

## Internal Competitions 2023 - 24

Overview, rules, entry



## Competitions



- Internal – amongst members of our club. Print, Projected Digital Image (PDI), Panel and Photobook
- External – competing against other clubs. Rob will discuss these next week
- Just for Fun – for example Flickr, Mix and Match, Girls v Boys

## Get Involved and take part



- Good opportunity to see other members work
- Inspirational
- See you work through different eyes
- We all ♥ the judges

## How it works



- An Uploader accessed via the website for PDIs
- Managed by a piece of software called Dicentra
  - Its purpose is to ensure fairness by randomising order and giving consistency of presentation, and assist in the admin, processing scores, producing score sheets, results sheets etc
  - Dicentra requires entries to comply with certain requirements of the Competition Rules which are checked on upload
- Most competitions are a set subject, set out in Competition Set Subject Definitions
- And it's why you need a PDI as well as a print for the Print Competition

## Competition Rules



- Find them on the website in Documents, under the Information tab
- The small print
- What you can enter
- How to prepare your entry – size (and mounting for prints), colour space and title – learn to love those semi-colons
- Set Subjects to comply with current Set Subject Definitions
- Definitely worth a read!

## Competition Rule Changes

2023-24



## Revised Rules Disallowing Generative AI - 1



1.6 All images submitted must be photographic in origin and must be entirely the work of the Member. The copyright of submitted images must rest solely with the Member. In composite images, all component images must meet these requirements. Images must not include clip art or royalty-free and downloaded images from other sources that are not the sole work of the member. BRCC does allow the use of third-party borders or background textures in its internal competitions, although members should be aware that this could restrict the acceptability of such work in some external competitions.

1.7 In line with the principle that competition photographs should be the original work of the Member, submitted images generated by artificial intelligence (AI) using text-to-image software, are not permitted. This includes images entirely generated by AI or images with material elements generated by AI. BRCC competitions will continue to accept the use of AI processing in-camera or in post-processing software for image manipulation and compilation.

*Changes and additions underlined in green*

## Revised Rules Disallowing Generative AI - 2



Modified rule 1.6 strengthens our existing 'no plagiarism' statement. This is in-line with the position the PAGB is taking on generative AI (for our external competitions with SCPF)

New rule 1.7 is in-line with the guidance that the RPS released in July for their distinctions, competitions and exhibitions

Rule 1.7 disallows new images *generated* by artificial intelligence (AI) using text-to-image deep-learning software such as DALL-E 2, Midjourney, Stable Diffusion, Adobe Firefly etc etc

Using AI software to modify images or to automate processing is still allowed. This includes using software such as Topaz Photo AI (DeNoise, Gigapixel and Sharpen), Portrait Pro, DxO Pure Raw, ON1 NoNoise AI etc etc

## Revised Rule – Three Prints



The number of print submissions has been increased to a maximum of 3 per meeting in total

The number of PDI submissions remains at 2 maximum

## Set Subject Definitions



- Find them on the website in Documents, under the Information tab
  - Natural World
  - Architecture
  - Landscape
  - Monochrome
  - People
- When all else fails – Open!

## New Subject – Monochrome



Definition added to the BRCC Competition Subject Definitions

Monochrome images include:

- An image in tones of neutral grey ranging from transparent/white to opaque/black
- An image in single colour:
  - A print using a chemical process such as sepia, cyanotype, etc
  - A digitally produced image 'colourised' in a single hue

This wording matches the PAGB definition (used by the SCPF)

## Some last thoughts



- Snapshots - Look out for competition results, up to date information, last minute changes etc in Snapshots
- If you need help please ask
- No scores, instead a Winner and Highly Commendeds
- Certificates and Trophies