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EFK Nuusbrief - Maart 2025

Ermelo Fotoklub is in
trotse verbintenis met die



Photographic
Society of South Africa

PSSA Salonkalender

05 April	7th Paarl National Salon of Photography
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

Verjaarsdae

Johan Pieters - 03 Apr
Zanelle Schmidt - 06 April
Leahanna v d Merwe - 11 April
Esté Kapp - 29 April
Talita Coetzer - 30 April

VOORBLAD

Chocolate car (links, bo)

1 Ster-wenner
Luané Kruger

Cathedral Peak Cliff (regs, bo)

2 Ster- en Jnr-maandwenner
Marcel Kruger

Vlieg (links, middel)

3 Ster-wenner
George Labuschagne

Early morning bath (regs, middel)

4 Ster-wenner
Tina de Villiers

On my way (onder)

5 Ster- en Snr-maandwenner
Leon Drotsky

KLUBNUUS

Baie geluk aan Hardus wat bevorder word na Magister Platinum. Geluk ook aan almal wat medaljes en COM's gekry het (sien Bl6).

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

Aansluitingsfooi R120; Enkellid R400; elke addisionele lid per gesin R200; skoliere slegs eenmalige aansluitingsfooi van R120.

Bankbesonderhede:

Ermelo Fotoklub

FNB Ermelo - 270 344

Tjek: 624 0155 1777

Verwysing: NAAM EN VAN

Ons volgende byeenkoms is Vrydag die 11de April by NG Kerk De Bruinpark om 19:00. Onthou om jou eie koffiebeker of wynglas saam te bring.

Johan Drotsky van Bethal fotoklub gaan die foto's beoordeel. Hy is nou al 'n bekende by ons klub en dit is altyd lekker om hom by ons te verwelkom! Johan is 'n Seniorwerker in Bethal klub en het al onder die Top 10 van Impala geëindig. Johan is tans ons streeksdirekteur en het reeds by baie klubs as 'n beoordelaar opgetree, asook by heelwat salonne. Hy spesialiseer hoofsaaklik in Natuur-, Sport- en Landskapfotografie.

Sien julle daar!

INHOUDSOPGAWE

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KLUBBYEENKOMSTE

- 11 April 2025 - Johan Drotsky
- 12 April - Werkswinkel: *speelgoed*
- 9 Mei - Leon Pelser
- 6 Junie:
- 4 Julie:
- Augustus:

EFK BESTUUR 2025:

Voorsitter: Christa Strauss
Onder-voorsitter, nuusbrieff: 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
<i>M</i>	Christa Strauss
★★ <i>Ere</i>	Dalena van der Westhuizen
★★★★	Dirkie van Staden
★★	Elmo Smalberger
★	Esté Kapp
★★★	George Labuschagne
★★★★	George Prinsloo
<i>M</i>	Gert Kotze
<i>M</i>	Hardus Pieters
<i>M</i>	Jacques Kruger
★★★★ <i>Ere</i>	Jan Ellis
<i>M</i>	Jan van Niekerk
★★★★★	Jeanine Smalberger
★	Jenevieve Kruger
★★★★	Johan Pieters
★	Judy Cronje
★★	JW Koekemoer
★	Kyla Eksteen
★★	Leahanna van der Merwe
<i>M</i>	Leon Drotsky
★	Luané Kruger
★★	Marcel Kruger
★★★★★	Mari Kruger
★	Marina van Niekerk
★★	Palesa Pobe
<i>M</i>	Rosa van Schalkwyk
★★	Talita Coetzer
★★★	Tia Labuschagne
★★★★	Tina de Villiers
★★★	Venetia Rose
<i>M</i>	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 *Selective/Spot Colour*

JULIE *Pairs*

AUGUSTUS *Silhouettes*

SEPTEMBER *High Key*

OKTOBER *Low Key*

NOVEMBER *Different perspective*

DESEMBER *Bome*

1-3★ Bianca Breytenbach *Shattered*

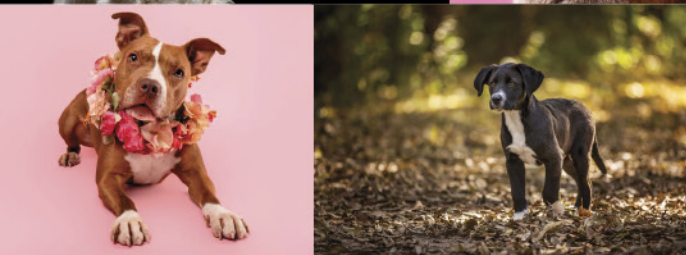
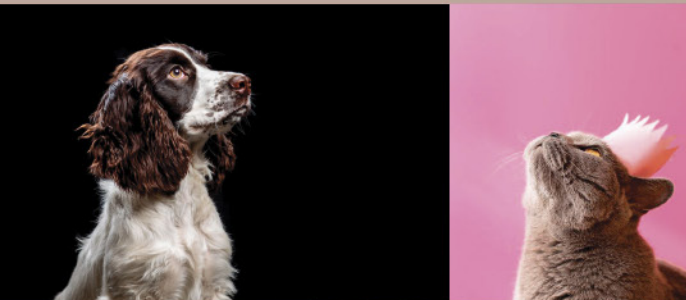
4★-M Jacques Kruger *Wynglas*

1-3★ Judy Cronje *Bubblegum Lime*

4★-M Leon Drotsky *Green hopper*

1-3★ Luané Kruger *Chev (middel)*

4★-M Jeanine Smalberger *Golden Oldie (onder)*



Beligting Werkswinkel 2025!

Kom leer hoe om kreatiewe beligting te gebruik!
Ons hou 'n praktiese werkswinkel op 12 April 2025
by Ligbron, waar ons speelgoed gaan afneem.

Ons beplan om 9:00 uur te begin en teen 12:00
klaar te wees. Bring jou kamera, koffiebeker en 'n
speelding of twee.

Styled Pet Portraits

Any domestic or tamed animal kept for companionship



A likeness, personality and mood of any pet. Your pet should be dominant in the image.



Not restricted to head and shoulders and may include just a part of the face, a back view or even a full-length study.



Use good quality lighting and a suitable backdrop with no distractions in the background to tell the story.

You are in control

Try to use a neutral background that isn't distracting. A plain and uncluttered background is best for making your pet the star of the show! This doesn't mean that you can't show the environment.

Indoors: make sure to clear away the clutter. Coffee cups, cables and other household items can be distracting. Find a plain wall to serve as your backdrop or use a blanket/ironed bed sheet.

Outside: watch out for people, garbage bins, light posts, other dogs etc. Avoid gates or fences behind your pet.

Remove sticks and leaves from the ground where possible.

Use good quality light: Make sure that there are no harsh shadows to distract from your pet's natural beauty. That may mean looking for a shady spot if you are outdoors and having the pet face a window if you are indoors

Avoid the harsh midday sun when possible and make use of open shade when you need to photograph during midday hours.

A wide aperture (low f-stop number) can create a shallow depth of field, which can help the pet stand out against a blurred background. Find an F-stop that helps the camera focus from the tip of the pet's nose to its ears.

Get down to their level

Get on your pet's level or lie down to find their most flattering side. Most people take photos from where they're comfortable: standing up and holding the camera. Some may crouch down a little. In fact, you should get even lower still! Getting your phone or camera very close to the ground gives the pet more power, and we really connect with them at their level.

A pet's eyes can be expressive, so try to focus on them even if they aren't looking directly at the camera. Use a treat or toy to get your pet's attention. Animals have short attention spans and can be easily distracted.

Plan for action shots:

Plan for your pet to be moving during your shoot, especially if you're photographing a puppy or an energetic dog.

Use a fast shutter speed: A fast shutter speed can help avoid motion blur, which can happen when pets move quickly.

Try burst mode: Burst mode can help you capture many frames of your pet's constantly changing expressions

You can also experiment with creative ideas, such as dressing up your pet in costumes, creating a themed photoshoot, or using different props. Whatever you do, be sure to keep your pet's safety and comfort in mind when using any props.



An example of what NOT to do on the left and how to make your photo better.



KCC *Salon* 2025

Aanvaardings

Leon Drotsky - 10
Hardus Pieters - 4
Christa Strauss - 9
Jan van Niekerk - 5
Rosa van Schalkwyk - 9
Adele Smit - 6
Jeanine Smalberger - 6
Jacques Kruger - 5
Annise Smit - 1

COM's & Medaljes

Bee in flight (bo)

Category Winner
- PSSA Silver Medal
Nature
Jacques Kruger

Assassin Fly (middel)

Certificate of Merit
Nature
Jacques Kruger

Luiperd sluip (onder)

Certificate of Merit
Nature
Hardus Pieters





Owl in flight

Category Winner - PSSA Silver Medal

Nature Birds Only

Jan van Niekerk



Defying gravity 2

Runner Up - Club Medal

Sport

Hardus Pieters

AFO *Salon* 2025

Aanvaardings:

Leon Drotsky - 15
Hardus Pieters - 10
Christa Strauss - 5
Jan van Niekerk - 10
Rosa van Schalkwyk - 7
Gert Kotze - 2
Adele Smit - 4
Jeanine Smalberger - 9
Jacques Kruger - 3

COM's:

Giant Anteater (bo)

Certificate of Merit
Nature No Birds
Jan van Niekerk

Peeping Tomalina (2de ry, links)

Certificate of Merit
Nature No Birds
Hardus Pieters

Iets pla die luiperd (2de ry, regs)

Certificate of Merit
Open Monochrome
Hardus Pieters

Bee in flight (3de ry, links)

Certificate of Merit
Nature No Birds
Jacques Kruger

Robber fly on leaf (3de ry, regs)

Certificate of Merit
Nature No Birds
Jacques Kruger

1 vs 3 (4de ry, links)

Certificate of Merit
Sport
Jeanine Smalberger

Catch the ball (4de ry, regs)

Certificate of Merit
Sport
Jeanine Smalberger

Fingers crossed (5de ry, links)

Certificate of Merit
Sport
Leon Drotsky

Haastig oppad (5de ry, regs)

Certificate of Merit
Nature Birds Only
Leon Drotsky



Out from the dust

Certificate of Merit
Open Colour
Leon Drotsky

SALONINSKRYWINGS

'n Spesifieke foto mag NET drie salonaanvaardings vir die klubdoeleindes behaal, daarna sal verdere aanvaardings nie meer tel vir jaarpunte of promosie nie. As die selfde foto in Kleur sowel as Monochroom by salonne ingeskryf is mag die totale aantal aanvaardings, Kleur en Monochroom ingesluit, nie meer as 3 wees nie.

Om te sien hoeveel salonaanvaardings 'n spesifieke foto het kan jy op *Photo Vault Online* onder *My Photo Vault* gaan kyk. Klik op [Where was it used?] Sien heel bo.

Indien jy nog 'n weergawe van die selfde foto opgelaaai het (bv. mono of as jy iets verbeter het) gaan jy na elke weergawe van die foto moet gaan kyk (deur die titel in te tik by "Filter") om te sien hoeveel aanvaardings in totaal die foto gekry het.

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Title: Magical Sunset Flight
Date Uploaded: 2021-08-11 10:00:54
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Event Name	Closing Date	Finished Date	Category	Score	Award
Four Nations Competition - PSSA Member Entry	2022-4-30	2022-6-03	Colour		
HD LPSSA Colour Honours Application - January 2022	2022-1-25	2022-7-31	LPSSA Panel	100	
AFO 10th DIGITAL SALON 2021	2021-9-11	2021-10-30	Open Colour	34	Accepted
Ermelo Foto Klub (September 2021)	2021-9-01	2021-9-03	Set Subject - HD Format	13	Goud
PSSA Website Picture of the Month (August)	2021-8-25	2021-8-31	Open		
16th Krugersdorp Camera Club National PDI Salon	2021-8-21	2021-9-21	PDI Open Colour	37	Category Runner Up - Club Medal
8th Sandton National Digital Salon - 2021	2021-8-14	2021-9-30	PDI - Open Colour	32	Acceptance

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Original File Name: 02 Arrival of the Spring Fairy.jpg
Title: Arrival of the Spring Fairy
Date Uploaded: 2022-01-12 10:40:11
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Height: 1080 pixels
Size (in Kilobytes): 1059 kb

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Used in 2 competitions



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Original File Name: Arrival of the Spring Fairy 3.jpg
Title: Arrival of the Spring Fairy
Date Uploaded: 2021-03-25 10:48:23
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Size (in Kilobytes): 1008 kb

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Used in 4 competitions



Dit bly elke lid se verantwoordelikheid om aan die bestuur te meld as 'n foto wel meer as 3 aanvaardings ontvang het sodat die bevorderingspunte dienoreenkomstig aangepas kan word.

PUNTESTAND

	PROMOSIE PTE				JAAR PUNTE					JAN						FEB						MAR										
<i>Maart</i>	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	
<i>Junior</i>																																
EENSTER	0	24	88																													
Bianca Smit	0	5	17		0	0	0	0	0																							
Luane Kruger	0	12	39		41	12	0	0	0		G	G	G	G				G	G	G	M					G	G	M	M	2		
Kyla Eksteen	0	5	17		17	5	0	0	0					G													G	M	M	G		
Jenevieve Kruger	0	4	13		13	4	0	0	0																		G	M	G	G		
Alexis Nel	4	22	76		24	8	0	0	0									G	G	G	G					G	G	G	G			
Marina Van Niekerk	0	13	41		21	7	0	0	0		G			G				G	G	G						G	G					
Judy Cronje	0	15	51		41	11	0	0	0		G	G	G	G				G	M	G	M	3				M	M	M				
Este Kapp	0	8	24		24	8	0	0	0					G				G	G	G	G					G	G	G				
TWEESTER	1	30	120																													
Talita Coetzer	2	19	69		22	4	4	0	0		M	M	S	G				G	S	S	S											
Bianca Breytenbach	20	36	119		36	11	1	0	0		G	G	G	G	1			S	G	G	G					G	G	G	G			
Marcel Kruger	19	11	34		12	3	0	0	0																	G	G		M	2		
Leahanna van der Merwe	6	4	14		26	7	1	0	0									G	S	G	G					G						
JW Koekemoer	0	5	19		30	8	3	0	0									G	S	S						G	G	G	G			
Elmo Smalberger	44	28	93		0	0	0	0	0																							
Palesa Pobe	13	1	5		0	0	0	0	0																							
Zanelle Schmidt	5	8	24		25	8	0	0	0									G	G	G	G	1				G	G	G	G			
DRIESTER	26	42	154																													
Annise Smit	46	45	140		7	2	0	0	1		G	G																			1	
Venetia Rose	4	72	294		24	8	0	0	0		G	G	G	G												G	G	G	G			
Tia Labuschagne	49	45	147		26	8	0	0	0		G	G	G	G												M	G	M	G			
George Labuschagne	19	37	127		25	7	0	0	0		G	G	G		1											M	G	M	G	1		
<i>Senior</i>																																
VIERSTER	86	54	198																													
Johan Pieters	58	75	283		1	0	0	0	1								1															
Annamarie du Preez	34	140	535		35	10	2	0	0		S	G	G	S	1			G	G	G	G					G	G	G	G			
George Prinsloo	55	79	258		6	2	0	0	0																	G	G					
Tina de Villiers	90	37	113		13	4	0	0	0																	G	G	G	G	1		
Dirkie van Staden	42	61	212		34	10	2	0	0		G	G	G	G				G	S	G	G					G	G	G	S			
VYFSTER	166	54	198																													
Mari Kruger	101	24	76		19	6	0	0	0					G				G	G							G	M	G				
Andrew Roos	100	86	276		9	3	0	0	0		G	G	G																			
Adele Smit	167	12	44		40	6	1	0	18		G	S	G				8	G								M	M		G	10		
Jeanine Smalberger	225	58	188		56	9	0	0	25		G	M					8	M	G	M						G	G	G	G	1	17	
MAGISTER BRONS	261	54	198																													
Gert Kotze	370	46	141		24	6	0	0	6		G	G	G				4	G	G	G											2	
MAGISTER SILWER	366	54	198																													
Jacques Kruger	527	12	40		65	12	0	0	24		M	G	G	G	1		6	G	M	G	G					5	G	M	M	G	13	
MAGISTER GOUD	496	54	198																													
Hardus Pieters* Bevorder	677	59	202		77	9	0	0	46		M	M	G				19	G	M	G						8	G	M	G		19	
MAGISTER DIAMANT	651	72	264																													
Jan van Niekerk	1331	58	202		77	9	0	0	42		G	M	G		2		16	M	M	G						8	M	M	M		18	
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SNR MAGISTER GOUD	1311	72	264																													
Rosa van Schalkwyk	3410	13	52		79	9	3	0	39		M	S	S	G			14	M	G	S	G	2				9	M	M	M	G	16	
SNR MAGISTER DIAMANT	1951	72	264																													
Leon Drotsky	3480	4	15		99	11	0	0	55																		M	M	M	G	2	28