This year’s Photo Competition themed *Isolated places* received 42 entries by the time the competition concluded (8th Nov 2021). That occurred after reaching 100 participants (entries + votes) from the start of the contest on Nov the 1st. The submissions were reviewed daily to check they met the T&Cs of the contest, and those which did not meet those conditions were blocked, leaving a total of **32 valid entries**. We want to sincerely thank all who participated, we’ve seen a great response for a contest that was run for a shorter period of time this year. The top 10 (a total of 16 due to a tie in positions 7th to 16th) with the most popular votes were ranked as follows:

1st: 17 votes; 2nd: 13 votes; 3rd: 10 votes; 4th: 4 votes; 5th: 3 votes; 6th: 2 votes; 7th-16th: 1 vote each

The Jury formed by members of the MetSoc Committee + 2 external issued their votes by giving 5 to 1 points to their top 5 preferred photographs among the 16 shortlisted by popular votes, and the winners are...
1st - Egils Baumanis 22 votes

Caption: So this photo was taken on the second day of getting my very first camera - June 15th, 2021. The place was on a road from Wanaka to Rob Roys Glacier. I was going there for a hike. This is one of the most stunning sceneries I have seen in my life.
2nd - Kadri Elcoat 21 votes

Caption: Ketetahi Springs, Tongariro National Park, August 2018
Caption: Fog Bow and Glory from the summit of Little Mount Ida, in Central Otago. This was in June 2016. I was just at the top of a layer of stratocumulus. When the cloud briefly thinned out a little, the sun broke through and produced a short-lived fog bow, as well as a glory from my shadow on the top of the cloud.
T&Cs

Met Society Photo Competition 2021 - *Isolated places*

We invite you to enter our 2021 photo competition that revolves around *Isolated places*. Exploring remote areas is a very satisfactory and rewarding thing to experience as a photo enthusiast. For this contest, we challenge you to show us those remote and isolated places in New Zealand. Photographs from mountain tops to lakes, forests or flatlands with interesting weather features will inspire us too.

CONTEST RULES

Entry into the MetSoc 2021 photo competition is deemed to be an acceptance of these terms and conditions.

- Entry is open to any individual resident in New Zealand or any member of the NZ Met Society from any country.
- Submission limited to ONE photo per person. If more than one photo is submitted by the same person, all but the first submission will be blocked from the voting gallery (other criteria could be exceptionally applied in those cases).
- In the caption of the submission form, tell us when and where the picture was taken. Cropping and zooming of photos is allowed, however, no modifications or enhancements are\(^*\). Please ensure there are no identifiable people.
- The competition commences at the time of this post and ends with the 100th participant\(^**\) or when the 15 November 2021 date is reached, whichever is sooner.
- Attempts will be made to notify the winner via contact details provided on the contest entry. If MetSoc, having used reasonable efforts, is unable to contact the winner prior to 31 Jan 2022, then the prize is forfeited. Entrants are responsible for their contact details. MetSoc will not be liable for any inability to contact a winner due to inaccuracies in the contact details that the entrant provides.
- Prize cannot be exchanged, or redeemed for cash.
• If a minimum of 10 entries is not reached, the contest will be declared void and participants will be informed accordingly.
• MetSoc’s decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. We reserve the right to vary, suspend or terminate this competition at any time.

*The image must have not been manipulated during processing in a way that materially alters features of the landscape at the time of taking the picture. Minor enhancements such as correcting exposure, color balance or adjusting contrast are acceptable.

**A participant is someone who submits via the form (enters the competition with a photo). Each vote in a photo counts as a participant.

RIGHTS

• By entering the contest, entrants agree to have their entry displayed on the Met Society website, and maybe on our Facebook page, or in our newsletter or Journal properly referenced without charge.
• We reserve the right to remove entries, without notice, and for any reason.
• Image owners retain all their other rights.

VOTING

• Popular vote: anyone can click on and vote for any of the images in the gallery they like (only one vote per IP is allowed) between the 5th and the 15th of November (both inclusive).
• By November the 30th, we will select from the top ten with the most popular votes the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. The jury will be formed by some members of the MetSoc committee.

PRIZES
All submissions that enter into the competition are subject to be used as the cover of the 2021 “Weather and Climate” Journal (see your rights).

- 1st prize - $100 Prezzy Card
- 2nd prize - $50 Prezzy Card
- 3rd prize - $30 Prezzy Card

WINNERS

- The winner will be announced in December through our social media channels - Facebook and Instagram. It will also appear in our newsletter in Dec 2021.

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