

Cottages Chronicles

2018 VINTAGE FAIR IN FULL



Plans are in full swing to ensure that the 2018 Vintage Fair is even bigger and better than last year. The residents are all actively gathering materials and/or preparing for the stalls where they will be on the day.

It has been confirmed that Radio Kragbron will have their outdoor broadcasting unit broadcasting live from the fair on Saturday. There will be opportunities for residents and visitors to experience live radio. Maybe you will be interviewed on the air.

The drum majorettes from Klipfontein Laerskool will also be in attendance to entertain the fairgoers.

There will not only be the traditional Pannekoek, Jaffels, Curry & Rice and Vetkoek available but also Prego Rolls, Boerie & Chips and Braai & Pap. The children will also be catered for with cold drinks, sweets and games – they will also be able to have their faces painted.

The Springboks rugby match against the Australians will be broadcast live and liquid refreshments will be available.

The official news-
letter of Sound
Memory Cottages
Witbank



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Editorial:

Once again my apologies for the delay in publishing this edition of the **Chronicles** however it is sometimes very difficult to invent the news for publication.

The **Chronicles** is your newsletter please use it to share your ideas and other tit bits of information.

Clive

***Discussions are always better than arguments
because an argument is to find out who is right
whereas a discussion is to find what is right***



Forthcoming events

Please diarise the following events open for all residents:

Regular events:

Tuesday 07:00 Hairdresser

Daily Tea:

10:00 & 15:00 **All residents are welcome for a cup of tea or coffee in the lounge.**

Wednesdays : 09:00 combi takes residents to **Family Pick 'n Pay** for shopping.

2nd Mondays : 09:00 combi takes residents to Checkers Saveways or the Mall (alternate months)

Sunday 11 November: 13:00 Armistice Day Parade—100th Anniversary of the end of WW1

Saturday 1 December: 17:00 Christmas Party



Church services:

09:00 Every Sunday - interdenominational service

10:00 First Tuesday: Shalom

14:30 Second Thursday: Baptist

14:30 Fourth Thursday: Methodist



Best wishes to the following residents who are unwell or recovering from a recent illness.

We trust that all of you will have a full and speedy recovery.



Elda Badenhorst was admitted to Cosmos Hospital on Monday 27 September and is undergoing tests.



Maureen Cummings is back home after spending a few days in Cosmos Hospital undergoing treatment.



Wollie Badenhorst is also home after undergoing treatment at Cosmos Hospital. .



Best wishes to **Rienie Uys** who will be undergoing knee surgery on Wednesday 29 September



It is good to see our manager **Bettie Grovè** back at work after her recent knee surgery



Martie Page-Lee is recovering well after her serious illness earlier in the year. It was great to see her at the Christmas in July party recently.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

The weather may have been cold outside but inside there was a warm, festive atmosphere as the residents got tucked into the abundance of hot soup and delicious puddings prepared for the occasion. The Old Brown Sherry that was on the tables helped to get everyone to relax and enjoy the evening.



Electrical upgrades:



We would like to thank the residents for your co-operation while we are in the process of upgrading the outdoor electrical boxes in the complex.

These upgrades are the second phase of a programme that we started earlier in the year to ensure that we comply with all safety regulations.

OBITUARY—MRS ELISE BAILIE



It is with profound regret that we have to record the passing of Mrs Elise Bailie on 15 June 2018.

Elise was born in Greyton in the Cape however she spent most of her youth in Kleinmond before going to work in Paarl.

In 1957 she moved to Witbank where she remained until she passed on.

Throughout her life she dedicated herself to working for the community She spent over fifty years working for the Moth Cottages as the wife of a Moth, a Mothwa and a resident of the cottages. Elise was a founder member of the Winston Mothwa Shellhole in Witbank in 1966 and remained a member until its demise in 2007.

Her first love was always her family, her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Best wishes to the following people who have celebrated their birthdays recently and will celebrate them in the next month. We wish you many more happy and healthy years to come.



JULY:

- 3rd Mary Neuville
- 5th Sania van der Walt
- 8th Hettie du Toit
- 10th Harry Reichert
- 11th Johan Mong
- 11th Charlie Glenn
- 19th Hennie Nel
- 23rd Wollie Badenhorst

AUGUST:

- 2nd "JJ" Strumpher
- 3rd Vicky Witcombe
- 6th Betty van Wyngaard
- 9th Elize Evans (Staff)
- 13th Elda Badenhorst
- 20th Johnny Botes
- 29th Annette Rademeyer
- 30th Hettie van der Merwe

SEPTEMBER:

- 2nd Hannetjie Stiglingh
- 3rd Bettie Grovè (Staff)
- 7th Magriet Venter
- 9th Janetta Mahlangu (Staff)
- 12th Annamerie Broodryk
- 14th Annetjie Potgieter
- 23rd Joan Botha
- 24th Martie Page-Lee
- 29th Jack Strumpher



Oldies Concert:

Bev and Anabel once again visited the cottages on Tuesday 12 June to entertain the residents with those old time songs that we all enjoy so much.

Thanks to Anabel we were also able to get our piano expertly tuned at a very reasonable prices.

All residents are urged to take support this type of function in the lounge, join in and have a cup of tea or coffee.

Welcome

A very warm welcome to the new residents who have joined us since the last edition of the Chronicles. We hope that your stay will be a long, happy and healthy one.

Edmond Delagey
Flat 26A

Roelien de Villiers
Single Quarters

Annie Lynn
Cottage A

Joey Armstrong
Single Quarters



IMPORTANT

Please cooperate by complying with the following:

- ♦ **Office hours:** Monday to Friday 08:00 to 13:00
- ♦ **Electricity Purchases:** Monday to Friday 09:00 to 11:00
- ♦ **Obey the speed limit in the cottages grounds**
- ♦ **Do not drive off before the main gate is closed**
- ♦ **Do not feed the birds**

Funny courtroom quotes, questions and witness

Q: "The truth of the matter is that you were not an unbiased, objective witness, isn't it? You too were shot in the fracas."

A: "No, sir. I was shot midway between the fracas and the naval."

Q: So the date of conception (of the baby) was August 8th?

A: Yes.

Q: And what were you doing at that time?

Q: Can you describe the individual?

A: He was about medium height and had a beard.

Q: Was this a male, or a female?

Q: How was your first marriage terminated?

A: By death.

Q: And by whose death was it terminated?



Clive Hatch operates a help desk on Thursday Mornings in the Administration Building to assist residents with problems regarding the Cottages as well as any other problems that they may wish to discuss.

Help desk times:

Thursday 10:00 to 11:00



Thank you very much to the following people for their generosity:

Meisie Rossouw for her very generosity towards the gar dens;

Richard Cooke from Rescue Panel Beaters for his kindness in donating the labour costs to repair the Venture;

Clinton Rademeyer from Neven Mathews for his and Neven Mathew's frequent generosity with the Ven



MOTH News

True comradeship * mutual help * sound memory

Ratel Shellhole Shooting Competition:

Moths and members of the public braved the freezing cold weather to attend the annual shooting competition at the Witbank Shooting Club. Once again the attendance was good and the calibre of the shooting was excellent.



Steve Whitmore



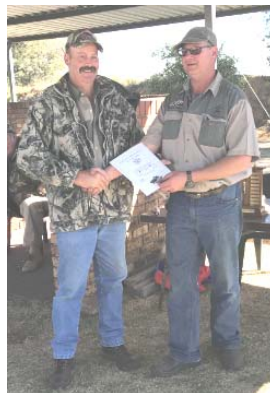
Sanette Slabbert



Ruth Batchellor



Adri Prinsloo



Salman Botha

Crater team with their mafia manager in the middle



Crater gains a new MOTH

It was a great pleasure for Crater Old Bill Chris Sonnekus to confirm that James Cane complied with all the criterion to become a member of the MOTH.

He was therefore installed as Moth James Cane.

SARACEN WELCOMED TO GONDAR

A special parade was held at the Gondar Shellhole in Middelburg on Saturday 9 June 2018 to welcome their newly acquired Saracen to a place of honour.

At 10:00 the MOTHS from Gondar Shellhole together with a number of visitors were called to order to await the arrival of their new acquisition at 10:07. After taking the salute the MOTHS then escorted the Saracen into the MOTH premises.

Once parked in its place of honour and Gondar Old Bill Koos Kleinsmith welcomed everyone present and the other speeches were completed the Saracen was launched into posterity with the braking of the traditional bottle of champagne being broken on the bow of the vehicle.

The Saracen, in working condition, was donated to the MOTHS by Mr Willie Struwig a resident of Middelburg. It was purchased from a security company in Witbank in 2010. He worked on restoring the vehicle and now that it is in working order it will be kept for posterity by the MOTHS of Gondar Shellhole.

The Saracen was manufactured in the UK in 1952 by Alvis Limited, the vehicles all have Rolls Royce engines fitted. South Africa purchased a total of 280 Saracens, 10 in 1953 and a further 270 in 1956. These were used for training purposes and internal security purposes. In 1975 the vehicles had to be withdrawn from service due to a lack of spares as a result of sanctions. In 1977 there was a programme to upgrade and modify the Saracens and a total of 270 were upgraded.

In 1991 the Saracens were withdrawn from service and replaced by the Ratel.



Crater soup and sherry lunch



After the Crater Meeting on 1 July the Moths, Friends of the Moths and their families got together in the lapa to tuck into a variety of soups prepared by the ladies.

The Old Brown Sherry was freely available to protect the members from frost bite. Moth Dirk was taking no chances as can be seen in the photo.