Internal Competition Rules

Internal Competition dates - are shown in the programme together with the closing dates for entry.

Prints are all eligible for all Club competitions unless otherwise stated.

Entry Form - entries for Internal Competitions should be accompanied by the appropriate entry form provided by the stated closing date.

For your first entry on joining the club - please state if it is to be entered into the beginners' section. For this purpose we define a Beginner as someone with no photography qualifications or letters, and no placing in a previous club's competition.

The number of entries - is limited to **THREE** pictures **per section**.

The same picture - may not be entered into a competition twice in the same year **except** that the same picture can be entered once in an "open" and once in the "set subject" competitions in any one year - **provided** it did not gain a place in the first competition it was entered for. If it did it cannot be entered again in any competition in the same year.

The age of pictures - those entered in internal competitions should be no more than 3 years old. They can be used in successive years provided it is still no more than 3 years.

Prints - should be mounted on appropriate card with a maximum mount size of 50cm x 40cm. The title is to be written on the back. Your name can be added if you wish.

Digital Images - Sizing - for internal and external competitions, the **m**aximum picture size should be no more than 1400 pixels wide (horizontal) and no more than 1050 pixels high (vertical) ie neither should exceed these limits. If correctly sized, depending on the shape of your image, both dimensions will be the maximum for each side or (more often) one will be the maximum for its side and the other will be less than the maximum for its side.

Digital Images - Naming - images should be named: "The Title_Of_This_Image" without additional file names or wording where "The_Title_Of_This_Image" is the entrant's title for the image.

You can state a preference for showing (number them 1 (best), 2 and 3). If there are too many entries in a competition for the judge to cope with, your **least** favourite may be excluded in order to keep the numbers manageable. If you do not express a preference, the one excluded is at the discretion of the Competition Secretary without reference to you. Add a number 1, 2 and 3 at the beginning of the name if you want to express a preference.

Digital Images – Type - they should be high resolution JPEG (or JPG)

The Club may exclude any images which, in the Committees opinion, are likely to cause significant offence.

All parts of an image must belong to the photographer, he or she must own the copyright for all the image.

Other specific rules may apply to external competitions which will be confirmed at the time.

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