

The Bellows

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This special edition of The Bellows contains:

- a summary of the results from the PSSA Interclub Competition for 2025*
- copies of the actual member images that were selected for submission to the competition*
- Some important member information that took place during the year*
- and finally, some member images that let the PSSA know we are still here!*

Hopefully as you browse through the images, you will find some inspiration for the New Year. Maybe an image, or something you read, or something you see and wonder how the author of the photograph achieved that result, will spark an idea for a photographic goal for 2026, and help make 2026 even better than 2025.

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Facts and figures

- 39 Clubs entered the competition
- TPS ended **12th** overall, with 1323 points versus the winning total of 1366 points from the Ermelo Fotoklub. We were the best scoring club from the western Cape.

In 2024, we finished 28th out of 32 clubs.

- Our seniors ended **16th** overall, with 680 points versus the winning total of 722 from Southern Suburbs Camera Club. In the Western Cape, we were second only to the Cape Town Photographic Society.

In 2024, our seniors finished in 30th place!

- Our juniors stole the show, however, ending **joint 10th** overall, with 643 points versus the winning score of 670 from IPP Photographic Club. In the Western Cape, we were second only to the Hermanus Photographic Society.

In 2024, our juniors finished in 28th place!

These figures reflect a superb performance!

All the images that were entered can be found on the following pages.

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries

SENIORS

(Alphabetically by title)



A balanced meal *by Rob Minter*

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



Cape Sugarbird by *Bennie Vivier*



Coming at you by *Desmond Labuschagne*

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



Going sideways by Pieter Swart



*Lady Chatterley
by
David Barnes*

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



Moody blues by David Barnes



Playing in the dust at sunset by Bennie Vivier

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



Protecting the calf *by Bennie Vivier*

Start building my nest
by
Francois du Bois



PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



Sugarbird 1 by Johan van Wyk



Sunrise on Theewaterskloof Dam by Desmond Labuschagne

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Image entries - Seniors (cont.)

Taking a break
by
Rob Minter



The eye of the dragon by Francois du Bois

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Seniors (cont.)



The Postcard Cafe by Pieter Swart



Wheat waving in the wind by Derrick Smit

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries

JUNIORS

(Alphabetically by title)

Dragonfly
by
Gustav Nel



PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



Follow the leader *by Brian Moffatt*



Ice princess
by
Gustav Nel

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



Is it Monday again *by Gustav Nel*



Juvenile bateleur drinking water *by Kobus Mouton*

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



Lined and blocked
by
Claudia Lothering

Mr Squirrel came to lunch
by
Richard Jones



PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Juniors (cont.)

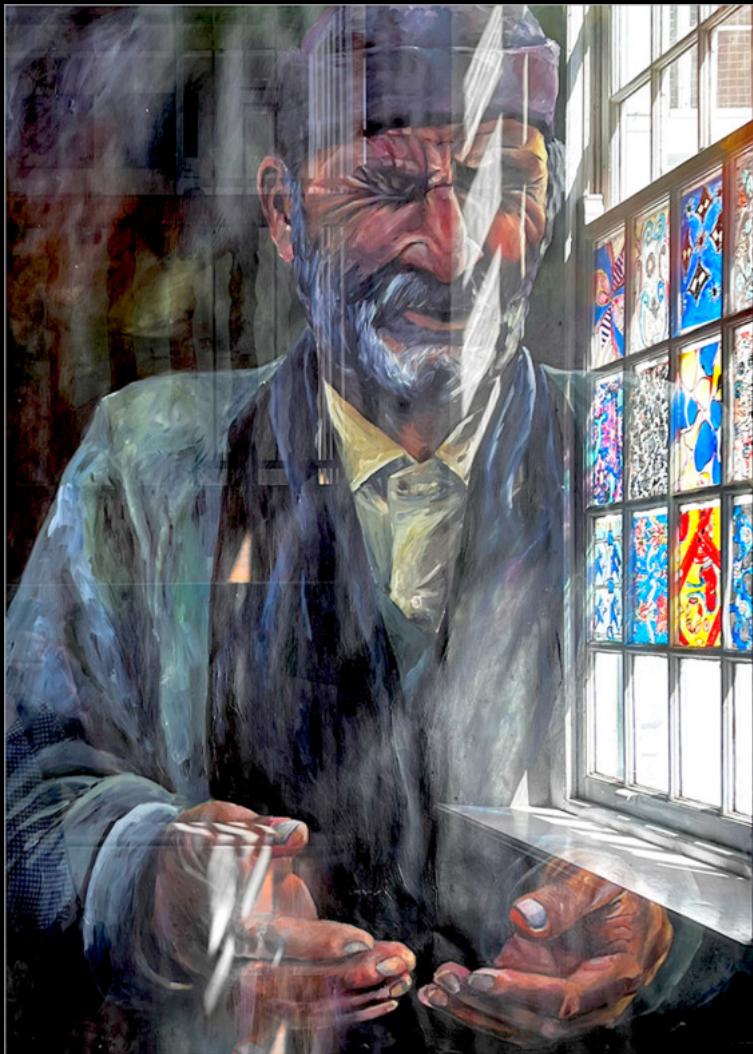


Place of great noise by *Annelize van der Berg*



Precious drops of water by *Claudia Lothering*

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025
Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



Reflections in a painting
by
Richard Jones

Standing resolute
by
Brian Moffatt



PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



Stick the landing by Brian Moffatt



The little fisherman by Annelize van der Berg

PSSA Interclub Competition 2025

Image entries - Juniors (cont.)



The old and the young by Kobus Mouton



Together by Charlotte van der Berg

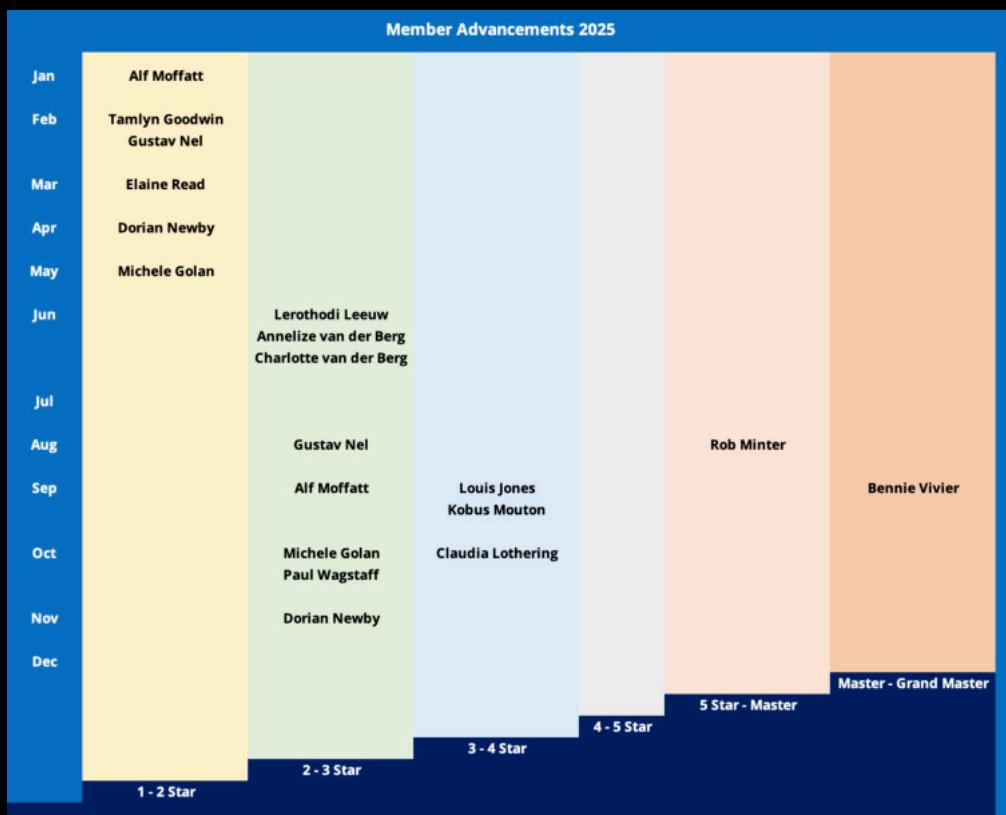
Member information 2025

Membership Numbers

We started the year with 50 members. Sadly, Pete Retief passed away during the year. Zandile Moyo joined us in August, and so we finished the year as we started it, with 50 members.

Member advancements

All advancements during 2025 are shown below. The most notable is Bennie Vivier's advancement from Master to Grand Master! By doing so, he became the club's first ever Grand Master! It's fitting that he also was our Photographer of the year!



Star category winners

1 Star	Annelize and Charlotte van der Berg
2 Star	Lerothodi Leeuw
3 Star	Claudia Lothering
4 Star	Johan Greef
5 Star	Rob Minter
Master	Bennie Vivier

PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR

BENNIE VIVIER

Member information 2025

PSSA Achievers

The PSSA run a monthly competition where affiliated clubs enter their monthly Senior and Junior winners into the competition via Photovault. David Barnes does this for us each month. Appointed judges select the winning images. These monthly winning images are displayed on the home page of the PSSA website for the duration of the month.

This year, two of our members did us proud!

On this page you will find the magnificent image from Francois du Bois, which won the Senior section of the competition in July.

On the following page, you will find the two superb images from Claudia Lothering. She was first runner-up in both October and November this year.

Our thanks to both of you for keeping the TPS flag flying high! Well done!



Sunset at Quiver tree forest *by Francois du Bois*

Member information 2025
PSSA Achievers (cont.)



Eyes of eternity by *Claudia Lothering*



Power Pride and Passion by *Claudia Lothering*

Happy

New

Year!