

WISDEN – MCC CRICKET PHOTOGRAPH OF THE YEAR COMPETITION 2019

1. How to enter

Any person may enter the Wisden – MCC Cricket Photograph of the Year Competition (“the Competition”), but entries must be digital images and submitted via the online entry form at www.lords.org Each file must not exceed 9MB. Up to three images may be submitted, but these must be entered individually.

2. Eligible images

All photographs entered must have been taken in the 2019 calendar year and should demonstrate the skill and artistry of the photographer. Images can be from anywhere in the world, and there is no restriction on subject matter as long as it has a cricket theme. Action shots, landscapes, portraits, images of dramatic or aesthetic appeal all are equally welcome. All photographs entered must be free of any third party restrictions regarding their use and publication.

3. Labelling images

Files should be submitted as FAMILY NAME and _1 or _2 or _3 e.g. SMITH _1. Full caption details must be supplied via the online form and include the location and date on which the picture was taken. Please ensure that included in the EXIF file information are the technical details including but not limited to the camera used, lens, exposure, and shutter speed.

MCC and Wisden, their sub-contractors, subsidiaries and/or agents cannot accept any responsibility whatsoever for any technical failure or malfunction or any other problem which may result in any entry not being properly registered or received.

4. Limitation

Each entrant may submit up to three different images. However, they must be taken between 1 January and 31 December 2019.

5. Closing date

The closing date for entries is Monday 6 January 2020 (17.00 GMT).

6. Prizes

The prize for the winning photograph is £2,000 and a copy of Wisden 2020.

Two runners-up will each receive £1,000 and a copy of Wisden 2020.

Eight other shortlisted entries will each receive £250.

The top three winning photographs will be reproduced as the first three images in the colour section of the 2020 Wisden Cricketers’ Almanack, and each of the 11 shortlisted entries will be exhibited at Lord’s during the 2020 season.

7. Submission guidelines

Format: images must have been taken at a sufficiently high resolution and should be submitted as JPEGs at 300dpi with no interpolation applied. No tiffs, bitmap or raw images will be accepted.

Calibration and colour: Images must be colour profiled/corrected before submission. Allowances will NOT be made for poor colour profiling/correction. Please ensure your images are not over saturated and faithfully represent the subject matter.

Adjusting your image: the faithful representation of what was captured at the time of the shot being taken must be maintained. Digital adjustments are only acceptable if limited to minor cleaning work (removing dust spots), levels, curves, colour, saturation and contrast work. Sharpening and minimal cropping is allowed. Compositing, sandwich shots and double exposures are not permitted. Adding or removing distractions, items, people etc into/from the image is not allowed. Pictures that have been digitally manipulated in breach of these rules are not eligible.

8. Judges

Wisden and MCC have appointed the following independent panel of judges to appraise the entries received as part of the Competition:

Chris Smith (Chairman of Judging Panel)

Nigel Davies

Patrick Eagar

Claire Taylor

Martin Devereux

9. Judges' decisions

The judges' decisions are final, and no correspondence will be entered into concerning their decisions or the Competition's organisation. Should the quality of entries fall below the standard required or fail to meet the requirements set out in these Terms and Conditions, MCC and Wisden reserve the right not to award prizes.

10. Notification

The winning entrants will be notified at least one week prior to the announcement of the winning images in April 2020. Winners will be asked to keep this information confidential until the results are announced in April 2020.

11. Reproduction

By submitting your images to the Competition, you confirm that the images you submit are free of any third party restrictions regarding use, and you grant a non-exclusive licence to MCC and Wisden to reproduce any images submitted in connection with the competition for the following purposes:

- (i) publication in Wisden Cricketers' Almanack 2020, on Wisden's website at www.wisden.com and on Wisden's social media platforms, including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram; and
- (ii) publication on MCC's website at www.lords.org, on MCC's social media platforms, including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, and in MCC's not-for-profit printed and electronic publications (e.g. MCC Members' newsletters);

In addition, you grant MCC a non-exclusive licence to display the images at MCC's premises, including Lord's Cricket Ground and the Lord's Tavern, to exhibit the images in museum exhibitions and to publish the images in the MCC Magazine.

By entering the Competition, you agree that media publications and individual journalists shall be allowed to publish the 11 winning images in any publication or on their social media platform without any payment to you, subject to it being in connection with the Competition and clearly captioned as the Wisden - MCC Cricket Photograph of the Year 2019 and credited to the winning photographers.

12. Copyright

Entrants must be the sole author and owner of the copyright for all images entered and will retain the copyright in their images. If Wisden or MCC wish to reproduce an image beyond the uses set out in paragraph 11 above, Wisden or MCC, as the case may be, shall make separate arrangements with the relevant photographer.

Wisden and MCC hope that opportunities may arise for winning photographers to benefit from the commercial use of their images in connection with the Competition, but if any such opportunities do arise they hope that they will be exploited only with the photographer's permission. However, neither Wisden nor MCC can accept any responsibility for any such exploitation without the photographer's prior consent.

13. Liability

All entries are entered in the Competition at the photographer's risk. MCC and Wisden regret that they cannot accept any responsibility for any damage, loss, injury or disappointment suffered by any entrant entering the Competition or as a result of accepting any of the prizes set out in paragraph 6 above. Nothing shall exclude MCC or Wisden's liability for death or personal injury as a result of its negligence.

14. General

MCC and Wisden reserve the right to: (i) vary these Terms and Conditions, including but not limited to the opening and closing times for nominations; (ii) disqualify any entrant who breaches these Terms and Conditions or has acted fraudulently in any way; or (iii) cancel the Competition at any stage, if in their opinion it is deemed necessary or if circumstances arise outside their control which cause them to have to cancel the Competition.

15. Laws

The promoters of this Competition are MCC and Wisden. These Terms and Conditions are subject to and governed by the laws of England and Wales.