



Northallerton Camera Club

Competitions

There are several internal competitions, some are stand-alone competitions and some go forward towards the Photographer of the Year competitions.

Stand-alone Competitions

Internal Competition

1. Summer Outings Competitions

During the summer break, four outings are proposed for members. These are usually the second weekend in the month for May, June, July and August. They are not compulsory and you don't need to go to all or any of them. For the Outings competition, you enter 3 pictures taken from at least two of these days. The 3 pictures are judged as a set, with a single mark out of 30 for the set. The pictures do not have to be related. There are two trophies, one for a set of 3 prints and the other for a set of 3 PDIs. You can enter just one competition or both of them.

2. Audio Visual Competition

AVs are Audio-Visual sequences where a series of pictures are set to sound. The pictures should be linked in some way, either with a common theme or telling a story. The soundtrack can be just music or a combination of music, sound effects and a voice-over. For this competition, members enter an AV. The topic can be any subject and a limited amount of video can be used. Sequences can be up to 7 minutes in length. The author's name should not appear in the AV. All the AVs entered are shown, then members of the audience give a mark out of 10 for each AV. The marks are totalled up and the winner declared on the night. There is a trophy for the winning AV.

Members' Night Competitions

There are 4 of these. Members can enter up to 3 PDIs and/or up to 3 Prints for each competition. Marks out of 30 are given to each image. The top mark in each competition for each member is added to the Members Night Photographer of the Year total. There are 6 trophies altogether, a trophy in both Prints and PDIs for each of the 3 membership classes, Club, Intermediate and Advanced.

The competitions are:

Open. Any topic

2 Themed nights. Topic is chosen by the committee each year.

Millennium Trophy. This is a panel of 3 pictures which are related (a Triptych). Only one mark out of 30 is given for the panel. Credit is given for the panel as well as the quality of the three images. There is also a separate trophy for this competition.

Annual Exhibition

There are 8 sections in this competition, with a trophy for the winner of each section. Details of the sections can be found on the web-site. Members can enter up to 4 sections.

Overall Photographer of the Year

The top mark scored by a member in each of 4 different sections of the Annual Exhibition is added to the Members Night totals to give a total mark for the year. (Maximum number of marks per member will be 8). The winner of each of the Prints and the PDIs win the Overall Photographer of the Year competition – one for Prints and one for PDIs. This is an overall total and is not class related.

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External Competitions

There are several bodies which organise external competitions for camera clubs.

PAGB

Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

National level

It organises national level competitions for both clubs and regions. The clubs are chosen by regional competitions.

NCPF

Northern Counties Photographic Federation

Regional level

It organises 2 competitions a year.

1. Club competition in February

Top two clubs go through to PAGB inter club competitions (Prints and PDIs)

2. Individual competition in April

a) Best images go into the Alliance Portfolio. Alliance Portfolio entered into the PAGB Regional competition.

Images are chosen from this Inter-regional competition to be part of the PAGB Exhibition.

b) Selectors Portfolio is chosen from the rest to show the range of images from the region.

The Selectors Portfolio is circulated to the clubs in the region

NYSDPA

North Yorks and South Durham PA

Mini-regional level

This is a completely separate body from the PAGB and NCPF. It organises a club competition for the local clubs from North Yorkshire and South Durham.

Northallerton Camera Club

Local level

We organise internal competitions for our own members.

There is an annual inter-club competition between Stokesley and Saltburn clubs.