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#### JUNIOR OVERALL WINNER Jacobus Swart Close Up



SENIOR OVERALL WINNER Rodney Cory Baffalo Matjie 477



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# MORE ABOUT THE WINNING IMAGES...

#### Close Up - Jacobus Swart

As a junior photographer, I continuously seek to expand my knowledge and refine my skills through self-study and hands-on practice. In January 2025, I had the opportunity to experiment with my 150-600mm Sigma lens at the Uvongo Waterfall in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN).

I focused on capturing the beauty of dragonflies. Using the powerful zoom capabilities of my 150 -600 mm Sigma lens. I was able to closely observe and photograph these fascinating insects in their natural habitat. It was a rewarding experience.

\*\*Fun Fact: Did you know that the adult dragonfly lives for about six months?\*\*



#### EXIF DATA:

Canon EOS 7D Mark II with 150 - 600mm Sigma Lens. ISO : 6400 Amputure : F/ 5.6 Exposure Time :1/ 4000sec Exposure prog :Shutter Priority No Flash



# MORE ABOUT THE WINNING IMAGES...

Baffalo Matjie 477 - Rodney Cory

This Image was taken at Zimanga in 2022, early morning when the buffalo come in to drink the ox peckers often follow then in and clean there faces.



EXIF DATA

 Canon R 5 with a 70 to 200 Canon lens.
Speed: 2500 F :8 ISO 400



# FROM THE CHAIRMAN



RODNEY CORY CHAIRMAN

Chairmans Report February 2025

Great to see so many good Images entered at our February meeting congratulations to all the winners.

Please try and make an effort to enter the monthly Set Subject as there are major points on offer for end of the year ( Photographer of the year )

Our Honors evening will take place in April 2025, so thanks to all for entering.

I would like to congratulate both Cheryl and Kelly on receiving there LPSSA, what a fantastic achievement, I hope this will encourage others to attempt there honours.

> Keep Clicking Rodney Cory







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Low key photography, for beginners, is a style of photography that emphasizes darkness and shadows, where the majority of the image is in deep tones with only a specific area of the subject brightly lit, creating a dramatic and mysterious look, often achieved by using minimal light sources and positioning them strategically to control the shadows; essentially, it's about highlighting a subject by keeping the background very dark.



# SET SUBJECT

#### March 2025

















# MONTHLY WINNERS JUNIORS

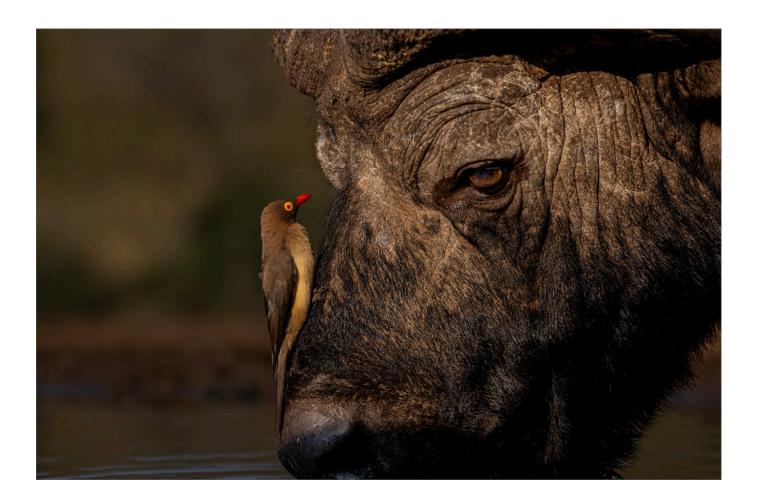
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# MONTHLY WINNERS SENIORS

#### RODNEY CORY- BAFFALO MATJIE 477

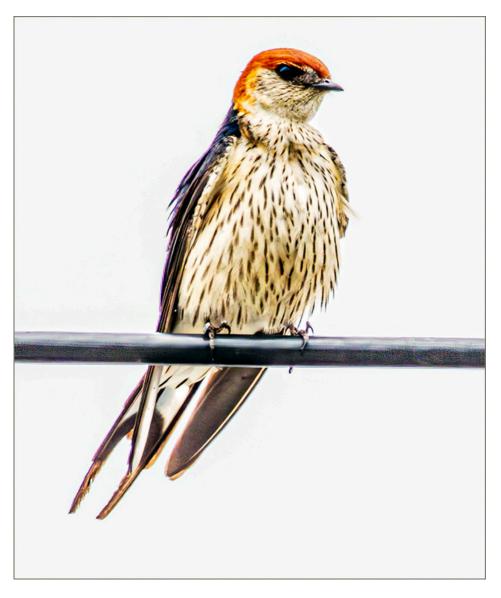




# MONTHLY WINNERS SET SUBJECT

### JUNIOR-PREMIER AWARD

#### BLACKIE SWART





# MONTHLY WINNERS SET SUBJECT

#### SENIOR-PREMIER AWARD

AADIL MATWADIA





# PROMOTIONS CONGRATULATIONS

Congrats!

### TO ALL SALON ACHIEVERS!



# **CLUB STAR GRADING**

Springs Photographic Club:					
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1	<u>1 Star</u>	12 Golds	Nil		
2	2 Stor	15 Colda	Nil		
2	<u>2 Star</u>	15 Golds	<u>Nil</u> 2		
2	Shaun Van Der Vyver				
<u>3</u>	<u>3 Star</u>	20 Golds	<u>6 Acceptances</u>		
	Terry Swart	17	5		
-	Chris Blackie Swart	21	3		
<u>4</u>	<u>4 Star</u>	30 Golds	27 Acceptances		
	Michelle Stephen	0	59=54+2COM+3 Med		
	Natalia Lumgair	3	32=30+2 COM		
	Raymond Kieswetter	3	8=7+1 COM		
	Derrill, Papendorf	4	17=16+1 COM		
	Sindey Lindeque	7	33=30+3 COM		
<u>5</u>	<u>5 Star</u>	33 Golds	33 Acceptances		
*	Sandra Potgieter	1	8		
	Marlou Schalkwyk	6	136=126+4 COM+1 Med + 5 Intl.		
	Barend Lindeque	7	95=84+10 COM+1 Med		
	Ebrahim Pitts Patel	18	219=185+19 COM+4 Med + 11 Intl.		
*	Cheryl Brooks	30	253=214+15 COM+4 Med + 13 Intl.+8 Judging		
<u>6</u>	6 Star Ms Bronze	36 Golds	48 Acceptances		
*	Marco McGann	3	20=12+8 Judging		
*	Jeff Millar	3	24		
*	Gerhardt Potgieter	4	24=19+1 COM+4 Judging		
	Kelly Clarke	3	237=216+13 COM+3 Med + 1 Intl.+4 Judging		
7	7 Star Ms Silver	40 Golds	68 Acceptances		
_	Aadil Matwadia	17	95=87+3 COM+1 Med+4 Judging		
*	Nico Hattingh	7	419=329+72 COM+4 Judging+14 Med		
8	8 Star Ms Gold	45 Golds	98 Acceptances		
*	Lelanie Naude	6	66=59+4 COM + 3 Med		
	Rodney Cory	41	1012=788+68 COM+40 Judging+ 12 Med + 104 Intl.		
9	9 Star Ms Platinum	45 Golds	138 Acceptances		
-	André Noomé	6	105=102+3 Com		
	Gerhard Thysse	7	281=265+9 COM+4 Judging+3 Med		
10	10 Star Ms Amethyst	45 Golds	183 Acceptances		



# **CLUB STAR GRADING**

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<u>11</u>	11 Star Ms Sapphire	45 Golds	233 Acceptances
	Theo Van der Merwe	40	1057=930+105 COM+4 Judging+1 Jud. Chc +7 Med + 11 Intl.
12	12 Star Ms Emerald	45 Golds	288 Acceptances
<u>13</u>	<u>13 Star Ms Ruby</u>	45 Golds	348 Acceptances
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Disclaimer:- Salons Acceptance May Change Due To Duplications, An Audit is being done.





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Here is a summary of what you can expect to see at our club meetings and hopefully it will explain some of the frequently asked questions that we get at the club. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to speak to one of our committee members

#### **OPENING THE MEETING**

Either the Chairman or the secretary will open the meeting and discuss the latest happenings and upcoming events. The judge will then be introduced, and he/she will present a short lecture with examples of his/her own photos when applicable. After this judging of images will start. The points will be given as "Bronze, Silver, Gold or COM". The judge will also give you feedback on how your photos can be improved to obtain higher points in future, where necessary.

#### **Definitions**:

STAR: This indicates the level that the club member is on. (For example – you will start as a One Star worker).

SALON: A salon is a photographic competition that members can enter. This competition is sometimes held by other clubs or is a national or international competition. At these competitions, you can win medals etc.

Our Club Levels or Star Ratings: When you join our club, you start with a One Star Rating. After you have been awarded a certain amount of points you move up to the next level or rating. You are required to have a certain amount of points and gold awards to move to the next star rating. Our ratings are from One to Five Star Masters. More details will be given to you on enrollment as you will receive a copy of the club rules.





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#### Awards:

Certificate of merit Gold Silver Bronze

#### Set Subject for the Month:

There is a set subject competition that is held each month. The subject is a different topic each month and each member can enter one entry as an e- photograph. The judge will pick a winning photo from 1-11 star. The extra points will be added to your grading sheets. Photography Winners: Certificates

Once all the photos have been displayed a winner will be selected by the judge for each star rating. We send the winning photos to the Springs Advertiser for publication if they have space before publication. The winning images will also be published in the club's Colorama.

Members are given Certificates for their COM and winning photos which will be digitally sent to members after club grading. The Springs Camera Club committee members will be more than willing to help you should you have any further queries. We are all like-minded people who have a love and passion for photography. This is a wonderful forum to be able to meet new people and to share your talents with people that want to learn.





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#### YEARLY SUBSCRIPTION FEES MEMBERS UNDER THE AGE OF 65: R350 PENSIONERS: R300 SPOUSES (LEGALLY MARRIED): R500 SCHOLARS/ STUDENTS: R150

BANKING DETAILS ABSA SPRINGS CURRENT ACCOUNT ACCOUNT NUMBER: 926 8266 720



SET SUBJECT					
JANUARY	Golden Hour				
FEBRUARY	High Key				
MARCH	Low Key				
APRIL	Life in Mono				
MAY	Motion				
JUNE	Minimalistic Mono				
JULY	Autumn Colours				
AUGUST	Blue Hour				
SEPTEMBER	Breaking the Rules of Thirds				
OCTOBER	Street Photography				
NOVEMBER	Jacaranda				



EATS FOR 2025				
JANUARY	Cheryl Brooks			
FEBRUARY	Marco McGann & Gerhard Thysse			
MARCH	Jeff Millar & Elsa Labuschagne			
APRIL	Gerhardt Potgieter & Lelanie Naude			
MAY	Shaun Van Der Vywer & Raymond Kieswetter			
JUNE	Marlou Schalkwyk & Kelly Clarke			
JULY	The Lindeques			
AUGUST	Natalia Lumgair & Michelle Stephen			
SEPTEMBER	Aadil Matwadia & Pitts Patel			
OCTOBER	The Swarts			
NOVEMBER	ТВА			



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	Barend Lindeque Assistant Projectionist 082 869 1387		Sindey Lindeque Catering Assistant Projectionist 072 591 8763			



## UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE
AGM	17 Oct 2024
PRIZE GIVING GALA EVENING	APRIL 2025
LIGHTROOM CLASSIC NEW MASKING FEATURES TBA	TBC





Jeff Millar

25 MARCH

Marco McGann 11 APRIL

Kelly Clarke

**18 APRIL** 

