

# **IPMS South East Essex Minutes of Meeting**

**19<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

## **1. Venue**

Members expressed their satisfaction with the new meeting venue, Ekco Social & Sports Club and voted to continue to use the premise for the forthcoming financial year April – December 2024 (and provisionally reserve until March 2025)

## **2. IPMS 2024 Annual Return & Telford Risk Assessment**

Members confirmed their wish to remain an “Affiliated Branch of the IPMS”

As a result of this decision Stephen Bailey discussed the need to complete and submit an annual return to the IPMS and their expectations of an affiliated Branch.

## **3. Branch President**

As a result of the decision to remain an “Affiliated Branch of the IPMS” Stephen Bailey (15455) offered to assume the role of Branch “President” which was voted on and approved by the club members present.

## **4. Key Member’s Roles (Club Committee)**

The President explained that a minimum of 5 members were required to perform key roles associated with the running of an IPMS Branch and it is implied that these members have to be members of the IPMS. The President proposed a number of “Roles” and suggested that these should reflect those of the IPMS Executive Committee. He nominated the following IPMS Club Members to perform them, all of whom were voted on and approved by the club members present

- **Vice President:- Ken O’Brian 19559**
- **General & Membership Secretary:- James Cater 20679**
- **Treasurer:- Phil Lloyd-Worth 15614**
- **Liaison Officer:- Stephen Snares 20930**

The President also nominated the following (none IPMS) club members to perform 2 other Roles reflected within the IPMS Executive Committee

- **Competition Secretary:- Adam Lyle**
- **Technical Advisor:- Peter Cooper**

However so as not to discriminate and prevent any club member from applying for future Roles within the Club (on the basis of affordability) the President proposed that where a new IPMS Subscription is required or as and when an existing member's IPMS Subscription comes up for renewal (currently £28) providing the member is performing a Key Role on behalf of the Club than their subscription be covered from Club Funds. This proposal was voted on and approved by the club members present.

## **5. Annual Membership Subscription**

The President explained that the details held by the Club in regards Membership were both out of date and inaccurate and the Club at present is unable to identify genuine Club members from casual followers. As a result the President proposed that the Membership form currently in use be revised and then sent out to all known members to complete and resubmit as an annual return. The president also proposed an annual membership fee of £5 (free for Junior Members) be introduced to encourage individuals to only renew their membership if it is their intention to support the club and its activities through their involvement. This proposal was voted on and approved by the club members present.

## **6. Portable Show Stand Sample**

The Vice President (Ken O'Brian) presented a portable show stand system which he suggested the Club may wish to purchase. Whilst the example clearly had merit, members agreed to research other options and bring these to the next meeting in April for further discussion before a final decision is made.

## **7. Proposal:- Cash Prize for best model on the Night**

The Treasurer (Phil Lloyd Worth) proposed a cash prize of £10 for the overall winner of the "Best Model" at each monthly meeting, as voted by members. This proposal resulted in members also suggesting that (in addition to the continued award presentation) a cash prize of £20 be given to the overall winner

of the “Best Model” at the “Annual Club Final”. These proposals were voted on and approved by the club members present.

## **8. D Day Competition**

The General & Membership Secretary James Cater proposed a “D Day” competition in celebration of the 80<sup>th</sup> D Day Anniversary. It was agreed that this competition would take place at the June meeting 2024. Other ideas and proposals for Club Nights will be forthcoming.

## **9. Any other Business**

Steve Lester suggested that in view of the significance of a number of agenda items discussed, voted upon and agreed at the meeting that a record be made in the form of “Minutes”. These have therefore been produced.

**S D Bailey**

**President**

**Southend Model Club - IPMS South East Essex**