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NEWSLETTER

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LENS AFRICA *Safaris*

Our exciting forthcoming Tour and Photo Workshop.

Magaliesberg Photo Safari 2 December – 4 December 2011

Tour Schedule

Programme:

Friday 2 December: Arrival at Mokoya Lodge, Hekpoort from 17:00

- Register and room allocation. Freshen up.
- 19h00 - Dinner
- 20h30 – Introduction to Lens Africa Safaris, tour details and audio-visual show.
- 22h00 – Bed time

Day 1: Saturday 3 December:

- Arise very early before sunrise. Coffee and rusks.
- Sunrise shoot over Hartebeespoort Dam
- 8h00 – Cheetah run shoot at de Wildt – Anne van Dyk Cheetah Centre
- 8h35-9h45 – Shoot at delapidated farm buildings and/or Margaret Roberts Herbal Centre. (Macro photography)
- 10h00 – Brunch at Lodge
- 11h00 – 13:00 Training / lecture /discussion session in lecture hall.
- 14h30 - High Tea and delicacies.
- 15h00 – Depart for Mountain Sanctuary park for scenic landscape shoot until sunset.
- Dinner at Boma with fireside entertaining.
- 22h00 – Bed time

Day 2: Sunday 4 December:

- Arise very early before sunrise. Coffee and rusks.
- 6h00-9h30 Game drive at Lion and Rhino Park.
- About 10h00: Picnic Brunch at Magalies River edge or in Lapa at Mokoya Lodge.
- From 11h00 to 13h00 – computer preparation of Magalies Photo Safari images
- 13h00 -15h00 Presentation, evaluation and discussion of images. Tea break and delicacies at 14h30.
- 16h30 – Certificates
- 17h00 – Departure

Cost for tour: R2,500.00 per person excl transport (own transport), personal items, toiletries, inbetween drinks and refreshments.

Deposit required of R1,000.00 pp to confirm booking. Use your name as reference. Supply us your email and we will confirm your booking.

Lens Africa Safaris NEDBANK Branch Retail Park 169745 Cheque Account Number 1010441701

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Regional Report for Western Gauteng Region - 2011

1.1 Introduction

The clubs in the region all experienced growth over the last 12 months. Only Krugersdorp and West Rand Camera Club still judge prints on a regular basis. All the clubs in the region organised special outings and activities during the year.

1.2 Krugersdorp Camera Club

The Krugersdorp National Salon was very successful and had 6 155 images entered. The club has 84 active members with an attendance rate of 40 – 60 per meeting. The club is focussing on young people to help the club grow. A new committee has been appointed. A new website has being designed and will shortly be up and running. It was suggested that the club contact Sue Jewell of Welkom regarding methods of drawing the youth and young people into photography.

1.3 Pixel Life Camera Club

The club currently has 10-15 members and since it is an e-club there are no monthly club meetings although photos are submitted and judged remotely.

The club needs a projector to be able to have meetings where photographs can be judged.

The club is planning on hosting a salon in an attempt to build up funds for a projector.

1.4 West Rand Camera Club

The club has 50 active members with and attendance of 25-30 per meeting

Highlights:

- 1st Salon in 2010 was a great success
- Two members of the club (Louise & Corrie McDuling) attended the JAP course
- 12 new members joined the club and display exceptional photographic skills
- 6 members have advanced to 4Star level, the most the club has ever had
- More judges that have completed the JAP course have been invited to judge at the club meetings. Reg and Amy Ansell were among those invited and the club truly enjoyed their judging.
- A number of members have been convinced to join the PSSA and start entering salons
- A monthly winner is selected from the winners of the various categories and receives R100-00 as prize.

Outings:

- Johannesburg city centre for architectural photography
- Attended a museum for photographic exhibition
- Heidelberg Air Show.

Workshops:

- Lighting & Studio Photography with Gerry Pelser
- Table Top Photography with Schutte Combrink
- Workshop on Photographic Techniques and how to apply them with Derek & Norma Pearman

1.5 Klerksdorp Camera Club

The club has 28 active members and 50 permanent members

Club has encountered the problem that many people start with photography at the club and then, after a short duration, they stop attending.

Club had outings to game reserves in the local area

Started a “Sharp Shooter” programme in the club.

1.6 Vereeniging Photographic Society

The club has 60 paid members of which only 40 actively participate in the club.

The club has had a record number of salon COMs and medals.

The club hosted their 2nd specialist salon and it was very well received.

The club also invested some of the club funds in a studio setup.

The club had a number of outings and in general the club is very social.

The club hosted a very successful print exhibition last year and is planning to do this again in November this year.

1.7 Vanderbijlpark Fotografiese Vereniging

The club has 70 paid up members of which 50-60 are actively participating in the club and 41 members are also PSSA members

The club had a very successful salon

An outing to Koppies was held

An informal course for beginners is being hosted.

1.8 Rustenburg Photographic Society

The club has 38 active members (18 new members), but not many are PSSA members as well.

An open workshop on camera controls was hosted to teach people in general how to operate their cameras, especially the interaction between shutter speed, f-stop and ISO in achieving good exposure.

A workshop was also held on Digital Photography Workflow to teach the members the principles from taking a photo through downloading, storage and the basics of image processing in photo editing software.

The club currently has 2 x 1Stars, 6 x 2Stars, 16 x 3Stars, 5 x 4Stars and 2 x 5Stars.

Gerrie van Vuuren has risen from 1Star to 4Star in one year and has taken a number of Division Winners in recent salons, a total of 51 salon acceptances of which 16 were CoM's

Johann van der Walt FPSSA - Regional Director Western Gauteng (President)

PSSA REGIONAL REPORT – CERPS (EASTERN GAUTENG) October 2011

Once again the region has been fairly active with the organising of workshops for the various club members. Edenvale in particular has had a number of workshops and club outings with some being for an entire weekend. As for myself, I have organised two PSSA workshops. The first was JAP which was held at the Boksburg fire station and as usual presented by Johan v/d Walt and Francois Roux. The workshop was attended by 28 members from various clubs and regions. Anne d' Oliveira presented the travel portion of the JAP program and myself the nature section, overseen by Johan and Francois.

The second workshop was an AV workshop presented by Jill Sneesby and Barrie Wilkens. The Saturday covered everything from planning through to executing an AV and the Sunday was dedicated on how to Judge an AV. I believe that this was the first time that such an event was held and the Sunday attendees will be registered with the JAP process.

CERPS congress was hastily organised and hosted by Benoni Camera Club due to the withdrawal of F-STOP. The event was well attended and I thank Michael Helps and his committee for this. I was also re-elected as Regional Director unopposed. F-STOP has committed to hosting next year's event and we look forward to it.

A new club by the name of "Impala Platinum Camera Club" has opened in Springs. They held their first meeting in July. I was invited there to judge and talk about PSSA this month and was informed that the club currently has just under 40 members. The chairman asked for Yvette's details as they are keen to join PSSA.

Benoni Camera Club

The club continues to grow from strength to strength under Michael Helps and his enthusiastic committee. The membership currently stands at 48 and continues to gain new members. Club outings and workshops take place on a fairly regular basis

Contact details – Michael Helps – mike@fotocenter.co.za

Boksburg Camera Club

Under the chairmanship of Marius Kemp and his committee the club has done well this past year. They co-hosted the CERPS Digital Salon with Edenvale and also held their own salon. The club currently has exactly 100 paid up members and actively promotes PSSA to its members via a dedicated page in the newsletter.

Contact details – Marius Kemp - marius@umthunzi-images.co.za

Edenvale Photographic Club

Regular club outings are arranged and this includes weekends away. The club has now won CERPS for three years in a row and this is indicative of the club members photography. Under the chairmanship of Colin Hall and his committee the club continues to show growth and currently has 48 members.

Contact details – Colin Hall - colin.hall@nhra.co.za

F-Stop Fotografiese Vereeniging

The club chairmanship changed this past year and the chairman now is Stefan Jacobs.

Currently the club has 25 members and this is a huge drop from last year's approx 40.

At a special meeting the committee has committed themselves to grow the club to its former state.

Contact details – madg@wbs.co.za

Freeway Christian Club

The club is currently under the chairmanship of Donovan Love and has 21 members.

This is a slight drop from last year. I have expressed my concern regarding the fact that the club has had no workshops or outings for their members this year.

Contact details – Donovan Love - donlovephoto@gmail.com

Heigel Fotoklub

Membership is drawn from two rural towns, namely Nigel and Heidelberg and monthly meetings are rotated between the two towns. The club is very active in organising outings and workshops for their members and also invite members from other clubs to attend outings and workshops. Membership has declined a bit over the past year and stands at 22. The club will move to Johan v/d Walt's region from 1st November 2011

Contact details – Reg – regan@telehost.co.za

Springs Photographic Club

A new committee was elected at the AGM and consists of mostly new blood under the chairmanship of Theo van der Merwe. The club organises a few outings a year for their members. The membership currently stands at 27 and needs to grow somewhat.

Contact details – Theo van der Merwe – theoophilus.vdmerwe@eskom.co.za

Percy Mitchell APSSA - Regional Director Eastern Gauteng (2nd Vice-President)

EVENTS

SALON SCENE 2011

Salon	Hosting Club	Medium	Closing Date	Categories	Contact Person
Bloemfontein National e-Salon	Bloemfontein Camera Club	Digital	5 November 2011	a. Nature Zoology b. Nature Botanical and Nature Land/Seascapes c. Picorial (No Sport) d. Pictorial Sport	Sonja Myburgh Cell:082 826 1592 sonja.myb@gmail.com

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2nd. Clarens Mono Salon	Clarens Fotografie Klub	Digital	4 February 2012	Mono only People (excl. children) People (young children) Land/city/seascapes Open	Hans Slaghuis hansslaghuis@mweb.co.za 083 638 8222
Northern Gauteng Super Circuit	NPC, VSS and PCCC	Digital/ Prints AVs	18 Febraury 2012	Prints: Animal Portraits Mono human portraits Open Blue Avant Garde Photo Journalism Nature general Audio Visual: A story A comic Digital: Open red Scapes Nature general Avant Garde Birds Sport and Arial	Sarel Naude sarelnaude@gmail.com 071 895 7737
1st Alberton Digital Salon	Alberton Kamera Klub	Digital	10 March 2012	TBA	Willem Botha whjb@webonlinemail.co.za 083 307 5643
Nelspruit Salon	Nelspruit Fotografiese Vereniging		Digital 31 March 2012	TBA	Francois Rousseau Cell: 083 538 7555
5th Emfuleni Circuit Salon	Emfuleni Circuit	Digital	21 April 2012	TBA	Johann van der Walt johann@vdwalt.net Cell: 083 678 0877
1st Bosveld Digital Salon	Bosveld Kamera Klub	Digital	12 May 2012	TBA	Pierre Smith pierre@focusphotos.co.za
Sandton Digital Salon	Sandton Photographic Club	Digital	2 June 2012	TBA	Jenny Stilwell jenny@thenet.co.za
AFO	AFO	Digital	23 June 2012		
END IMPALA YEAR					
PPS 80th Anniversary Salon	PPS	Digital	14 July 2012	TBA	Evelyn Gibson evelyng@mwebbiz.co.za 082 892 6250
Tygerberg Salon	Tygerberg Photographic Soc.	Digital	11 August 2012	TBA	Robert Johnson robertjohnson@neomail.co.za 082 853 5209
Krugersdorp	Krugersdorp		15 September 2012	TBA	Johan Croucamp johan@tealmining.com 082 449 7922

Salon	Hosting Club	Medium	Closing Date	Categories	Contact Person
1st Bluff Digital Salon	Bluff Camera Club	Digital	6 October 2012	TBA	Maggie Lally maggielally@3i.co.za
3rd Pietersburg Digital Salon	Pietersburg Fotografie Klub	Digital	27 October 2012	TBA	Willem Davel davel.planner@vodamail.co.za 082 468 0468
1st Witbank Digital Salon	Witbank Photographic Soc.	Digital	17 November 2012	TBA	Travis Vere-Russell tvererussell@gmail.com
2013					
Bethlehem	Bethlehem Kamera Klub	Digital	9 February 2013	TBA	Kobus Potgieter
2nd Randburg Digital Salon	Randburg Club	Digital	2 March 2013	TBA	Piet Enslin
2nd Edenvale	Edenvale	Digital	23 March 2013	TBA	John Coumbias
3rd VPS Landscape Salon	Vereeniging Photographic Society	Digital	13 April 2013	1. Nature Landscapes 2. Landscapes with human elements 3. Monochrome Landscapes 4. Altered Reality Landscapes	Johann van der Walt Johann@ydwalt.net 083 678 0877
3rd West Rand Salon	WRPC	Digital	4 May 2013	TBA	Louise McDuling
3rd TAF Digital	TAF	Digital	25 May 2013	TBA	Manie Wessels
Laeveld Digital Salon	Laeveld	Digital	15 June 2013	TBA	Jacobus Aucamp

CONGRESSES/CONVENTIONS

PSSA National Congress 2012 - Langebaan, Western Cape 25 - 31 August 2012

8th PSSA AV Convention 2012 - Victoria West 17 - 20 March 2012

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Order Form (*= Club orders only)

	Unit Price	Quantity	Total Price
PSSA Badge - Cloth	R 35.00		
PSSA Badge - Metal	R 35.00		
*Infinity Badge for Club Service	R 25.00		
*Blue Infinity Tie for Club Service	R 25.00		
 Equipment			
Postal print case 400x500mm print size	R 75.00		
Booklet - "Photo Journalism"	R5.00		
Booklet - "Fokus op troufotografie"/Focus on wedding phot.	R5.00		
Booklet - Portraiture for Beginners	R5.00		
Elementary Steps to Better Pictures	R5.00		
 PSSA Clothing			
Dorian Jacket with PSSA badge	R400.00		
Fisherman's Jacket with PSSA badge	R330.00		
Cap with PSSA badge	R60.00		
Shade with PSSA badge	R50.00		
PSSA Tog Bag	R230.00		

Plus postage for clothing R30.00 per garment.

Grand Total

Full Name.....

Address.....

Remote Judging Salon Timeline

Before the remote judging era it was very important to plan a salon in great detail. It was, for instance, very important that the judges actually arrived for the judging session, and it was a rule that the results were published “not sooner than” 24 hours after the judging session!

Remote judging has a huge number of benefits, but with it also comes its challenges. From the outset of remote judging, it was clear that we will have a longer turnaround time from the closing date of the salon until the results are published.

Unfortunately, lately, in a few cases it has seemed that the salon committee had failed to plan the activities of the salon competently, which resulted in the results being made available very long after the closing date. This situation is not acceptable, as it reflects badly on PSSA. To ensure that this does not happen in future, we have compiled a Remote Judging Salon Timeline. Although this timeline will still result in the final results only being sent out 17 days after the closing date, it will at least make it possible for everybody involved (the salon committee, the judges, PSSA, and ultimately the participants) to know when to expect what.

All future salon directors will be provided with this timeline, and they will need to supply the PSSA salon coordinator with proof that they are keeping to this timeline. If a salon committee cannot commit to these timelines, then it is most likely an indication that they do not have the time or capacity to host a salon. If a salon committee does not keep to these timelines, they will not receive PSSA patronage for a salon during the next 24 months.

Task	Due Date
Salon Closing Date	Always on a Saturday night
Prepare photo to be posted to judges	Wednesday (closing day +4)
Send to judges (by overnight courier)	Wednesday (closing day +4)
First Round Judging	Saturday or Sunday (closing day +7 or +8)
Send results to Salon Director	Sunday night (closing +8)
Collate scores and create shortlists	Tuesday (closing +10)
Send shortlist for second round judging	Tuesday (closing +10)
Second round judging	Sunday (closing +15)
Send results of second round judging to Salon Director	Sunday (closing +15)
Finalise salon results	Tuesday (closing +17)
Send results and publish on PSSA website	Wednesday (closing +18)
Prepare salon DVD catalogue	Sunday (closing +22)
Post salon DVD	Tuesday (closing +24)

Johann van der Walt FPSSA - Salons

Results - PSSA Club Magazine/Newsletter Competition 2011

Magazines (hard copies)

- 1. Shutter Press - National Photographic Club**
- 2. Magalies Pix - Magalies Foto fun Club**
- 3. Viewfinder - Bluff Camera Club**

Electronic Newsletters

- 1. Kollig - Vanderbijlparkse Fotografiese Vereniging**
- 2. E-Flash - Pretoria Photographic Society**
- 3. The Driftwood - Beachcombers Photography Club**

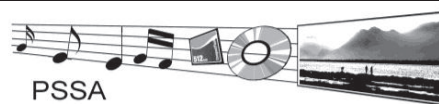
Congratulations to the winners.

PSSA extends condolences to the family and friends of Pieter Sparks (Snr.) past President of the Krugersdorp Camera club who passed recently after a short illness.

Piet was one of the founder members of PSSA and served on the Krugersdorp Camera Club Committee for many decades. We are indeed sad to lose him.

8th PSSA AV Convention 2012

REGISTRATION FORM



PSSA
AUDIO VISUAL DIVISION

Registration at Apollo Theatre, Victoria West between 9h and 14h on 17 March

Sat. 17 March 2012
to
Tues. 20 March 2012

Please complete one form per person attending

Call Name:	
Surname:	
Are you a member of PSSA?:	
Holder of which PSSA Honours?	
Which Camera Club?	
E-mail:	
Contact Telephone Number:	



Do you have any special dietary requirements?

Please list full details of any dietary requirements and/or critical allergies.

Workshops/Meals participations

I will have these meals:

Supper Sat 17 March	Yes / No
Lunch Sun 18 March	Yes / No
Supper Sun 18 March	Yes / No
Lunch Mon 19 March	Yes / No
Supper Mon 19 March	Yes / No
Lunch Tues 20 March	Yes / No
Supper Tues 20 March	Yes / No

Congress Fees:

PSSA Members	Non Members	PSSA Subscription <small>*includes once off entrance fee</small>	
600	750	Ordinary*	455
		Joint Ordinary*	580
		Junior/Student*	240
Amount remitted: The listed fees include 3 lunches, 4 suppers & free entry to the workshops and competitions			
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Direct any enquiries to:

Convention chairman:	Paul Rixom	prixom@webmail.co.za	072-525-0016	044-877-0994
PSSA Audio Visual Division chairman:	Thomas Niemeyer	thomas@niemo.co.za	072-605-3855	028-315-2852

Payment of Congress Fees:

Registration is only complete upon receipt of payment

Payment to be made by **electronic transfer** to our **Savings account number: 2212554842**

Account name:	Cape Photographers	Account Type:	Savings
Bank:	NEDBANK	Branch code:	198765
Branch:	Port Elizabeth	Please include your name as reference on the deposit or transfer; only then will we not need proof of payment	

Forms and payment confirmations to be sent by email or fax to Roel van Oudheusden:

roelvanoza@gmail.com Fax: 086 671 6713 Tel 041 367 3994 A/H

PSSA NATIONAL CONGRESS - LANGEBAAN 25th - 30th AUGUST 2012

JOINTLY HOSTED BY PSSA WESTERN CAPE CLUBS



Main Congress Venue: Club Mykonos, Langebaan

Please complete one form per delegate attending

Name:			
Surname:			
Are you a member of PSSA: (Yes/No):		PSSA Member No:	
Which Camera Club:	Please note, congress fee for non-members includes one year PSSA membership.		
PSSA Honours:			
Honours from RPS/PSA/FIAP or APS:			
Home Telephone Number:		Email:	
Cell Phone Number:		Fax Number:	
Business Phone Number:			

Do you have any special requirements?

Please list full details of any requirements (including dietary) as we cannot cater for any not listed on this registration form.

Payment of Congress Fees:

Payment to be made by direct deposit or **electronic transfer**

Bank: **Nedbank** Branch: Port Elizabeth
 Account Name: **Cape Photographers**
 Account Number: **2212554842** Branch Code:198765
 Account Type: **Savings**

Please include your name and the words "West Coast" as reference on the deposit or transfer.

		Non PSSA Members Add R500 for Individual Membership or R580 for Joint membership to all packages.		
		PSSA members	Non PSSA Members	Comments
Early Bird Congress Fee for PSSA Delegates before 31st May 2012 - R1200.00				
Normal Congress Fee for PSSA Delegates after 31st May 2012 - R1500.00				
Early Bird Congress Fee for non PSSA Delegates before 31st May 2012 - 1700.00				
Normal Congress Fee for non PSSA Delegates after 31st May 2012 - 2000.00				
Attendance Honours Banquette Friday 31 August				In the first block, please indicate how many will attend. Add R250 for non-Congress delegates only.
		0.00	0.00	

Please save this registration form and email or fax it with your payment confirmation to **Robert Johnson:**

robert@goodwoodags.co.za Cel: 082 853 5209 Fax: 086 6055570

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