

GLoucester U3A PHOTO GROUP

Participating Instructions

- Log on to the Gloucester U3A web site at: www.gloucesteru3a.co.uk
- Click on 'Photo Group'.
- New window provides an index of :-
 - Option e-mailing address for potential new members.
 - Photo Gallery [accessible only to Group Co-ordinator.]
 - Current Competition.
 - Black and White Section
 - Competition Winners

Click on any of the last 3 options to access. This will generate a 'Log-in' box. Enter 'User Name' and 'Password' – both of which will be given to registered members. Finally click on 'Submit'.

- Initially the 'Black and White' section will not be used for separate competition, as it is anticipated that there will be insufficient numbers of B&W or Sepia photographs submitted. This category will be encouraged, but to begin with any entries of this type will be included in 'Current Competition'.
- A new themed competition will occur every 2 months; several themes will be announced in advance.
- The 1st, 2nd and 3rd winning photographs from each competition will be duplicated and retained in the 'Competition Winners' section. Photos from the closed competition will be available to view until the closing date of the next competition.
- Each new competition will be announced to members via e-mail; for members without this facility, contact will be by telephone. The closing date for entries will be given – usually around the 7th week of the competition. A maximum of 3 photographs per member will be accepted – preferably these should have been taken currently, although one entry [only] may be from 'members archives'.
- Pictures should be submitted, if possible by e-mail, to the Co-ordinator. Each picture should be sent at a greater resolution than 800x600, as photographs will be re-sized to this for competition display; smaller submitted sizes might show 'pixilation' when resized. Alternative methods of entry would be to download the pictures on to CD, Memory Stick or a spare Camera Card and post to the Co-ordinator; these could be returned and reused as dedicated 'competition devices'.
- For members without digital facilities, prints could be submitted for entry; these would be scanned in by the Co-ordinator. Computer viewing for those without a personal computer would have to rely on friends or Internet facilities such as Libraries - where the facility is usually available without charge.
- Each picture entry should be given a relevant title and when voting, this should be quoted together with the picture ID number - which is entered automatically in the viewing table. Clicking on a picture will produce an enlargement window.
- At the closing date, members will be advised of total entries received and requested to view all the entries displayed under 'Current Competition'. Members will be invited to vote [on any basis which appeals], for their choice of photographs [1st, 2nd and 3rd] with this information being sent to the Co-ordinator by a certain cut-off date.
- When the results have been assessed, an overall position will emerge and Members will be informed. The 3 winning pictures will be transferred to 'Competition Winners'.
- There is also a 'running' points total for a 'secondary' competition - which takes into account all 3 entries submitted for each competition throughout the year; the winner of this is announced at the end of the year.