Mid Somerset Camera Club

PhotoEntry Upload Instructions

PhotoEntry is the web-based competition entry system used for all MSCC club competitions (DPI and Print).
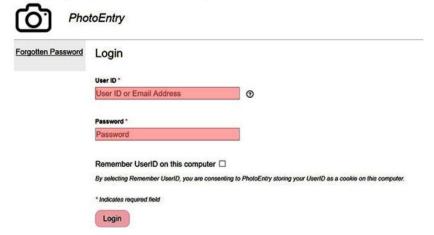It is also used to collect images from club shoots and other activities.

Follow the red text, screenshots are highlighted in pink

Getting login details

New members will receive an email from PhotoEntry with their login details.
If you don't have them then contact the Digital Competition Secretary

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Logging in

Go to https://compent.photoentry.uk/compent and enter your User Id (normally your email address), password and press Login. Be prepared to change your password on first login.

Finding competitions

- **Click on Club Competitions 2019-20 to see a list of competitions.**

Entering a competition

- **Click on the competition name (as shown below) to enter that competition**

Club Competitions 2019-20

Click on this button to show a consolidated view of all your entries:

Show Your Entries in this Group

Or click on the name of a competition to create, modify or view entries for an individual competition:

Competition	Status	Close Date	Judge	Comment
Competition 1 DPI	Open	Tue 24 Sep 2019	Huw Alban	Open
Competition 1 Print	Open	Tue 24 Sep 2019	Huw Alban	Open
Competition 2 DPI	Open	Tue 29 Oct 2019	Sid Jones	Architecture
Competition 2 Print	Open	Tue 29 Oct 2019	Sid Jones	Architecture
Competition 3 DPI	Open	Tue 7 Jan 2020	Prof Bob Ryan FRSA ARPS	People at Play
Competition 3 Print	Open	Tue 7 Jan 2020	Prof Bob Ryan FRSA ARPS	Macro
Competition 4 DPI	Open	Tue 4 Feb 2020	Eddy Lane ARPS, DPAGB, EFIAP	Open
Competition 4 Print	Open	Tue 4 Feb 2020	Eddy Lane ARPS, DPAGB, EFIAP	Open

- **Click Add New Entry**
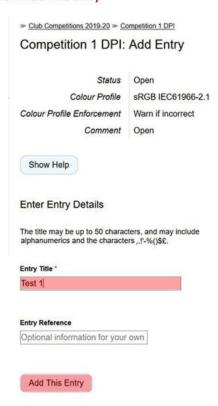
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Competition 1 DPI

Status	Open
Close Date	Tue 24 Sep 2019
Your Class	Members only
Maximum Entries Allowed	2
Target Dimensions	Width 1600, Height 1200
Colour Profile	sRGB IEC61966-2.1
Colour Profile Enforcement	Warn if incorrect
Comment	Open

You do not have any Entries in this Competition.

Add New Entry

- **Enter an image title to be used when it is displayed and judged**
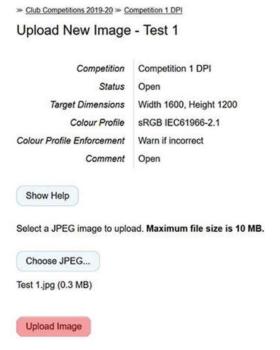- **Click Add This Entry**

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Competition 1 DPI: Add Entry

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Enter Entry Details

The title may be up to 50 characters, and may include alphanumerics and the characters ,.!'-%()$£.

Entry Title *

Test 1

Entry Reference

Optional information for your own

Add This Entry

- **Click Choose JPEG and navigate to the image you want to upload on your computer**

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Upload New Image - Test 1

Entry added - now upload the Image for this Entry

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Select a JPEG image to upload. **Maximum file size is 10 MB.**

Choose JPEG...

- **Pick your image and click Open/OK**
- **Check the file name and size is shown; then click Upload Image**

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Test 1.jpg (0.3 MB)

Upload Image

- **Wait for your image to upload, you will see a thumbnail of your image with additional data alongside it**
- **You can add more images up to the maximum for the competition by clicking on Add New Entry.**

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Image uploaded

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Add New Entry

#	Image	Details	Actions
1	Test 1	**Test 1** Image successfully resized from high resolution upload ? W:1600, H:1200, 0.1MB (Orig: W:4608, H:3456, 0.3MB)	✎ ↻ 🗑

- **Log out (top right of the screen) when you have finished**

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PhotoEntry   Your Name ▼   Logout

Main Menu

Select a Competition Group:

      Club Competitions 2019-20

      Club Other 2019-20

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More About Photo Entry

- Format: Only JPEG images can be uploaded.
- Privacy: Your entries are private to you and you can't see other people's.
- Checks: Photo Entry checks your image uses the correct colour space
- Checks: Photo Entry checks you have not already excedded the maximum number of entries for that competition.
- Image Resolution: If your image is larger than the specified resolution for the competition, PhotoEntry automatically resamples it.
- Available Competitions: You can see but not enter competitions that have now closed or are not yet open.
- Entry Locking: when the competition has closed you can no longer change your entries.
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Other things you can do

- View your entries: click on the relevant competition then click on the thumbnail.
- Change the title: click on the pencil symbol
- Change the image: click on the recycle symbol
- Delete the image: click on the dustbin symbol
- View your original image before resizing: click on the underlined text marked Orig:
- Phone Entry: whilst it may be easier on a computer, you can take a picture with your mobile and upload it directly.
- Get help: click help in the left-hand menu under User
- Change your password: click on your name top right

Other Image Collections

- PhotoEntry is used to collect images from club shoots and other activities, even though they are not competitions.
- From the Main Menu choose Club Other 2019-20.
- Choose the topic (Competition) and enter your images in the same way.
- Different limits on image resolution and number of images may apply.

PhotoEntry Error and Warning Messages Explained

PhotoEntry does checks when you enter an image into a competition. These can give rise to error or warning messages, depending on how tightly the rules for a particular competition are set.

File too large (Error)

The image you are trying to upload exceeds the overall PhotoEntry limit of 10MB. Reduce the file size by reducing pixel resolution, increasing JPEG compression or cropping the image.

Invalid Image (Error)

Invalid image - Short-side dimension is X (max 5600) long-side dimension is Y (max 8300). The image you are trying to upload exceeds the overall PhotoEntry limit of 8300 x 5600 pixels – reduce the pixel resolution so that both dimensions as below the upper limit.

Maximum number of images reached (Error)

You have uploaded the maximum number of images permitted for your competition. If you find another better image, delete one of the existing images and upload a new one its place.

Incorrect colour space (Error or Warning)

The image you uploaded uses a colour space other than sRGB. This affects the range of colours that can be used in your image meaning it might be projected less well. In practice it can be hard to see the impact – if you are happy with the way your image looks, no further action is needed. Otherwise change the colour space of the image using Lightroom or Photoshop and re-submit it.

Image too small (Warning)

The image you uploaded has a pixel resolution smaller than specified for the competition on both horizontal *and* vertical axes. Your image is still accepted but when viewed/projected it will not fill the screen and so may appear less good. You can leave it unchanged or replace it with a higher resolution image if you have one.

Image resized from low resolution upload (Warning)

The image you uploaded has been resized to the correct pixel size for the competition. PhotoEntry isn't confident it has done a good job of resizing if the uploaded image was only a bit larger than required. PhotoEntry likes it to be double the pixel dimensions. In practice it can be hard to see any effect – if you are happy with the way your image looks, no further action is needed. Otherwise re-size it using Lightroom or Photoshop and re-submit it.

More Hints and Tips

If you have images with plenty of pixel resolution, but below the upper limit, it is best to let PhotoEntry re-size an image to the pixel resolution specified for the competition – the originally sized image is retained in case it is needed in future.

The PhotoEntry 10MB size limit applies to the original image before any resizing. Most competition entries will be much smaller than this. Do not be concerned at the MB size of resized image. All files in PhotoEntry are JPEGs and file size varies considerable depending on the complexity and colour range in the image.

At MSCC images are projected on a black background which fills any space round the image. Images, particularly in portrait format, which contain a black background or have a strong black vignette can appear a little lost when projected. A narrow border around you image in white/a strong colour can help to position it for the viewer. Any such border must be part of the uploaded image.