

## Digital Competition Rules

1. The competition is open to all fully paid up members of Hadleigh Camera Club, (HCC). Images may be taken on a Phone, Tablet or Camera.
2. Entries for any of the topics may be submitted to the Digital competition secretary at any time up to the 26<sup>th</sup> of the relative month.
3. There are two levels of membership, Entry level and Experienced level.
4. Winning entries for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each category will be published on the club website during the following month.,
5. Maximum of 2 entries per topic.
6. Images into any competition may only be entered once where that image is awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Anything below these awards may be re-entered a second time at a later date to allow the author chance for further editing or to seek a different view from another judge. Entry of the same image is not acceptable.
7. Images must be tasteful and decent, images that do not may be rejected, the committee's decision shall be final. Entrants shall be informed if this rule is broken and provided sufficient time is left, another image may be submitted.
8. Copyright of images submitted remains with the author. By entering the competition the author grants the committee of HCC the non exclusive licence to use the submitted images or derivatives there from in any form.
9. Any entries not conforming to these rules will not be accepted for the competition.
10. Entries to be made to the Digital Competition Secretary using the e-mail link under Digital Entries on the club website.
11. Each image must not exceed 900 pixels along its longest edge.
12. Entries will be marked by an independent judge. The judges decision is final.
13. Points will be awarded as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> – 5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> 3 points.
14. 1 point will be awarded for every non winning entry submitted.
15. All points awarded will count towards the “Digital Photographer of the Year” shield in each level. The shield is held by the winner for one year. The name will be engraved on the shield and a small trophy is presented to each winner to keep.
16. The winning member in the Entry Level will be promoted to Experienced Level the following year.