



SNAPSHOT

Newsletter of the Hermanus Photographic Society
September 2022

Our seniors rise to the occasion

Success on first entry in PSSA Interclub competition

The new photographic year started well for Hermanus as a club. We ended fourth nationally, and second in the Western Cape region in the senior section of the annual PSSA Interclub competition.

It was our first participation in this competition, of which the latest results were announced last month.

We were just one point behind Tygerberg, which was third nationally and top scorer in the Western Cape.

It was actually a good Interclub for Western Cape clubs. Three ended in the national top six, with Cape Town and Ermelo joint fifth. Hibiscus Coast in KwaZulu-Natal won, while AFO in Gauteng came second.



A number of our club members grabbed the opportunity to cover the Onrust leg of the International Bodyboarding Corporation World Tour. A number of the images were entered for our September club evaluation. This one, "Sari Ohhara" by Carina de Klerk, was awarded the highest score.

PSSA Senior Interclub Competition 2022			
Club	Score	W Cape	National
Tygerberg	703	1	3
Hermanus	702	2	4
Cape Town	701	3	5
Tafelberg	656	4	24
Fish Hoek	646	5	26
Swartland	641	6	27
Creative	630	7	31
Witzenberg	443	8	36

Western Cape Interclub 2022		
Club	Score	W Cape
Tygerberg	1,621	1
Cape Town	1,614	2
Tafelberg	1,583	3
Paarl	1,564	4
Hermanus	1,557	5
Fish Hoek	1,546	6
Swartland	1,538	7
Creative	1,537	8
Durbanville	1,496	9
Helderberg	1,489	10
Gansbaai	1,485	11
Witzenberg	1,471	12

A comparison of the results of the PSSA Interclub (above) and the separately held but more or less simultaneous Western Cape Interclub (right) shows that our club did far better in the national than the regional competition. While Tygerberg and Cape Town dominated the Western Cape Interclub, Hermanus was at the top with them in the senior section (4-Star and above) of the PSSA competition.

Two in top five; five in top ten

Our club held its ground to the end of the Impala Trophy competition.

As a club we came second in the Western Cape (17th overall), behind Cape Town (12th), and followed by Tygerberg (25th).

Western Cape Impala Trophy top scores 2021 – '22 final				
Entrant	Club	Points	W Cape	National
Phil Sturgess	Hermanus	222	1	18
Dante Parisi	Fish Hoek	167	2	31
Christo Giliomee	Paarl	162	3	34
Kim Stevens	Cape Town	160	4	35
Carina De Klerk	Hermanus	143	5	44
Dieter Butow	Cape Town	137	6	48
Charles Naudé	Hermanus	96	7	65
Neels Beyers	Cape Town	85	8	72
Crighton Klassen	Hermanus	83	9	74
Elizma Fourie	Hermanus	80	10	76

More than 100 clubs were involved.

Our Phil Sturgess was the highest scoring member of any Western Cape club, while another four from our club also ended in the regional top ten. All ten were in the top 80 of the almost 600 participants from all over the country.

The scores are based on successful participation in the salons throughout the photographic year, which started on 1 July 2021, and ended on 30 June 2022.

Salon results

Two months into the new salon year only two members of our club have started to participate. Last year we had six regular participants and another two or three entering a few times. The following results were announced last month.

Kosmos club national salon

Charles Naudé – 6 images accepted for exhibition

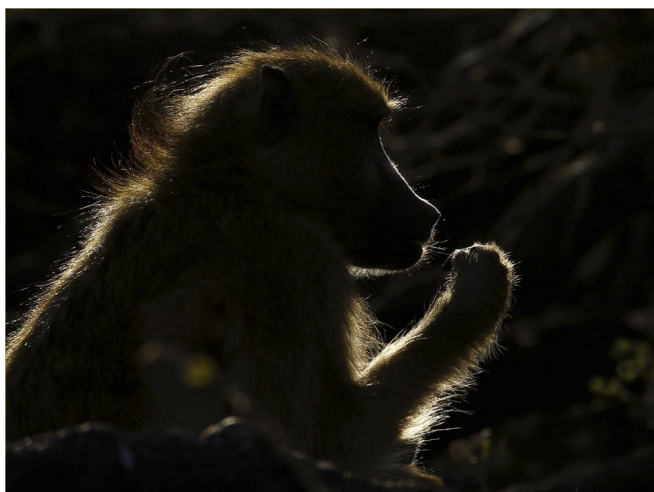
David Wilson – 3 acceptances

Pretoria club national salon

Charles Naudé – 4 acceptances

David Wilson – 2 acceptances

Monthly competitions pick up speed



*Above: "Pensive moment" by Ingrid Grundlingh, our entry for the September PSSA junior competition.
Right: "Cleanup after the burn" by Daniel Reddie, our senior entry.*



The PSSA's monthly club competitions are picking up speed after a slow start in the first month, July. The number of clubs participating in both the senior and junior competition has increased from just over 40 to about 60 of a possible 100+ affiliated to the PSSA (Photographic Society of South Africa).

Of the Western Cape clubs, senior participation has increased from seven to the usual ten, and junior participation from a mere six to twelve, including three youth clubs.

The senior competition is for 4-Star members and upwards, and the junior competition for 1-Star to 3-Star.

In the senior competition our club is in joint third position in the Western Cape and 29th overall. Our juniors are third and 21st respectively.



"Water's edge" by Carina de Klerk, which was awarded 33/45 in the August senior competition



"Opportunistic pleasure" by Ingrid Grundlingh, 33/45 in the junior competition

Top 10 Western Cape Seniors			
Club	Score	W Cape	National
Creative	73	1	10
Fish Hoek	71	2	14
Cape Town	68	3	29
Hermanus	68	3	29
Helderberg	67	5	33
Tygerberg	67	5	33
Swartland	66	7	36
Witzenberg	34	8	48
Paarl	33	9	50
Tafelberg	33	9	50

Top 10 Western Cape Juniors			
Club	Score	W Cape	National
Cape Town	69	1	8
Tygerberg	67	2	12
Hermanus	65	3	21
Swartland	64	4	25
Fish Hoek	62	5	30
Creative	58	6	38
Tafelberg	37	7	40
Witzenberg	32	8	46
C Hofmeyr	31	9	48
Paarl	29	10	55

Forthcoming events

Our October monthly meeting will be in the Hermanus Dutch Reformed Church Hall (Covid and Eskom permitting) on Wednesday the 5th at 19:00. Members may enter up to three images of their choice, and one on the Set Subject, "Portrait of a pet" / "Portret van 'n troeteldier", all for evaluation. All submissions must be via Photo Vault Online, and all scores will count for promotion. Members are encouraged to read up on the set subject.

The set subjects for the following six months are

November – Shadows / Skaduwees

December – Food and drink / Kos en drank

February – Bicycles / Fietse

March – Trees and leaves / Bome en blare

April – Planes, trains and automobiles/ Vliegtuie, treine en motorkarre

May – Creative shutter speed / Kreatiewe sluiterspoed

Forthcoming salons, with closing dates (details on the PSSA website):

Krugersdorp national 10 September

Amber national 17 September

Swartland national 1 October

Danube Autumn Circuit international 9 October

Kroonstad national 15 October

The First Friday Art Walk from 17:00 to 20:00 on the first Friday of the month has been resumed after the winter. Our club print exhibition which forms part of this, is at Hermanus FotoFirst.

Art in the Park on the first Sunday of every month has been moved to the Hermanus Auditorium.

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