



NEW ENGLAND CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL, INCORPORATED

2014-15 Electronic Photograph Interclub Competitions

NECCC has had eight successful seasons for the Pictorial and seven successful seasons for the Nature categories of the Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition. For the 2014-2015 season there are few if any updates to the rules and procedures.

- On the PSA web site the definition of nature is at <http://www.psa-photo.org/index.php?nature-nature-definition>. Note that there is new definition effective Jan. 1, 2015. The new definition will be used for the Winter and Spring competitions.
- Last season we had a few problems receiving two entries from the same person, but from different clubs, in a single category. We want to emphasize the rule that each person who belongs to more than one club **must select one club for the entire season and only enter from that designated club in both categories.** Hopefully, if this rule is followed, those problems will be eliminated.
- Just a reminder that once a photograph has been entered in an NECCC electronic interclub competition, it may never be entered in an NECCC electronic interclub competition again. That means that photographs entered into the pictorial class may not be subsequently entered into the nature class and photographs entered into the nature class may not be subsequently entered into the pictorial class.

During last season we had several disqualifications for violating this rule! We also had some cases where a title was repeated, but the images were actually quite different. **It is the responsibility of each club to keep careful records of each entry so that this rule is not violated.** If your records are incomplete please ask as we can supply records for individual clubs or individuals. Also, remind your members not to reuse titles.

- **Because of requirements for the web based system it is mandatory to register by Oct. 1, 2014, so that the internal tables can be updated before the site is opened for entries in the Fall competition.** (See rule number 5 in the competition rules document for details.)
- Class assignments are the same as the 2013-2014 season except for Boston Camera Club which moves from class B to class A in both pictorial and nature.
- The following documents with all the competition details can be found on the NECCC web site at http://neccc14.neccc.org/New_Guide_Elec_Image_Comp.htm
 1. *2014-15 Electronic Photographic Interclub Competitions* (this document)
 2. *Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition Rules*
 3. *Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition Instructions for Host Clubs*
 4. *Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition Information for Judges*
 5. *Instructions for Using the Web-based Image Upload System for the Electronic Interclub Competition*

The upload site is located at <http://cgburke.com/neccc/>.
 6. An alignment image to be used to check that your projector is showing the complete image. This image is exactly 1024 x 768 pixels in size and has a one pixel wide stroke around the entire image. If that stroke is **not visible on all four sides** your projector needs adjustment which can easily be performed through the projector's menu system. This is supplied primarily for host clubs to check their projectors before their competition night, but it is also available to any club that wants to be sure it's projector is adjusted properly.

Competitions for 2013-2014

Participating clubs will receive a reminder e-mail in plenty of time to submit entries for each competition assuming they meet the October 1, 2014, registration date as described by rule 5 in the *Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition Rules* document.

The dates and host clubs for each competition of the 2014-2015 season are as follows:

Fall Competition: The first NECCC Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition of the 2014-2015 season will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014, hosted by the Flagpole Photographers Camera Club. The location will be the C. H. Booth Library, 25 Main Street, Newtown, CT 06470. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. **The closing date for receipt of entries is Monday, November 3, 2014.**

Winter Competition: The second NECCC Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition of the 2014-2015 season will be held on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, hosted by the Greater Bridgeport Camera Club. The location will be First Congregational Church, 2301 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06614 (see <http://gbclub.wordpress.com/directions/> for more information). The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. **The closing date for receipt of entries is Monday, January 19, 2015.**

Spring Competition: The third NECCC Electronic Photograph Interclub Competition of the 2014-15 season will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, hosted by the Boston Camera Club. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. The location will be All Saints Parish church, 1773 Beacon Street, Brookline, MA (go to <http://www.bostoncameraclub.org/site/content/view/17/56/> for driving instructions). **The closing date for receipt of entries is Tuesday March 31, 2015.**

No entry form is required to enter individual competitions. Simply enter your images at the web site before the closing date. The information collected by the web site forms substitutes for a paper entry form. Results will be returned to the club's contact person(s) by e-mail as soon as possible after the competition has been judged. Remember that **no make ups are permitted** so be sure to send your entries well before each closing date so that if there are any problems they can be resolved in a timely fashion.

Each entry will be automatically acknowledged by return e-mail after it has been received and checked by the web site software. Watch for the return e-mail and inquire if the receipt isn't received within a reasonable time. It is important to monitor your entries to be sure they were received and are correct.

Additional Information

If you have any questions, please contact the NECCC Electronic Photograph Competition Co-directors (e-mail preferred):

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