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# THE CHILTERN ASSOCIATION OF CAMERA CLUBS

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## Software for Running Digital Competitions

**The best software is the one you are used to using.**

There are several programs available. Obtain the software that best fits your needs, but start using it as simply as possible until you and your members gain experience in the process. Expect to spend some time learning the software - managing a series of projected digital image competitions is actually quite a complex task. Several competition-specific programs are available, although they vary in their facilities and maturity.

### Album-type programs which can be used to view images include:

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| Windows XP / Vista     | Picture & Fax Viewer (Always colour managed)   |
| Windows 7 / 8 / 8.1    | Windows Photo Viewer (Not colour managed)<br>also, 'Slide Show' on the folder ribbon (Not colour managed)<br>Always enlarges images to fill the screen |
| Windows 10 / 11        | Photos App or reinstate W7 Photo Viewer  |
| FastStone Image Viewer | Free download<br>(Colour managed if option ticked)   |
| IrfanView              | Free download<br>(Colour managed if plugin installed and option ticked)  |
| Adobe Bridge           | Part of more recent versions of Photoshop<br>(Always colour managed)   |

### Competition-specific programs that we are currently aware of:

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| DiCentra Software    | <a href="http://www.wilburimaging.com">www.wilburimaging.com</a><br>(Can convert incoming files for size and to sRGB)                      |
| Film Free Projection | <a href="http://www.filmfreeprojection.co.uk">www.filmfreeprojection.co.uk</a><br>(Colour managed option)                                  |
| ImageCompPro         | <a href="http://www.mjbsharp.me.uk/research-development/imagecompsoftware/">www.mjbsharp.me.uk/research-development/imagecompsoftware/</a> |
| Used by CACC         | (Colour managed always)  |

NOTE: 'Colour managed' means that the colours displayed are adjusted depending on the colour space information in and read from the image file. Regardless of this, the displayed/projected colours are always adjusted for the profile set in the graphics driver.

## **Competition Entry Management Systems that we are currently aware of:**

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| EntryWizard  | EntryWizard is a plugin which can be integrated into a club's WordPress website. Users registered on the site can upload data and images according to competition specification set by the administrator. Competition organisers can then download the content for integration with a competition display and scoring system. |
| Used by CACC |   |
| PhotoEntry   | A web-based system available partitioned by club/organiser on a rental basis. Users are registered by the organiser to upload their entries. Can be linked to DiCentra.<br><a href="http://photoentry.uk">photoentry.uk</a>   |