

RSPB Mid-Nene Local Group 2017 Calendar Photography Competition rules

The theme for Mid-Nene Local Group Photography Competition 2016 is “**British Wildlife**”. The theme is open to your personal interpretation but we are looking for beautiful images of British wild mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, plants or fungi. Images of domestic pets, farm animals and animals in captivity are not eligible.

The twelve images selected by the judges will appear in the Mid-Nene Calendar for 2017 sold in aid of the RSPB Mid-Nene Local Group to raise funds for RSPB conservation projects.

How to Enter

1. Please read rules below.
2. Entrants may submit no more than **THREE** images. Entries must be in digital format. Prints cannot be accepted.
3. Entries can **only** be submitted via e-mail. No other means of entry will be accepted. Send your entry to midnephoto@gmail.com.
4. Entries will only be accepted in .jpg format. The images should be clear and sharp as they will be printed at A4 size in the calendar. Successful entrants may be asked to submit higher resolution files for final judging.
5. Entrants should be aware that images in landscape format will be required for the calendar.
6. The email attaching the images should contain the following information:
 - a. Name of photographer
 - b. Title of each photograph. The title of each photo should ideally be the same as the digital image file name. If you do not know how to rename your images, please cross-reference the TITLE with the digital FILE NAME.
 - c. In no more than 15 words, information regarding each image submitted, eg species/subject, where taken, points of interest etc.
7. All entries must be submitted by **31 May 2016**. Late entries will not be accepted.

Rules

- Pictures must be taken in the United Kingdom.
- The competition is open to Mid-Nene Local Group members only.
- Amateur photographers only.
- Any RSPB employee or their immediate family will be ineligible to enter.
- No wildlife or habitats should be harmed, put at risk, or unduly disturbed in the process of taking photographs. Further guidance is available at: <http://www.rps.org/special-interest-groups/nature/about/the-nature-photographers-code-of-practice>
- Full copyright title remains with the owner. Please see full terms below regarding your entry and its potential use.
- If your entries contain **recognisable people**, you must obtain their written permission for their image to be entered into the competition using the attached Photography Permission Form.
- Entrants under 18 must have parental or legal guardian consent prior to entering the competition.
- The RSPB Mid-Nene Local Group accepts no responsibility for entries which are lost or corrupted during upload.
- Entries will be judged by an independent panel of judges selected from members of the Mid-Nene Local Group.
- In the event of an image chosen by the judges being unsuitable for printing at A4 in the calendar, the judges will select another image to replace it.
- The Mid-Nene Local Group cannot judge any pictures whose details have been entered incorrectly.
- The judges' decision on all matters affecting this competition is final and legally binding.
- No correspondence regarding the results will be entered into.

Uses

The RSPB may retain your contribution and may choose to display your entry on a website. The RSPB may also publish your contribution in other media; where possible we will approach you directly to confirm your permission for publication. The RSPB reserves the right to remove contributions that it considers to be contrary to the spirit of the terms and conditions of submission, including submissions it considers to be objectionable or that violate copyright. The RSPB reserves the right to edit and alter submissions.

Terms and Conditions

By submitting your contribution to the RSPB you agree to be legally bound by these terms and conditions:

Full copyright title shall be retained by the Author of any submissions. By submitting any contribution to the RSPB, you agree to grant the RSPB a perpetual royalty free licence to use any or all of the contributions in any of their publications, on the website and/or in any promotional material. Permission will be sought and the Author credited where possible. Any contribution provided will be non-confidential and in accordance with privacy restrictions set out in the RSPB's Privacy Policy.

Any contribution must be your own original work, it must not infringe the rights of third parties including copyright, trade mark, trade secrets, privacy, publicity, personal or proprietary rights.

If your contribution features other people who are recognisable, you are responsible for ensuring that you have their permission for the contribution to be treated according to the uses set out above.

Contributions featuring children under 18 can only be accepted if you are the parent or guardian; by accepting these terms and conditions you warrant that you are the parent or guardian and that you grant permission for the contribution to be treated according to the uses set out above.

The RSPB's rights in relation to your contribution

Publication of your contribution will be at the RSPB's sole discretion;

The RSPB reserves the right to edit, adapt, move or delete any contribution accepted. We will try to credit authors where possible, but may not always do so;

Save as expressly provided for in these terms neither the RSPB nor its trading subsidiary(ies) shall be liable for any direct, indirect or consequential loss or damage or for any costs, claims or demands of any nature whatsoever arising directly or indirectly out of the use of your contribution or any part thereof.

From time to time, the RSPB may run competitions, free prize draws and promotions in connection with its conservation work. In each case these will be subject to additional competition terms which will be made available at the appropriate time.

These Terms and Conditions (as amended from time to time) constitute the entire agreement between you and the RSPB concerning your contribution to Mid-Nene Local Group 2017 Calendar. The RSPB reserves the right to update these Terms and Conditions from time to time and any updated version will be effective as soon as it is published on the Website.

The RSPB takes your privacy very seriously; we will only use your personal information in accordance with the terms of our Privacy Policy. By submitting a contribution to Mid-Nene Local Group 2017 Calendar you acknowledge and agree that you have read and accept the terms of our Privacy Policy and these Terms and Conditions.



PHOTOGRAPHY PERMISSION FORM

By completing the details below and signing this form I give RSPB the absolute right and permission to publish and use pictures of me in which I may be included, in whole or in part, in conjunction with any publications, website and any other conservation-related publicity materials.

The image(s) will remain the property of the RSPB and will be used for the designated purpose of promoting the RSPB and its activities and ambitions.

If the person photographed is under 18 years of age or a vulnerable adult, I certify that I am his or her parent or legal guardian, and I give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on his or her behalf.

All personal data provided will be held securely and in accordance with the Data Protection Act and used only for the purpose described above.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Signature: _____

Name of minor(s): _____

For RSPB internal use:

Date: _____

Location: _____

Subject: _____