

GREYHOPE BAY

Greyhope Bay Amateur Photography Competition 2026



The winning photo chosen for the cover of the 2026 Greyhope Bay Calendar by Peter Briggs.

Greyhope Bay's annual photography competition is now open! We can't wait to see some of your favourite photos you've taken in this special corner of Aberdeen over the past year. 12 photos will be chosen by our judges to form the 2027 Greyhope Bay calendar.

Your photo does not need to be taken on a "fancy" camera. You can submit photos taken on your smartphone (the winning cover photo from 2023 was taken on a smartphone), film cameras, action cameras, or anything else you can take a photo with.

You can submit up to three photos which you have taken since 1st September 2026. **Photos should be landscape-orientation** and be submitted at the highest quality and resolution via WeTransfer: <https://wetransfer.com/> to the email address hello@greyhopebay.com.

Sending photos via WeTransfer is free. Please include a message in the message box which states your name and phone number; your phone number will only be used to contact you about the competition.

The closing date for entries is Sunday 16th August, 23:59.

The winners will be announced at a photography exhibition on Wednesday 30th September.

Our panel of judges will choose 12 photos to appear in the 2027 Greyhope Bay Calendar. The calendar will be on sale after the photography exhibition. Once the calendar has been launched, there will be a People's Choice Award where the public vote for their favourite photo from the calendar.

Please read the rules before entering, as your entry may be void if it does not meet our requirements.

Rules

- 1) Photos must be your own, except for guardians uploading photos on behalf of children.
- 2) Entrants can submit no more than three photos.
- 3) Images must be landscape-orientated and submitted at the highest resolution you have.
- 4) Photos must have been taken on or after 1st September 2025.
- 5) Photos must be taken within a one-mile radius of Torry Battery.
- 6) All photographs will be judged on the following criteria:
 - a. Originality.
 - b. Public appeal.
 - c. Suitability for inclusion in a calendar.
 - d. Recognisable local landmarks.
- 7) Entrants must state their full name, email address, daytime telephone number, and clearly state the location and month the photo was taken.
- 8) Greyhope Bay Ltd understands that digital photography does allow for some image enhancement. Images that have had spots, scratches or other blemishes or minor features removed are acceptable. You can work on the colour, enhance or crop the image in order to improve the composition.
- 9) We will not accept images which superimpose elements photographed separately onto an image.
- 10) We will not accept images which contain any form of generative AI.
- 11) Greyhope Bay Ltd reserves the right to exclude any image which we believe has been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity. Greyhope Bay Ltd's decision as to the eligibility of individual photographs will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- 12) This competition is open to UK residents only.
- 13) For entrants under the age of 16, photographs must be submitted by their legal guardian.
- 14) Entrants must not be professional photographers. For the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer is someone who makes more than half of their annual income from the sale of their photographs.
- 15) Greyhope Bay Ltd will only ever use personal details for the purpose of administering this competition.
- 16) The competition closes at 23:59 on Sunday 16th August 2025. Entries received after this date will not be considered. Greyhope Bay Ltd cannot accept responsibility for any problem that may result in any entry becoming lost or delayed. Proof of sending is not proof of receipt. Unsuccessful entrants will not be contacted, and no feedback on any entry will be provided.
- 17) All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of the copyright of all photographs

entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries or their parents/guardians if children under 16 are featured. Where an individual or residential property, belonging to someone other than the photographer are featured, the photographer must seek permission and be prepared to provide written consent, if requested. Entrants must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs.

- 18) We are looking for original photographs; entries must not have won any competition prize previously, locally or nationally. For the purposes of the competition, 'nationally' refers to the whole of the UK.
- 19) Entrants will retain the copyright of the photographs that they submit to Greyhope Bay Ltd. By entering this competition all entrants grant Greyhope Bay Ltd the right to publish and exhibit their photographs and the right to publish and exhibit their photographs in print or on their website or social media to promote the calendar.
- 20) Entrants whose photographs reach the finals also agree to take part in post-competition publicity. Whilst we will make every effort to credit photographers, including in printed reproductions of their work, we cannot guarantee that every reproduction will include the photographer's name.
- 21) The winning photos will be chosen for their suitability by employees of Greyhope Bay Ltd or other judges appointed by them. Judging will be confidential. The judges decision is final and no discussion will be entered into.
- 22) Greyhope Bay Ltd reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
- 23) Please take your photos responsibly, please read the following guidelines:
<https://www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot/exploring-without-disturbing-wildlife>