WEE VAN DIE VETERANE

1. Afsterwe van Genl-maj Ockie du Toit van die SALM

Jaap Rossouw van die SALMV se tak in Pretoria verwittig met leedwese van Ockie se afsterwe op 08/08/2018. Die SALMV kan ongelukkig geen verdere informasie verskaf nie.

2. Passing of Rudolph (Rudi) Stolze of the SAN

Arne Soderlund advises with sincere regret of “… the passing of Rudi on 05/08/2018 at the age of 78 years after undergoing a medical procedure at 2 Mil Hosp. Our deepest sympathy to Ina and his family”.

3. Afsterwe van Dolf Krige van die SALM

Jaap Rossouw van die SALMV se tak in Pretoria verwittig met leedwese van Dolf se afsterwe op 02/08/2018. Die SALMV kan ongelukkig geen verdere informasie verskaf nie.

4. Operasie vir Oos van der Merwe van Leërinligting

Oos verwittig dat hy “… op 06 /08/2018 ‘n operasie in die MediClinic Hospitaal in George ondergaan het om ‘n blokkasie in sy buik te herstel. Die fout het reeds vanaf Intensief na ‘n algemene saal oorgeplaas. Ek woon reeds die afgelope jaar in Oudtshoorn en dit sal gaaf wees as ek met van my kollegas in hierdie gebiede kan kontak maak. My selno is 083 557 9434”.

5. Operasie vir AO1 Kat Snyman van die Kavallerie

Volgens die Pantserbond het Kat se hartomleiding in die Zuid Afrikaanse Hospitaal goed verloop. Hy is tans in Toraks ICU op ‘n ventilator.

PERSOONLIKE BOODSKAPPE

6. NTR.
7. Restriction on Personal Technological Devises

In Angel’s MN it was noted that the US Military has ordered its personnel to immediately stop using geo-location services in all operational areas. The restriction covers smart-phones, tablets, fitness trackers, smart-watches and all other applications with geo-location features. The ban follows several high-profile leaks of location data from fitness trackers widely used by troops while deployed. The reason for the ban is that these devices can expose personal information, locations, routines, and numbers of deployed and potentially create unintended security consequences and increased risk. The military intelligence community is to develop risk-assessment protocols for determining when the value of using GPS services outweighs the risk.

8. Effect of Cell Phones in Operations

* Angel remembers that the location of an Israeli ambush was compromised when the cell phone of one member of an ambush team rang just as the terrorists were approaching the location of the ambush. The terrorists sprayed the direction with AK-47 fire and ran back leaving two dead.

* A reader of the MN stated that “… even the very primitive Lord’s Resistance Army (LRA) was at once stage monitoring cell phone use around its locations. Any spike in usage was interpreted as a Ugandan Army unit deploying in the area with soldiers phoning wives, mothers and girlfriends, resulting in the LRA contingent moving away. With a more advanced opponent a radio signal can disclose the position of a recipient if they had replied, even just momentarily. It would blow the cover of a deployed element as a well-equipped Direction Finding set-up would be able to get a fix”.

9. E.Coli Bacteria Causes Sickness on US Aircraft Carrier

Angel reports in his MN that the US naval aircraft carrier, USS Dwight D. Eisenhower, is grappling with an E. coli outbreak, a notorious bacteria that ravages people’s stomachs.

10. Dirty Water in a Shipyard

One of the readers of Angel’s MN stated the following in reference to the above incident:

“With the oil cargo tanks empty, the vessel was riding high in the shipyard and difficulty was experienced in getting the town water supply up to the water tanks of
the ship. The shipyard resolved this by hiring in a large booster pump. This did the job but the routine analytical testing carried out by the local Council's Water Inspectors immediately showed E. Coli penetration throughout the entire water system on board, which was then closed off. At one stage, the Water Inspectors threatened to close down the entire shipyard as the source of the E. Coli could not be pinpointed. By a process of elimination, the source was determined to be the hired booster pump. This was stripped and found to have traces of faecal matter trapped within the pump. The investigating team then descended on the shipyard procurement department to check the paperwork for the pump hire. This showed and after a quick check it was revealed that its previous hire was to a sewage plant!

11. Russian Navy to Introduce 26 New Warships this Year

President Putin has stated that the Russian Navy will introduce 26 new warships this year, including four warships with Kalibr cruise missiles. Kalibr missiles fired from Russian ships in the Mediterranean and the Caspian have been used as part of Moscow's military intervention in the conflict in Syria in support of President Bashar al-Assad.

12. Military Might of the USA

Roy Jackson of the Gunners has supplied this impressive article and photo range depicting the military might of the USA, which he had received from an old friend in the UK who was a Captain in the Imperial Light Horse. The article is available on the link at http://jwvsw.org/carriers.pdf.

13. Space Force to Become Sixth Branch of Armed Forces

* Vice President Mike Pence has announced that the US Defence Department will establish a sixth branch of the Armed Forces, namely the US Space Force by 2020, together with the establishment with a new combatant command, the US Space Command, as well as a Space Operations Force and a new joint organization called the Space Development Agency. Pence also said that just as advances in aviation technology drove the emergence of air as a new battlefield in the 20th century, advances in space technology have made it clear that space is the new battlefield for the 21st century. Actions by US adversaries make it clear that space is already a warfighting domain, as for many years, nations from Russia and China to North Korea and Iran have pursued weapons to jam, blind and disable our navigation and communications satellites via electronic attacks from the ground, but recently, our
adversaries have been working to bring new weapons of war into space itself. In 2007, China launched a missile that tracked and destroys one of its own satellites, while Russia is working on an airborne laser to disrupt space-based systems. Both nations are also investing heavily in what are known as hypersonic missiles designed to fly up to 5 miles per second at such low altitudes that they could potentially evade detection by our missile defence radars. China has claimed to have made its first successful test of a hypersonic vehicle just last week.

* Arne remarked that “…space is actually air in which the Air Force flies and operates. What will make the Space Force much different or will it be a Spare Force?”

14. Pentagon Thinks Chinese Bombers are Training for Strikes against US Targets

The Department of Defence explained in its annual report to Congress that Chinese bombers are much more active and operating farther from Chinese shores at an increased frequency and the Pentagon thinks they are likely training for strikes on military bases of US and allied forces in the Western Pacific Ocean, including Guam. Part of this process is the development of power projection tools, such as aircraft carriers and long-range strategic bombers capable of striking targets with both conventional and nuclear payloads. The US is watching these developments closely, as the Pentagon believes that ‘…great power competition, not terrorism, is now the primary focus of US national security’.

![China Air Force](image)

MILITêRE MEDIESE VERSORGING

15. Kompliment vir Dr Anushka Jamuna van die SMMVF

Johan Swanepoel van Leërinligting verklaar dat hy “…graag vir dr Jamuna van die SMMVF wil bedank vir die uitstekende diens wat ek so pas vanaf ons mediese fonds deur die bemiddeling van dr Anushka Jamuna ontvang het. Op 01/07/2018 het ek reeds 14 maande lank gewag vir magtiging vir krone vir my gebit. Weens die bedrag betrokke moes magtiging verkry word, maar dit blyk toe dat die aansoek vir magtiging op die lessenaar van ‘n klerk beland het, wie nie by magte was om sodanige bedrag goed te keur nie. Daar het dit bly lê totdat dr Jamuna dit daar opgespoor en uiteindelik die magtiging kon bewerkstellig het. Ek het nog altyd goeie mediese behandeling ontvang en wil graag my dank teenoor dr Jamuna en die res van die personeel by die Voortsettingsfonds uitspreek”.

![South African Air Force](image)
16. Establishment of a VPA Assist Group in Cape Town. Spindrift is the journal of the Naval Officers’ Association of Southern Africa and in the Aug 2018 edition the Editor noted the following:

“Some Military Veterans become dependent on assistance as they grow older or have a spouse that needs constant assistance. Whilst the Medical Continuation Fund covers medical well-being, it does not cover frail care, home nursing and assisted living. These, unfortunately, are to own account. It does put some pressure on the local Institute of Maritime Medicine (IMM) as some expect their assistance in such situations. We are thus looking, in association with IMM, to set up a type of ‘VPA Assist Group’ in Cape Town on WhatsApp (the most common medium for most) whereby pensioners can communicate their specific problems, queries or needs and others can offer assistance. We are still working out the concept but would appreciate any comment and advice. The IMM controls the Sickbay in Simon’s Town. They have an excellent OC who cares as well as a senior doctor, a Naval Captain, who gives close attention to medical related problems. Any military pensioner can make use of the IMM”.

17. Remarks by Tony Dippenaar of Cela : Chairman of the VPA Action Group

“I agree that such an Assist Group has long been necessary and is becoming more so. I tried, while President of the SADF Association, to get something going, dubbed ‘Adopt a Vet’, with the object of arranging transport, social visits to the immobile, outings, etc. The Association has a project along these lines, but I do not know how much actual assistance is forthcoming. Fetch and carry for medical appointments will be a great breakthrough, and in my opinion should be localised, on a relatively informal basis, with no nonsense like a constitution, etc. The Welfare Officers could be supplied with a list of volunteers who can be contacted as required, upon request by the immobile. I hope this gets off the ground! The VPA Action Group was intended to address the financial situation of the Continuation Fund and this was already in the process of resolution, and appears now to be solved, and as far as I am concerned, has therefore dissolved.”

18. Reaction by Arne Soderlund

“The above remarks by Tony makes sense and will help us. I fully agree that it must be informal so as not to be restrictive. The local effort will be limited to the IMM catchment area in Cape Town and it is hoped that it will catch on in the rest of the larger centres. Should the various Veteran Associations not take the initiative with this to initiate a system for their own members who require assistance?”

EIETYDSE MILITêRE GESKIEDENIS

19. Slag van Quifangondo in Noord-Angola

Paul Els noem dat een van sy kennisse op besoek aan Noord-Angola was en by die Gedenkmuseum in Quifangondo aangedoen het, wat die MPLÁ (FAPLA) en die Kubane se oorwinning teen die FNLA op 09/11/1975 gedenk. Een foto toon die ingang na die museum en in die museum is daar muurpanele soos hieronder getoon. Die slag het ’n dag voor die onafhanklikheid van Angola plaasgevind en was ’n poging van die FNLA om die hoofstad, Luanda, vanuit die Noorde te beset. Vuursteun is deur ’n Suid-Afrikaanse troep medium geskut en ’n aantal Canberra-bomwerpers van die SALM gelewer, maar die aanval was ’n mislukking omdat H-uur met die FNLA se tydsreëlings vir ontbyt ingemeng het. Die grondaanval is toe sonder
vuursteun gelewer en brig Ben de Wet en sy span is later met die SAS President Steyn by die nabygeleë Ambrizette opgepik. Hierdie mislukte aanval en die groot verliese het die FNLA as ’n verdere faktor in die stryd in Angola uitgeskakel.
GESKIEDKUNDIGE FOTOS

20. Besoekgroep Arriveer in Rundu

Johan van Wyngaardt verskaf die foto wat van links na regs vir André Kruger, die Bev Lugkomponent op Rundu, Martin Verster, die KG SAW, genl Hiemstra, Phillip Jay, genl WP Louw sy vrou, Beula, Nic Visser, mev Hiemstra en Jos Rossuw se vrou aantoon.

![Besoekgroep Arriveer in Rundu](image1.jpg)

21. Besoek aan die Bosgod in Rundu

Van links na regs is mnr DE Jacobs, Direkteur van Finansies van die Kavango se Regeringsdiens, genl Hiemstra, lyk na 'n lid van die SAP, genl WP Louw en Bev Sub-Area 20, Jos Rossouw.

![Besoek aan die Bosgod in Rundu](image2.jpg)

22. Opening van Een van die Wetgewende Vergaderings in SWA deur die Minister van Bantoe-administrasie in 1968

Paul Els het die twee foto's verskaf en Lucas de Waal verklaar dat Mac Kotze van die Infanterie op die eerste foto verskyn. Genl Ben Vorster van die SALM is van mening dat dit Jeff Krummick, Bev Maritieme Kmdmt, is wat saam met Mac op die foto is. Volgens Lucas is genl Andre van Deventer, toe Bev Kmdmt SWA, heel regs, gevolg deur genl Snyman van die SAP en Doug Wellington van die Seiners.
EIETYDSE MILITêRE GESKIEDENIS

23. NTR.

NUWE MILITêRE BOEKE

24. *SWAPO Captive* deur Oiva Angula

Die boek beskryf hoe daar deur SWAPO teen hulle eie lede opgetree is, wat hulle as verraiers beskou het. Die boek kan vanaf Bush War Books by [sales@warbooks.co.za](mailto:sales@warbooks.co.za) vir R235 bestel word.

PAUL ELS SE BOEKE

25. NTR.

WELSYNSWERK

26. NTR.
ALGEMENE ASPEKTE

27. Behoefte aan ‘n Gedenkpark

Paul Els verklaar dat “… dit ‘n skande is dat ons nog nie in die RSA ‘n Gedenkpark of iets soortgelyks opgerig het om die heldedade van ons militêre verlede te gedenk nie. Ek sal ook graag wil hoor wat u mening oor ’n inisiatief vir die oprig van ’n tipe Gedenkpark is. Om te bepaal wat reeds in die RSA bestaan, het ek ’n blad op FaceBook getiteld Remembering with Memorials and Statues begin en daar is reeds wonderlike fotos op geplaas. Ek is opsoek na uitbeeldings van Ongulubashe, Brug 14, Cassinga en Cuito om daarop te plaas en sal hulp waardeer”.

28. Lisensiëring van Vuurwaens

Fred Campher is die Uitvoerende Beampie van die SA Jagtersvereniging en in sy Nuusbrief van 16/08/2018 verklaar hy dat die Minister van Polisie die Parlement versoek het om `n tydperk van amnestie goed te keur. Die SAPD is egter duidelik nie te vinde vir `n amnestie nie, maar ons verwag steeds dat daar wel `n amnestie afgekondig sal word, maar dit mag dalk heelwat later eers gebeur. Intussen geld die status quo. Lede wie se lisensies vir vuurwapens verval het en wat nie betyds aansoek gedoen het vir hernuwing nie, hoef nie die wapens by die Polisie in te haandig nie. Die volledige Nuusbrief is vanaf info@sahunt.co.za beskikbaar.

29. Newsletter of the Naval Officers’ Association of Southern Africa

Angel states that the Newsletter for Aug 2018 is available and can be requested from the Secretary, John Lamont, at glentyne@yebo.co.za.

NUUS OOR DIE VETERANE-ORGANISASIES

30. Inleiding

Hierdie groephoof is geskep met die spesifieke doel om aan die Veterane-organisasies ‘n forum te bied waar hulle die breër Veterane-gemeenskap oor hulle onderskeie aktiwiteite kan inlig. Maak gerus gebruik daarvan en insette sal waardeer word.
31. **New Issue of the GEPF Monitor**

Errol Massey-Hicks reports that Issue No 13 of 2018 is now available and can be read on our website at [www.amagp.co.za](http://www.amagp.co.za), or can be requested from his e-mail address at amagp.sek@gmail.com. The Newsletter contains an article, titled ‘Public servants cash out pensions only to return to work’ which makes for interesting reading. It appears that workers are apprehensive about their pensions and are resigning, only to be re-appointed after claiming their pensions.

**SOEKTOGTE**

32. NTR..

**GELEENTHEDE, FUNKSIES EN KURSUS- EN ANDER RE-UNIES**

33. **Service at the Wall of Remembrance at the Voortrekker Monument by the SA Bikers’ Association**

The SA Bikers’ Association is holding a service at the Wall of Remembrance from 10:00 on Sunday 26/08/2018. All Veterans are welcome to attend. Contact Ed Ruziecki of Logistics at ejruziecki@gmail.com for detail.

34. **Ete-groep in Centurion**

Die vorige ete op 19/07/2018 by die Kookabella Kafé was baie lekker en ons het die hele binne-lokaal en kaggel vir onsself gehad. Daar word egter opgemerk dat die belangstelling effens verflou, wat moontlik aan te veel van ‘n goeie ding toegeskryf kan word. Daar word derhalwe beoog om die ete in die toekoms net op die derde Donderdag van elke tweede maand te reël, om sodoende die belangstelling te behou. Die volgende ete sal dus op 20/09/2018 plaasvind. Detail kan vanaf die e-posadres by isajohan@johannisa.co.za verkry word.

**NETWORKING**

35. NTR.
36. Aflaai van die Vorige Nuusbrief


37. Nuusbrief Is Nou Ook Op Die SA Weermagvereniging (SAWV) se Webblad

Johann du Preez van die SAWV noem dat “… die SAWV se webblad nou herontwerp is en dat die Nuusbrief nou voortaan daarop gelaai sal word. Al die vorige uitgawes van 2018 kan reeds daarop gelees word. Die webadres is www.sawv.co.za. Kliek op Titbits/Brokkies aan die onderkant om die Wel en Wee oop te maak. Ons Webmeester is Liza Strauss en kan by yourwayforward@milvets.co.za gekontak word indien daar probleme is om die Nuusbrief oop te maak”.

Veterans creating the future

38. Nuwe Lede

Later.

39. Min Insette

Hierdie Nuusbrief is maar dun en daar word vertrou dat die Veterane nie besig is om moeg te word nie. Laat die insette instroom en dit sal veral waardeer word as die Nuusbrief meer aktief deur ons lede van die SALM ondersteun kan word.

LAASTE LAWWE (EN SOMS ERNSTIGE) STUKKE

40. Food for Thought

You don’t build a business; you build people and then people build the business.

Show respect to people when they do not deserve it. Respect is a reflection of your character, not theirs.

41. Good Housekeeping

I am a marvelous housekeeper. Whenever I get divorced, I keep the house - Zsa Zsa Gabor
42. **Bed-Time Stories.** The following had apparently appeared in a journal of the SAN in Johannesburg, but is not suitable for sensitive readers:

At 8 you take her to bed to tell her a story.
At 18 you tell her a story and take her to bed.
At 28 you do not need to tell her a story to take her to bed.
At 38 she tells you a story and takes you to bed.
At 48 you tell her a story to avoid taking her to bed.
At 58 you stay in bed to avoid her story.
At 68 if you take her to bed, but that will be quite a story.
At 78 if you can get out of bed, that will be another story!

SLOT

43. And on that sleepy note, geniet die res van die week.

Johann

**VRYWARINGSKLOUSULE**

44. Hierdie Nuusbrieft bevat die uiteenlopende en diverse persoonlike menings van Militêre Veterane en die Opsteller van die Nuusbrieft kan nie in sy persoonlike hoedanigheid daarvoor verantwoordelik of aanspreeklik gehou word nie.