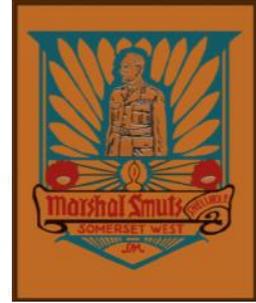


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AWARD OF THE 38th CERTIFICATE OF COMRADESHIP

CITATION

Marshal Smuts Shellhole first got to know Mr Jimmy Gill during November 2010. The Shellhole members were busy preparing the Parade ground at the Town Hall when Mr Gill who drove past pulled over and requested if he may join the Remembrance Sunday Parade and, lay a wreath on behalf of the Transvaal Scottish Regimental Association. Half an hour later, Sergeant (Retired) Gill, fully kitted out and with a wreath to boast was back.

Jimmy Gill then disappeared off the Shellhole radar for a year before again making an appearance at the 2011 Remembrance Sunday Parade, this time hosted at the Shellhole. The Shellhole then resolved that this mysterious character should be contacted and formally invited to the 2012 Remembrance Sunday Parade. Correspondence went to the Transvaal Scottish Regimental Association and the details of a certain Captain (Retired) Peter Erasmus was received. A formal invitation was then sent to the said Mr Erasmus and on the day, low-and-behold, a certain Mr Gill arrived as well. The Shellhole quickly went to business and both individuals were recruited on the spot.

Moth Gill was inducted into the Order on the 15th of February 2013. With his outgoing and humorous personality, he immediately became part of the Shellhole family and was soon a fixture at social gatherings on Friday evenings.

For his services to the Shellhole Moth Gill has already been awarded the Bull Trophy (2014/15) *“Awarded to a member in good standing who has used his personality to provide Good Humour at Shellhole gatherings and so, lifting the spirit of all others”* and the Giraffe Trophy (2015/16) *“Awarded to a member in good standing who has taken the initiative to promote the Shellhole’s interests to all, especially with regard to playing an active part in the affairs and performing commendable duties on behalf.”*

Without having to go into minor details on all the Mutual Help provided by him, Moth Gills’ conduct and style may best be summed up as follows: He has that rare ability to give practical expression to the Three Ideals of Mothdom.

As a supreme example to the aforesaid, the Shellhole in particular and Mothdom in general, will never forget the loving care he has showed towards our beloved Comrades, Moth George Mann, Harry Bent and more recently Angus Walker, when most needed and required by the individuals.

As proposed by Moth Chantèl Marais, it gives the Executive Committee great pleasure to award the **Certificate of Comradeship** to **19479 Moth J.E. Gill**, a worthy recipient who has proven over an extended period of time that he is knowledgeable of the **Way to Higher Comradeship**. In the words of Wordsworth: *“The generous Spirit whose high endeavours are an inward light, that makes the path before him always bright.”*

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