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Ermelo Fotoklub is in
trotse verbintenis met die



Photographic
Society of South Africa

PSSA Salonkalender

19 April	9th MFFC PDI Salon 2025
03 Mei	SSCC 8th National PDI Salon 2025
17 Mei	PECC National Salon
31 Mei	3rd Kriel Foto Club Salon
07 Junie	1st Ballito Photo Club National Salon
14 Junie	TAF 14th Print & PDI Salon
21 Junie	PSSA 27th Up and Coming

KLUBBYEENKOMSTE

- 9 Mei - Leon Pelser
- 6 Junie
- 4 Julie
- 1 Augustus - Danie Smit
- 5 Sept - Dirk Heyns
- 17 Okt - Mauritz vd Heever

VOORBLAD

Disguised in yellow (links, bo)

1 Ster- en Jnr-maandwenner

Luané Kruger

The four horses (regs, bo)

2 Ster-wenner

Bianca Breytenbach

Pincers (links, middel)

3 Ster-wenner

George Labuschagne

Red Rock Mountains (regs, middel)

4 Ster-wenner

Tina de Villiers

Giraffe blending into sunrise (onder)

5 Ster- en Snr-maandwenner

Hardus Pieters

INHOUDSOPGAWE

01	Voorblad - April winners
02	Salonkalender
03	Klubnuus
04	Vasgestelde Onderwerpe
05	Toy Photography
06	Amber Salon
07	German International Photocup
09	Bosveld Salon
10	Puntestand

KLUBNUUS

Baie geluk aan Jeanine wat bevorder word na Magister Brons en Bianca Breytenbach word bevorder na driester. Weereens geluk aan almal wat medaljes en COM's gekry het (sien Bl6).

Ons beligtingswerkwinkel was groot pret en almal wat dit bygewoon het, het interessante foto's geneem. Ons sien uit daarna om julle foto's te sien. Dankie aan almal wat 'n bydrae gelewer het.

Let asseblief op die verandering in vasgestelde onderwerpe: Mei se onderwerp bly dieselfde en Junie s'n verander na die NEP-tema: "Opposites or Contrast". "Pairs" skuif na later in die jaar.

Om genoeg foto's in te samel vir die NEP Interklub se vasgestelde onderwerp, kan jy drie foto's inskryf vir Junie se vasgestelde onderwerp. Net die hoogste punt uit die drie sal tel vir bevordering en die ander twee mag jy weer inskryf.

Onthou ledegeld moet voor die einde van Mei betaal word. Ledegeld vir 2025 bly dieselfde.

Ons volgende byeenkoms is Vrydag die 9de Mei by NG Kerk De Bruinpark om 19:00. Onthou om jou eie koffiebeker of wynglas saam te bring. Leon Pelser, 'n lid van Hoëveld Fotoklub in Secunda, gaan ons foto's kom beoordeel. Hy het in 2014 sy "International judge" sertifikaat verwerf en in 2022 was hy "Africa photo awards photographer of the year".

Leon doen graag landskap-, portret- en hommeluigfotografie. Hy gaan vir ons foto's kom wys van die "nat Kaap" wat hy in Augustus laasjaar geneem het.

Sien julle daar!

Verjaarsdae

Esté Kapp - 29 April
Talita Coetzer - 30 April
Kyla Eksteen - 15 Mei
Tina de Villiers - 24 Mei

EFK BESTUUR 2025:

Voorsitter: Christa Strauss

Onder-voorsitter, nuusbrief: Mari Kruger

Rekenaar, uitstuur van punte: Adele Smit

Finansiële state: Tia Labuschagne

Projektor: George Labuschagne

Puntestand: Jacques Kruger

★★★★★	Adele Smit
★	Alexis Nel
★★★★★	Andrew Roos
★★★★	Annamarie du Preez
★★★	Annise Smit
★★★	Bianca Breytenbach
M	Christa Strauss
★★Ere	Dalena van der Westhuizen
★★★★	Dirkie van Staden
★★	Elmo Smalberger
★	Esté Kapp
★★★	George Labuschagne
★★★★	George Prinsloo
M	Gert Kotze
M	Hardus Pieters
M	Jacques Kruger
★★★★Ere	Jan Ellis
M	Jan van Niekerk
M	Jeanine Smalberger
★	Jenevieve Kruger
★★★★	Johan Pieters
★	Judy Cronje
★★	JW Koekemoer
★	Kyla Eksteen
★★	Leahanna van der Merwe
M	Leon Drotsky
★	Luané Kruger
★★	Marcel Kruger
★★★★★	Mari Kruger
★	Marina van Niekerk
★★	Palesa Pobe
★★★	Phillip Breedt
M	Rosa van Schalkwyk
★★	Talita Coetzer
★★★	Tia Labuschagne
★★★★	Tina de Villiers
★★★	Venetia Rose
M	Willma Labuschagne
★★	Zanelle Schmidt

KLUBLEDE

VASGESTELDE ONDERWERPE 2025

JANUARIE *Broken Glass*

FEBRUARIE *Makro*

MAART *Automotive parts*

APRIL *Styled pet portraits*

MEI *Children's Toys*

JUNIE *NEP Interklub tema:
Opposites or Contrast*

JULIE *Selective/Spot Colour*

AUGUSTUS *Silhouettes*

SEPTEMBER *High Key*

OKTOBER *Low Key*

NOVEMBER *Different perspective*

DESEMBER *Pairs*

JAN 2026 *Bome*

Feb 2026 *Spore/Tracks*

1-3★ Bianca Breytenbach *Shattered*

4★-M Jacques Kruger *Wynglas*

1-3★ Judy Cronje *Bubblegum Lime*

4★-M Leon Drotsky *Green hopper*

1-3★ Luané Kruger *Chev*

4★-M Jeanine Smalberger *Golden Oldie*

1-3★ Kyla Eksteen *Layla (middel)*

4★-M Christa Strauss *Pearls for girls (onder)*



Opposites / Contrast

Make opposing elements come together (or clash) in one photo. Use opposing colours, objects, shapes, light & dark, warm & cool, old & new, fast & slow etc. Colour or mono.

Let wel dat elke lid 3 foto's kan inskryf vir Opposites/Contrast in Junie! Hierdie reël is sodat ons genoeg foto's kan insamel vir die NEP kompetisie. Die foto met die hoogste punt sal tel vir bevoor-dering en die ander twee foto's mag later weer in-geskryf word in die ope kategorie.

Toy Photography

A creative set subject that involves using children's toys – such as action figures, dolls, scale models, and building blocks like Lego – as the primary subjects to create imaginative and visually engaging images. You can use techniques like careful composition, lighting, perspective manipulation, and post-processing to tell stories, evoke emotions, or simply present toys in unique and captivating ways.



To give your children's toy photography more impact, consider the following:

Storytelling and Emotion:

Craft a Narrative: Go beyond simply posing toys. Think about the story you want to tell. What are the characters doing? What's the context? Even a single image can hint at a larger story.

Evoke Emotions: Aim to create images that resonate emotionally with the viewer. This could be through the toy's pose, the lighting, the setting, or the overall mood.

Consider using symbolism and color theory to enhance emotional impact.

Composition and Perspective:

Vary Your Angles: Don't always shoot from eye level. Experiment with low angles to make toys appear larger and more imposing, or high angles for a different perspective on the scene.

Master Compositional Techniques: Utilize rules like the rule of thirds, leading lines, symmetry, and negative space to create visually engaging and balanced images.

Create Depth: Use techniques like shallow depth of field (blurring the background) to draw focus to your subject and create a sense of scale.

Fill the Frame: Sometimes getting close and filling the frame with your subject can create a powerful and intimate image.

Lighting and Atmosphere:

Control Your Light: Experiment with different light sources (natural and artificial) and modifiers (diffusers, reflectors) to shape the mood and highlight details.

Use Light to Create Drama: Side lighting can create strong shadows and highlights, adding contrast and visual interest. Backlighting can create silhouettes or rim lighting for a dramatic effect.

Consider Color: children's toys are synonymous with bright or bold colours. Use contrasting colours in your scene or colored gels on your lights or incorporate colorful elements to evoke specific feelings.

Setting and Realism:

Build Immersive Worlds: Create believable environments for your toys, even if they are miniature. Use realistic props and backdrops to enhance the sense of scale and narrative.

Pay Attention to Detail: Small details like weathering effects, realistic accessories, and carefully chosen textures can add a realness to your images.

Experiment with Scale:

Play with forced perspective to create illusions of size and distance, making your toys interact with the real world in surprising ways.

Technical Execution:

Sharp Focus: Ensure your main subject is sharply in focus to draw the viewer's eye. Techniques like focus stacking can be useful for maintaining focus throughout the scene, especially with macro lenses.

Stable Shots: Use a tripod to prevent camera shake, especially in low light or when using slow shutter speeds for motion blur effects.

Thoughtful Editing:

Post-processing can enhance your images, but avoid over-editing, which can make them look artificial. Focus on refining colors, contrast, and sharpness.

By focusing on these elements, you can elevate your toy photography from simple snapshots to impactful visual stories that capture the imagination.

Examples from the internet:





Aanvaardings

Leon Drotsky - 4
Hardus Pieters - 2
Christa Strauss - 6
Rosa van Schalkwyk - 4
Jacques Kruger - 4
Mari Kruger - 1

COM's & Medaljes

Exploring (bo)
Runner Up - ACC Silver Medal
Macro
Jacques Kruger

Ignite (middel)
Certificate of Merit
Macro
Mari Kruger



AMBER *Salon* 2025



Aanvaardings

Bianca Breytenbach - 14
Luané Kruger - 6
Jw Koekemoer - 4
Kyla Eksteen - 4
Palesa Pobe - 4
Leahanna Van der Merwe - 2
Alexis Nel - 1

Medalje

Lente (regs)
Fotosalon Remstal
GIP Golden Medal
Open
Luané Kruger

7th PSSA *National* 2025



Aanvaardings

Rosa van Schalkwyk - 8
Christa Strauss - 7
Jacques Kruger - 7
Leon Drotsky - 6
Hardus Pieters - 6
Jan van Niekerk - 6
Mari Kruger - 4
Adele Smit - 3

COM's & Medaljes

Chevy lines (links, middel)

Category runner up
- PSSA Bronze Medal
Open Monochrome
Leon Drotsky

Thirsty porcupine (links, onder)

Certificate of Merit
Nature
Leon Drotsky

Vervolg op volgende bladsy...



7th PSSA vervolg:

COM's:

Resting on a leaf (bo, links)

Certificate of Merit

Open Colour

Jacques Kruger

Over the last one (bo, regs)

Certificate of Merit

Open Colour

Leon Drotsky

Luiperd sluip (2de ry)

Certificate of Merit

Nature

Hardus Pieters

Twins Playing (3de ry, links)

Certificate of Merit

Nature

Rosa van Schalkwyk

Two Hoverflies (3de ry, regs)

Certificate of Merit

Nature

Christa Strauss

Mixing colours (heel onder)

Certificate of Merit

Open Colour

Mari Kruger

Bosveld

SALON 2025

Aanvaardings

Rosa van Schalkwyk - 8
Leon Drotsky - 7
Hardus Pieters - 5
Jan van Niekerk - 5
Jeanine Smalberger - 4
Jacques Kruger - 4
Christa Strauss - 3

Verdwaalde Appelliefies (heel bo)

Category Runner Up
- BFK Silver Club Medal
Open Colour
Rosa van Schalkwyk

Cheetah Soek lets te Ete

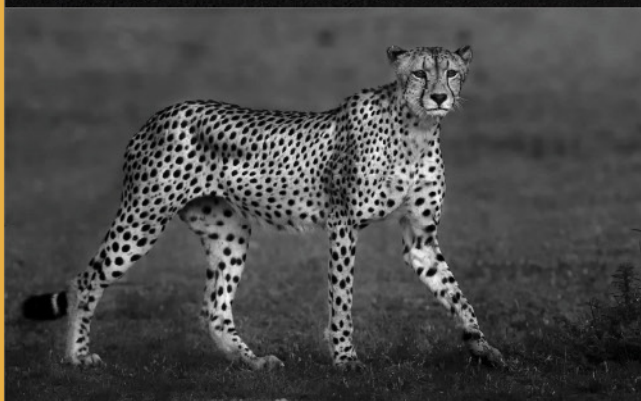
(middel, links)
Certificate of Merit
Open Monochrome
Jacques Kruger

Lion Cub Looking Back (middel,regs)

Certificate of Merit
Nature No Birds
Rosa van Schalkwyk

Resting on a leaf

(3de ry, regs)
Certificate of Merit
Open Colour
Jacques Kruger



PUNTESTAND

PROMOSIE PTE				JAAR PUNTE				FEB					MAR					APR										
April	SAL PTE	MS & G	TOT PTE		JAAR PTE	GOUD	SILVER	BRONS	SAL PTE		INSK 1	INSK 2	INSK 3	SET SUB	ALG PTE	SAL PTE	INSK 1	INSK 2	INSK 3	SET SUB	ALG PTE	SAL PTE	INSK 1	INSK 2	INSK 3	SET SUB	ALG PTE	SAL PTE
Junior																												
EENSTER	0	24	88																									
Luane Kruger	14	16	53		71	16	0	0	14		G	G	G	M			G	G	M	M	2		M	M	G	G	2	14
Kyla Eksteen	8	9	31		40	9	0	0	8								G	M	M	G			M	G	G	M	1	8
Jenevieve Kruger	0	7	24		24	7	1	0	0								G	M	G	G			G	G	S	G		
Alexis Nel	6	22	76		26	8	0	0	2		G	G	G	G			G	G	G	G								2
Marina Van Niekerk	0	16	50		30	10	0	0	0		G	G	G				G	G					G	G	G			
Judy Cronje	0	18	62		52	14	0	0	0		G	M	G	M	3		M	M	M				M	M	G			
Este Kapp	0	12	36		36	12	0	0	0		G	G	G	G			G	G	G				G	G	G	G		
TWEESTER																												
Talita Coetzer	2	19	69		22	4	4	0	0		G	S	S	S														
Bianca Breytenbach* bevorder	48	39	129		75	14	1	0	28		S	G	G	G			G	G	G	G			M	G	G		1	28
Marcel Kruger	19	11	34		12	3	0	0	0								G	G		M	2							
Leahanna van der Merwe	10	7	23		39	10	1	0	4		G	S	G	G			G						G	G	G			4
JW Koekemoer	17	9	31		50	12	3	0	8		G	S	S				G	G	G	G			G	G	G	G		8
Elmo Smalberger	44	28	93		0	0	0	0	0																			
Palesa Pobe	21	4	14		17	3	0	0	8														G	G	G			8
Zanelle Schmidt	5	12	36		37	12	0	0	0		G	G	G	G	1		G	G	G	G			G	G	G	G		
DRIESTER																												
Annise Smit	46	45	140		7	2	0	0	1													1						
Venetia Rose	4	75	305		35	11	1	0	0								G	G	G	G			G	G	S	G		
Tia Labuschagne	49	46	150		29	9	0	0	0								M	G	M	G			G					
George Labuschagne	19	38	130		29	8	0	0	0								M	G	M	G	1		G				1	
Phillip Breedt	0	2	8		8	2	1	0	0														G	G	S			
Senior																												
VIERSTER	86	54	198																									
Johan Pieters	58	75	283		1	0	0	0	1																			
Annamarie du Preez	34	140	535		35	10	2	0	0		G	G	G	G			G	G	G	G								
George Prinsloo	55	79	258		6	2	0	0	0								G	G										
Tina de Villiers	90	39	121		22	6	1	0	0								G	G	G	G	1		G	G	S		1	
Dirkie van Staden	42	65	224		46	14	2	0	0		G	S	G	G			G	G	G	S			G	G	G	G		
VYFSTER																												
Mari Kruger	108	26	81		39	10	0	0	7		G	G					G	M	G				G	G	G	M		7
Andrew Roos	100	87	276		9	3	0	0	0																			
Adele Smit	170	16	57		56	10	1	0	21		G						M	M		G		10	M	G	G	G		3
Jeanine Smalberger* bevorder	229	62	201		73	13	0	0	29		M	G	M				G	G	G	G	1	17	M	G	G	G		4
MAGISTER BRONS																												
Gert Kotze	370	49	151		34	9	0	0	6		G	G	G									2	M	G	G			
MAGISTER SILWER																												
Jacques Kruger	545	16	55		98	16	0	0	42		G	M	G	G		5	G	M	M	G		13	M	M	G	M		19
MAGISTER PLATINUM																												
Hardus Pieters	691	3	11		104	12	0	0	60														M	M	G		2	14
MAGISTER DIAMANT																												
Jan van Niekerk	1342	61	212		98	12	0	0	53		M	M	G			8	M	M	M			18	M	G	G			11
SNR MAGISTER SILWER																												
Christa Strauss	1467	56	186		107	16	0	0	51		M	G	M	G		9	M	M	G	G		14	M	G	G	M	1	17
SNR MAGISTER GOUD																												
Rosa van Schalkwyk	3435	17	65		117	13	3	0	64		M	G	S	G	2	9	M	M	M	G		16	M	G	G	G		25
SNR MAGISTER DIAMANT																												
Leon Drotsky	3501	8	31		136	15	0	0	76								M	M	M	G	2	28	M	M	M	M		21