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## JAN 2009 NEWSLETTER

### UPCOMING JANUARY TALKS:

Welcome back to everyone after a well deserved rest and recuperation (R&R) festive season!

This coming Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> of January we resume our talks same place same time.

### SHOW AND TELL



#### CHAIRMAN:

With this year's March dead line being the grand finale, most of our attention and resources will go towards ensuring that our Members are all categorised in order to licence their heirlooms.

The good news is that our seemingly onerous system actually works. To date we do not know of anyone of our categorised member whose licence applications had been turned down. In fact one phoned me in high spirits with the news that all 96 applications including some cat B weapons were approved. Well done to the Membership Committee who puts in long and mostly unrecognised hours into the early morning!

#### ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL MATTERS:

##### 2009 Membership Dues:

If there are any members who for some reason has not yet paid their 2009 dues, this serves as a gentle reminder to do so as we have to submit our annual compliancy report to the SAPS CFR, indicating those who no longer is in "Good Standing". For obvious reasons this has a dire impact on your capability to retain your private collector firearm licences. It will be cruel justice to loose your licences having survived the Membership Committee, only because of an oversight to pay your annual subs in time. And please! The SAPS CFR Annual Compliancy Report prevents us from simply correcting late payers, so pay up.

Please remember to indicate very clearly your "initials and surname" along with "2009" on the deposit slip as a deposit reference, ensuring that the bank cashier actually enters it as it is a trifle difficult to smell from whom unidentified payments come. We will also appreciate the courtesy if you would fax or mail us the proof of

payment.

### **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 well before end March.**

### **FIRE ARM RELICENCING:**

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

**You are reminded that if you have not yet done so, to start without any further delay to ensure that we will be able to process it in time to issue you with the required certified categorisation certificates you would need to apply for your licences. It invariably involves serious research to develop a sound Field of Interest and Topic motivation.**

Members who have not yet applied to become Categorised 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.

**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 [roronoma@telkomsa.net](mailto:roronoma@telkomsa.net)**

**Regardless of above, the licences of those who neglected to relicence will remain valid until the 31<sup>st</sup> 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.**

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 Dealers can offer various items for sale to Collectors. 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.

Submit such information to [web@capesaaaca.co.za](mailto:web@capesaaaca.co.za)

### **CAPE SAAACA SHOOTING DISCIPLINES:**

Thank you for the response to our Shooting Survey. If you have not yet done so, please do, as it

closes and January.

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](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:**

*7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Feb) Range 3 (In front of Club house)*

*7<sup>th</sup> Mar 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mar) Range 3 (In front of Club house)*

*4<sup>th</sup> Apr 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Apr) Range 3 (In front of Club house)*

**TIME:** 09H30 for 10H00.

**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  
Mike di Bona (Black powder) Graeme Smith RO in charge  
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. Our 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](http://www.capesaaaca.co.za) (New site under construction)

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:andrew@classicarms.co.za)  
[www.classicarms.co.za](http://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](mailto: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"**