

NEWSLETTER: May 2025

Pictures of the Month Senior



Nature's partnership — Cathy Birkett

Junior



Zebra eye – Terence Clarke

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Message from the Chair

May 2025

Interactive Meeting

Peter Oosthuizen used the Interactive Zoom Meeting as a platform for the presentation of three editing techniques that are common among photographers: the Orton, Adamski and Dragan effects. Quite a few members subsequently posted images with the Dragan effect applied to their portrait photographs. We will continue to promote the interactive meetings as a way to keep on talking about photography. The next interactive meeting will be held on 11th June with the theme "Shallow depth of field". Images are to be submitted via Photovault on the same date as for club night submissions i.e. midnight 7th June.

Tutorials and learning material

Peter Oosthuizen continues to manage this portfolio and has provided links to many valuable sites dealing with various aspects of photography and post processing. ANY suggestions regarding content, themes and topics are welcome and should be communicated to Peter directly, or to any committee member.

Interclub collaboration

The deadline for the Garden Route Interclub Photographic competition is the end of May. Individual photographers affiliated to Garden Route clubs able to submit up to 16 images across four categories – please get your images in so that KPS has a good showing. To date there are approximately 300 entries across the Garden Route.

The four categories are:

- Our country
- Creative art
- Monochrome
- Nature

Closing date for submission is 31st May via Photovault. The access code is GRIP-25.

PSSA Guidelines

KPS is aligned with the photographic guidelines adhered to by PSSA. Our photographic categories, guidelines and procedures conform to PSSA requirements. This is important if members participate in Salons and Competitions run by PSSA or indeed by international organisations which follow the same rules.

Competitions

The first of our two yearly competitions was held in June and the images and results are dealt with below, Congratulations to the winners especially our new junior Laura Cambell for her excellent showing.

We also ran a competition on the Knysna Photoshoot Facebook page with the prize being a year's subscription to the club. The winner was Judy Harrison and we look forward to welcoming her. The three top images are shown further in the Newsletter.

The theme for the November competition is "Light and Shadow"

End of club year, AGM

The end of our club year is rapidly approaching (KPS club year runs from July to June). This brings three events into focus:

- Annual awards for photographers who have participated in the club night judging and learning sessions.
- Preparation for our AGM.
- Election and appointments of the club committee. A couple of the current committee members will
 be standing down after years of valued service and we will need to replace them in the various
 portfolios. If members would like to nominate candidates, or volunteer for committee duty, please
 stick your hands up.

Alan King

Salon Acceptances May 2025

HILLCREST 1ST DIGITAL SALON

Cathy 2

Peter 2

Carol 3

Alan 3

PAARL 7TH DIGITAL SALON

Anne 3

Cathy 3

Alan 4

WEBSITE PICTURE OF THE MONTH APRIL

Cathy came 9th out of 44 photographers



May Meeting Judges

The judges for June will be Anne Hrabar, Gary Hansel and Carol Phillips

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May Competition

The theme of the May competition was "Solitary" and it was judged by Pam Brighton, Phil Sturgess from Hermanus and Carien Kruger from Eden Photographic Society

in the Senior section Peter Oosthuizen was placed first, Cathy Birkett second and Eileen Covarr third.



Waiting for Dad – Peter Oosthuizen



Walking alone – Cathy Birkett



Standing alone – Eileen Covarr

The Junior section was dominated by new member Laura Campbell who took all three places.



Solitary room – 1st place



Solitary man – 2nd



Solitary - 3rd

KNYSNA PHOTOSHOOT COMPETITION

The club sponsored a competition on the Knysna Photoshoot Facebook site and eleven entries were received. The judges were members of the committee and we are delighted to announce the winner as Judy Harrison whose prize is a year's membership of the club.

The theme was "My Knysna" and Judy's winning image is the following.



Well done, Judy We look forward to welcoming you to our club

Thank you to all entrants for taking part

Dylan Merryweather was runner up with the moody image below



And Brenda Garth Davis was third with her image of the dog watching his master



Club Calendar – 2025

Please refer to our website https://www.knysnaphotosoc.com/calendar

National Salons

Information regarding salons is available at https://pssa.co.za/category/salons/calendar-results-for-year-ending-june-2025/