

APPENDIX 1:

One Guide to Competition Scoring. **There are many others.** Where members are at different levels (B Grade, AB Grade, A Grade) the scores should be adjusted accordingly.

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">• It is considered not to fit the definition of the Set Subject• It clearly infringes on another artist's copyright or contains material of an inappropriate nature.
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.

Be aware that an Acceptance in a National or International competition is highly regarded as it means that the image has been "Accepted for Exhibition".

An Image of the Month is a separate item for some clubs.

It is suggested that where images do NOT meet the Club's Competition Guidelines, it is up to the Club to remove those images from the image set before submitting them to the Judge.