



Lincolnshire Photographic Association.

Print Battles.

Rules.

1. The battles competition is for prints only, the LPA cannot accept any responsibility for loss or damage to the prints.
 2. The 1st, 2nd, 3rd rounds shall be held in May, June & July respectively.
 3. Each club's entries shall consist of sixteen prints, fifteen prints for the battle; the sixteenth print is a tie-breaker if required.
 4. If authors are members of more than one club they can only represent one club in the LPA battles each year.
 5. There is no restriction on the subject categories, but not more than three prints may be accepted from one author per club who must all be members of the club at the time of submitting entries. *This excludes the tie break print which may be a fourth print from a member.*
 6. The prints can be digital, trade or home processed, and size (including the mount) must be 20" X 16" or 500mmx400mm
 7. ALL ENTRIES MUST CARRY: PRINT TITLE, AUTHOR & CLUB on the reverse of the print, on the TOP There should be NO information on the front of the print. It is the Competition Secretary's job to ensure that this rule is adhered to.
 8. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY RULES 3 TO 7 WILL LEAD TO DISQUALIFICATION OF THE OFFENDING ENTRIES
 9. A list of entries, showing titles, authors shall be sent to the competition organisers by the 30th of April or the club concerned will be deemed not to have entered. Images may not thereafter be altered or substituted except in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Officers.
 10. The home club is responsible for arranging the date and venue of each round. Visiting clubs should be advised of the date and venue by the end of March. The organiser is to be informed of the date of the round and judge (including contact details) as soon as they are arranged. This will enable details to be put on the website to avoid judge clashes.
 - 11 In the event that a club is unable to continue to take part in the Competition after the draw is made, the Organiser, in consultation with the LPA Officers, will alter the fixtures to ensure that the remaining clubs may be able to continue to take part in as fair a way as is possible in the circumstances.
 12. The home club is responsible for selecting the judge after consultation with the visiting clubs and for giving a copy of these rules to the judge.
 13. The judge must not be a member of one of the clubs competing in that particular round. No judge may judge the same club's entry more than once. Please ensure that the judge is informed of which clubs are in that round.
 14. Marking will be on the same basis in all rounds, all prints will be awarded marks out of twenty.
- Note: This is a club entry and more than one top mark can be awarded if the judge so wishes.
15. The club whose entry receives the highest mark in each round scores 5 points: the second highest score 3 points and the third receives 1 point.

16. The finals will be between the clubs gaining the highest points in the three rounds of the competition. In the event of a tie, *the organiser after consultation with the officers of the Association* may make whatever other arrangements are felt to be reasonable in the circumstances.

17. Images entered in the print battles *must not have been entered previously in the Battles or the Interclub PDI Competition.*

This applies to the two afore mentioned competitions only. Failure to abide by this rule will lead to disqualification.

18. It is the responsibility of the secretary of the home club in each round to notify the competition organiser in writing or email of the FULL results as soon as possible and in any case within 7 days of a round taking place. A full result sheet must be sent to the organiser

19. If the judge has any queries please contact the battle organiser.

Please make sure the judge who is judging your home round is fully aware of these rules by sending them a copy when you confirm the details in writing.

NOTES FOR HOST CLUBS:-

1. ***Please ensure that you notify the visiting clubs (and the judge) of the date; venue and Start time (this is not the same for all clubs) for your home round;***
2. ***Please ensure that the full print title is put on the evening's list and that the full title is announced for each print;***
3. ***The judge should NOT view the prints until they have been sorted into the order ready for judging.***

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