

## Non Advanced 6<sup>th</sup> Round Qualifier

The sixth and final round of this year's non-advanced monthly qualifying competition took place this week. Our esteemed judge was Colm Kane, who, sadly, intimated that this could be his final judging after a long and very fine career in the club. I do hope his arm can be twisted to enlighten the non-advanced section next year with his sage advice and keen eye. He continues to be a selector and, given the success the club has had, this speaks volumes about his photographic abilities.

Colm is not a judge to give points away easily and he assigned five black and white prints 18 points, two prints 19 points and, to Fra Lucchesi, 20 points for his fine image titled "Just Life". This was no mean achievement for the club and Colm stated that the quality of the non-advanced prints is so far beyond those when he started and well above most other clubs. He attributes this to the culture of senior members being all too willing to assist anyone that seeks advice.

In the colour section, Colm awarded another five prints 18 points, three prints 19 points and, yet again, Fra Lucchesi, 20 points for his very fine print titled "Nicole".



***Colm Kane awards Fra Lucchesi with Image of the Month for his print "Nicole"***



The end of the monthly qualifier leaves six photographers in position to compete on Finals Night. The draw was made for presentation order on Finals Night and this was the outcome...

Order	Photographer	Qualifying Points
<b>First</b>	Maeve Ahern	419
<b>Second</b>	Alex Loshkarov	325
<b>Third</b>	Dermot Ahern	419
<b>Fourth</b>	Andrew O'Connor	420
<b>Fifth</b>	Alan Carolan	429
<b>Sixth</b>	Fra Lucchesi	434

The non-advanced photographer of the year will be chosen from the above six photographers based on their best six black and white and best six colour images scored by a three judge panel on Finals Night.