

## WNAT Photo competition - brief guide to photography

*It doesn't matter if you use your phone or a 'proper' camera, whatever you are photographing it needs to be in focus and properly exposed (not too dark or too bright), here a few quick tips to help you get the best from your images.*

**Landscapes:** *Keep the horizon level and make sure something in the photo draws your eyes to it, this is called a focal point. A great time to take your camera out is the last couple of hours before the sun sets, and there is no such thing as bad weather!*



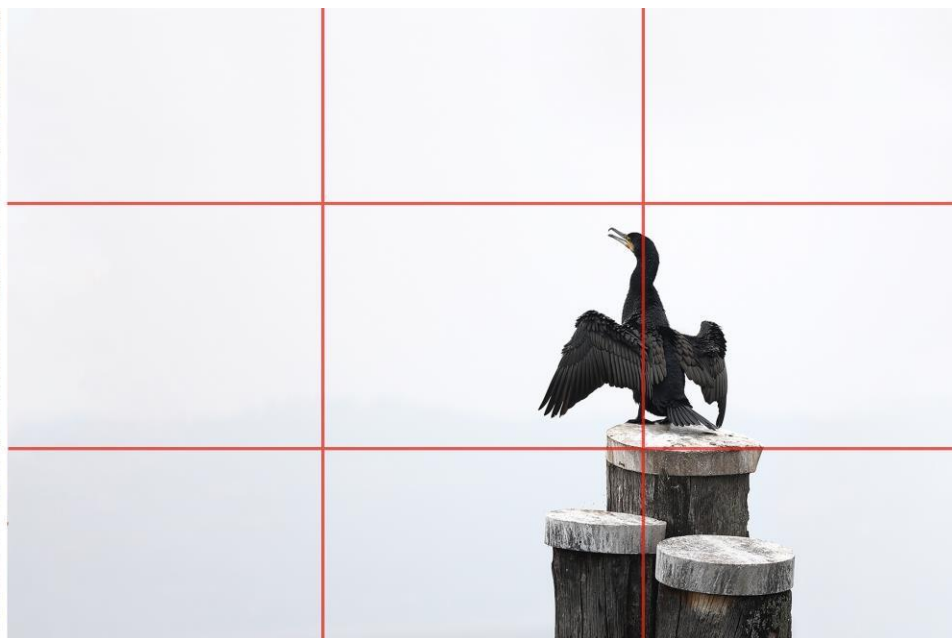
**People:** *Your subject shouldn't be too small in the picture and you will get nicer photos if you zoom in rather than holding the camera closer to them.*



**Animals/Pets:** *Crouch down to their level as opposed to pointing the camera downwards.*



**Composition:** *Think about your composition when you take the photo, something leading the eye to your focal point always works, as does using the "Rule of Thirds" (draw a mental grid over what you see and put your subject where two of the lines cross).*



*Finally, editing your photos afterwards is not cheating! For example, if the colours do not work, try changing the photo to black and white.*

**ENJOY YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY!!**