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DEC 2008 NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DECEMBER TALKS:

Due to the AGM our talk were postponed to Thursday the 4th of December at the CTH Mess Cape Castle for a Show and Tell evening. Members are invited to bring any artefact to share. Please remember to prepare a brief summary of your topic for our archives and mail it to the Chairman. Come and join us for our last talk of the year!



ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS:



EXCO Festival Season Message:

We wish you and yours a blessed and peaceful festival season and a prosperous collecting year for 2009!



Chairman Duties:

2008 AGM:

The 2008 AGM was held at the CTH Officers Mess inside the Cape Castle on Saturday the 29th of November. The Chairman gave feed back of the year and an overview of the EXCO plans for 2009. Then the Treasurer reported on the finances and explained that the budget followed the planned operational structures for the next calendar year. He highlighted certain critical areas. The Membership Fees for 2009 remains unchanged at R450 pa. Opportunity was allowed for members to direct questions and suggestions. A lively discussion followed various suggestions to develop additional events. As nothing was tabled to vote on, the meeting followed a reporting format. It was well attended and followed by a finger lunch and cash bar with the members networking outside on the balcony overlooking a military unit practicing their forthcoming parade.

Membership Committee:

All members working on pending applications are requested to submit same A.S.A.P to allow the Mem Com to attend to it before year end.



FIRE ARM RELICENCING:

31st of MARCH 2009 RE-LICENCING CYCLE applications for those born in the months Oct / Nov / Dec.

You are reminded to start as early as possible to prevent a last-minute rush that may result in delays because of the time-frame involved around the due diligence that private collectors applications has to meet. It invariably involves serious research to develop a sound Field of Interest and Topic motivation.

For those who has not yet submitted their documents before the deadline, but had to relicence this year, contact the Membership Convenor Robert Nothhaft at robert@westernshooters.co.za

Regardless of above, the licences of those who neglected to relicence will remain valid until the 31st of June 2009. That will allow them time to sell or swap their firearms. Based on Classic Arms Auction prices, the market has firmed on the better quality firearms so all is not doom and gloom.

Members who have not yet applied to become Categorized Private Collectors are reminded that they must do so before they can apply to have their firearms relicensed. Simply being a member of an accredited association is not enough to keep your firearms. They must prepare a thorough Field of Interest Organogram supported by a written motivation regarding their bona fides as collectors. Once approved a sworn avadavat certifying above as such along with a membership card are issued to the member whom he must include in each firearm licence application to the SAPS. The final deadline for relicensing firearms ends March 2009. Anybody who has not done so stands to lose their firearms. Anybody who has any doubt can contact the Chairman.

Refer the web site for SAPS CFR related forms.



Web site:

Part of our web site is to keep you informed of all related activities. Members are reminded to submit information on any such activities and or events to be included on our web site calendar.

Our web site also offers an opportunity for anybody ***to advertise for free*** any firearm or general militaria or historical artefacts they wish to sell. See **"TRADERS CORNER"**.

A new development is in the offering. A **"DEALERS MARKET"** on our web site where they can offer various items for sale. More later, but let it suffice that we have to do everything we can to promote networking at all levels to ensure the big picture survival of all role players to allow us a place in the sun to pursue our interest as private collectors. Each group drifting on their own little cork will add no value and simply serve towards polarising everybody as another step towards overall disarmament.

Submit such information to web@capesaaaca.co.za

CAPE SAAACA SHOOTING DISCIPLINES:

While we as collectors learn a lot from historical records about our collections, shooting them teaches us what was possible and how they performed. That certainly opens new insights around our interest fields.

SURVEY TO DETERMINE YOUR SHOOTING NEEDS:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=PTgdefVcFPWSTk7ac1mbNA_3d_3d

Copy and paste this link into your Internet Browser.

COME AND TRY YOUR HAND WITH THAT CHERISHED PIECE IN YOUR SAFE THAT LONGS TO HEAR ITSELF ONCE AGAIN COME ALIVE FOR WHAT IT WAS MANUFACTURED FOR, AND TO SHARE IT AT A SHOW AND TELL MEETING WITH FELLOW COLLECTORS!

The last shoot was well attended and great fun was had by all who part took. We are hoping to see more of you at the next shoot!

Try either your revolver and old .303 or pistol and any semi auto rifle combo. It's a nice blend of a bit of competition and just plain fun burning cordite, and we get to peek at other collectors' scarce and interesting pieces.

FUTURE SHOOTS:

6th Dec 2008 (1st Saturday Dec) Range 3 (In front of Club house)

10th Jan 2009 (2nd Saturday Jan) Range 5

The range only opens on the 9th Jan 2009. So our first shoot next year will be on the 2nd Saturday.

The next NSADF Atlantis Range booking meeting is 20th Jan 2009 for: Feb, Mar and Apr.

VENUE: At the NSADF Range at ATLANTIS on Range C in front of Club House. (If in doubt, enquire at Clubhouse)

RANGE OFFICERS: Stephan Fourie Graeme Smith RO in charge
Mike di Bona (Black powder) Francois du Toit (Safety)

COSTS: R20,00

Under real conditions one was under pressure to shoot as you were and normally enemy contacts happened at short distances. Out shooting details are designed to emulate that for the various firearm types, although we have the "enemy's" (paper targets) permission to allow a somewhat more relaxed time-span to allow all the "old soldiers" to get their breath and to get our shaky watery eyes on target. So for those who believe in reincarnation for firearms, I dare you to dust off your old pieces and give them a second wind to show what they did when they were young, bold and in uniform! It also serves as an ideal opportunity to introduce a novice to collecting, possibly your own son or the neighbours'?

IT'S FUN AND IT SMELLS OF CORDITE!



WEBSITE:

www.capesaaaca.co.za (This site soon to be revamped)

Check our calendar for events, and if you know of any interesting forthcoming event, let our webmaster know in advance to allow him to post it. webmaster@capesaaaca.co.za

Download **application forms**, refer to popular links, keep abreast of affairs as it unfolds, etc.

TRADERS' CORNER:

All and anybody who wishes to sell or trade anything (related to our mutual interest) may post ads here for FREE. Contact our webmaster with the necessary information, price and contact details. webmaster@capesaaaca.co.za

We suggest you refer anyone who decided to get rid of their firearms to place a free add on our web site and or to contact Andrew to have it put on auction rather than hand it in to the SAPS for destruction.

DEALERS CORNER:

Visit our web site to support our accredited dealers.

Classic Arms:

andrew@classicarms.co.za
www.classicarms.co.za

The Military Bookshop:

General militaria specialist books and special orders on request.
Johan van den Berg at warbooks@mweb.co.za

FEES PAYABLE:

Joining fee	R150.00
Annual subs for firearm collectors	R450.00
Categorisation and Field of Interest applications/reviews.	R250.00
Subsequent Collectibility applications	R100.00
Annual subs for all other secretariat collector categories	R250.00
Student membership subs	R100.00
Associated Dealers	R500,00

Greetings,

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"If firearms cause crime, then pencils cause illiteracy"