

OGA Photography competition 2018

Prizes for the 2018 annual OGA photography competition, organised by Mike Garlick, were awarded at the OGA AGM in London on 12 January 2019. Mike is standing down from organising and judging the competition this year and the Association is most grateful for the work he has done over the past six years to develop and extend the competition. Winners received a prize from the selection of stunning nautical publications supplied by [Adlard Coles Nautical](#) and [Bookharbour.com](#). Winning photos are listed below.

Sailing Gaffers



Highly Commended

'Summer Idyll' by Sandy Miller,
East Coast Area

Judges' comments: "A gentle and atmospheric study, closely composed, giving almost a feeling of intrusion into a private moment."



Highly Commended

'On the Thames' by Bob Aylott,
Solent Area

Judges' comments: "Technically well executed with very strong monochrome contrast between the boat, 'Gwenili', and the imposing commercial buildings. Allegorical?"

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Third Prize

'Cobles at Brid' by Andrew Wolstenholme, East Coast Area

Judges' comments: "An uncluttered portrait of these traditional craft with reflections enhancing the vibrant colours."



Second Prize

'Tides full, breeze stirring' by Jamie Clay, East Coast Area

Judges' comments: "Brave composition, early morning light and atmosphere by the bucket. This shot perfectly captures the magic of the moment of making sail. NB Visit the Photo Gallery, expand the thumbnail and take a look in portrait view to see the excellent composition."



First Prize

'Into the golden light' by Loic le Marchand, Overseas (France)

Judges' comments: "Wow! Every part of this picture contributes to the effect - sky, sea and sails in golden light from the sun at the vanishing point of the perspective. Take me there!"



Life at Sea

Highly Commended

'In a touch on this sheet' by Jamie Clay, East Coast Area

Judges' comments: "Instant appeal from this cheeky crew member."



Highly Commended

'Look out . . .' by Marion Shirley, Solent Area

Judges' comments: "We've all been there, so even more reason for this to raise a smile from those not involved."



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Third Prize

'The next generation' by Josh Masters, East Coast Area

Judges' comments: "This should lift the heart of even the most crusty old gaffer. Is it the photographer's charm or the bun that's bringing a smile to their faces?"

Second Prize

'Gaffer's breakfast' by Paul Jolley, South West Area

Judges' comments: "A very clear message on a subject dear to a sailor's heart. Shared with the crew? The apostrophe suggests not!"



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First Prize

'One man and his dog' by
Barbara Runnalls, Solent
Area

Judges' comments: "A moment well observed and captured. The helm is cleverly colour matched to the background, the horizon set with a spirit level and the subjects framed by the main sheet. Captivating enigmatic dynamics between man and