

Hi Members,

This year the Club's aim is to encourage everyone to put a Print into our Competitions.

To support members achieve this, the club has agreed to provide each member the opportunity to print one of their images so that you can enter into a Print Category at one of our Monthly Competition Nights. The added bonus is that you will also be given a Mat Board with backing to use & keep for future competitions.

You will need to select one of your images and send this to us **BEFORE 7th April 2024** so we can organise the printing. This means that you will then have 7 months (May - November inclusive) to choose which month to enter your printed image into one of the Monthly Competitions during 2024.

If you have any questions please send me a separate email to projected@nepg.com.au. If you want any help please let me or someone on the committee know - we are here to help.

Below is some information so that you can start selecting your image.

What We (The Club) Will Do:

1. Provide One (1) A4 size Print per member.
2. Take your Image to Fitzgerald's Photo Imaging for professional printing.
3. Provide you with White Mat Board with backing – which you then keep,
4. Conduct a tutorial "How to place your image in a Mat Board" session in April 2024.

What You Need To Do:

1. Select one of your images you want printed.
2. Choose between Matte or Pearl/Lustre Fine Art Paper.
3. Plan for which Month you wish to enter your Matted Print. (May - November).
4. Use the uploader to indicate your interest in taking up this offer.

How you Arrange Printing: To be Completed before 7th April 2024:

1. On the Club Web Site - NEPG Monthly Competition Entry Uploader - Select Print then April. (see attachment).
2. Enter your name and email as directed.
3. Under Image Title - Enter "PI - Your Name - Paper Type" ie. **PI Anne Smith - Matte** or ie. **PI John Smith - Pearl** (PI = Print Incentive)
4. Upload a digital copy of the image you want printed - using the normal competition criteria (ie size and date).
5. If you change your mind or make a mistake - simply upload again.
6. Lastly, email me the image - full size resolution please - making sure you have renamed your image as above - "**PI - Anne Smith - Matte**" or **PI - John Smith - Pearl**

It is imperative that you put your name and paper type in the image title (uploader) and rename your image to reflect this when emailing to me.

Obviously, the number of members who take up this offer will determine how many prints can be entered for each month. So we will need to apply some restrictions as we progress, not least to prevent every print being entered into May's competition and over loading the judge for that night!! So we hope you will work with us on this and have recommended the following process to help:

Print Competition Process:

- We have proposed having 10 of these print entries per month - with priority given to those that want to enter the Subject Category.
- Member's are to advise the Competition Director via email which month they wish to enter their prints – we will have to work on a "*first come, first served*" basis. If all the slots have been taken, you will be allowed to enter a (different) digital image as per normal. (I will send out another email closer to the time)
- Planning ahead is advisable. We please ask that you do not turn up on Competition Night with a Print without having already informed the Competition Director.

- I will be bringing samples of the two paper types to the next competition night so if it helps, you can see the difference and select the one that you think will be best for your image.
- A small but important point if not already known, is that when selecting your image - consider the edges of your image - as the mat board is slightly smaller than the print.
- Portrait or landscape images are fine – but either must be A4 - so no panos or square sized images please.
- The normal competition rules apply – “*date take*” within a 3 year period.

Finally, I appreciate that this is a long email with a lot of information, so it may look a bit daunting – but the aim is sincerely to make this as simple as possible!!

- Choose an image
- Send it to me.
- The club will print it and provide a mat and backing board so you can mount the image.
- All you have to do is enter it into one of the competition months.

The Uploader is ready for your submissions now.

Good Luck.