

WISCONSIN AREA CAMERA CLUBS ORGANIZATION

November 7th, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order on November 7th, 2015, at 9:02 am at the Waukesha State Bank in Oconomowoc.

President's Report – Ken Warning

- No Report
- Jeff Klug made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 8th meeting. Paul Moertl seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Vice president's Report – Elizabeth Whitcomb No Report

Secretary's Report – No Report.

Treasurer's Report – Richard Knisbeck

- Cash on hand - \$10,506.35. Signe Emmerich made a motion to approve the report, Kathy Braun seconded. Approved.
- **Treasurer's report is attached.**

Executive Committee – Ken Warning

- Committee did not meet.

Competition Committee – Mary Dumont

- The next WACCO Competition will be held right after this meeting.
- The new uploading system was tested for Nature Special and Open Special. It worked well and will be considered for all divisions for the spring competition.
- Flowers and Landscapes will be the special categories for the May 2016 competition. No large **mono** prints are to be entered. All **mono** prints will be small. Delegates are asked to encourage entering prints.
- We discussed holding the spring 2017 competition in Appleton. Jerry Clish will discuss this at the Appleton club meeting.
- **Competition Committee Report is attached.**

Program Committee – Jeff Klug

- Mike Moats will present Macro program. It will be on Saturday, May 5th, 2016. There is room for 85 participants for the lecture on Saturday and 40 for the workshop on Saturday afternoon.
- Jeff asked for ideas for programs presenters and topics for next year. Let Jeff know if you have any.
- One suggestion was Jason O'Dell for landscapes.
- Another suggestion was a bird of prey shoot next year. Jeff thought it would cost about \$2000, It was brought up by Richard Yehl that SWMCCC has one, but it was decided that it would not be a problem. Spring or summer was suggested.
- **Program Committee's report is attached.**

Website – Phyllis Bankier

- A number of items were brought up:
 - Web site will have:
 - Page for minutes
 - Club information
 - Upcoming photo ops
 - Club newsletters
- Encourage clubs to send things of interest to Phyllis.
- TravelWisconsin.com would be a good source for items.
- Secretary will update club roster and send to Phyllis.

Exhibition Committee – Mary Dumont

- The 5th annual exhibition will be from January 16th to March 12th at the Reuss Center. Deadline to enter pictures is December 19th. Send your images to Mary Dumont with artist's name and affiliated camera club.
- Wire hangers are a must for the pictures. Delegates are to emphasize this to their clubs. See instructions on website.
- Minimum frame size 16x20. Geri Laehn suggested black frames/white matting or white frames/dark matting. More consistent and professional look. Wood or Metal frames can be used.
- Hanging will be January 16th at 9:00 am. Meet Mary at the Reuss Center. Make arrangements for getting framed photos to the Reuss Center if you can't do it in person. Take-down is during the week of March 7th.
- Artist reception will be announced at a later time.
- The catalog for the pictures will be put on the website. Previous catalogs, too.
- **Exhibition Committee Report is attached.**

Membership Committee – Gerry Emmerich

- Report was read at the meeting.
- **Membership report is attached.**

International Salon – Jeff Klug

- Committee has been formed, Jeff Klug will be chair. Other members are Gerry Emmerich and Ken Warning.
- WACCO will be loaning the International Committee \$2000 for initial expenses..
- Motion to provide the \$2000 made by Mary Dumont, seconded by Kathy Braun. Approved.
- The name for the circuit will be Badger State Circuit
- There will be 3 judging's – WACCO, PSA Chapter, and East Troy will be the first sponsors. Other clubs will be considered for rotating in the third judging in the future. Each sponsor will have to provide judges and helpers.
- Profits will go to WACCO and the PSA Chapter equally after the initial loan is paid off. A smaller percentage may go to the third judging club.
- The first competition will be held March 17-18, 2017. 2 Sections – PID Color and PJ. \$20 entry fee for one category, \$30 for both. A discount for WACCO and Chapter members is being considered.
- Help is needed to update the website to upload pictures, payment via PayPal, etc. Monty Walter of Wausau CC was suggested.
- One or two people will be needed to create the catalog.

Awards Committee – Bill Rietz

- Dan Weiss was awarded the WACCO Special Award for his work in creating and running a website for the Menomonee Falls camera club.

Old Business

- Updates to the Handbook were voted on – Jeff made the motion, Mike Matusinec seconded, and was approved.

New Business

- Jeff said the Old World Foundation judging was done and should we sponsor it again next year? We would sponsor the 2nd place \$200 prize. Motion to sponsor the \$200 prize made by Mary Dumont, seconded by Jerry Clish. Approved.
- WACCO's entries into the PSA Council's Challenge was awarded 3rd place overall. Many awards and HMs were awarded to WACCO members. Mary Dumont suggested framing the awards and displaying them at the Reuss Exhibit.
- WACCO Newsletter – We discussed allowing ads for the newsletters and the website, We may ask Hunts to sponsor an ad.
- Mentioned by Richard Yehl, we all applauded Signe, Jeff, and Kathy, who received awards and were pictured in the PSA Journal.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Gerri Laehn and seconded by Mary D. Approved at 12:05 pm.

Next meeting will be on February 6th at Luther Manor.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Activity)

**Activity Report for WACCO
For the period ending 09/30/15**

Receipts: General Account

Refund from West Bend Mutual Ins. Co. \$ **55.00**

Total \$ **55.00**

Disbursements:

Klugs Photo World-Expense Awards and Comp. \$ **40.11**

TOTAL \$ **40.11**

Receipts: Pay-Pal Checking

Transfer from PayPal Account \$ **00.00**

TOTAL \$ **00.00**

Disbursements:

Debit Card: **00.00**

TOTAL \$ **00.00**

PayPal Account:

Receipts:

\$ **00.00**

TOTAL \$ **00.00**

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Disbursements:

Fees to Eventbrite \$ **00.00**

TOTAL \$ **00.00**

TREASURER'S REPORT

WACCO ACCOUNT BALANCE REPORT As of September 30, 2015

Period covered 08/01/15 thru 09/30/15

Account	Balance
Checking Account General Associated Bank:	
Beginning balance	\$ 7820.60
Deposits	55.00
Disbursements	40.11
Ending balance	\$ 7835.49 =====
 Checking Account Associated Bank (Pay Pal)	
Beginning Balance	\$ 2574.95
Deposits-PayPal	00.00
Disbursements-Debit Card	00.00
Ending Balance	\$ 2574.95 =====
 PayPal Account	
Beginning Balance	\$ 95.91
Deposits	00.00
Disbursements(fees)	00.00
Transfer to PayPal Ckg.	00.00
Ending Balance	\$ 95.91
 Balance all accounts	 \$10506.35

Competition Committee Report

Date: Nov 7, 2015

Host Clubs:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Host Club</u>
Fall 2015	Retzer and Riveredge
Spring 2016	Photo Pictorialists
Fall 2016	Menomonee Falls
Spring 2017	Fox Valley – would Fox Valley consider hosting it in their area again??
Fall 2017	Unlimited Visions

We need 2 workers to record scores for both the digital and print sections. We need to have an additional 3 print handlers for the print sections. After the competition is done, we need assistance with cleaning up the rooms and putting tables and chairs back in order. Workers should arrive by 11am and are usually done by 5pm.

Next Competition:

The next competition is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2016, to be held at the Waukesha State Bank, Oconomowoc, WI.

Categories:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Nature Projected</u>	<u>Digital Projected</u>
Fall 2015	Birds	Portraits
Spring 2016	Flowers	UrbanScapes
Fall 2016	Animals	Tabletop/Still Life
Spring 2017	Insects, Reptiles & Amphibians	Photojournalism/Sports
Fall 2017	Natural Landscapes	Weather

Today's Competition:

There are 43 photographers with a total of 545 images.

Number of Photographers by club:

12 Men. Falls
10 Fox Valley
6 Retzer
5 Unlimited Visions
3 Wehr
3 Photo Pictorialists
3 Urban Ecology
1 Racine

We did not receive the required number of 6 photographers to hold the Large Mono Print division. We had 4 photographers enter, and a 5th late entry that did not reach me by the deadline. The photographers were given the option of moving prints into the Small Mono Print division, which all but one did. That photographer already had prints entered in that division.

Participation in all print divisions is declining. Delegates should encourage their members to participate in these divisions if we hope to keep them going.

Number of Photographers by Division:

15 Mono Nature Projected
32 Color Nature Projected
22 Birds
20 Mono Open Projected
31 Color Open Projected
19 Portraits
10 Mono Small Print (includes 4 moved from Mono Large Print)
12 Color Nature Small Print
12 Color Open Small Print
8 Color Nature Large Print
13 Color Open Large Print

We are testing the new on-line uploading program for two projected divisions – Birds and Portraits. The uploading of images is very easy and should present no problems to any participants. There were a few minor glitches on the back end part that were quickly and easily corrected. The committee will meet prior to the Feb 2016 delegates meeting and finalize recommendations for moving ahead with this.

WI Print Circuit:

The deadline for the print circuit is today. The first judging will take place at Wehr. There are 14 clubs participating. Men. Falls, Kenosha and Fox Valley have rejoined after an absence of several years.

5th Annual WACCO Exhibit

Revised 8/2015

Dates: January 16 – March 12, 2016
Location: The Blue (Reuss Federal Building)
310 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Exhibit Chair: Mary Dumont
maryldumont@gmail.com
414-416-5633

Deadlines:

Submission Deadline: midnight, December 19, 2015

Hanging Date: January 16, 2016 drop off between 9am-10am

Take-down: Images may be picked up at your convenience the week of March 7-12, 2016. All images must be removed by noon on **Saturday, March 12, 2016.**

Artist Reception: TBD. It will be either January 22 or January 29, depending on when Gallery Weekend is scheduled.

Limit of three (3) images, color and B&W accepted. We will accept a maximum of 80 pictures on a first come, first serve basis.

Guidelines:

Theme: **Open.** Subject matter is open, but must be in good taste. No nudity allowed. Images must not have been shown at this venue previously, either with WACCO or with any other exhibit.

MINIMUM finished size of 16x20 frame. The exhibit space is large, and smaller images get lost in the room. Prints of a 16x20 size (or larger) with a mat and frame that puts the finished piece in the 22x28 (or larger) are highly encouraged.

Please make sure your art is ready for exhibiting – frame dusted, glass clean, etc.

Image must be matted and framed. Alternate presentation methods (canvas, metal print, etc) are acceptable as long as the piece is finished and ready to hang with **wire strand**. Images without wire will not be hung.

Photographers are responsible for delivery and pick-up of pieces during the dates and times listed above. WACCO, The Blue and/or Exhibit Chair will not assume any responsibility for pieces at any time.

Submission materials:

Image titles – please title with your last name, then image title example: Dumont_image title
Finished size of picture (frame size not print size, please just round to nearest whole number)

Small jpeg of images: NO larger than 2.5" wide or 2.0" height @100dpi

Selling price – if desired

Artist contact information – WACCO club, email, website or phone, if desired.

Jeffrey Klug, Chairman
262 628-1255, kpw1255@gmail.com
October 31, 2015

International Exhibition Committee Report

Ken Warning, Gerry Emmerich and Jeffrey Klug met on October 31, 2015 to discuss the organization of the WACCO/PSA Chapter International Exhibition Committee and the proposed international Circuit of exhibitions.

The following topics were discussed:

1. The Chairman will be Jeffrey Klug
2. Proposed name of the Circuit: Badger State Circuit
3. 3 Judgings - WACCO, PSA Wisconsin Chapter and East Troy Viewfinders (3rd judging could be a possible rotation of interested WACCO Clubs)
4. Each group would supply 3 judges and volunteers to work their section of the exhibition
5. Profits (if any) will be split between WACCO and PSA Wisconsin Chapter and a percentage to be determined by WACCO to the third volunteer club
6. The exhibition will be judged on March 18 & 19, 2017 with a closing date for entries of 3/10/2017
7. We will apply for recognition from PSA on March 10, 2016, This means we need to have proposed judges identified and pay the application fee. The website ready to accept entries by about Fall 2016
8. The proposed sections will be PID Color (Projected Image Division - Color) & Photo Journalism- Open, with fees of \$20 for one section or \$30 for both sections
9. The estimated starting budget of \$2000 (need WACCO approval), which would be used for equipment, PSA fees, programming and advertising
10. Committee members needed would include:
 - a person for creating a catalogue once the exhibition is over
 - a person for web operations (separate from the WACCO site)
 - Publicity
 - Creating all the information for the website (i.e. - condition of entries, how to enter, report cards etc.)

Membership Committee Report for Nov 7, 2015

Since the August 2015 meeting of the WACCO Board of Delegates, I visited the Fox Valley CC. Over the next few months, I expect to visit the La Crosse Area Camera Club (which is not a WACCO member club, but is a PSA member club and a participant in the Wisconsin PSA Club Showcase) and the MidWisconsin Photography Group.

If any WACCO member club would like me to present a program, talk about the benefits of WACCO, or visit their club for any reason, I would be happy to schedule a visit.

Gerry Emmerich, WACCO Membership Committee Chair

Program Committee Report

Jeffrey R KLug

October 24, 2015

Program Committee Report

We have opened the Mike Moats seminar to registration. On our website, we have a link for downloading the brochure and a link to the Eventbrite website for online registration.

The fees for the Mike Moats seminar is:

Early Registration (before 2/13/15) Seminar Only \$45.00 (includes Lunch)

Early Registration (before 2/13/15) Workshop Only \$ 20.00

General Admission (2/13/15 till 3/5/15) Seminar \$60.00 (includes Lunch)

General Admission (2/13/15 till 3/5/15) Workshop \$35.00

We have room for 85 people for the seminar and 40 people for the workshop. We expect to sell out early like the last seminar, so please tell everyone to sign up early to get their spot.

We are starting on the next speaker for 2017, some on the list are Kevin Adam - Night, landscape, waterfalls, closeup Photography (www.kadamsphoto.com), Bill Fortney, - Closeup, General Photography (<http://billfortney.com>), Jason Odell, - Landscape, wildlife, Monochrome, HDR Photography (www.luminescentphoto.com), Debra Sanding - Travel Photography (www.debsandidge.com), Joel Grimes - Environmental Portraits, composite (<http://joelgrimes.com>), Bill Frakes - Sports, wildlife (www.billfrakes.com).

I am also looking for new topics for seminars besides the Nature area. Any suggestions are welcome.

We had talked at a previous delegates meeting to have a Birds of Prey photo shoot every other year. So that would be in 2016. Would we like it in Spring, Summer or Fall. Any month sound good for this shoot? We will start making contact in the next couple of months, it was a big hit last time and should work out well with a year break in-between photo shoots.

Website Committee Report 10-21-15

- Please make sure you let your club members know about the WACCO website. It is full of information.
- The *Club Page* needs to be updated with the correct people and positions. The update info comes from the secretary and then it is given to the webmaster who then updates.
- The *Home Page* will be updated with the winners of the Fall, 2015 competition as soon as they're in. The last one will be archived on the Past Competiton page.
- Winning photos will also be added to the *Wisconsin Print Circuit Page*.
- A new page, *Meeting Records*, with the minutes and handbook is in the works as well as a *Blog Page*.
- If your club has an event, let us know and we can add it to the *Events Page*.
- If you know of an upcoming photo opportunity that you think club members will benefit, let us know so it also can be added.

Phyllis Bankier and Jeff Klug