



## **DARDANELLES SHELLHOLE**



### **DISPATCH 1/2022**

We wish all our readers all the very best for 2022.

It is worthwhile to include in this Dispatch an extract of Dispatch 1/2016, of November 2017, namely *"MMA members of the Warrior Shellhole were asked if they would volunteer to transfer to Dardanelles and make it viable again. Moths Ken, Obie, James and Tiny, Dave and Raggedy heeded the call and transferred across"*. They, in true comradeship, were instrumental in the survival of this Shellhole which has grown from those glooming years from strength to strength.

Our Top Table and Executives for 2021 were installed by District Pay Bill, Moth Brian Bennett on 9 September 2021, with the exclusion of our Old Bill who was installed on 14 October 2021 by Moth David Gush of the National Executive.

The Covid-19 Pandemic also influenced our Shellhole's regular meetings and events planning, but we were fortunate to host the following event with well attendance:

On 26 August 2020 we held our first Boshloed Braai, where visitors were asked to wear their Boshloed with pride in remembrance to all who received their sunset call during the Bush War. 26 August is National Boshloed Day every year, and the Boshloed Braai co-inside with this day.

The Boshloed Braai is now an annual event, and the second braai was held on 28 August 2021. At the braai visitors got their first "grenade pin" in a series to wear on their boshloed. The colour was green representing the infantry.

On 21 May 2021 we hosted a Veterans Day where we invited all members of Veterans Associations to share the Saturday with us. A light lunch in the form of jaffels was served.

Our Shellhole also won the second price in the potjie kos competition held at Oasis Shellhole on 16 June 2021.

We are proud that our Shellhole, under the leadership of our 2020/2021 Top Table and Executives, was awarded the Old Bill's Trophy for the best performing Shellhole in the West Rand District Dugout.

We are honored and privileged to have hosted, for the second year in a row the annual West Rand District Dugout Remembrance Parade. The Parade took place on 14 November 2021.

Our year end function was held on 4 December 202. Military Veterans of the Dixie Unit attended the braai day with us in True Comradeship.

Our Deputy Old Bill, moth Robert Engelbrecht received his Certificate of Comradeship during our Shellhole meeting in January 2022. Congratulations.

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