

Newsletter of the Hermanus Photographic Society December 2018

Achievements, achievements

Our club has ended 2018 on a high note. The latest positive news is that we are ahead in our region in the competition for monthly top-scoring senior and junior images of clubs from all over the country affiliated to the Photographic Society of South Africa (PSSA).

This follows the announcements of Treurnicht du Toit's achievements in the Nature's Best Photography Africa 2018 Competition, and his and Elizma Fourie's achievements in the Impala Trophy Competition 2017-'18.



'Frightened' by Treurnicht du Toit - first runner-up in Reptiles and Amphibians of Africa category of Nature's Best Photography Africa 2018 competition

All of this adds up to measuring our

growth and skills as photographers, and the quality of our photography. It is not about competing for the sake of competition.

But it is nice to have the photographic world take notice of the activities of the photographic club of this quiet coastal town.

The PSSA competition for monthly top-scoring images runs from July to June.

After the first five months, up to November, Hermanus has a total combined score of its senior and junior entries of 342, followed by Paarl with 337, Swartland with 336, and Tafelberg with 259.

A total of eight Western Cape clubs take part, while four – Cape Town, Tygerberg, Durbanville and West Coast – are



'Discipline' by Treurnicht du Toit - Honourable Mention in Mammals of Africa Portraits category of Nature's Best Photography Africa 2018 competition

absent. Countrywide, some 40 of about 100 clubs participate.

In addition to the senior category, for four-star photographers and higher, and the junior category, for three-star and lower, the competition has a third category, for individual members of the PSSA.

In that category Elizma Fourie has been taking part quietly. Her score of 37 out of 45 in November for 'The Hunter' places her in joint seventh place in that category for the month.

In the Nature's
Best Photography
Africa 2018,
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first runner-up in
the Reptiles and
Amphibians of



'The Hunter' by Elizma Fourie - Score of 37 out of 45 in individual member category of PSSA monthly competition

Africa category with his image 'Frightened', and he received an honourable mention in the Mammals of Africa Portraits category with 'Discipline'.

Treurnicht was also awarded a Certificate of Merit in the Swartland Salon for 'Haastige Spoed', while five of his images were accepted for exhibition. And he came 32nd out of 470 photographers in the Impala PDI (projected digital images)



'Haastige Spoed' by Treurnicht du Toit - Certificate of Merit in Swartland Salon

competition for his salon achievements.

In the audio-visual category of the Impala Trophy competition, Elizma came third overall with 'A Smile to Remember', her first AV since joining our AV Interest Group, led by Deon Kühn.

Our final end-ofthe-year achiever was Hestie das Neves, who was awarded a Certificate of



'White Horses of Camargue' by Hestie das Neves - Certificate of Merit in Taf Salon

Merit for 'White Horses of Camargue', and gained another four acceptances by the Taf Salon, and another six international acceptances in the Cross Continental Circuit.

Together, these achievements show that we have the talent, and must be doing something right.

Charles Naudé

Monthly club competition





Intimidation by Diane Steenkamp (left) and Golden Beauty by Luke Horsten are our club's junior and senior entries for the January 2019 country-wide club competition organized by the PSSA.

The year 2019

The first club meeting of 2019 will be in the Dutch Reformed Church Hall at 19:00 on Wednesday 6 February. The first part of the meeting will be the club's annual general meeting, consisting of the chairman's report and the election of a committee for the new year.

The second part will be a normal monthly meeting. Members may enter up to three images of their choice for the monthly evaluation, and one for the set subject 'Sea and Sand' / 'See en Sand', where members will vote for their favourite, followed by a discussion.

The committee wishes all members a merry festive season and a prosperous new year.

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