

Lincoln Hills Photography Club Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 6, 2026 9:00 AM

Multi-Purpose Room in Orchard Creek Lodge

i. Call to Order and Attendance:

Present: President Vern Rogers, Vice President Programs Truman Holtzclaw, Vice President Communications Diane Margetts, Treasurer Phil Harmon, Secretary Nancy Whitaker, Recent Past President Ron Nabity, Director of Education Cokie Lepinski, Publisher ‘Through the Lens’ Keith Vogt, Technical advisor Gary Sloan.

Approval of March 9, 2026 Minutes: Motion to Approve the Minutes as amended made by Phil Harmon, Seconded by Truman Holtzclaw, Approved by Board and Attending members.

ii. Officer and Chair Reports:

a. Treasurer: Phil Harmon

Checking Balance: 2/28/26: \$3,285.61

Member Dues Collected: \$60.00

Donation (Sale of Lights): \$125.00

Bank Charges (Blank Checks): (\$35.10)

MailChimp: (\$13.00)

Raffle Prizes: (\$25.00)

Meeting Refreshments: (\$18.07)

Checking Balance:3/31/26: \$3,379.44

Change Fund: \$200.00

b. Membership: (Heather Brown)

Roster Members 170 Households 114

Facebook stats

Members 77

93 posts down 23%

53 comments down 71%

Reactions 775 down 15%

PO Box – Do we need to keep it?

A Discussion was held. The cost seems excessive \$240 per yr. All agreed however it was needed to avoid having to change addresses if using of personal mailboxes.

Keith Vogt asked the question, “What happens if we are sued?”

Do we have Directors insurance? Answer is No. It was mentioned that it would be likely the officers would be singled out if sued.

c. General Meetings and other club matters: (Vern Rogers)

- Yvonne Carter will be doing a presentation on Quito Ecuador, the Amazon and the Galapagos Islands for our April 8 general meeting.
- Laurie Friedman will be doing a presentation on Burning Man for our May 13 general meeting. She also wants 15 minutes to speak about the benefits of PSA membership.
- Show and Tell Extravaganza will be on Saturday, June 20.
- Truman will be doing a presentation on Reflections at the July 8 meeting.
- Jim Dunn will present on Birds in Brazil for our August 12 meeting.
- We still need presenters for September, October, and November.

d. Communications and Social Committee: (Diane Margetts)

June 20 - Show and Tell Extravaganza discussion-

The cost will be held to \$5.00 per person, with the club to fund the balance if needed. Tickets to be sold at May General Meeting. Food to be as last year, Pizza, obtained from Old Town Pizza due to popularity. Gary Sloan will be organizing and running the Slide presentation in Kilaga's Presentation Hall.

Communications:

- As usual any information you would like included for the Sun Senior News or Compass Magazine is due to me on the 14th of the month.
- Compass articles are limited to 125 words. This does not allow for the inclusion of a lot of detail. Sun Senior News is a bit more flexible, allowing up to 300 words.

Social Committee: No Report

- e. **Website:** *Vern requested that Cokie give a report on the Website meeting. Cokie replied, "The task was how to refresh our website without placing more work for Ray"*

Discussion: *Do we need a website? Answer Yes, all clubs need a landing site. We have a group that is interested in having and working on a website.*

In the near future when Ray will be not be able to publish, he developed a software 'switch' to automatically incorporate the President's News Letter into the website without having to manually upload the document.

- Discuss the recommendations from the website meeting. Notes were sent in a separate document.

April, 2026 – Photo Club Website Past Month Summary

March, 2026 Website Updates: General Mtg, Calendar, Videos, Photo Locations, Education, Exhibits, Hybrid Website Prototype & Instructions, Through Our Lens, Admin, Website Vitals, Documentation

Website Unique Visitors: **March 2026 – 70 (192 sessions) 2.7**

February, 2026 – 72 (175 sessions) 2.4

January, 2026 – 96 (260 sessions) 2.7

- Few visitors from Singapore & China

Videos_(through March 31st)

o 3/11 – **“Give Me 5” – 7 views** (2/11 Give Me 5 – 4 views)

o 3/11 – **“Newfoundland” Bill Kress – 4 views** (2/11 “Death Valley” Truman Holtzclaw 7 views)

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f. Field Trips/Challenges: (interim - Heather Brown)

- We need to discuss options for sharing/showing the amazing photos 24 or so of us brought back from the Death Valley trip.
 - o Separate party/event to share photos
 - Kilaga Presentation Hall/Kitchen
 - OC Solarium
 - OC/Kilaga meeting rooms
 - o Special Edition of Through Our Lens
 - o Incorporate these photos in June Show and Tell
 - o Other ideas??

Discussion revolved around size of the room, date for the event, and do we include a luncheon for our spouses who have not seen our photos as well as for the two participants who were from out of town. Eventually a date of June 10th was

selected. and possibly a selection of the Orchard Creek Multi-Purpose room. Our President said he would talk to staff to assist in selecting a room for around 50 or less.

Photo Op's – an updated list of these was published and emailed to the membership on Tuesday, March 31st.

g. Exhibits: (Denise Souza and Rhonda Campbell)

- Member photos are still on display at Buonarotti's Restaurant in Downtown Lincoln until April 24. The current photos will be removed at that time to be replaced by new member photos. The standard application process for the new photos will be followed as it was when the current photos went up. Notification was included in the Newsletter that went out last week. The notification included a direct link to the application.

Ron (or Denise Souza) recommended that previously placed photos be refreshed by April 24. Our club members would meet around 9:00 to 9:30 am to pick up their pictures, and replace with new ones. For those who wish to exhibit there may apply at this time by filling out an application and submitting their pictures to Denise Souza for approval.

h. Education Committee Cokie Lepinski.

LIST OF SCHEDULED CLASSES AND USER GROUPS:

- ***Canon Users Group***
Thursday, April 23 - Action Camera Anniversary - Canon Factory Reps setting up a private session for LHPC Canon Users.
- ***Nikon Users Group***
Thursday, April 2, at 9am – three members met at Coyote Pond Park, 2543 Old Kenmare Rd.

Wednesday April 22, 9:30am - Keith Vogt has reached out to the management of Sierra Pacific Lumber just outside downtown Lincoln to arrange a photo club visit. This opportunity is open to all club members as long as they RSVP to Keith prior to the date.

Thursday, May 7 from 10am - Noon at Carol Smith's Home.

- ***Android Phone Special Interest Group***
Needs to be rescheduled
- ***Snapseed Beginners Class Part 2 (Must RSVP)***
Wednesday, April 1 from 1:30-3:30pm in OC Computer Room

iii. Unfinished Business:

- More discussion of the proposed policy on Mobility and Accessibility
- *In lieu of our club's current application requirements and the extensive BOD round table discussion, Keith Vogt has rescinded his request for the proposed wording on the Mobility and Accessibility clause he had previously submitted*
- Through Our Lens update (Keith):
- *Keith has published the first issue of the Quarterly online publication as of March 31. It can be seen on the website, under Activities>Through Our Lens. We recommended everyone to check out this 'first edition'. It is lovely. He will be offering a Special Edition of Death Valley Photos, prior to the 2nd Quarterly publication to appear June 1. If a club member wishes to submit, please check the website 'www.lhphotoclub.com, go to Activities and click on "Through Our Lens" for the submission requirements.*

iv. New Business:

Regarding the recent requests for Rosters, and the Association's, requirements to keep emails private, Ron has offered to make PDF pages available to our Board of Directors and Committee heads when there are any new members and/or changes.

v. Adjourn Meeting: 10:15 AM

Motion to adjourn by Truman Holtzclaw, seconded Vern Rogers.

Minutes submitted by Nancy S. Whitaker, Secretary Lincoln Hills Photography Club

May 9, 2026.