

Galashiels Camera Club Competition Rules (as at October, 2016)

1) Members may enter as “Beginners” or as “Standard” (that is combined “Intermediate/Advanced”). Beginners’ images will be included in the main competition, along with those from Standard members and, if sufficient beginners join the club in any season, they will also receive separate “beginner-level” awards.

2) There are two Classes of entry: Projected Images, and Prints. Both Classes include both colour and monochrome images.

3) Digital Projected Images:

- Digital images should be submitted on CD, DVD, SD card, CF card, or memory stick, marked with the member’s name and membership number. With the agreement of the Competition Secretary, they may also be submitted by email
- Digital images must be prepared in JPG format, with maximum pixel dimensions of 1600 horizontally and 1200 vertically. The standard colour space is sRGB, but images will be sent to the judge and projected at the competition in whatever colour space is submitted by the member.
- Digital image file names must be as follows: the entrants membership number (2 digits) followed by a single blank, then the title as on the entry form, and finally “.jpg” (e.g. “06 Borrowdale Sunrise.jpg”), no longer than 50 characters in total.
- Beginners may submit image files straight from the camera (full size as jpg) and the filename format will not be enforced. Image files will be adjusted to suit by the club.
- Digitised Colour slides are acceptable, resized to 1600 x 1200 px, as DPI submissions. (If you need help copying slides to Digital format contact Competition secretary)

4) Prints must be mounted, with a maximum mount size of 16" x 20" (40 cm x 50 cm), with the author's membership number and image Title on the back of the mount. The minimum size of the print area is 6" x 4" (15 cm x 10 cm).

5) A maximum of four Projected Images and four Prints may be entered in any one competition

6) Images may be entered in only one Class, and once during the year and again in the Annual competition. Entries into inter-club battles and the Agricultural Competition do not count.

7) Images must be wholly the work of the author and be no more than three years old at the start (Opening Night) of the season during which the competition is held. Minor components of a composite image may be older, but no main component. The three year rule will apply from the start of the 2017-18 season.

8) Entries, together with a completed Entry Form, must be submitted by the announced hand-in date, usually at least two or three weeks before the competition, unless explicitly agreed otherwise by the Competition Secretary

9) Before any entry can be accepted, the member submitting must have paid their subscription.

10) The judge does not have to award any prize if in his or her opinion the standard does not warrant it.

11) In each “monthly” competition, the following awards, plus beginner-level awards if appropriate, will be made in both classes:

1st, 2nd, 3rd, Commended(s) – points toward end of year trophies: 5, 3, 2, 1.

All reasonable care will be taken to safeguard entries but the club does not accept responsibility for damage or loss.