

North east England Branch Photographic Competition 2014

Photography is a popular way of enjoying butterflies and moths and today's digital cameras have made it easier than ever before to obtain good quality images. Many wildlife enthusiasts take excellent photographs of the region's butterflies and the Committee has decided that a photographic competition would be a fun idea to include in the activities of our 2014 AGM and Members' Day (6 July 2014).

Competition Rules

Photographs may be submitted of any free-living British butterfly or moth species (in any life cycle stage).

There will be two age categories: 16 years and under and open. Entrants in the 16 and under category are requested to provide their birth date with their entry.

The competition is open to all – i.e. Butterfly Conservation members and non-members.

Photographs may be submitted either as prints up to 7" x 5" or electronically in jpeg format.

Photographs will be non-returnable.

Each entrant may enter a maximum of three photographs.

When photographing butterflies it is the responsibility of photographers to ensure that there is no damage caused to habitats or sites or to the insects. The Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entries for which there is evidence that this rule has been disregarded.

Entries may be submitted by e-mail, post or brought along to the Member's day (Sunday 6 July).
Deadline as follows: photos sent beforehand must be received on or before Saturday 5 July;
photographs delivered by hand on the day must be handed in by 11 am.

E-mailed photographs should be sent by e-mail to info@northeast-butterflies.org.uk and should have 'Photographic competition' in the message header. Please ensure that you provide your full details – name, address and, if you are entering the young persons' category, your date of birth. It is recommended that image files should be re-named with the entrant's name as part of the file name e.g. john-smith1.jpg.

Prints may be sent by post to: Jonathan Wallace, 50 Cherryburn Gardens, Fenham, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 9UQ. Please write your name, address and date of birth (if entering the young persons' category) on the back of each print.

By entering the competition you are confirming that the photographs are your own work, that you own the copyright and that you comply with all of the other rules of the competition.

By entering the competition, entrants confirm their agreement that photos may be used in Butterfly Conservation newsletters, web-pages and other publicity material. Any such use will always be credited to the photographer.

The competition will be judged by Dr Jim Asher, Chairman-elect of Butterfly Conservation and our guest speaker at the AGM and Members' Day. His decision shall be final.

Results of the competition will be announced on the day and also in the Branch Newsletter and on our web-site and Facebook page.