



BASH NEWS

2nd Quarter 2014

THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FROM BOMB ALLEY SHELLHOLE, BELLVILLE
29 July 2014

Welcome to our second edition for 2014

SUNSET CALL



On 11 July this year Shellhole members were shocked to hear of the unexpected passing to Higher Service of Moth Pieter Marais. Pieter and his family were active participants in Shellhole affairs and we will miss him.

Pieter Francois Marais
19 June 1958 – 11 July 2014



WE WILL REMEMBER HIM

RECENT HAPENINGS

The 2013/2014 MOTH year for Bomb Alley was completed at our AGM on 17 July. The Old Bill expressed her gratitude to all Bomb Alley members for their loyal and passionate support of the Shellhole the past year. The faces of three of the five key positions remain while we have two new faces. The members are:

Old Bill : Gail Jordaan
Deputy Old Bill : Pat Tate
Adjutant : Chris Roux
Pay Bill : Kenny Steyl
Sergeant major : Derrick Geary.

Since then Moth Chris Greyling has accepted the position of Play Bill and Adjutant Chris Roux has agreed to initially coordinate the Marketing and Fundraising S.H.A.G.

We made use of the AGM opportunity to have a group photo taken, here we are rejoicing in being BOMB ALLEY



Please let the Old Bill know of any of our members and/or their families who are not well or are going through difficult times in some way or another so that we can provide support wherever possible.

NEW MEMBERS, C_BADGE and MEDALS

We have inducted 4 new members since our last newsletter. Wayne Boucher and Koos Roux were



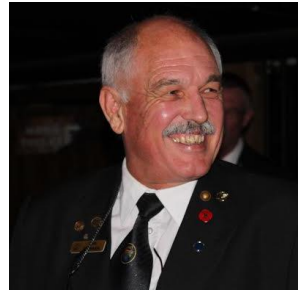
inducted at the May meeting held at Moto adventure. As with our previous newly inducted members they are already passionate Moths.

They have also both received their half-colours from the MMA.

In June we had the pleasure of inducting Anton Roux HCS as a member of Bomb Alley. He is already hard at work for the Shellhole. He is assisting with the survey just completed by most members and as a business consultant will be facilitating our Strategic Planning session in September.



At a Special meeting after the AGM, Edward Sykes was also inducted into the Order. We are very happy to welcome someone with such experience and commitment into the Shellhole.



Pine Pienaar has been awarded the long overdue Certificate of Comradeship. Here he is wearing his blue C-badge for the first time.

Once again we have had the pleasure of presenting medals to ex-SADF members who were unable to attend the official presentation ceremonies at Rosedale. Hannes Jansen van Vuuren visited the Shellhole to receive his medals.

Unfortunately he works a great deal of the time outside the country but will visit us from time to time when possible.



Our WhatsApp group is working well. Please let the Old Bill know if you are a new smart phone user so that you can be added to the group.

BASH 70

All the dates for the celebration of our 70th Birthday have been finalized. With these and other events we have an **extremely busy time** ahead and we beseech all members to **PLEASE DIARISE THESE DATES and attend and participate wherever possible.**

[Please print and stick on your fridge].

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 24 Aug : War Commemoration Parade**
- 24 Sep : Shellhole Strategic planning**
- 3-6 Oct : Whale festival Hermanus**
- 12 Oct : MMA Sunflower fund shave-a-thon**
- 25 Oct : Formal Dinner /dance –Fort IKapa**
- 8 Nov : Poppy Day Collection**
- 9 Nov : Remembrance Parade**

MEETINGS

- 21 Aug : Bomb Alley General Meeting**
- 24 Aug : Dugout AGM**
- 18 Sep : Bomb Alley General Meeting**
- 16 Oct : Bomb Alley General Meeting**
- 20 Nov : Bomb Alley General Meeting**

BIRTHDAYS JULY - SEPTEMBER

Clinton Webb	28 July
Dave Wood	1 August
Chris Roux	12 August
Alex Jacobs	5 September

I am sorry to say that Alex has unfortunately resigned from the MOTH and we wish him well in his future ventures.

NEW MEETING VENUE: PLEASE NOTE

We are extremely grateful to the Oakdale Club for providing a venue for our meetings from November 2013 to June 2014, excluding the May meeting. However due to cost restraints for social activities as well as guaranteed availability we have moved our meeting venue to the Bellville Pistol Club in Stikland.

We are in turn very appreciative of the terms that the Pistol Club have given us. Here we will be able to have both affordable meetings and social activities. Having had our AGM there it has proven that it will be conducive to much True Comradeship. I am sure the new Play Bill and his helpers will make good use of it in future.

LAST WORDS:

The next page of this newsletter is a flyer for you please to print and distribute amongst family and friends. I am sure we will be seeing all of you at the Parade

Finally I would like to repeat the well-known quote from the Old Bill's year-end report as this is what we at Bomb Alley do:

“Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail”.

Ralph Waldo Emerson - 19th century American Poet

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**Ter herdenking van die begin van die Eerste Wêreld Oorlog in Augustus 1914, die Grensoorlog in Augustus 1966 en die finale einde van die Tweede Wêreld oorlog in Augustus 1945
In commemoration of the start of the First World War in August 1914, the Border War in August 1966 and the final end to the Second World War in August 1945**

OORLOG GEDENK PARADE WAR COMMEMORATION PARADE

Aangebied deur / hosted by:

BOMB ALLEY SHELLHOLE

*As deel van die bomgat se 70^{ste} verjaardagvieringe
As part of the shellhole's 70th birthday celebrations*

**In samewerking met die Stad Kaapstad, Bellville Wyk 6
In association with the City of Cape Town, Bellville Ward 6**

Bellville Burgersentrum Bellville Civic Centre

24 August 2014 @ 11:00

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