



# SAMVO

South African Military Veterans Organisation

## SAMVOZA Newsletter July 2022

### South Africa, Rest of Africa and peripheral countries

Welcome to our second SAMVOZA Newsletter. The purpose is to ensure our members are kept informed and new members welcomed. It will also generate a history of what has happened. So we really need every member to assist by forwarding interesting articles etc so that we can make this as interesting as possible. Please forward all inputs to [SAMVOZA1@GMail.com](mailto:SAMVOZA1@GMail.com).

#### NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to all our new members. We recognise their service! All of June and July to date:

#### 22-Jun

Elgin, Cuan  
Jacobsen, Gordon  
Perkins, Hendrik  
Rosewitz, Mark  
Wessels, Johann  
Williams, Derrick

#### 22-Jul

Goldring, Marcus  
Hammond, Rupert  
Millitchey, John  
Osborne, Jeff  
Potgieter, Deon  
Radford, Radders  
Roberts, Robbie  
Selvan, Vinesh  
Sinclair, Allan  
Thorsen, Bob  
Williams, Keith

#### SAMVOZA Regions and Clubs

In the last newsletter we mentioned that we have 10 regions which we will create when we are ready, however we have allocated all members into the Regions (our Provinces plus Rest of Africa) and now we are starting to fill in some Clubs.

Great news is that we have our first three clubs, namely:

- ⇒ Veteran William Lemon —South Coast Chairman — Kingsborough to Port Edward
- ⇒ Veteran Ken Tunley—Overberg Chairman — 50 km triangle point Hermanus, so Kleinmond, Betty's Bay, Gansbaai and Standford
- ⇒ Veteran Charl Schmahl, Tshwane Chairman —we have combined Pretoria and Centurion for now

Congratulations to you three, hope you get all the support from the members in your areas. So they will now be the administrators of the WhatsApp Groups as well. They will collect all the happenings in the area and let others know. Hopefully you will be able to meet up and chat to each other as well.

Here are the current Clubs that we have earmarked. Some are still provinces but can be broken down where required—you tell us what is best.

### SAMVOZA Regions and Clubs

Eastern Cape Region	
- East London area	EL
- Port Elizabeth area	PE
- George/Knysna area	GK
- Overberg area	OB
Free State Region	FS
Gauteng Region	
- Johannesburg area	JHB
- Tshwane area	TP
- Midvaal area	MV
- East Rand area	ER
- West Rand area	WR
KwaZulu Natal Region	
- Durban area	DBN
- Pietermaritzburg area	PMB
- South Coast area	SC
Limpopo Region	LIM
Mpumalanga Region	MP
Northern Cape Region	NC
North West Region	NW
Western Cape Region	
- Cape Town area	CT
Rest of Africa Region	RA

**If anyone is interested in assisting us with becoming a leader of a Club or Region please let us know. We now need to get our structure working to ensure our members are cared for! Please contact us on [SAMVOZA1@GMail.com](mailto:SAMVOZA1@GMail.com)**

#### WhatsApp Groups

Please remember to join our open WhatsApp Group that allows everyone to chat. Everyday we post the details of those who fell. It is our way of paying respects to them on the day, and annually so that they are not forgotten. Use this link <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KhdE3j3VTJc1RCRIDz9NxE>

**Please remember the Closed Local WhatsApp Groups** – These are aligned with the Regions and Clubs as mentioned above. You will only get notices of events or happenings in your area without getting masses of messages. If you don't have the link please let me know – [SAMVOZA1@GMail.com](mailto:SAMVOZA1@GMail.com)

#### Veterans need to be mobilised

It is very important now for us to ensure all veterans are known and should be members of veteran organisations. We need to show our strength in numbers – so please request everyone you are aware of to join SAMVO in recognition of their service – it is free!

Request them to go onto our website [www.samvo.international](http://www.samvo.international) and register as a member under membership. It is quick and easy to do. We might need them soon to show just how many are against this discrimination. We are suggesting that a silicone wrist band be made to show that we are proud veterans.

**Events**

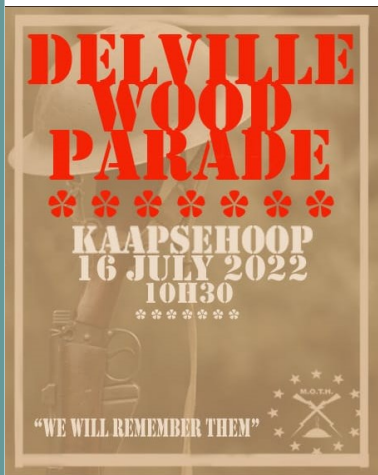
Please let us know of any events taking place near to you so that we can inform everyone so that they can join you. This is our way of meeting up and chatting. Some feedback etc.

**7<sup>th</sup> July SAMVO VC Presentation #23** – Pilgrim Bandits - Recovery Through Adventure. New Zealand arranged the presentation. Well worth while and there is a recording available of it as well if one misses it due to work etc. Joe gave a very interesting SITREP once again which brought us all up to date on what is happening in the military world.



**10th July Vereeniging Buckshee Shellhole (Naval Cadets) held their Delville Wood Remembrance Parade.**—we are hoping that a few of our members attended.

Dress: Association blazer with medals.  
 Soup will be sold afterwards.  
 Cash bar available.  
 RSVP to OB Glen Thomas, 076 144 3894 OR  
 WB Danie van Wyk 073 407 1967



**16th July Delville Wood Parade, MOTH Kaapsehoop**—at the cemetery 10h30



**16th July Pietersburg Botha Shellhole and South African Military Intelligence Association Delville Wood Sunset Parade**—at the Botha Shellhole, Cnr Thabo Mbeki and Voortrekker, parking available at the Catholic Church entrance Thabo Mbeki, 17h30 for 18h00.



The South Africa Legion, Central Wits Branch

In conjunction with the **Memorable Order of Tin Hats (MOTH)** and the venue hosts **Transvaal Scottish Regimental Association** including the City of Johannesburg supported by the Speaker's Office

In recognition of:

- South African Delville Wood Commemorative Museum Trust
- Transvaal Scottish Regimental Association
- Cape Town Highlanders Regimental Association
- Rand Light Infantry Regimental Association
- Witwatersrand Rifles Regimental Association
- Rhodesian Light Infantry Regimental Association
- MOTH East and West Rand District Dugouts
- South African Infantry Association
- Cape Town Rifles Regimental Association
- Kimberley Regimental Association
- Durban Light Infantry Regimental Association
- Buffalo Volunteer Rifles Regimental Association

have the pleasure of requesting your attendance at the

**106th Commemoration Service of the battle of Delville Wood**

**Venue:** Scottish Memorial at the View  
**Address:** 18 Ridge Road, Parktown, Johannesburg  
**Date:** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
**Time:** 10h30 for 11h00 (kindly be seated by 10h45)  
**Dress:** Robes of Office  
 Military Participants: Dress Code 1A  
 Military Spectators: Dress Code 1B  
 Civilians & Veterans – Lounge suit or Association Dress with Orders, Decorations & Medals  
**Wreath:** Correctly marked – to be handed to a orderly no later than 10h30  
*the most senior unit of the association only please*

Please note: reserved seating for wreath laying party only

Please RSVP by e-mail: [secretary@sa legionhb.co.za](mailto:secretary@sa legionhb.co.za) by 9<sup>th</sup> July please

Telephonic inquiries: Mark 0726592503 or Maurice 0828739548

**17<sup>th</sup> July Delville Wood Commemoration Service Johannesburg.** – The South African Legion, Central Wits Branch, Memorable Order of Tin Hats (MOTH) will be combining to hold the 106th Commemoration Service of the Battle of Delville Wood at The View, Ridge Road, Parktown, the home of the Transvaal Scottish Regimental Association. 10h30 for 11h00



**17th July Delville Wood Remembrance Service, Durban Cenotaph—** 10h00 for 10h30 at the Durban City Hall Cenotaph.



**17th July MOTH Allan Wilson Shellhole Annual Delville Wood Parade Pietermaritzburg—** to be held at the Garden of Remembrance, 10h30 for 11h00





After a two-year hiatus, we are able again to present our Annual Delville Wood Memorial Service. We trust your diary will allow you to join us.

DATE: 17 July 2022  
TIME: 10h30 for 11h00  
VENUE: EVENDEN HOUSE – MOTH  
139 GLOVER AVENUE  
LYTTELTON

Please RSVP on the attached form and mail back to [valdup227@gmail.com](mailto:valdup227@gmail.com) by no later than 13 July 2022.

**17th July MOTH Evenden House Annual Delville Wood Memorial Service Pretoria—10h30 for 10h00 at Evenden House, 139 Glover Avenue, Lyttelton.**



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*Delville Wood Commemoration Service*  
Invitation

To attend  
The Delville Wood Commemoration Service  
At 11h00 on Sunday 31 July 2022  
At the memorial in the Cape Town Company's Garden  
All seating will be under cover.

Timings  
Wreaths to be handed in at the wreaths table before 10h30  
All guests to be seated by 10h45

Dress  
Military members laying wreaths: 1A  
Military guests: 1B  
Civilian men: Lounge suit with medals or Association dress or traditional dress  
Civilian ladies: Appropriate dress

RSVP  
Please reply by Monday 10 July 2022  
to advise whether you will attend and whether you will be laying a wreath  
to Mosh L. Robertson JCD  
Phone: 084 353 3527 / Email: [sonofrobbers55@gmail.com](mailto:sonofrobbers55@gmail.com)

**31st July Gunners and MOTH Delville Wood Commemoration Service Cape Town—10h30 for 11h00 at the memorial in the Cape Town Company's Garden.**

**30th July Joe Keyter** pre-recording of presentation by Kobus de Villers, his story of fitting the Mig engine in the Cheetah.

**27th August Military Associations of Gauteng (MAG) annual raid** with the SA Irish Regimental Associations Pipes and Drums on Barberton. There is the march through the town in the morning and then the Sunset Service in the Garden of Remembrance. MOTH LoneTree Shellhole are hosts.



PIPE IN SPRING WITH THE SOUTH AFRICAN IRISH REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION PIPES AND DRUMS AT THE

# MAGNIFICENT

## FAMILY PICNIC

### SAVE THE DATE!

**11 September 2022**

**DICKIE FRITZ SHELLHOLE, EDENVALE**

*Bring a picnic basket and join us for a day of music, stalls, family & fun!*

**NEW VENUE FOR 2022!**

EARLY BIRD TICKETS ON SALE FROM 1 AUGUST 2022  
PUBLIC R80 • PENSIONERS R30 • SCHOLARS R20

For more information, or to book a stall, contact the Military Associations of Gauteng (MAG) Secretary at [secretary@magsa.org.za](mailto:secretary@magsa.org.za)




[gunners.org.za](http://gunners.org.za)

**11th September MAGnificent Family Picnic, MESCA Dickie Fritz Cottages**—09h00 to 16h00 time to sit on the lawns with your picnic basket and listen to Pipes and Drums as well as other performers. There will be a cash bar, food and other interesting military stalls. All Associations are welcome to participate with a stall to promote their organisation.



**Gunners' Association of South Africa**

Invite you to take part in their annual Gauteng Golf Day!

**4th September Annual Natal Gunners Association Service**

**8th September Gunners Association of South Africa Golf day**

**08 SEP '22**  
Thursday

At Waterkloof Golf Club

Registration  
Sabine  
067 1120 200 • [mailforsabs@gmail.com](mailto:mailforsabs@gmail.com)



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**MEDALS**

We have received a few medals from our own SAMVO process and very good support from DoD Archives. Several Service Records received within 5 weeks. So if you do have outstanding medals, please contact us [SAMVOZA1@GMail.com](mailto:SAMVOZA1@GMail.com) and fill in the forms. It does take a long time but when they do arrive it is well worthwhile.

**That's All Folks!**

Hope you enjoyed this update, we need your comments and suggestions to make it better. If there is anyone that is prepared to assist us please let us know so that we can serve our members better. Also please send us some information or articles.

Editor— Veteran Godfrey Giles

## SAMVO Attire

Our **SAMVO name plates** are now available size 73mm x 27mm full colour – cost R120.

Should you need any items please let us know. We have limited stock so get in fast.

## Have you got your SAMVO attire?

SAMVO as a recognised an ex-servicemen's organisation always needs to look professional when attending a function



### NEW

**Corps Balkies** worn below Badge Badges.

**Berets** - placing order on 22 July.

These items are currently available.

Please place your orders now using the form below and send to [SAMVOZA1@GMail.com](mailto:SAMVOZA1@GMail.com).

Please note that these prices do not include delivery, they maybe collected in Johannesburg. We can courier them anywhere in South African for R100.

## SAMVOZA Attire Order Form

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Contact No:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total
<b>Tie</b>	<b>R200</b>		
<b>Beret</b> – Colour _____ - Size cms _____	<b>R280</b>		
<b>Beret Badge</b>	<b>R70</b>		
<b>Lapel Badge</b>	<b>R40</b>		
<b>Name Plate</b>	<b>R120</b>		
<b>Blazer Badge</b>	<b>R165</b>		
<b>Corps Balkie</b> - Corps _____	<b>R90</b>		
<b>Courier</b>	<b>R100</b>		
<b>Gand Total</b>			