

**Gladstone Camera Club
October 2020 - Open**

Image	Title	Comment	Score
01	Beach scape	Technical- The image file I am looking at is only 320x214 pixels in size- about the size of a thumbnail preview. There are not enough pixels to see any detail in the image. Consider saving your images in larger dimensions. OTOH the scene is great. The rocks on the beach have a diagonal line that helps composition and the 'Balance' of land forms on the horizon make a nice landscape.	Accept
02	Bird on Perch	The lighting has helped create a great shot of the bird enhancing texture and details. You could crop the frame a little tighter but be cautious not to over-sharpen with reduced pixel dimensions.	Merit
03	Butterfly	Very pleasant soft colour tones and good soft background. Nicely framed in the vertical with the foliage to balance the composition.	Honour
	Damsel fly	Great soft background and the main object placed in a good location on the stalk. Close to a "minimalism" style. My personal edit would be to clone out the ant on the stalk tip- it is just a small distraction in an otherwise simplistic image.	Merit
	Forest Adventures	Abstract it is. And a technique that can be put to good use for creative artists. Traditionalists may not like it, modern artists will enthuse. My personal opinion is that I would like something stronger in the image to give it the sense of "Forest" (More than what is currently shown). Nice strong colours.	HC
	Grasstree	(Another thumbnail image- To fill the screen I need 400% magnification showing severe pixilation). OTOH the image has a good sense of composition by the placement of the grass tree and the island in the frame. Would have been nice to see the detail in the image with good DOF.	Accept
	Here Mr Barra	A natural peaceful scene with nice lighting and good reflections in the water. Good that the lass has some coloured clothing that makes her a 'point-of-interest' that attracts vision to her in the frame. If you had the option, you might have posed her in a creative way- sitting? kneeling? Looking down to the water?- baiting the hook? maybe!	Merit
	Golden light	Nice! Would make a great poster print. Great colour and tones in the Clouds and the colour reflected in the water. Some (small) human subjects give scale to the scene without being major distractions. I think the horizon line has been placed well to suit the clouds.	Honour
	Nesting	Some good detail in a 'Nature' shot showing the ants at 'work'. A good diagonal line to the green leaf and the row of ants. My suggestion for some extra edits would be to darken the background slightly (a couple of soft Exposure Gradients top & bottom) thus effectively highlighting only the green leaf & ants in the frame.	Merit
	Alone	I love the colours and the centrally placed silhouette of the tree. This would suit a Square frame crop, which might also remove some of the strange foreground (that is not needed in the frame!)	HC
	Upside Down	Cute! Facial expression gives it character and a good strong	Merit

