

How PSSA is Managed

The affairs of the Society are managed by a Board of Directors whose aim is to advance the objectives of the Society. The Board is elected by the Members, with each individual member having the power to both nominate and to vote for any member in good standing to serve as a National Director. Each individual member may also nominate and vote for any member in good standing in their region to serve as a Regional Director. All affiliated clubs also have a vote.

The board currently consist of 20 Directors, 10 of whom are elected on a national basis and 10 on a regional basis. Each director receives a portfolio to chair or participate in. This ensures the effective and smooth running of the Society. It is important to stress that all directors serve voluntarily and receive no remuneration for their services.

A Director's term of office is 2 years, after which he/she can immediately stand for re-election. The election of the National and Regional Directors takes place in alternate years to ensure continuity on the board.

2025 was the year for the election of the Regional Directors - our thanks to Paul Rixom and Chris Nel who stood down after many years of service to their regions. Bridgid Wickham also stood down as a Regional Director but was co-opted as a National Director and will be taking over the PRO portfolio from Evelyn Gibson, who is standing down as a Director and PRO after many years of outstanding dedication and service to PSSA. Evelyn will however, be continuing as our Social Media Chair.

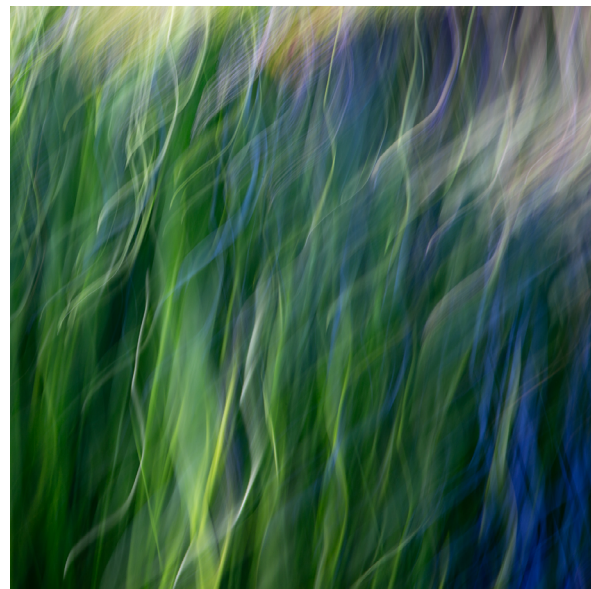
We welcome Alan King, Veronica Heersink & Des van Tonder as our new Regional Directors.

From amongst their number, the Board elects the President and two Vice Presidents, each for a two-year term. The President may not stand for a second term without at least serving as 2nd and then 1st Vice President prior to his/her second term of office. Our Presidential team for the next two years is Geoff Feldon President, Nicol du Toit 1st Vice President and Francois Roux 2nd Vice President.

PSSA belongs to the members but relies heavily on the hardworking individuals who make up the Management team. If you would like to become more involved, please offer your services either as a Director or as a member of one of the divisional sub-committees.



Geoff Feldon - Dew drops on Flowers



Geoff Feldon - Green and Blue

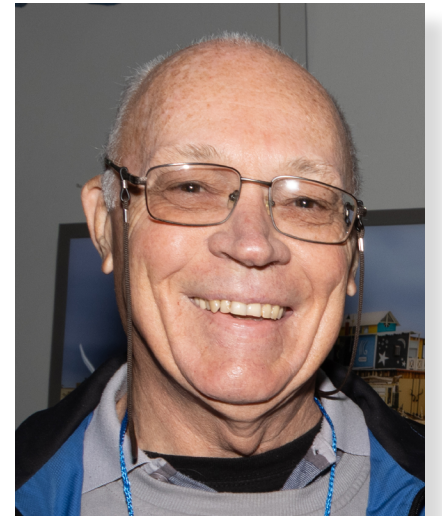
President - Geoff Feldon LPSSA

I was born in Durban in 1956 and apart from a few years in my High School days, I have always lived in KZN.

Following my matriculation year, I returned to KZN to study for a B.Com degree at Natal University and on completion, went into the Manufacturing industry, moving through various types of industries during my working career. Although I still do some consulting, I am now enjoying semi-retirement. I am married with 2 children and 3 grandchildren, all of whom live in the UK.

My interest in photography was sparked at an early age, as my father always had a camera. Slides were the order of the day, and he took many happy family pics during my and my siblings' growing years. In my early twenties, I bought a camera (Yashika) and dabbled a bit, but then "life got in the way", and it was only in 2006 that I made my first digital camera purchase and joined Westville Camera Club, of which I am proud to say I am still a member, having received Honorary Life Membership in about 2015. During the years up to 2006, I played drums in a band in my early twenties, was an active canoeist for about 10 years and played golf for many years, still having the odd game now and again.

I can't say I have ever really had one favourite genre, but I just really enjoy taking photographs, swayed by mood and opportunity - although I do very much enjoy the timelessness of Monochrome.



Being an Accountant by profession, I guess I am always drawn to the administrative side of things and have also thoroughly enjoyed being involved with both the Club and PSSA in this regard.

Having a hobby that one enjoys is a great way to bat off the stresses of life and meet new and fascinating people. Photography certainly attracts people from all walks of life, which makes it even more interesting and enjoyable, even during times when I am not making any personal memories.

I can see myself taking photographs throughout my life, albeit in a smaller and more condensed world.