

QUICK REFERENCE COMPETITION RULES 2024-2025 SEASON

'CLUB' are formal competitions, usually evaluated by an invited judge. The points that the judge awards to each member's image are accrued during the Society 'year' (September to April), the member with the most points being the Society 'Photographer of the Year'.

'FRIENDLY' are informal competitions judged by the Society members on the night. The results do not count in respect of 'Photographer of the Year'.

'WHEN' was the image taken? 'Any' means at any time. 'Year' means during the previous 365 days prior to the date of the competition.

Note that ANY image/AVI submitted into any club competition except 'Image Of The Year' competition, must not have previously been placed within the top three of ANY WPS competition.

Competition	Type	Colour Prints	Mono Prints	Colour PDIs	Mono PDIs	WHEN Taken
Open – Any Subject	Club	1	1	1	1	Any
Members 'Whitchurch'	Club	1	1	1 (Col or Mon)		Any
Set Subjects 'Light & Dark'		1	1	1 (Col or Mon)		Any
This Years Work any subject.	Club	2	2	2 (Col or Mon)		Year
WPS Committee 'Delicacy'	Club	2	0	0		Any
Set Subjects 'Drama'		0	2	0		Any
		0	0	2 (Col or Mon)		Any
It's a Knockout - any subject.	Friendly	0	0	4 (Col or Mon)		Any
Panel A set of images which are <i>linked</i> or <i>related</i> to a subject/topic. Images to be mounted on a board of any size up to A1 (23 ³ / ₈ " x 33 ¹ / ₈ " / 59.4 ^{cm} x 84.1 ^{cm}) in portrait or landscape orientation.	Friendly	Your panel can have any number of images Colour, Mono, or both bearing in mind that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> only so many will fit on an A1 board. the more images on the board, the smaller they will be – find the right balance 				Any
AV any subject, 'Pictures to Music', or 'Documentary'.	Friendly	A maximum of two videos circa 3 minutes. Bring them on the night on a memory stick.				Any
Informal Prints	Friendly	2 (Col or Mon)		0		
Images taken with your Phone	Friendly	0	0	4 (Col or Mon)		Any
Image of the Year	Club	2	2	2 (Col or Mon)		Any
Captured in Camera any subject.	Friendly	0	0	4 (Col or Mon)		Any

A print can be any size, provided it is mounted **within** a standard 500mm x 400mm mountboard.

There are three ways you can mount your print:

- Affixed to the rear of your mountboard in which you have pre-cut a window to your print dimensions, with a full backing board affixed by double sided tape / adhesive. **THIS IS THE PREFERRED METHOD** – note that mountboards can be purchased with pre-cut holes to accommodate A4 or A3 prints, but this may hinder your creativity.
- Your print glued directly on the face of a standard mountboard using spray adhesive.
- Affixed to the rear of your mountboard in which you have pre-cut a window to your print dimensions, with a smaller backing board to protect it. If this method is used, please ensure that no sticky tape is showing, or could peel, as when we store prints on top of each other, loose sticky tape could damage somebody else's work stored below.

On the **REAR** of any print submitted, you must write the **TITLE** of your image and your **WPS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER** (not your name).

Copies of **ALL PRINTS**, must be uploaded to PhotoEntry before the competition closing date. Copies must be in sRGB colour format and .jpeg image format. The size of your copy, must not exceed 1600 pixels horizontally and 1200 pixels vertically (but can be less). It is advisable to place a thin white border of about 2 pixels around your image to aid projection. Do this **before** you resize to fit the 1600 x 1200 limits. **When you resize your image, make sure you save the new smaller image with a different name, in order to preserve your original image.**

PDI's must also be uploaded to PhotoEntry before the competition closing date (format as above).

NOTE that if you do not re-size your image yourself and upload a full size image, PHOTOENTRY will re-size for you. BEWARE this may not produce an image to your satisfaction. Similarly, PhotoEntry will change your image to sRGB. Again, this may not be to your satisfaction.

If you need help with any of this, ask a club committee member, who will be pleased to point you in the right direction.

There is no need to upload images for either the Panel or the AV Competition (bring your AV on a memory stick on the night. Most popular video formats (mp4; avi; etc.) are OK (not specific MAC formats).