

# THE AVETON GIFFORD VILLAGE SHOP ASSOCIATION LIMITED



## Rules for the 2016 Aveton Gifford Photography Competition

1. Photographs entered must be taken of the Parish of Aveton Gifford
2. Entrants can submit up to ten photos in total as **prints**, in colour or black and white. Electronic images cannot be accepted. Images must be at least as large as a standard postcard in 'landscape format' only, width - i.e. the width is larger than the height. 50p per photograph.
3. We are aware that digital photography does allow for some image enhancement. You can enter images that have had spots, scratches or other blemishes or minor features removed. You can have worked on the colour or enhance the image for the sake of the composition. You can also crop the image to improve composition.  
  
We will not accept composite images - entries that stitch two or more separate photographs together to make one image, or entries that superimpose elements photographed separately onto an image.  
  
We want you to stay faithful to the spirit of the competition, and never deceive the viewer or misrepresent the aspect of the image being portrayed. The judges reserve the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity.
4. The competition is open to all residents, house owners and school pupils in the Parish of Aveton Gifford only. Entrants under the age of 12 years need to have parent or guardian consent to enter.
5. Entrants must not be professional photographers. For the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer will be considered to be someone who makes more than half their annual income from the sale of their photographs.
6. Entrants must label each photo with their name, address, contact telephone number (both daytime and evening) and email address, also where the photograph was taken.
7. Entries should be sent to or handed into the village shop
8. The competition closes at midnight on 30th June. Entries received after this date will not be considered. We cannot accept any responsibility for any problem with the postal service, which may result in any entry being lost or delayed. Proof of sending is not proof of receipt. Entries will not be returned so please remember to keep a copy. Unsuccessful entrants will not be contacted and no feedback on any entry will be provided.
9. All photographs will be judged on the following criteria:
  - Composition
  - Technical ability
  - Originality
  - Public appeal
  - Suitability for inclusion in a calendar

10. A panel of judges will review all the entries and select the 13 best on the above criteria. The panel will also select their overall winner. Each of the 13 finalist entrants will be contacted. If after reasonable attempts the winning entrant cannot be contacted, we reserve the right to offer the place to the next best entry. The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence can be entered into.

11. The 13 finalists' photos will be published in the 2016 Aveton Gifford Calendar.

12. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries or their parents/guardians if children under 16 are featured. Where an individual or a residential property, belonging to someone other than the photographer are featured, the photographer must seek permission and be prepared to provide written consent, if requested. Further, entrants must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs.

13. We are looking for original photographs, so entries must not have won any national competition prize previously. For the purposes of this competition, 'national' refers to the whole of the UK – or to individual national competitions in England, Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland.

14. Entrants will retain copyright in the photographs that they submit. By entering the competition all entrants grant the right to publish their photographs in the Calendar.

15. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules and we reserve the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time and in our absolute discretion if we have reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.

16. Please take your photos responsibly. Please read the following guides...

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/ourwork/enjoying/countrysidecode/default.aspx>  
[http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/images/photography-guidance\\_tcm](http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/images/photography-guidance_tcm)

The winner's prize will be announced at a later date.

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Parental permission for children under 12 years old to enter the Calendar Photography Competition.

Child's name ..... Age .....

Has my full permission to pay the fees and enter the 2016 Aveton Gifford Calendar photography competition, and will abide by the competition rules.

Parent/Guardian .....

Date .....

This consent form must be returned with the entry of any child under 12 years old.