

"WE WILL REMEMBER THEM"



Memorable Order of Tin Hats
Oasis Shellhole
DATELINE NEWSLETTER



October 22



NEWS FROM THE OLD BILL



Greetings everyone,

Just a reminder about the two parades that are coming up in November, The Shadow Parade at the Ditsong War Museum on Friday the 11th and the West Rand District Parade at Dardanelles Shellhole in Florida on the 13th.

There is a very serious bout of Flu doing the rounds and quite a few of Oasis Members have contracted the virus, I urge you all to stay safe and take care of yourselves. If you are unable to make the meeting on Sunday, please just message one of the Exco members or a member to put in your apologies. Stay safe for now and those of you that are ill, I pray for a speedy recovery.

Till next time stay safe.

Greetings fellow Moths, Mothwa and Friends'

Last month we had a brief history of Oasis Shellhole, I thought I would round it off with a brief history of Cottlesloe. Plus some great photos of the opening of Cotties Corner. Well done to the organisers, it was a superb event.

Yours in Comradeship.
Moth Phil Mc Mahon



ABOUT COTTESLOE

These Cottages were initially built in 1934 in Cottesloe, next to the Gas works, Auckland Park. As a result of the Johannesburg City Council planning to build a road through the middle of the complex, we were offered a long term lease where the cottages currently stand in Fairlands. The complex was built in phases, firstly 18 double cottages to move the persons from the old site. 5 years later, 12 single cottages were built as a result of the demand for single accommodation. This demand continues today, and have since built another 4 single cottages, being a total of 16 single cottages. All Cottages were built to accommodate persons in wheel chairs. We also made sure the complex is low maintenance, i.e. outside walls all face brick, no gutters etc.

We house 56 Moths and ex-servicemen and their spouses. (Military service is a prerequisite) We offer residents, whom are predominately Moths, safe, affordable housing. Residents have to be able to look after themselves, as we have no medical facilities. We do not offer transport to the shops, hospital etc. We are very concerned about the safety of our residents and therefor make sure we have done all that is possible to make sure the complex is safe, eg Electric fence all around the complex, linked to armed response Beagle Watch, all doors have security gate and windows have burglar bars.

In addition; the complex has free Wifi for its residents. We have a laundry with Speed Queen washers and dryers. The complex also has a hall for entertainment which doubles up as a Shellhole. Currently we have West Rand District and 2 shellholes that meet monthly in the hall, being Last Post Shellhole and Oasis Shellhole. In addition Moth West Rand District, Warrior Oasis Cottages management committee and the Royal Navy association, have their meetings at Moth Cottesloe Homes. Our facilities are also used by the local rate payer's association.

The residents are very active in the complex, and on a regular basis, arrange functions in the hall for entertainment. These vary from Bingo, Video evening, prayer groups, dances, or a quiet drink and braai with friends on a Friday evening.

When Bullets Meet

Two bullets collided midair during gunfire in the Battle of Gallipoli, which lasted from 1915 to 1916 during World War I. Allied countries—Britain, France, Australia, and New Zealand—ultimately retreated from the battle. The Turkish Army still considers their victory at Gallipoli among defining moments in their country's modern history.



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do the making of it. After various designs had been examined, that of Has Haslem was accepted. Finally late in 1960 Zoma started work on the new banner. She made a magnificent

COTTIES CORNER OPENING

The opening of the spruced-up "Cotties Corner" was exceptionally well attended. People from all over started arriving from 15h00, including Old Bill of Platinum, Old Bill Jimmy Frieslaar, Andre Churr – Platinum Property Liaison Officer, Old Bill of West Rand District, Mike Groenewald and members from the Cottesloe Management team Richard, Andy Adrian and Mike, visitors and residents. We cannot forget Adrian and Cathy Wilson who designed and made the new sign.

A great time was had by all.



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