



PRESTON PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY - COMPETITION ETIQUETTE

A key part of the annual syllabus at PPS is the monthly competitions. First and foremost, this gives members the opportunity to showcase their work with other club members whilst at the same time, receive constructive criticism from invited external judges, the primary objective being to create an environment where members can develop their photographic skills and techniques.

The competitions also create an opportunity for members to compete alongside their peers and also contribute collectively as a club in external competitions with other clubs.

The competitions should be run in a friendly, supportive and non-hostile environment.

Members should show respect to fellow competitors and club members, judges and the competition organisers at all times.

Judging of images carries a degree of subjectivity and rules can be ambiguous and open to individual interpretation.

Public disagreement or criticism which may cause upset to individuals or damage the reputation of PPS, is not acceptable.

The competitions are organised and run by fellow club members - the Internal Competition Secretary and the External Competition Secretary. These two roles are critical to the successful operation of the club.

Individuals who carry out these roles, do so on a voluntary basis, in their own time and are elected by other club members. As such, support and respect should be given to individuals whilst carrying out their duties on behalf of the club.

In the event of any issues and disagreements arising in respect of either internal or external competitions, the ultimate decision and final say rests with the respective competition secretary.

Failure to abide by these basic principles may result in sanctions being imposed by the committee under the terms of sections 6 and 16 of the club constitution.

(The Executive Committee - November 2015)