



EAST IPSWICH CAMERA CLUB

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EAST IPSWICH CAMERA CLUB - COMPETITION INFORMATION 2011/12

1(a) NORMAL CLUB COMPETITIONS (Deben, Orwell and Stour)

No photograph may be entered in the normal club competitions if it has previously been awarded a 1st, 2nd, 3rd or a merit, in a previous normal club competition (Deben/Orwell/Stour).

(Placings in the Creative Eye Trophy and the Skylark Trophy are NOT excluded from entering)

There is a maximum entry of 4 entries per member per competition, which can be entered between the Deben Shield, the Orwell Shield and the Stour Shield with no more than 2 in any one section. This can be 2 in one category plus 2 in another category or 2 in one category and 1 in each of the others.

Deben Shield print size: - up to A4. All sizes excluding mounts.

Orwell Shield print size: - up to A3. All sizes excluding mounts.

No minimum print sizes in either category - maximum mount size is 50 cm x 40 cm (or 20" x 16").

Stour Shield image size: - images will need to be up to 1400 px width and 1050 px height with resolution at 72 (pixels per inch). Any background beyond your image should be set to black to produce a final image of 1400 px width and 1050 px height. Profile should be sRGB. Images will need to be handed in at previous meeting or emailed 1 week prior to competition.

1(b) POINTS

1 point is given for entering in each category. **If awarded a 1st, 2nd, 3rd place or merit, this point is not given.**

6 Points awarded for 1st place.

4 points awarded for 2nd place.

3 points awarded for 3rd place.

2 points awarded for a Merit

2. CREATIVE EYE TROPHY (digital images only – annual competition)

Up to 2 images may be entered. The theme will always be 'Creative Photography', in whatever style the individual author wishes, be it in choice of lens, process or manipulation. Basically anything except a straight record shot. - images will need to be up to 1400 px width and 1050 px height with resolution at 72 (pixels per inch). Any background beyond your image should be set to black to produce a final image of 1400 px width and 1050 px height. Profile should be sRGB. Placings in all other club competitions are allowed to be entered.

3. SKYLARK TROPHY . (Prints only – annual competition)

An open subject competition. Up to 2 prints may be entered. Digitally imaged prints will be allowed in this section along with photographically produced prints, but must be as close to the original negative/image as possible. The only manipulation permissible will be limited to dodging, burning, spotting and cropping. Other forms of manipulation, i.e. toning, hand tinting, sandwiching or any other form of manipulation will not be allowed. Size can be up to A3 (or 16" x 12"). All sizes excluding mounts. Placings in all other club competitions are allowed to be entered.

4. BLACK AND WHITE CHALLENGE - (Prints only – annual competition) Members may be given a short list of subjects or themes but for the current season this is an open competition. Members will have to produce 3 Black & White Prints as a set with a coherent theme.

(Prints will be judged only as a set of 3.) Each member will be allowed to enter up to 2 sets.

Finished prints may be toned one colour only – e.g. sepia (*no hand tinting allowed*). Finished print size will be up to A4 maximum (excluding mount).

5. PICTURE TRAIL - (projected digital images or slides)

This competition takes place annually at a local location. Members may be given a short list of subjects or subject types that are known to be in the area to be photographed, but each photographer must produce **one set of six images** relating to the location.

6. EAST IPSWICH CHALLENGE CUP.

This is an open subject competition. A set of FOUR pictures framed and presented as a panel. There will be only one panel per member and this must have a titled theme. The prints will be displayed and judged as a panel. There will be no minimum print size but there will be a maximum print size of A3 (Excluding mount).

7. POINTS FOR SPECIAL COMPETITIONS (2, 3, 4, 5 AND 6 ABOVE):

2 points will be given for entering in any of these competitions. **If awarded a 1st, 2nd, 3rd place or merit these points are not given.**

7 Points awarded for 1st place.

5 points awarded for 2nd place.

4 points awarded for 3rd place.

3 points awarded for a Merit

8.(a) CHAIRMAN'S CUPS (Best prints from the Orwell and Deben Shields)

Chairman's Cup is open to all of the season's 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings in normal club competitions (Orwell and Deben). Chairman's Merit Cup is open to all of the season's merit placings in normal club competitions (Orwell and Deben). Skylark Trophy, Black and White Challenge and East Ipswich Challenge Cup placings are **NOT** eligible for entry.

8.(b) PRESIDENT'S CUPS (Best digital images from the Stour Shield)

President's Cup is open to all of the season's 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings in the Stour competitions. President's Merit Cup is open to all of the season's merit placings in the Stour competitions. Creative Eye Trophy placings are **NOT** eligible for entry.

9. ORWELL, DEBEN and STOUR SHIELDS

Separate trophies are awarded to the person with the highest number of points in each of the Deben Shield, Orwell Shield and Stour Shield competitions.

10. PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR TROPHY

Points will be awarded to all members that enter any of the club's competitions held throughout the season (prints and digital), with extra points awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placings as well as merits. The member with the highest number of points at the end of the season will be awarded the club's major trophy of Photographer of the Year.

RULES FOR PRINT AND DIGITAL COMPETITIONS

All competitions are open only to current members.

The Deben Shield (Non-Manipulated) is for prints of up to A4 – no minimum size. Digitally imaged prints will be allowed in this section along with photographically produced prints, but must be as close to the original negative/image as possible. The only manipulation permissible will be limited to dodging, burning, spotting and cropping. Other forms of manipulation, i.e. toning, hand tinting, sandwiching or any other form of manipulation will not be allowed.

The Orwell Shield (Manipulation allowed but not essential) is for prints up to A3 – no minimum size.

Digitally imaged prints will be allowed in this section and along with photographically produced prints, may include any form of manipulation that the photographer desires.

The Stour Shield (Manipulation allowed but not essential) is for digitally projected images – up to 1400 px width and 1050 px height with resolution at 72 (pixels per inch). May include any form of manipulation that the photographer desires.

Reminder: Between the above 3 Categories, a maximum of 4 images per member will be allowed. This can be 2 in one category plus 2 in another category or 2 in one category and 1 in each of the others.

Mount Sizes:

Prints should have cardboard mounts. In all single print competitions the maximum mount size is 50 cm x 40 cm (or 20" x 16").

Glass mounted prints are **NOT** allowed.

Titles:

Members are encouraged to give titles to both prints and digital images.

For prints the title should be added to the bottom right hand corner of the front of the mount using a strip of paper folded over and attached to the rear of the mount.

For digital images the file name should be the title.

For slides (if any entered for Picture Trail) the bottom left hand corner of the slide, when viewed the correct way by eye, to have a spot and this to be marked with (1) the photographer's initials and (2) the slide number as defined on the entry form (to allow titles to be announced when the slides are shown).