

## Carshalton Camera Club

### Annual report for year 2020

The accounts presented have not been examined by an external person as due to COVID-19 I have not been able to get the books to an examiner. As last year Mr Laws has agreed to look at the accounts and check for any discrepancies.

This past year has been a bit unusual from other years and this is reflected in some different numbers in the accounts than what we would normally see.

During the year we had 41 members and for the first 2 and a half months we were able to meet as a group in the hall. During this time, we were able to have a coffee and biscuits and raffles that generated an income of £110 between them against £457 in the prior year.

We sadly lost two members during the year and the estate of Peter Rowland donated some of his old equipment which was offered to club members for a donation and this netted £75 and the remaining balance on the OTHER INCOME heading was for an AV presentation given at Steyning CC.

As mentioned earlier we only met for a short period, so we made a saving on the rent paying £495 this year against a charge of £1,820 for the previous year.

We also made a saving on lecturers and judges in the year. With thanks to Dave, Steve and Joan after a short break we were able to meet again via Zoom which meant that we could have a program again. At first, whilst Zoom meetings were in its infancy, we were able to get speakers at little or no cost, but now the costs are starting to go up. Therefore, the charge shown this year will be higher in the coming year.

It was with regret that we could not hold a physical annual exhibition this year and so we lost any revenue for this event.

Overall, the club did make a surplus in the year of £1,038, this as mentioned above is mainly due to the saving on the rent, if this had been a normal year, I think that we would have made a loss in the year.

The club has a good bank balance which should help us in the future if we do see a further reduction in our income generating methods.

At present due to various reasons the numbers of members have dropped by 8 but as a good sign we have gained one new member. This therefore means that at present we have a reduction of £455 in the subscriptions.

We are always looking for new ways to generate income and hope that if restrictions allow, we are maybe able to hold an exhibition this year and so advertise the club to a potential new audience.