Minutes of PODS Monthly Meeting May 23, 2013

16 members attending including: Michael Penn Smith, Jen Kuykendall, DorRae Stevens, Jaime Molina, John Hoag, Ken Ziegler, Ron Millegan, Tom Johnson, Laura Griffith, Ed Jacoby, Alan Herbert, David Evans, Winifred Simon, Marilyn Brinker, Janice Knox-Little and Raena Wharton.

3 guest attending including: Janet Sanders, Dave Wilson and Janis Cowell.

All three guests became official members at the end of the meeting. Welcome to the group!

Michael Penn Scott began the meeting with an introduction to the equipment sale list he is gathering. The purpose of this list is to allow members to buy and/or sale equipment to other members of the group. Members can post on this list any equipment they might be interested in selling. This began a brief discussion on buying and selling photography equipment. The website [www.keh.com](http://www.keh.com) was mentioned for those looking to obtain an idea of prices for their existing equipment they might be interested in selling.

Jen Kuykendall updated the group with information on the upcoming Digital Photography Show. This will be held at Trudy’s Restaurant on Highway 290. She is requesting that participating photographers who are interested in helping set up the show to arrive at Trudy’s by 8:00am on Saturday May 25th. All participating photographers need to be at Trudy’s at 5pm in order to pick up their photos before the close of the show at 6pm. A member will need to be present at all times during the day on Saturday, possibly working in shifts. Jen also brought up the idea of asking the management at Trudy’s whether they would be interested in giving a percentage of our sales to the wait staff in return for the wait staff hawking the show to diners. All participating photographers who were present at this meeting agreed that they would be willing to give a small percentage of any sales if this was acceptable to the management at Trudy’s.

The next order of business was brought up by Michael Penn Smith. This was a reminder that the next two meetings of the PODS group will be at City Hall (511 Mercer Street) rather than the library. He also reminded the group that the Officer’s elections would be coming up with voting in November. Positions up for election at this time are President and Treasurer.

Carla McCandless (via Jen) would like us to know that she has been unable to contact Robert at Precision Camera in regards to a photography workshop. She has decided to forgo trying to contact him further.

The idea of renting a boat to photograph the 4th of July fireworks in Austin was brought up. There were about eight or nine interested parties in the group. Jen and Carla will work up some prices to present to the group at the next meeting. Other suggestions were mentioned including Barton Creek Mall and the Long Center Parking Garage. Both are excellent sites for capturing the fireworks.

Jaime Molina asked if anyone would be interested in photographing the longhorns at the Hal Meyers Longhorn Ranch. This would be an opportunity for four photographers to get up close and personal with the longhorns. It would be on May 31st (Saturday) at 6pm. Please contact Jaime if you are interested. It will be first come first serve- so hurry as there are only 4 spots available.

The business portion of the meeting was then concluded. Our new member Winifred Simon gave us a fun and informative presentation on IPhoneography to finish out the meeting. Great presentation Winifred!