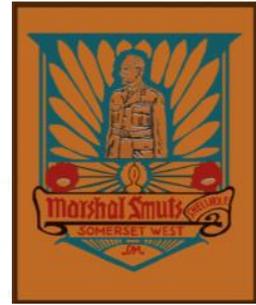


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AWARD OF THE 38th CERTIFICATE OF COMRADESHIP

CITATION

Moth Albertus Petrus (George) van Zyl joined the Order at Marshal Smuts Shellhole on the 8th of August 2017. As is expected of any new Member but actually done by few, Moth Van Zyl immediately became involved with Shellhole and MOTH affairs.

With a background in civil engineering projects, it was only a matter of time before he was appointed as the Property Custodian. In this capacity he has rendered service of the highest quality to the Shellhole over the last number of years. From humble beginnings in ensuring that the garden was kept tidy, his expertise was soon utilised as leader of the Maintenance team which includes Moths Erasmus and Lightfoot with occasional assistance from other members.

The team first conducted a proper survey of what had to be done and then, methodically set about doing the work. First the hall, bathrooms, foyer and kitchen received an overall. The next phase was dedicated to fixing the ceiling in the hall. Greatly assisted in this work by Moth Erasmus, it became an everyday sight to see Moth Van Zyl climbing in and out of the suspended ceiling in expert fashion; as if he was still a young man!

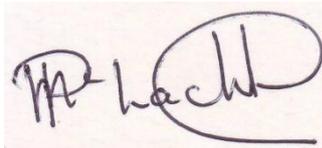
As luck would have it, the Shellhole sewerage system became totally clogged up after 39 years of service to the premises. Plumbers with space age tools were called in at regular intervals, incurring exorbitant costs for the Shellhole. To the fore stepped one Moth Van Zyl and with the assistance of Temson Salima had the problem solved in only a couple of days by installing a new system! This project cost the Shellhole less than R1, 000.00.

Not only is Moth Van Zyl an expert at civil projects, he also has the ability to communicate and socialise well and his sense of humour is always a welcome addition to formal meetings and social gatherings. Even prepared to act as flagman at Shellhole Parades, Moth Van Zyl has indeed been giving his Comradeship to this Shellhole and his zeal to the Order.

For his services to Marshal Smuts Shellhole, Moth Van Zyl has already been awarded the **Black Sheep Trophy**; awarded to a member in good standing who has quietly promoted the Shellhole's interests to all, especially with regard to playing an active part in the affairs and performing commendable duties on behalf (2017/18) and the **Giraffe Trophy**; 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 (2018/19).

As proposed by Moth Pierre Olivier, it gives the Executive Committee great pleasure to award the **Certificate of Comradeship to 23391 Moth George van Zyl**, 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.”*

A handwritten signature in dark ink on a light-colored background. The signature is written in a cursive style and appears to read 'P. McLachlan'.

19489 Moth Philip McLachlan
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