth and skill as a photographer
* Chris Ford and Keith Harrison for Triptych demonstration
* Photoshop Special Interest Group for Old St Pauls
* Roger Hayman for The Rights of the Photographer
* Kelly Munro for South Island Photographs
* Paul Whitham for Light and Shade

Our Salons continue to produce a consistently high level of images that impress judges. I would like to thank Curtis Chilton for his work on running the first two salons. Unfortunately, due to family circumstances Curtis had to stand down at short notice for the third salon. Thank you Bill Anderson and Keith Harrison for completing this salon.

As you will know we lost Susan Cade and Cathye Haddock in the boating accident in Kaikoura in 2022. We introduced a new award called the Cade-Haddock Great Outdoors Award. Simon Woolf judged the competition and awarded the trophy to Christine Jacobson. Wel done Christine.

Tonight, we see a few Committee members standing down from the current team that runs the club. We thank them for their commitment, help and time in assisting to provide the wisdom and ideas that make this club so successful. Without you the club would not be what it is today. Nick Maithland is stepping down after many years on the Committee having hold many positions, including President and Web Administrator.

Donna Shiell will also be leaving the Committee as she is moving to sunny Scotland.

I would also like to say thanks to those current members that are standing for Committee again to continue serve the Club. For those new members that will soon be elected to the Committee, we welcome your commitment and thank you for the energy you bring to the leadership group.

I would like to thank Bill Anderson and Pete Lang for running the Photoshop Elements special interest group again this year. The SIG will be continuing to meet this year as well.

I would like to thank Keith Harrison and Destina Munro for running the Beginners special interest group. The SIG will be continuing to meet this year as well.

I would also like to thank Geoff Marshall and Pete Lang for running the weekly wanders which are enjoyed by a small, but active members. The group now includes members from both the Kapiti and Johnsonville clubs.

I would also like to thank Christine Jacobson and Helen Waldron for providing a wealth of speakers from within the club as well as outside. Thanks to the Committee members for completing the programme when Christine had to stand down in order to devote time to the Porirua Harbour Photographic Competition.

I would like to thank Geoff Marshall for being the Official photographer at the prize giving of the Porirua Harbour Photographic Competition. I took the candid people shots at the event.

**Exhibition at the Tawa Mall and Porirua Library**

Thanks very much for the lovely photos that we received from members.

Thanks to the clubs members who received and judged the photos, matting of the photos and displaying then at the library and Summerset.

We received 45 votes for the photos and the winners were:

First – Gary Jones for Tokelau Supporters

Second – Jim Air for Wandering Albatross

**Calendars**

This year we printed 200 calendars and have sold 184, so not many still to sell.

Thanks to all those who bought and sold calendars.

A big thank you to all members who contributed to that effort.

Special thanks goes to Richard Williams for selling 50 Calendars!

**Interclub Battle**

This year the Interclub Battle was joined by the Whanganui Photography Club and was hosted by the Kapity Club.

The battle was won by the Johnsonville Club, with Whanganui and our club coming a close second equal.

**Field Trips undertaken this year.**

Wellington by Night

Glenburn Station

South Coast Evenings x 2

Wairarapa Lake, Lake Ferry and Boggy Pond

Tram Museum

Porirua Harbour

Waitangi Day celebrations at Te Rauparaha Park

Tuesday’s walks with Geoff and Pete

We look forward to an interesting year.







