## Wrexham Photography Club

## **CONSTITUTION & RULES**

- 1. The organisation shall be known as Wrexham Photography Club. The objects of the Organisation are the furtherance of Photographic Technique and Art among members and others; by exchanging ideas and mutual assistance among members as well as organizing and holding talks, demonstrations, exhibitions, competitions and other such activities.
- 2. The following Officers shall be elected on an annual basis: Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Internal Competition Secretary, Exhibition Secretary, Programme Secretary and a Delegate to the N.W.P.A. plus one other Committee Member.

The Committee shall have the power to co-opt further members as required.

The above named officers constitute the Working Committee. The Delegate to the NWPA may form a reporting link without being regular attending members of the Committee.

The number of members referred to above shall hold good for a membership up to and including 45; an additional committee member would be required for every 10 members over and above 45.

- 3. The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held in April or May each year. The business shall include the Minutes of the last A.G.M., Annual Report of the Chairman and Treasurer, Audited Statement of Accounts, Election of Officers and Committee Members, and appointment of Auditor.
- 4. At least fourteen (14) days notice shall be given to members of any General Meeting or Extraordinary Meeting of The Club.
  Such notice shall be accompanied by an Agenda stating the business to be considered.
- 5. The subscription fees shall be agreed at the Annual General Meeting.
- 6. All membership fees shall be paid in full by Oct31st. each Year. Any member, who has not paid his /her subscription by this date, will not be eligible to enter any of The Club's Competitions or Exhibitions until such times that the fee is paid up in full.
- 7. No person shall be allowed to vote at any General or Extraordinary Business Meeting of the Club unless he or she is a fully paid up member.
- 8. No business shall be transacted at a General Meeting of the Club unless one third of the paid up members are present.
- 9. Committee meetings will be held at the discretion of the Chairman. No business shall be transacted at a Committee meeting unless at least (3) three members are present.
- 10. The Secretary may convene an Extraordinary meeting of the Club within a period of fourteen days, on the written request of a minimum of ten (10) members.
- 11. A proposed change of rules shall require a notice of motion signed by two (2) members and presented to The Secretary not less than fourteen (14) days, before the A.G.M.
- 12. The Club shall generally meet on a regular basis from the beginning of Sept. to the end of May.
- 13. The Committee shall appoint Delegates to all external functions.

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- 14. The Committee shall have the power to propose by laws, which shall be ratified at a full meeting of the Club. In the event of an emergency occurring not provided for in the Constitution and Rules of the Club, the Committee shall have power to deal with the situation at their discretion.
- 15. Any member wishing to put forward a suggestion or grievance shall submit details in writing to the Secretary.
- 16. When any member submits work in a personal capacity for external exhibitions or other similar event, requiring payment of fees, such fees will be paid by the member concerned.
- 17. Where prints and/or Digital images are required to represent the Club for external competitions, the entry will be selected from the work submitted to the Selection Committee.
- 18. The Selection Committee will consist of the Comp. Sec., and at least two (2) members from a panel of five (5) nominated selectors. Any member may attend and contribute to the discussions of the Selection Committee but cannot vote.
- 19. Any new member wishing to join The Club after January 1st. may do so on payment of a fee amounting to one half of the regular annual subscription.
- 20. Any specialist group proposed to be formed within The Club must be sanctioned by The Committee.

Any group not so sanctioned shall not use The Club's Name or facilities.

- 21. Honorary members of The Club may be appointed at the discretion of The Committee and be subject to the approval at the A.G.M.
- 22. Grievance and Disciplinary Procedures.

A complaint against any member shall be submitted in writing, bearing a minimum of three (3) member's signatures. The Committee has the power to act upon the complaint and The Committees decision shall be final.

- 23. The retiring Chairman, if having served three (3) consecutive years in that capacity, may not submit for reelection as Chairman for a minimum of twelve (12) months.
- 24. The Club may be dissolved only by the consent of three-quarters of the paid up Membership at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose. Such a meeting shall appoint a liquidator.
- 25. A copy of this Constitution and Rules together with the Competition Rules shall be available to each Member.
- 26. All data held by the Club on members, viz, name, address, telephone number(s) and email address, shall be used exclusively for Club activity, and held under the terms of the General Data Protection Regulations.

Signed Signed

Chairman. J. Hallard

**Secretary Les Flower**