

## **Ludlow Photographic Club Competition Rules 2012.**

### **1. Competitions.**

There are four General or Advanced Competitions for Members to take part in each year.

#### **General Competition.**

For all new members who have no qualifications or experience of competitions.

For all beginners.

For all intermediate Members.

For Members who are not competing in the Advanced Competition.

#### **Advanced Competition.**

For Members who elect to join.

For Members with qualifications.

For Members who are professionals or semi-professional.

For Members who have achieved a number of points in the General Competition. This number will be determined by the Committee.

For Members who are not competing in the General Competition.

#### **Open Themed Competition.**

For all members of both General and Advanced Competitions.

#### **Photograph of the Year Competition.**

Photographs and Projected Images that have won 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in the General, Advanced and Open Competitions of the Year.

### **2. Competition Categories.**

There are three categories – Monochrome Prints, Colour Prints and Projected Images.

The Projected Images Category includes both Colour and Monochrome images.

Members may enter up to three entries in each category in every Competition (other than The Photograph of The Year).

### **3. Points system.**

For every Competition (other than The Photograph of The Year) entries in each category will be awarded points as follows:-

1st		10 points
2nd		8 points
3rd		6 points
Commended	(C)	3 points (Up to a max 3 at the judges discretion)
Unplaced		1 point

The Points Table will be kept up to date and available at Club Competition Meetings.

Images placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in a Competition cannot be entered again in any other future Competition (The Photograph of The Year Competition excluded).

#### 4. Open Themed Competition.

There will be an Open Themed Competition each year with a broadly based theme or genre of photography to encourage Members to diversify e.g. Nature/Visual Arts/Fine Arts/Human Interest/Landscape/Architecture.

#### 5. Copyright.

Members retain the copyright of their prints at all times but the Club, unless informed otherwise by a Member, assumes permission to use copies of prints or digital images for the purposes of publicity on the Club's website or by means of Club posters.

#### 6. Competitions Programme.

First Print Competition Monochrome & Colour.	General	Advanced
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First Projected Image Competition.	General	Advanced
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Second Print Competition Monochrome & Colour	General	Advanced
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Second Projected Image Competition.	General	Advanced
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Open Themed Competition. Monochrome, Colour & Projected Image Categories.

Photograph of the Year. Monochrome, Colour & Projected Image Categories

#### 7. Entries.

- (a) Monochrome prints are defined as a black and white image which shows continuous tonal change from black to white or have been modified by the addition of a single tone across the whole image.
- (b) The minimum sizes for photographic prints are:-  
 Colour Prints, size 17.85 cms [7 ins] x 12.7 cms [5 ins] .  
 Monochrome Prints, size 17.85 cms [7 ins] x 12.7 cms[5 ins]
- (c) Mounts shall not exceed 50 cms [19.7 ins] x 40 cms [15.76 ins] or 40 cms [15.76 ins] x 30 cms [11.82 ins].
- (d) Prints may be submitted in the General Section unmounted if backed with card.
- (e) Digital images must be in the format as set out in the current Club's Digital Image Guidelines.
- (f) All entries must bear a title and the Member's name.
- (g) Prints for all competitions must be wholly the entrant's own work apart from the printing process. The prints may be produced in the darkroom or by using a computer.
- (h) Any mount with more than one print attached will be deemed to be one print.
- (i) Entries for Club Print Competitions must be submitted fifteen minutes before the meeting starts.
- (j) Entries for Club Projected Images Competitions must be submitted at least seven days before the date of the Competition.

8. Details of the Club Awards and Cups are set out in a separate Club document.