

## Hervey Bay Photography Club Inc. Competition Rules 2012

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Our club holds Competition Nights each month at 6.30 for 7 pm at the premises of the Hervey Bay Bridge Club, corner Cypress & Pine Streets Torquay:

A **Projected Images Competition** is held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday** and a **Printed Images Competition** on the **4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday**, with invited judges to adjudicate.

In order to participate in a competition the exhibitor must be a Financial Member of the Club and be of "Good Standing" as defined in the HBPC Constitution.

**Visitors are welcome to attend three meetings without commitment, however if they wish to attend further meetings, it is required that they apply to become a member of the Hervey Bay Photography Club Inc.**

### There are three Grades: B, M, A

- **B Grade** is for *beginners and new members*, however new members may use an existing Grade status gained from a previous club membership.

When a B Grade Member has accrued a total of **300** points in monthly competitions over the preceding TWO years, (see Awards System below) that B Grade member will be eligible to be promoted to Intermediate Grade, however that member will continue in B Grade until the end of that calendar year. That member will then commence in Intermediate Grade at the beginning of the next calendar year.

Any B Grade member, who qualifies for Intermediate Grade as above, may elect to start immediately in Intermediate Grade; however that member's accrued B Grade Yearly Competition Points will NOT be included in the current year's Intermediate Grade Annual Point Score Awards.

If a B Grade member does not wish to take up Intermediate Grade status when they have qualified to do so, their request should be made in writing to the Secretary within 1 month of being aware of their eligibility for change of grade. That request will then be submitted for adjudication by the Committee.

- **M Grade (Intermediate)** is to be regarded as a *transition grade* between B Grade and A Grade,

When an Intermediate Grade Member has accrued a total of **300** points in monthly competitions over the preceding TWO years, (see Awards System below) that Intermediate Grade member will be eligible to be promoted to A Grade, however that member will continue in Intermediate Grade until the end of that calendar year. That member will then commence in A Grade at the beginning of the next calendar year.

Any Intermediate Grade member, who qualifies for A Grade as above, may elect to start immediately in A Grade; however that member's accrued Intermediate Grade Yearly Competition Points will NOT be included in the current year's A Grade Annual Point Score Awards.

If an Intermediate Grade member does not wish to take up A Grade status when they have qualified to do so, their request should be made in writing to the Secretary within 1 month of being aware of their change of Grade. That request will then be submitted for adjudication by the Committee.

- **A Grade** is for more *advanced* exhibitors; however a new member can elect to go straight to Intermediate or A Grade, subject to adjudication by the Committee.

### THERE ARE FIVE COMPETITION CATEGORIES WITHIN EACH THREE GRADES:

1. **Projected Image Open Subject**
2. **Projected Image Set Subject**
3. **Printed Image Open Subject**
4. **Printed Image Set Subject**
5. **Printed Monochrome Image Open Subject**

- Each exhibitor may enter up to **two** images in each of the above two **Projected Image Categories** (i.e. a total of four Projected images).

- Each exhibitor may enter a **total** of only **four** images in the above three **Printed Image Categories**; however the number entered may not exceed two printed images in any print category

A Club fee of 50c (payable at competition night) is required for each Projected Image or Printed Image entered.

If a print or projected image does not receive an award, it may be entered **one** more time, however if an entered image receives any award it may not be submitted again, except in the Annual "Printed and Projected Images of the Year Competition" for that year.

### Subjects

**Set Subject** – A list of set subjects for the coming year is announced by December of the preceding year. Where practical a suggested definition will be provided.

**Open Subject** – Can be any subject matter.

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#### Image Submissions

Any images submitted:

- Must have been taken photographically within the last three years.
- Must be the work of the Author – the one who clicks the button. A photograph of another person's artwork e.g. a sculpture/painting/craft is not encouraged.
- Must not use non-photographic elements such as graphics, text or clipart unless it is an integral part of a photographic image.
- Digitally enhanced images, (prints and projected images) will be judged alongside traditional images.

#### Projected Images

- All projected images must be Digital in **.jpg** format.
- Image sizes: For correct projection, images should be no more than **1024** pixels **wide** and/or no more than **768** pixels **high**.
- File size preferred around 300Kb
- Entries to be emailed to the Image Coordinator or submitted on a CD by the **last day of the month preceding the competition**
- The Projected Image entry should be clearly marked with the following information:  
**HBPC, Membership number** (no personal names), **Grade (A, M or B), Class** (Open or Set Subject) and

Image Title e.g. **HBPC-90-B-Open-"title"**

#### Printed Images:

- All prints must be mounted. Beginners' prints may be submitted without mounts for the first entry only, thereafter mounts are required.
- Print and mount thickness not to exceed 4mm.
- **Maximum mount size 400mm x 500mm**
- **Minimum print size is 175mm x 125mm.**
- On the **back** of the **print** to avoid confusion please attach a **Clearly Printed Label** with the words as exemplified: **HBPC-Your own Name- Grade (A, M or B) - Class (Set Subject or Open) Title of print: - e.g. "HBPC-Joe Blogs-A-Open-"title"**.
- If a print is entered in the Monochrome category, "**Mono**" must also be shown on the back e.g. "**HBPC-Joe Blogs-A-Mono-"title"**".
- Where the orientation of a print may not be obvious, it should be marked with an arrow.

#### Monthly Competition Awards

There are two types of awards as shown below:

**Merit:** "An image that is above average standard. It will demonstrate competence on the part of the photographer without warranting a higher award".

**Honour:** "This is the highest possible award and indicates that the image is of an exceptionally high standard and is free of technical faults".

At the Judge's discretion a B Grade "Encouragement Award" may be given but it will not qualify for any competition points.

Any of the above awards are at the **discretion of the Competition Judge/s** and accrue points as follows:

**Merit:** 6 points

**Honour:** 10 points

#### Annual Awards:

##### **"Annual Point Score Awards Competition"**

All points awarded in the Monthly Competitions of that year accrue towards this competition. First, Second and Third place awards in each grade are presented at an end-of- year function.

##### **"Printed and Projected Images of the Year Competition"**

A member may enter up to three projected images, three Colour Prints and three Monochrome Prints in this competition. These images must have been entered in a competition in the current year. It is not necessary for these images to have received an award.

This competition will be adjudicated by a panel of three invited judges where First Second and Third places will be decided.

The Annual "**Barrie Thomas Trophy**" for "**Print of the Year**" will also be awarded at this time.

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