

AGM 2007 SPECIAL EDITION



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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE EALING AND HAMPSHIRE HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

A Message from the President:

By the time you read this letter, we should be close to our **116th. Annual General Meeting, 28th June,** and I shall be handing over the wooden gavel to my friend and our next president **Jim Nemer**.

I was first elected president for the 1989 - 1991 seasons which included our centenary year. I took over from **Doreen James** (now Doreen Zerdin) who many of our long standing members will remember. Although at this period, we had a good sized membership there was even then a problem to get members to do anything toward the administration of club matters and I could count on the fingers of one hand the people who kept our society going.

In the middle to the end of the nineties, the club went through a crises or two, but with the aid of a few very able and enthusiastic members the club survived and now in the 2000's we seem to have been going from strength to strength which I sincerely hope will continue to happen.

This, my second presidency began at the end of July 2005 and has had the support of a few good and hardworking club officers. Definitely a few more than 4 or 5 as per my previous term of office, but nevertheless still deficient and some of our committee members regularly carry out more than one task to make your society run smoothly. Sadly, recently we have lost Norman Lee who often referred to himself as the "catering manger" or sometimes even "the oldest teaboy in the world" but this means that David Bowater is now on his own in preparing the break refreshments. When I ask the club for a volunteer to assist him for only 15 minutes, I'm confronted by a sea of vacant faces and although eventually someone does volunteer, it is often someone who does other things

for the club. Don't wait to be asked, come forward and see if there is anything to be done!

Amongst our peers, we are an old and respected society. We were one of the leading societies to embrace the digital revolution but there must still be a facility for all of our members

The President

and for as long as there are people wishing to submit transparencies for competitions for instance there must be a facility for them and I'm sure that your next president Jim will continue in this vein.

It is a privilege to be president of our prestigious society, to be elected twice is an absolute honour and I am proud to have led our society for my two terms of office.

Keith Adams.

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EHHPS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2006

1. Apologies for Absence received from: Caroline

Attendees: List attached.

2. Matters arising from minutes of the AGM of 30th June 2005 None raised.

3. Reports from Officers

Club Secretary

Williams

The Committee of the Society was filled for the year with a few posts vacant. Existing members, some completing two positions of the committee, filled important positions. New committee members were always welcome.

Treasurer

Copies of the report and accounts are attached. Henry Hubble had audited the accounts for us. Proposed by Paul Joachim. Seconded by Tony Millier.

The newly introduced £1 entry fee has been fully accepted by the membership.

Programme Secretary

Phil Dean presented the new program, events had run well and the new program features new and exciting events.

The interactive assessment nights had worked well. Several highlight evenings included Nature talks by Nigel Downer and Andy Sands.

Meetings were held in May at the Kings Arms Public House due to the Town Hall requirements.

Thanks was proposed by Norman Lee for all of the hard work undertaken in this role.

Summer Events are many and varied with Weekend events also included thanks to Jon Hibberd.

Competition Secretary

Report attached. Paul ended his report with a resignation from the Committee.

Norman Lee and Tony Millier extended the feelings of the membership with their thanks for his hard work.

Ralph Gould will take over the competitions and currently holds the Set Subjects for 2006-2007 season.

Click! Secretary

Report attached. Paul Joachim resigned (see above).

Fen volunteered to produce Click!

Publicity

No report

Portfolio Secretary

Keith Adams had been executing this role for the Year. Jon Hibberd will take over.

The Society faired relatively well in external competitions. We had 2 acceptances, and the eventual winner in the Ron Wake Competition. Kalim won the best Slide at the North West Federation Competition. There was a general call to continue submitting entries, and to keep the standards high.

Exhibition Secretary

Annual Exhibition was held for one week during June.

The Mayor opened the Exhibition at the Central Library. She chose a print by Geoff Rippingale as her favourite.

Switch Trophy

The winner was announced by Ralph Gould. It was awarded to Caroline Williams.

Election of Officers

No new election papers were received. As none of the existing committee positions were challenged, the list of officers is as follows.

Council Members for 2006-7

President Keith Adams
Vice President Jim Nemer
Secretary Phil Binks
Treasurer Jim Nemer
Competition Sec Ralph Gould
Programme Sec Phil Dean



Exhibition Sec Colin Ember
Portfolio Sec Jon Hibberd
Publicity Sec Caroline Williams

Click Editor Fenris

Non Exec posts:

Jon Hibberd (Summer Events), Barbara Dorrell.

6. Other Business

Meeting closed at 21.30hrs.

Winners: you will recall we drop the two lowest scores from each entrant's total cumulative score.

Projected Images

Intermediate David Bowater 114 points

Norman Lee 102 points

Set Subject Aydan Ozenir 116 points M T Kalim LRPS 115 points Jan Kruszewska 108 points **Advanced** M T Kalim LRPS 116

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Keith Adams LRPS BPE3* 116 points Aydan Ozenir 113 points Robbie Hildred 112 points

Prints

Intermediate Ralph P Gould 113 points
Barbara Dorell 108 points
Peter Dorell 97 points
Set Subject Jim Nemer 117 points
Fenris 114 points
Paul Joachim LRPS 114 points
Julia Davies 114 points
Advanced Jon Hibberd 119 points
Keith Adams LRPS BPE3* 114 points
Omar Ozenir 114 points
Jim Nemer 113.5 points

NEXT EDITION OF CLICK

Avid readers of CLICK will notice that there are not many contributions in this AGM edition which has been assembled in haste to be ready for the AGM meeting 28th July.

Last year the president showed a CD slide presentation of Archive pictures from the club, and a selection appear on the back page of Click. The CD is available £10 from Keith.

A full edition of CLICK should be ready for August, provided I get enough material, **deadline 31st July,** so please use your cameras at the Summer events and similar occasions. Show other members what happens outside the Town Hall EHHPS Meetings!

Tony Millier



BUSY PHOTO SHOOT Virginia Water. Geoff Rippingale.



SUMMER EVENTS 2007

THURSDAY EVENTS & WEEKEND EVENTS

THURSDAY 5TH JULY - THAI MEAL AT FAT BOYS

We shall be returning to this well known local Thai Restaurant on Haven Green for good food and company. Approx £25 per head. Meet in The Haven PH at 7pm. We will need to know numbers so please contact Jim Nemer on 0208 581 0675

SUNDAY 8TH JULY - KEW GARDENS
Another chance to capture one of London's best loved gardens which we are lucky enough to have right on our doorstep We may possibly be going behind the scenes in some of the nursery greenhouses. Meet at Brentford Gate at 10.00am
Contact Jon Hibberd on 0208 994 5403 or 07931 502921

THURSDAY 12TH JULY - HANGAR HILL PITCH & PUTT

Practice your putting skills, you don't have to be an expert, it's just for fun!! This lovely course, with far reaching views over...Wembley, is just off Hangar Lane, close to Ealing Cricket Club – parking is free and easy. Meet at 7.00pm outside Hangar Hill Pitch and Putt, by the water tower, for a 7.15pm tee-off. Of course there will be drinking aplenty afterwards at the Haven Arms, Haven Lane.
Call Tony Millier on 0208 998 0408 for more details and directions.

SUNDAY 15TH JULY - DOCKLANDS WALK Geoff has very kindly offered to show us the Docklands he knows and loves. So explore the old Surrey Docks at Rotherhithe and discover the history of London's oldest commercial docks. There are still many reminders of the industrial past amongst the attractive new housing developments.

From this side of the river there are spectacular views of Canary Wharf on the opposite bank. We'll be stopping at the Spice Island pub who do need to know numbers in advance.

Please contact Geoffrey Rippingale before 1st July on 0208 994 3645 for a full itinerary.

Geoff has provided a <u>map</u> and <u>description</u> <u>of the walk</u> for you to download.

THURSDAY 19TH JULY - PJ'S HI-FI EXPERI-ENCE

"PJ's Hi-Fi night is an opportunity to learn a little more about high fidelity sound reproduction. Paul will demonstrate his system, which he has been developing for many years, mainly on examples of Classical music. You will then have the opportunity to listen to a recording of your own, which you know well, and consider what effect high quality reproduction has had on your musical experience. A track of around 10 minutes duration is about right, from CD or LP (or if you MUST – Music cassette tape!). The experience starts at 7:30 sharp, and finishes in good time to wash it all down with fine ale at a nearby hostelry. Space is limited, and places awarded by ticket on a first-come first-served basis. Please contact PJ on 0208 723 4514 as

Please contact PJ on 0208 723 4514 as soon as possible to book your seat and avoid disappointment."

THURSDAY 26TH JULY - EALING JAZZ FESTIVAL

Bring your camera along to the biggest and best jazz festival in England – Your chance to get that sexy sax picture or simply chill and listen to some great music, after visiting one of the many beer tents of course! Bring a picnic and friends or family or sample the food that's available on site. Meet by the pond just beyond the main entrance to Walpole Park (Mattock Lane, W5) between 7.15pm and 7.30pm. For further details please contact Barbara Dorrell on 0208 998 6796

SATURDAY 28TH JULY - EALING JAZZ FESTIVAL

Your last chance to get a Jazz fix if you were unable to come to Thursday's meeting. Details as above.



THURSDAY 2ND AUGUST - BRENTFORD TRIANGLE PUB CRAWL

"A big fat smiley sun rose up above the rooftops and beamed down its blessings onto the borough known as Brentford."

The pub-crawl with a difference! Oh yes, not just any old "let's get legless" pub-crawl – this one's for the cultured and very sophisticated drinker with readings from Robert Rankin. A sense of humour is essential for this wickedly funny evening out led by our chairman himself. Meet in The Beehive at the corner of Brentford High St and Half Acre. Leaving there at 8 O'clock sharp. Anyone joining later can contact Keith on his mobile.

For more details contact Keith Adams on 0208 578 7713 or mobile 07850 364961.

THURSDAY 9TH AUGUST - AMANDA'S HI-FI NIGHT

Not quite the "purists" experience you'll get at PJ's Hi-Fi night but if last year was anything to go by, a great chance to hear your favourite stuff on a system geared to the slightly heavier side of music.... LET"S ROCK! Nibbles and booze thrown in or BYO. Booking is essential as space is limited

Contact Amanda on 0208 896 3224.

SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST - LONDON WET-LAND CENTRE

The 43 hectare London Wetland Centre is the best urban site in Europe to watch wildlife and is situated about 25 minutes from central London, on the banks of the River Thames in Barnes. It is easily accessible by public and private transport. The London Wetland Centre is a beautiful place for a group visit, offering close views of nature, especially wetland birds, and more than thirty wetland habitats to explore. There is a discount offered to groups of 12 or more so the more the merrier! Contact Robbie Hildred on 020 8578 8518.

THURSDAY 16TH AUGUST KEITH'S BIG QUIZ

Sharpen your pencils ladies and gentlemen and put your best thinking caps on for one of Keith's Specials. We shall be taking over the back half of our old friend "The King's Arms", Ealing. Meeting at 7,30pm for full battle commencing at 8.00pm.

For more details contact Keith Adams 0208 578 7713

SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST - EHHPS SUM-MER PICNIC

It's that time again and Keith and Jon are once again hosting their famous summer picnic in Keith's back garden. All the food is provided (and cooked by our own resident chef!) but bring your own booze. There will be a small charge of £6 per head to cover the cost of the food. Friends and family are welcome but all places must be booked in advance so that Jon knows how many to cater for.

Contact Jon Hibberd on 0208 994 5403

...ALSO ON SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST - GREG'S 21st B'DAY BASH

This sounds like a party and a half! Young Greg hits 21 and is celebrating in style with a live band, hog roast, fireworks and more kegs of beer than Keith can drink!! Why not make a weekend of it? It's an excellent photo opportunity as it is all taking place in the very scenic Dedham Vale, Colchester. Call Amanda so that we can arrange cars etc. 0208 896 3224.

THURSDAY 23RD AUGUST FISH AND CHIP SUPPER

Due to popular demand we shall once again be meeting at the Harbour Lights, Greenford for a fish and chip feast not to be missed. Meet at the Red Lion pub from 7.30pm (just across the road which is pretty handy) for a sit down meal at 8.15pm.

We will need to know numbers so please contact Barbara Dorrel on 020 8998 6796 to reserve your plaice!!

THURSDAY 30TH AUGUST - BOWLING AT ACTON

Come and join me for a bit of a giggle at Acton's Salubrious Tenpin Bowling Lanes (I still need the bumpers up so you can tell how bad I am!) Meet at Nandos for a chicken and chips meal at 6.30pm followed by a couple of games and finally a drink somewhere in Ealing!

Contact Amanda 0208 896 3224 I will need numbers in advance.

Please check web site for changes and additions



AGM 2007 AGENDA

Applications for membership of the committee to be posted to me at the club or phil@philbinks.co.uk

Annual General Meeting of EHHPS Thursday 28th June 2007

- 1) Apologies for absence.
- 2) Matters arising from Minutes of the AGM of 29th June 2006
- 3) REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:-
- A) Secretary
- B) Treasurer
- C) Programme Secretary
- D) Competition Secretary

Award of Trophies for the Aggregate competitions

- E) Publicity Secretary
- F) Portfolio Secretary
- **G) Exhibition Secretary**
- 4) Switch trophy presentation
- 5) Elections to Council
- 6) Other business

OBITUARY of NORMAN LEE 1923 - 2007. by David Bowater

I first met Norman when I joined the Ealing & Hampshire House Photographic Society in 1982. At first, the interval teas were made by two lady members, but later, Norman took on this job, and later still, I helped him. He attended to the job with attention to detail and good humour, welcoming visitors and new members and trying to get to know their names. For this "nonphotographic" work he was awarded the "Switch" trophy which is reserved for those carrying out "non-

photographic" work above and beyond the call of any formal post held.

Photographically, it would seem he took most of his photographs on organised holidays, or on visits to gardens, where of course one has to make the best of the conditions at the time; but his best recent shot, of racing yachts, stands comparison with any, and is in the societies archive as an example of his work.

Norman was evidently a man of wide interests, and would often flout the Society's rules by making announcements about the Richmond Theatregoers or some other society that he was in.

He leaves his wife Joan.



A CAUTIONARY TALE

by a member who should have known better...

Some years ago I joined a club. We all get on pretty well and help each other out when we can. We raise a lot of money for charity and try to do practical charitable work as well. Nice people, co-operating in a good cause...

The Committee decided long ago that it would be a good idea were a notice board, containing the pictures and brief CVs of all the Committee Officers, displayed in the clubhouse. This would help members, especially new ones, relate quickly to those charged with running the club, and would make the whole place seem friendlier. So, for some years now, (as members have seen me appearing from time to time with a camera) I have been photographing the new members at their election each AGM, and then printing each portrait with a little label, about postcard-sized, then handing the new pictures over to the Club Secretary to put up on the board. Each Committee Member serves a term of 3 years, so the pictures stay up for quite some time.

Now, every Committee Member has always known that a photograph is being taken at the AGM for display on the board. But it turns out that "just knowing" is not good enough.

At the last AGM I was happily working my way through the newly-elected members, when the Vice Chairperson halted the proceedings with an order at the top of her voice:

"Stop photographing! Stop now! I do not want you to take my picture. You are not to take any pictures! Stop!"

She then went on only slightly more quietly, but with about 40 people listening, to tell me that the picture I had taken of her last year was insulting, had caused her distress and had made her look ill. She said that her 13 year-old could take "nicer" pictures than I and that she had had "enough". Two newly-elected Committee Members then asked me to wipe my shots of them. I decided that discretion was the best course, so complied with the request to wipe the images I had made, and withdrew.

Of course, the Vice-Chairperson might, more reasonably, have raised the problem with her image with me privately a year previously when it was first put on display, when of course I would have done everything I could to put it right. But she deliberately chose to wait until it had been on display for an extended period of time, and to make her complaint as public as possible. I took Advice.

As I said above, "just knowing" is not good enough. You must have a signed Model Release Form for each image. In a situation like this, the Form must be signed in triplicate – a copy for the Photographer, a copy for the Club Secretary for the official records and, all importantly, a copy for the Subject of the picture. The Form must also contain a statement defining the purpose of the image, the circumstances under which it may be displayed in public (dates, place etc.) and the owner of the Intellectual Property Rights in the image (normally the photographer - though increasingly, clubs like this prefer to take ownership of the IPR as well in order to make their responsibility crystal clear). This Release defines when and how the subject of the image gave approval for it to be displayed in a public place. And that includes the Internet.

Because I had no signed Release for any of the mugshots, and because they had been on public display for a considerable time, the subjects could (theoretically) claim against me for damages in respect of their rights, hurt feelings, damaged reputation etc. etc. It might be expensive, not to mention tedious, for them to so claim, but claim they could. I had no defence, except that the circumstances might cause the Courts to agree some mitigation of the size of damages, but not the fact.

I immediately wrote to the Vice-Chairperson and to the Chair apologising and taking full responsibility for the procedural error. I arranged that all the images I had taken were removed immediately from public display and destroyed and the original files and negatives were also destroyed. I wrote up a detailed procedure for the Secretary to be followed in future, including a supply of blank Release Forms.

Eventually, the Committee accepted that the breach of procedure had been entirely innocent and unintended and let it go at that. Indeed, they said they wanted to return to the old arrangements for taking pictures of new members. Unfortunately the genie had been let out of the bottle and there is no way back. So the Committee left it at that...

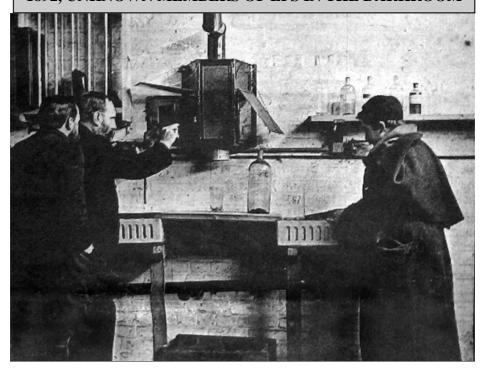
The Vice-Chairperson did not. Her eventual acceptance of my apology, and agreement to drop any further action, cost me a substantial donation to her favourite charity.

Needless to say, I no longer take pictures of people, even in a private club.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

1892, UNKNOWN MEMBERS OF EPS IN THE DARKROOM



1961 GOWERS G. 3 YACHTS AT LALEHAM.

