

Minutes of NAPC Meeting

Wednesday 28th January 2026 7.30 pm via Zoom

Present: Kevin, Kirsty, Christina, Gail, Pete B(T), Pete B, Clive

1. Apologies: Dave, Chris M, Maria, Chris Brown

2. Minutes of Meeting 20th October

3. Matters Arising

The programme needs to be checked to see how far it is complete for the 26/27 season.

Peter Brooks to contact two possible Zoom speakers and Clive to contact David Clapp.

4. Treasurer's Report – Balance Sheet at end of Minutes. £400 to £500 profit is anticipated for the end of the year.

5. Secretary's Report

All going well. I have booked the Pink Room for the 26/27 season. I will be stepping down from the Committee at the end of this season.

6. Programme Secretary's Report

I will not be standing for the next season as program secretary,

It has been an honour, to do 2 x seasons.

It has been an eye opener what goes into running a club alongside the Committee members, I will still be hopefully be coming to the club in the future.

Programs follows at the present time : 26/27

Judges:

22/09/2026 : John Baker - confirmed

20/10/2026 : Donna Spencer- confirmed

24/11/2026: Nigel West- confirmed

26/01/2027: Steve Bunce - confirmed

23/02/2027: ?

13/04/2027: Richard Curzon -Confirmed.

Speakers :

08/09/2026 : ?

06/10/2026: ?

19/01/2027: John Hudson ? Capturing the moment circus and dance.

16/02/2027: Barry Mead - Confirmed - Windmills of your mind all creative.

02/03/2027: John Perryman - Confirmed - AV Variety.

30/03/2027: Daryl & Judy Ford - Confirmed - Romania.

7. Programme Host's Report

No real issues here. David Pike managed to get in at the beginning of December for his talk. I will be stepping down from the Committee at the end of this season.

8. External Competition Co-Ordinator

9. Internal Competition Co-Ordinator

10. Publicity

- I've had no luck getting copy into the local paper(s). I will go in in person and find out why they do not respond.

- A number of members said they would give me details of free papers that I do not receive - but I have not received any so I can't send copy to them.
- We don't seem to have a policy for reporting on the public Facebook page. Others seem to do their own thing before I get to it. I am very happy for someone else to take responsibility but it needs to be one person doing it so there is some consistency and accountability.
- We have school pop-up coming up again, but I don't anticipate any increase in membership from that. However, we might just get some publicity of the schools have got something in the local press. They seem to be better able to do so than us.

As it stands at the moment this is a 'non-role'. I am not comfortable with it and I am happy to stand down from the committee and let someone else take it on.

We are getting some publicity from Stover project. Newspapers don't appear to do 'local news' anymore.

The public Facebook page needs an overhaul. We need to define what we are trying to achieve and curate it. Explore putting details of Locations Group on it. We need to sit down and work out what we want it to do and make sure that it is done.

11. Pop Up Exhibition

We have the following volunteers: David K. Kevin, Kirsty, ?Dave G. Joanna, Peter Brooks, Gail, Christina. Some will be there for set up onwards and others will come later to take down and return equipment to CC.

12. We need to find out from Dave if we have any entries. Entries will receive a certificate for either Gold, Silver, Bronze, Commended and Participant. Kevin to design the certificates. Clive will arrange written critiques which will go with the certificates.

13. We need to actively seek new committee members due to number of vacancies. Kevin said that when he raised this at club evenings it was met with apathy. It was suggested that he does this again but adds on the fact that they are not being dropped in the deep end but will be able to shadow the current holder but also that support will continue during the first season.

14. Photo Documentation – Newtons Place

Christina had been approached to see if the NAPC would be interested in documenting additional work. Christina to pass on Kate & Charlotte's email addresses to Peter Brooks

15. Newton Place Workshops

Again Peter Brooks will explore this. It will depend on how this is organised.

16. Help For Improving Skills of Members New and Old.

There was a discussion on the various ways this could be achieved. Kevin summarised as follows: Peter Brooks to produce a second questionnaire based on skills and equipment; Pop Up Evenings with hands on skills; Gordon to be asked if he would be prepared to do a critique evening based on how he runs his group. Pairing people with someone with more knowledge.

17. End of Season Awards Dinner

Gail kindly volunteered to organise this again. It was decided to stay with Stover Golf Club.

Other Business

10th March = President's Evening. Chris Brown has arranged for Chris Chapman to give a talk and asked if members from other clubs should be invited. It was agreed to do this with a fee of £5 for non members. Kirsty also recommended putting it up on the Dartmoor Public Group as Chris has many followers on that.

17th March = SDLP we are hosting this competition. Gail asked about a raffle and it was agreed that we should run one. Gail to organise. Requests for donations for raffle prizes to be made to members. We will supply refreshments.

DONM

Will be in March with date TBA

Balance Sheet	1-Apr-25	Current	Increase	Bank Balance
Barclay's Current	5,916.16	6,756.57	840.41	6,756.57
Cash	103.14	15.00	-88.14	
Total	6,019.30	6,771.57	752.27	

Income & Expenditure	FY24/25	FY25/26	Increase	%
Income				
Raffles & Refreshment Sales	367.87	241.32	-126.55	49%
Sponsorship	470.00	0.00	-470.00	0%
Subscriptions	1,755.00	2,163.10	408.10	100%
Total Income	2,592.87	2,404.42	-188.45	90%
Expenditure				
Competition Judges	-119.60	-129.50	-9.90	54%
Donations & Gifts (Auditor)	-77.95	-124.39	-46.44	249%
Equipment & Public Liability				
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%
Equipment Repairs & Renewals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%
External Competitions	-25.00	-35.00	-10.00	350%
Printing, Postage, Stationary & Engraving	-297.69	-8.00	289.69	21%
Raffle & Refreshment Expenses	-53.46	-92.89	-39.43	75%
Speakers	-505.00	-278.19	226.81	60%
Travel & Hospitality	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%
Venue Costs & Zoom	-1,160.27	-850.88	309.39	76%
WCPF Fees & Insurance	-172.54	-83.30	89.24	89%
Website & Computer Costs	-105.60	-26.04	79.56	67%
Total Expenditure	-2,517.11	-1,628.19	888.92	71%
Surplus Income over Expenditure				
	75.76	776.23	700.47	206%
Equipment Purchases	-7.50	-18.00	-10.50	0%
Total Income	68.26	758.23	38.99	201%

