



# SNAPSHOT

Newsletter of the Hermanus Photographic Society  
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## President's report



### Come back fresh and sharp

This time of the year we all suffer from a bit of overexposure, oversaturation, and maybe we are just not as sharp as we should be.

However, we have the holidays and festive season to look forward to, where overindulgence, overexpenditure, and underperformance will be the norm.

We just can't seem to win, can we?

Nevertheless, on behalf of the Committee, I would like to wish all our members happy holidays.

May the time spent with friends and family be filled with joy, and all the stress be relieved by plenty of humour.

May you travel safely. We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year - sharp-sharp.

Happy clicking

**Thea Erasmus**

## Year ends with shooting stars

The year drew to an end with the promotion of two of the Hermanus Photographic Society's members, Treurnicht du Toit and Phil Heading.

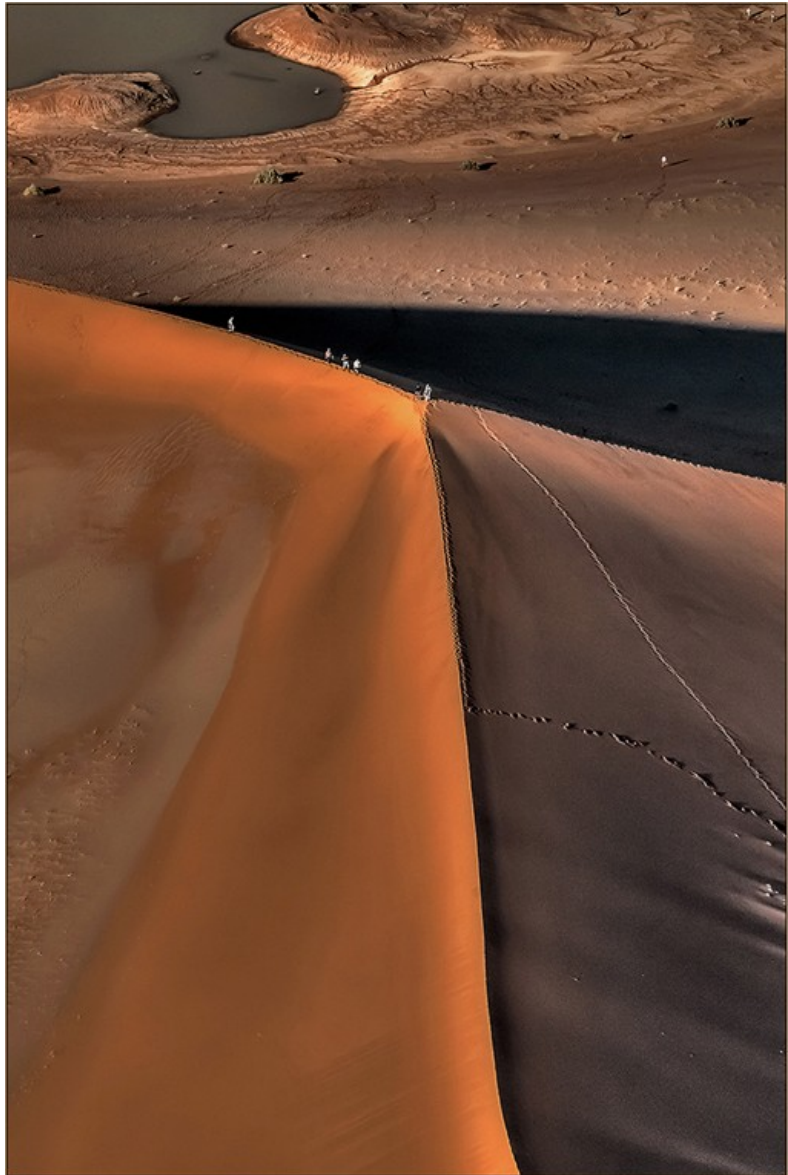
Phil was promoted from three- to four-star, while Treurnicht rose beyond stardom to join the Society's elite group of magister photographers.

To qualify for magister status Treurnicht, as a five-star photographer, needed a total of 200 points and 40 salon points.

He had exceeded those two requirements by more than 4 000 points and more than 2 000 salon points before reaching the third requirement of 50 golds at the November meeting.

Earlier this year Treurnicht, one of the most awarded Society members, received the title of Expert of the Photographic Society of South Africa (EPSSA) in the July Honours judging session, for his achievement on the Salon circuit.

To qualify he had to have gained a total of 375 acceptances with a minimum of 125 images in two divisions - in his case Nature and Open.



*"Take a walk on Namib Dune", for which Treurnicht du Toit was awarded a silver medal for best image in the Photo Travel category at the 2016 Midrand CC National Salon.*

He continued his national and international salon successes in November by being awarded a silver medal and two certificates of merit, and having 3 images accepted for national and 23 for international exhibition at a total of 6 salons.



*"At full speed", which gained a certificate of merit for Treurnicht du Toit at the 2016 West Rand Salon.*

Treurnicht has become the fifth member of the group of active magister photographers, joining Ronnie Hazell, Max Leipold, Birgit Hofmeyer and Faith Botha.

Phil gained the required 100 points and 25 golds to become the 13<sup>th</sup> member of the group of active four-star-photographers.

## Year-end party antics

The last monthly meeting of the year, on Wednesday 7 December, began with two presentations and a show by the Committee before turning into a year-end party.

There was a presentation of audio-visual work by Hermanus Photographic Society participants in a workshop in Kleinmond, and photo travel presentations of Mongolia and northern Botswana by Estelle and Chris Neethling.

Then the six Committee members entered and performed a somewhat diluted version of the strip show from the film "The full Monty". It was choreographed by René Dewar.

The audience seemed to be appropriately amused.



*Visible Committee members performing, from left, Gavin Turner, Thea Erasmus and Luke Horsten.  
Image by Daniel Reddy*



# Resolutions for 2017

The first monthly meeting of the new year, on Wednesday 1 February, will be the annual general meeting, where the Committee for 2017 will be elected.

Members may nominate co-members or volunteer themselves.

There will be no formal evaluation, but an informal discussion, for which each member may submit up to two images.

The theme will be "New year's resolutions".



*An example of a "New year's resolutions" image - from the internet.*

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