# COLORAMA

### MAY 2025



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### JUNIOR OVERALL WINNER Chris Swart Supper



### SENIOR OVERALL WINNER Kelly Clarke Old Timer



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# MORE ABOUT THE WINNING IMAGES...

Supper- Chris Swart

During a visit to the breathtaking South Coast in June 2024, I had the opportunity to document the rich and diverse wildlife of the region. As a junior photographer, my goal was to capture nature in its raw and vibrant essence. Among the many photographs taken, this particular image stood out—a striking depiction of a stork in its natural habitat, successfully catching its prey.



EXIF DATA Canon EOS 7 D MARK II with 300mm Canon lens ISO : 320 Amputure : F/ 5.6 Exposure Time :1/ 400sec No Flash



# MORE ABOUT THE WINNING IMAGES...

### **Old Timer - Kelly Clarke**

On a recent photoshoot we had the model pose in various outfits. While seated I decided to remove the hat that came with the costume and replace it with the cap. Immediately he looked like an old man reflecting on his time. When editing I converted to monochrome and the image simply popped.



EXIF DATA ISO 100 F6.3 1/200 CANON7D MARK 2 CANON 50MM



# FROM THE CHAIRMAN



RODNEY CORY CHAIRMAN

Chairman's Report May 2025

Good Day Members,

I would like to start by wishing all members the best of luck with those that submitted Honos panels at the End of June, the judging takes place this weekend and the results should be available in about 2 weeks time. Congratulations to Pitts Patel on winning the monthly Kruger Park Magazine Competition with the fantastic image, would Aadil please showcase as it is absolutely brilliant.

I am still working on the outing to Dullstroom, but was advised by the people of the sanctuary that we should contact them again in August/ September as they experience a lot of mist this time of the year.

> Keep Clicking Rodney Cory





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Popular roads of KNP THE BIYAMITI AREA

### KNP HISTORY:

The development of the commercialisation of the KNP Phase 4 KAMBAKU



Field Rangers - the backbone of a Ranger Section

#### **KRUGER MAGAZINE AMATEUR PHOTO COMPETITION: ISSUE 32 – WINTER 2025**

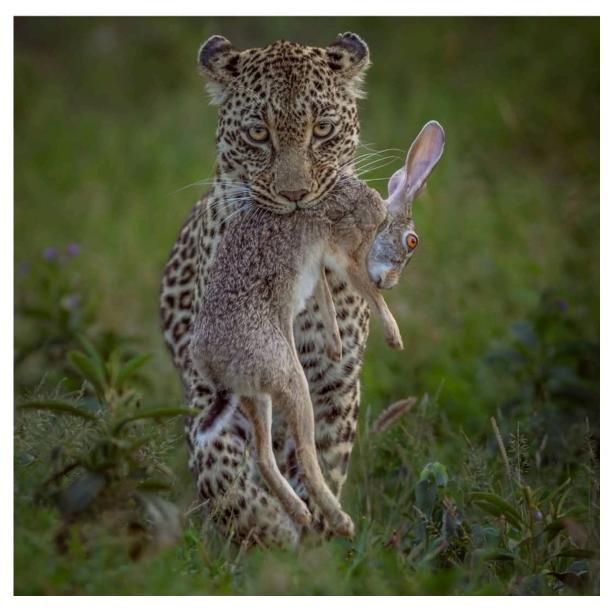
#### **OVERALL WINNER!**

**Congratulations to Pitts Patel** 

**Prize**: Two-night stay for two (2) guests sharing at Kambaku River Lodge.

First prize sponsored by **Kambaku River Lodge**. Visit their website:

https://www.kambakuriverlodge.co.za/ — at Kruger National Park.



# **SET SUBJECT** June 2025

What Is Minimalistic Mono?

Minimalistic mono photography, or monochromatic minimalist photography, is a style that emphasizes simplicity and clarity, often using only shades of black and white to convey a strong visual impact. It focuses on reducing elements to their most basic form, creating clean, uncluttered images with a strong sense of composition. The goal is to convey a clear message with the fewest possible visual distractions.

Here's a more detailed breakdown:

Simplicity and Sparsity:

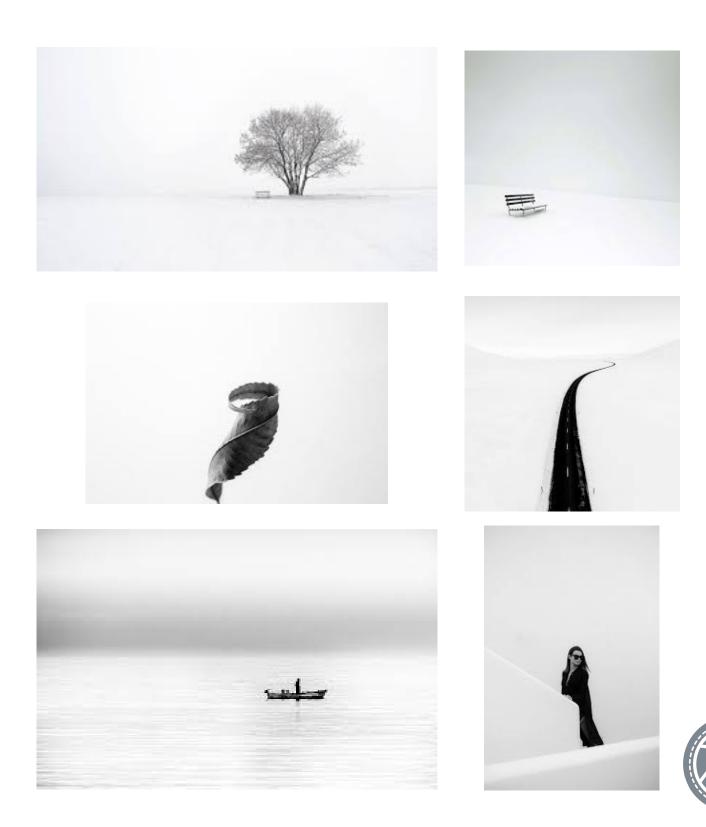
- Minimalist mono photography is characterized by a strong focus on simplicity, using a limited range of tones and textures.
  - Monochromatic Approach:
- The use of black and white (or a single color, in some cases) helps to eliminate color as a variable, allowing the photographer to focus on other elements like shape, texture, and light.
  - Clean Composition:
- Minimalist photography often involves clean, uncluttered compositions, with a strong sense of negative space and a focus on the main subject.
  - Emphasis on Form and Texture:
- Without color, the photographer must rely on form, texture, and light to create visual interest and convey a message.
  - Power of Less:
- Minimalist mono photography is all about using "less is more," achieving a powerful impact with only a few elements.

In essence, minimalistic mono photography is a style that values simplicity, clarity, and the power of visual language to evoke a sense of calmness, serenity, and order.





## May 2025 Minimalistic Mono



# MONTHLY WINNERS JUNIORS

### CHRIS SWART-SUPPER





# MONTHLY WINNERS SENIORS

### KELLY CLARKE - OLD TIMER





# MONTHLY WINNERS SET SUBJECT JUNIOR-PREMIER AWARD

### CHRIS SWART





# MONTHLY WINNERS SET SUBJECT SENIOR-PREMIER AWARD

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# PROMOTIONS CONGRATULATIONS

Congrats!

### TO ALL SALON ACHIEVERS!



# **CLUB STAR GRADING**

<u>Springs Photographic Club:</u> ub Grading - Digital Photography - May 2025 - Page 1				
1	<u>1 Star</u>	12 Golds	Nil	
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2	2 Star	15 Golds	Nil	
	Shaun Van Der Vyver	0	2	
3	3 Star	20 Golds	6 Acceptances	
_	Chris Blackie Swart	27	5	
4	4 Star	30 Golds	27 Acceptances	
	Michelle Stephen	0	59=54+2COM+3 Med	
	Terry Swart	0	6	
	Natalia Lumgair	5	34=32+2 COM	
	Raymond Kieswetter	6	8=7+1 COM	
	Derrill, Papendorf	11	17=16+1 COM	
	Sindey Lindeque	13	51=43+3 COM + 5 Intl.	
<u>5</u>	5 Star	33 Golds	33 Acceptances	
*	Sandra Potgieter	2	8	
	Marlou Schalkwyk	12	157=147+4 COM+1 Med + 5 Intl.	
	Barend Lindeque	16	145=118+15 COM+1 Med + 7 Intl.+4 Judging	
	Ebrahim Pitts Patel	27	262=217+29 COM+5 Med + 11 Intl.	
<u>6</u>	6 Star Ms Bronze	36 Golds	48 Acceptances	
*	Marco McGann	3	20=12+8 Judging	
*	Jeff Millar	4	24	
*	Gerhardt Potgieter	4	28=19+1 COM+8 Judging	
	Cheryl Brooks	2	278=234+20 COM+4 Med + 13 Intl.+8 Judging	
	Kelly Clarke	11	275=245+18 COM+3 Med + 1 Intl.+8 Judging	
<u>7</u>	7 Star Ms Silver	40 Golds	68 Acceptances	
	Aadil Matwadia	21	95=87+3 COM+1 Med+4 Judging	
*	Nico Hattingh	7	419=329+72 COM+4 Judging+14 Med	
<u>8</u>	8 Star Ms Gold	45 Golds	98 Acceptances	
*	Lelanie Naude	6	66=59+4 COM + 3 Med	
9	9 Star Ms Platinum	45 Golds	138 Acceptances	
	Rodney Cory	5	1124=872+86 COM+44 Judging+ 18 Med + 104 Intl.	
	André Noomé	12	106=103+3 Com	
	Gerhard Thysse	12	296=279+10 COM+4 Judging+3 Med	
10	10 Star Ms Amethyst	45 Golds	183 Acceptances	



# **CLUB STAR GRADING**

### Springs Photographic Club: Club Grading - Digital Photography - Page 2

<u>11</u>	11 Star Ms Sapphire	45 Golds	233 Acceptances		
<u>12</u>	12 Star Ms Emerald	45 Golds	288 Acceptances		
	Theo Van der Merwe	3	1100=970+108 COM+4 Judging+1 Jud. Chc +7 Med + 11 Intl.		
<u>13</u>	13 Star Ms Ruby	45 Golds	348 Acceptances		
Disclaim	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	Anything 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			



<b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS</b>						
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	Cheryl Brooks Secretary/ admin 076 662 9703		Gerhardt Potgieter E-photo coordinator Lead Projectionist 083 658 1656			
	Marco McGann Treasurer 082 974 6611		Aadil Matwadia Digital registrar 082 926 3914			
	Pitts Patel Equipment assistant		Kelly Clarke Vice Chairman Equipment News/ Media 082 322 6083			
	Barend Lindeque Assistant Projectionist 082 869 1387		Sindey Lindeque Catering Assistant Projectionist 072 591 8763			

## UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE





Aadil Matwadia

**19 JULY** 

Elsa Labuscagne

**29 JULY** 

