

# ***Maryborough Camera Club***

## **2022 Club Critiquing & Competition Rules**

All entrants must be a financial member of the Maryborough Camera Club Inc. to enter into the Club's monthly competitions and End of Year competitions.

New members will be allocated to either A or B Grade depending on their expertise upon joining the Club.

### **B-Grade to A-Grade Progression.**

1. High achieving B-Grade members: At the end of each year, subject to committee approval, these members will progress to A-Grade. To gain approval, submitted images should demonstrate a wide subject range created with a variety of techniques and styles.
2. Portfolio Presentation: Any B-Grader may submit a portfolio of 6 DIGITAL and 6 PRINT images for consideration by the committee. The portfolio must consist of high quality images that demonstrate a wide subject range created with a variety of techniques and styles. Discuss with committee before submission. Images must be sized and named in accordance with current club rules.

## **Monthly Critiquing**

### **General**

- All entries:
  - a) may have been submitted for a previous club critique, BUT not received an Honour or Merit
  - b) must be the work of the author, including any added elements.
- Members may only submit entries in their relevant club grade/section.
- Judging
  - Wherever possible, digital entries will be sent to PSQ accredited judges for judging and comment. These will be viewed at a subsequent critique meeting.
  - Print judging will be conducted on the night of the competition. Wherever possible, PSQ accredited judges will be invited for these events.
- Awards
  - Judges are requested to give effect to the scoring method described in Appendix 1 of the PSQ Judging Manual 2020. (Provided below)
  - Points will be allocated to images in each section in the range 1-9 to reflect the ranking achieved using Appendix 1 as a guide. These points will accumulate to form each member's annual competition result.
  - High scoring entries will also be recognised in the traditional way eg Acceptance, Merit, Honour.
- File Naming
  - **Prints and DPI Images** should be named using the following format.

GradeSection-MonthYear-Title-Competitor's Initials  
Eg **BO-0222-Sunset-BJS**  
(Please use a hyphen (-) NOT an underscore (\_) in file names.  
(This indicates a **B-Grade Open** entry, in **February 2022**, titled **Sunset** and was entered by **Brian James Smith**.)
  - All image titles should be restricted to 15 characters maximum
  - Prints should be labelled on the back so that the orientation of the print is correct when reading the label. An arrow ↑ pointing to the top of the print is also useful.
  - *Correct file naming ensures that your entry appears in the correct section. It also makes the job of the recording officer much easier and far less time consuming.*

## Prints

- ❖ There will be 2 sections each month – **Open Subject** and **Set Subject**.

Print Competition			
Grade	Section	Maximum Size Including Mount	Entries Permitted
A	Open Subject	16" x 20" (40cm x 50cm)	3
A	Set Subject	16" x 20" (40cm x 50cm)	3
B	Open Subject	16" x 20" (40cm x 50cm)	3
B	Set Subject	16" x 20" (40cm x 50cm)	3

- ❖ Entries are to be handed to the Club's recorder on the evening of the competition meeting **with a completed entry form**. (Entry form available from MCC web site)
- ❖ Prints should be mounted.
- ❖ Note maximum size is 16" x 20" (40cm x 50cm), including the mount. There is no minimum print size.

- Sample of current Monthly Print Entry Form. (Full size copy available from MCC web site)

Name	Grade	Month	Year
<b>PRINT ENTRY</b>			
<b>Competition Title:</b>			
<b>Section</b>		<b>TITLE</b> Naming: GradeSection-MonthYear-Title-Competitor's Initials Eg BO-0222-Sunset-BJS	<b>RESULT</b>
Open			
Open			
Open			
Set			
Set			
Set			

## Digital Projected Images (DPI)

- There will be 2 sections each month (Open & Set Subject) for each grade.

DPI Competition		
Grade	Section	Entries Permitted
A	Open Subject	3
A	Set Subject	3
B	Open Subject	3
B	Set Subject	3

- ❖ **Timeline:** Entries for projected images are to be emailed to the Club's recorder and are to reach the recorder **no later than 12 noon on the Saturday indicated in the 2022 program**.
- ❖ (Note that entries are submitted approximately 1 month prior to the critique meeting to allow for remote judging.)

Email entries to:- [entries.maryboroughcameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:entries.maryboroughcameraclub@gmail.com)

- ❖ **NO entry form needed for DPI images.**
- ❖ Digital images should be submitted in the following format:-
  - Saved in a JPEG format
  - Image Profile: sRGB
  - Maximum image dimensions:- Width 1920 pixels. Height 1200 pixels. Images outside these dimensions may be stretched or compressed by the computer/software/projector combination.
  - Maximum file size:- 500kB

# Photographic Society Qld (PSQ) SCORING APPENDIX 1

PSQ Judging Manual 2020.

Points		Guide to Image Features
1	Out of Category	Use this score to disqualify an entry. An image may be disqualified if <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is considered not to fit the definition of the Set Subject</li> <li>• It clearly infringes on another artist's copyright or contains material of an inappropriate nature.</li> </ul>
2		The image displays serious technical defects, such as an extreme under or overexposure, very poorly handled focus, substantial (and clearly unintended) camera movement, or similar problems.
3		The image has noticeable technical defects or noteworthy shortcomings in image content. <i>Because most club competition entrants have a reasonable level of experience, scores of 1 or 2 are rarely used in club competitions.</i>
4		The image does not have significant technical defects or noteworthy shortcomings in image content. However there may be evidence that composition, lighting, etc, has not been well controlled.
5 5-6	Acceptance	The image is acceptable in most respects (E.g. Technical, content, composition, etc.) and creates some interest for the viewer. The score could be raised by some small improvements (indicated by the judge.)
6 7-8	Commended	With minor alterations (suggested by the Judge), the image could easily receive a higher score.
7 9-10	Highly Commended	The image has been reasonably well produced. Technical aspects and image content have been competently handled, and it shows one aspect of emotion, impact, creativity or story for the viewer.
8 11-12	Merit or Credit	The image is well handed technically all or most of the image aspects is above average. It shows some aspects of emotion, impact, creativity or story in its presentation.
9 13-15	Honour	The image has a strong emotional influence, visual impact or creativity and narrative content. The image is exceptional and worthy of special recognition.

## End of Year Competition

Images/prints submitted for the End Of Year Competitions must have been entered into the Club's monthly competitions during the current calendar year.

The End of Year Competition will be judged and announced at the December competition meeting.

Members are eligible to submit up to 3 entries in each of the following sections:-

**A Grade:-** (i) Open Print & (ii) Set Subject Print, **and** (iii) Open DPI & (iv)Set Subject DPI

**B Grade:-** (i) Open Print & (ii) Set Subject Print, **and** (iii) Open DPI & (iv)Set Subject DPI

Overall points gained during the year (up to November) will accumulate and the member with the most points will be awarded the *Maximum Overall Points A Grade* or *Maximum Overall Points B Grade*.

2022 End Of Year Awards			
		A Grade	B Grade
<b>PRINTS</b> <i>(Judged on night)</i>	Print Of The Year <b>Open Subject</b>	3 entries/person	3 entries/person
	Print Of The Year <b>Set Subject</b>	3 entries/person	3 entries/person
<b>DPI</b> <i>(Judged on night)</i>	Projected Image of the Year <b>Open Subject</b>	3 entries/person	3 entries/person
	Projected Image Of the Year <b>Set Subject</b>	3 entries/person	3 entries/person
<b>ACCUMULATED POINTS</b>	Maximum Overall Points	<i>Calculated</i>	<i>Calculated</i>
	<i>Running points tally available during the year.</i>		
<b>Encouragement</b>	Encouragement Award		