

RULES

1. The competition is open to all clubs affiliated to N&EMPF.
2. All clubs wishing to compete must submit an entry by email to the organiser by **14th FEBRUARY 2024.**
3. All competing clubs must by **22nd FEBRUARY 2024:** -
 - a) Provide the organiser with a Folder, clearly labeled containing three sub-folders – CLUB NAME BANK containing 40 images, CLUB NAME ROUND 1 containing the 16 images for the first round and CLUB NAME ENTRY FORM containing list of all the images with title, author and with the nature ones marked. The images for round 1 are to be marked with an X.
 - b) The Folder may be sent by using the website [WeTransfer.com](https://www.wetransfer.com) OR on a stick in the post.
 - c) **Maximum image size is 1600 pixels horizontal x 1200 pixels vertical.**
4. Images projected in previous N&EMPF Club PDI or Slide Championships are not eligible.
5. All images must be labeled in the manner detailed on “File Naming 2024”, failure to comply with the labelling format will result in the software rejecting the image.
6. Photographers may only represent one club of which they must be bona fide members and must be able to support that club in the event of the club competing in the national final.
7. In both rounds the entry is limited to four images from any one author and a total of four Nature images per club in each round.
8. In both rounds the images will be shown sequentially, one from each Club in an order drawn in advance.
9. Each image will be marked 2 to 5 by each of three judges, i.e. maximum 15, minimum 6.
10. At the end of the first round the top eight clubs, plus any club scoring the same as the eighth club will go forward to the final round.
11. In the final round the competing clubs will submit 20 images from their nominated list, a maximum of 10 may be drawn from round 1, a minimum of 10 must be previously unseen. These images will be submitted within 15 minutes of the declaration of the results of round 1
12. The highest scoring club in the final round will be awarded the trophy to hold for one year.
13. The two highest scoring clubs will represent N&EMPF in the PAGB DPI Championship. Any club which already has entry to this PAGB competition or whose allegiance to the PAGB is not through N&EMPF is not eligible for this section.
14. In the event of a tie for 12 and 13 above the affected clubs will submit a further 5 images previously unseen. If the tie is still unresolved then the number of highest scores will be taken into account, for each round working in reverse order. If there is still no decision the tie will be resolved on the toss of a coin.
15. Any club wishing to compete in this competition but not wishing to enter the PAGB competition is requested to inform the organizers before the competition.
16. An award will be given to the author of the image judged to be the best image shown in the competition.