

# The Bellows

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## SPECIAL EDITION

### *2025 Snapshots*

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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*

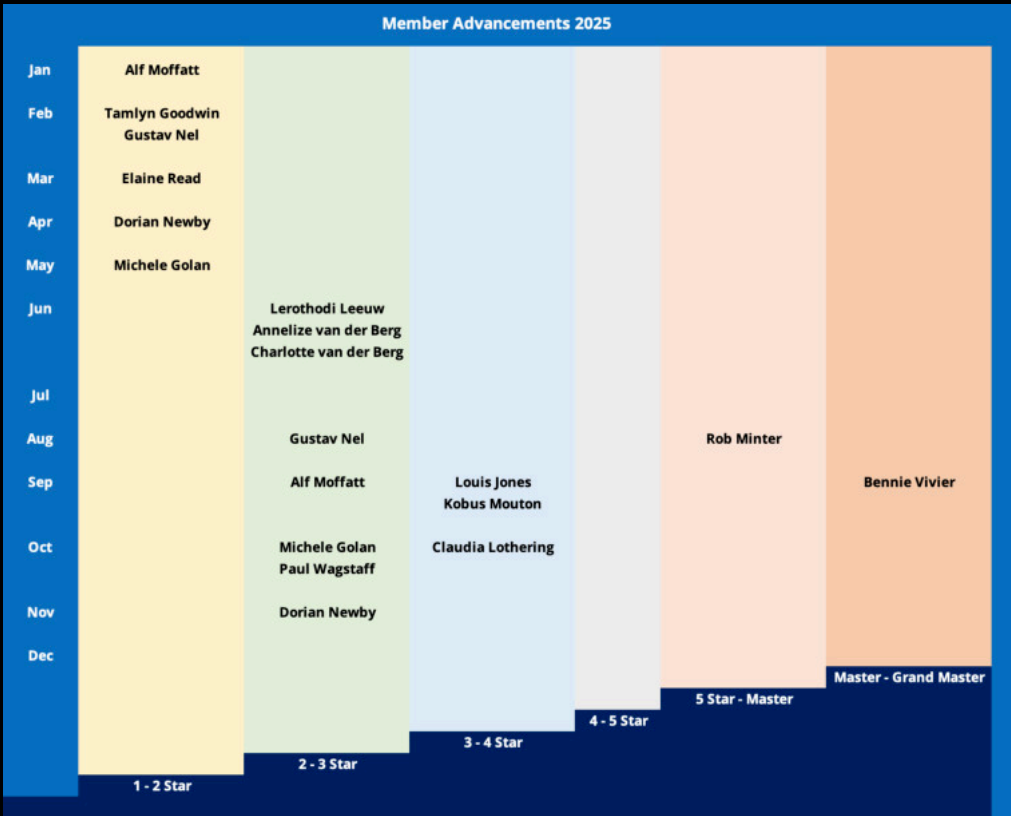
# Member information 2025

## 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 Lotharing*



*Power Pride and Passion by Claudia Lotharing*



*Happy*

*New*

*Year!*