

HERVEY BAY PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB Inc

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

Competitions are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month (Except December) with the Printed Images and Projected Images Competitions alternating each month, Invited judges adjudicate. In order to participate in a competition the exhibitor must be a Financial Member of the Club.

Visitors are welcome to attend two meetings without commitment, however if they wish to attend further meetings, and enter competitions it is required that they first apply to become a financial member of the Hervey Bay Photography Club Inc.

Entry level Grade for new members will be determined by the Committee.

THERE ARE THREE GRADES: B, M, A

B Grade is for **beginners**, however new members may use an existing Grade status gained from a previous club membership with the approval of the Committee.

When a B Grade Member has accrued a total of **150** 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 **150** 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.

COMPETITIONS

There is a different **Set** subject for each month. A list of set subjects (including definitions) for the coming year is announced by December of the preceding year. Any subject matter can be included in the **Open** category.

Within each of the Grades above, there are **CATEGORIES** for either the **Printed Images (3)** or **Projected Images Competitions (2)**

Each Member may enter a total of only **four** images in the **Printed Images Competitions**
The number entered may not exceed **two** in any category.

1. **Set Subject (may include monochrome images)**
2. **Open Subject (may include monochrome images)**
3. **Monochrome (only) - Image Open Subject**

Each Member may enter up to **two** images in each of the **Projected Images Competition** categories :-

1. **Set Subject (may include monochrome images)**
2. **Open Subject (may include monochrome images)**

N.B. Monochrome Category: All members are encouraged to enter at least one monochrome image in each competition.

If a Print or Projected image does **not** receive an award, it may be entered one more time, (i.e. it may only be entered twice).

However if an entered image **does** receive an award it may **not** be submitted again, **except** in the Annual "Printed and Projected Images of the Year Competition" for that year, or in any Club recognised external competitions.

N.B. A conversion of the same image, (e.g. Colour to Monochrome) is counted as the same image.

IMAGE SUBMISSIONS

Any images submitted :-

- 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.

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 **500mm x 400mm (20 x 16 inches)**
- Minimum print size is **175mm x 125mm (7 x 5 inches)**
- Where the orientation of a print may not be obvious, **it should be marked with an arrow.**
- On the **back** of the **print** to avoid confusion please attach a **Clearly Printed Label** showing the following detail :-

Your own Name- Grade (A, M or B) - Class (Set (S), Open (O) or Mono (M) - Image Title

e.g **John Citizen-B-S-Urangan Pier**

Projected Images

- All projected images must be Digital in **.jpg** format.
- Image sizes: For correct projection, images should be no more than **1400** pixels **wide** and/or no more than **1400** pixels **high**.
- Max File size is 1Mb (1000kb).
- Entries are to be emailed or submitted on a CD to the Image Coordinator no later than the *last day of the month preceding the competition unless otherwise advised*
- No Separate MONO Class for Projected Images
- The Projected Image FILE NAME must be in the following format :-

Membership Number-Grade (A, M or B) -Class (Set (S), Open (O) - Image Title

e.g. **90-B-O-Red Dog.jpg**

MONTHLY COMPETITION AWARDS

There are two types of awards :-

- **Merit:** An image that is above average standard.
It will demonstrate competence on the part of the photographer without warranting a higher award.
- **Honour:** An image that is of an exceptionally high standard and is free of technical faults.
This is the highest possible award

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.