How to select "Best in Show" in a PDI exhibition
(PhotEx version 4.3 and later)

If you are awarding the FIAP "Blue Badge" or selecting the best entrant, use PhotEx/"Assign entrant awards" (see the PhotEx manual).

If you are selecting the best image across all your classes, follow the process below.

When you have completed the judging and assigned the awards for each class, use PhotExPresenter to create a virtual class containing all the images…

- Click "Combine classes" at the bottom of the first column of the PhotExPresenter main page
- Tick the classes in all the media tabs that you want to include in your assessment, and click Apply
- Select the "New" medium and class in the dropdown lists at the top, and give them a name of "combined"
- Leave "Remove old classes from the exhibition" set to "No". Click "Combine"
- Assuming you are just selecting a winner,
    - Tick "Make virtual"
    - Click "Give Awards" and then "Define Awards"
        - In the Awards screen that appears
        - Click "New"
        - Add the name of your award
        - Leave "Award sequence" and "Points value" blank
    - Click "Apply" to return to the main screen

To assign the award
- Click "Judge the exhibition"
- Select your new "Combined" medium and class
- Click "Assigning awards"
- Either
    - Click "Has award" in the center column and untick "Include commendeds" (this will select any image with a medal)

    Or

    - Click "Any" in the center column beside "Asigning awards", click "Scores between" and enter the maximum score in both boxes (this will select all the top scoring images) or a suitable range. You can use "Show stats" to see the number of images in each band.
- Click "Show" and the images will appear on the lightbox.
- Assign the award in the normal way

Note – as the medium and class are "virtual", they will no longer exist when PhotExManager is closed. However, the award will remain assigned to the winning entrant in its original class.

Note: Items in red are critical