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After a break over the December and January holiday season, it was great for all to see each other again at the AGM of the branch held at the Riviera Hotel in Velddrif. It took a while to get going with official matters as there were so many stories to be told of happenings during the holiday. Rob Sproul was, however, patient before getting the group of 53 to be seated.

Rob handled all the formalities and it was evident from his and other committee member reports that all was well in the branch. During the year the branch had lost some members, but also gained seven new members to bring the branch total to 83. The wonderful services rendered by 2 Military Hospital and the Medical Centers at AFB Langebaanweg and Saldanha were emphasized. Interaction with AFB Langebaanweg had improved. Financially the branch was sound. Rob could therefore hand over the reins at the end of his three year term feeling happy and satisfied.



Rob Sproul addressing the branch for the last time as Chairman

The Weskus branch had over the years done things a bit different from other SAAFA branches. Once again this was about to happen as Renée Smith became the elected Chairlady of the branch. The first in SAAFA.



Rob and new Chairlady, Renée Smith

The committee for 2017 is:

Renée Smith	Chairlady
Schalk van Heerden	Vice-Chairman
Kevin Kilfoil	Secretary / Treasurer
Medical Representative	Frans Labuschagne
Photo album	Rina Engelbrecht
Newsletter	Bart Hauptfleisch

Baie geluk aan Renée en die res van die span en voorspoed met die take vorentoe.

Renée het Rob bedank vir sy leiding van die tak die afgelope drie jaar. Sy persoonlike betrokkenheid by reëlings en sy entoesiasme met die voorbereiding van byeenkoms etes het nie ongesiens verbygegaan nie. **Dankie Rob van ons almal.** 'n Heidronk is gedrink op die 97ste verjaardag van die SA Lugmag.

Daar is verder lekker gekuier en gesmul aan die heerlike ete wat die Riviera Hotel voorgesit het.

Lootjie wenner: Kotie Wagener. Geluk!!

A man was looking for a place to sit in a crowded university library.

He whispered to a girl: "Do you mind if I sit beside you?"

The girl replied in a loud voice: **"NO, I DON'T WANT TO SPEND THE NIGHT WITH YOU"**

All the people in the library started staring at the man, who was deeply embarrassed and moved to another table.

After a couple of minutes, the girl walked quietly to the man's table and said with a laugh: "I study psychology and I know what a man is thinking. I bet you felt embarrassed, right?"

The man responded in a loud voice: **"R5,000 FOR ONE NIGHT? . . I'M NOT PAYING YOU THAT MUCH"**

All the people in the library looked at the girl in shock.

The man whispered to her: "I study law, and I know how to screw people."

Dit was weer tyd vir balle rol by die Lagoon Rolbal Klub te Langebaan. 'n Goeie opkoms van 46 lede en 'n paar gaste.



Sommige het balle gerol terwyl



. . . . ander rustig gekyk en gesels het



Die akkuraatheid nie altyd baie goed

Chippie Strydom en Leon Maré die wenners. Baie geluk.

After the bowls Renée Smith handled all the administrative matters of SAAFA and the Branch. Thanks to Trevor White who made the arrangements for the meeting and our sincere thanks to the Lagoon Bowling Club for accommodating us and serving us with a very tasty meal.



A relaxing evening

Raffle winner: Saretha van Heerden. Congratulations!!

9 Maart 2017

'n Aantal jare gelede het vlieëniers van die Lugmag wat Sabres gevlieg het besluit om jaarliks te Stellenbosch Vliegklub byeen te kom. Deur die jare het die getal wat dié geleentheid bygewoon het al hoe minder geword. Daar is toe besluit om ook ander Lugmag gekwalifiseerde vlieëniers in te sluit by die jaarlikse saamtrek. Ses oud-vlieëniers vanaf die Weskus tak, nl Frans Labuschagne, Mossie Basson, Bart Hauptfleisch, Johan Potgieter, Johan du Plessis en Johan Ferreira het opgetrek na Stellenbosch vir dié middagete.



Stellenbosch vliegveld met 'n ou Lugmag Albatros vliegtuig tussen die ander ligte vliegtuie

Dit was soos 'n re-unie om ou bekendes, sommige van baie jare gelede, weer te sien. Daar is wyd en syd gesels in 'n poging om op te vang wat met oud kollegas sedert laaste sien gebeur het. Dit was lekker om vele bekendes soos vorige HLM'e Lt Gen'l's van Loggerenberg en Beukes asook Brig Ed van Ravensteyn en vele ander te sien. Die Lugmag van ouds en die liefde vir vlieg het ons bymekaar gebring. Lekker gesels en gekuier.



George van Niekerk en Gawie Winterbach



Lt Gen'l'e van Loggenrenberg en Beukes in gesprek



Jaap Stofberg konsentreer en Kevin Kilfoil hou dop



Neil Wallace en Erol Earp



Chippie Strydom se kleindogter speel ook saam

6 April 2017

The Langebaan Golf Club was the venue of the April meeting organized by Fanie Wagener. The early cold and windy weather resulted in only 38 members and guests attending the meeting. Fifteen of them took up the challenge to play a round of putt-putt on the difficult course. Although not many hole-in-one shots were seen, all enjoyed themselves to the full. The eventual winner being Kevin Kilfoil. Congratulations!!!



Fanie Wagener oorhandig die trofee aan Kevin Kilfoil

Following the putt-putt Renée handled the administrative affairs where after we were served with a delicious meal prepared by the Golf Club restaurant. A most enjoyable evening was had by all.



Trevor White kuier saam met Wilma Haley en Henna Greeff



Heerlike maaltyd



Lootjie wenner Marion Strydom

Thanks Fanie for a well organized evening. Most appreciated.

When I was ready to pay for my groceries the cashier looked at me and said:

"Strip down, facing me"

Making a mental note so I could complain to my local MP about this security rubbish, I did just that as she had instructed, ripped my shorts down to my ankles and pulled off my t-shirt.

After the shrieking and hysterical remarks finally subsided, I found out she was referring to how I should position my credit card in the new card machine!

Nonetheless, I've been asked to shop elsewhere in the future.

They need to make their instructions a little bit clearer for us seniors.

I really hate this getting old stuff.

3 Mei 2017

49 Lede en gaste het byeengekom by die Langebaan Seiljagklub vir dié maand se byeenkoms. Net 'n gesellige byeenkoms met Cobus en Vaneta Cronje wat snoek braai en dit saam met heerlike ander geregte voorgesit het.

Renée, Schalk en Kevin het die tak se sake bespreek, duidelik gaan dit goed met ons mense en finansiële. Ongelukkig verlaat Gallie en Rienie Wessels ons om hul naby hul kinders in Gauteng te vestig. Ons wens hul voorspoed toe.



Kobus besig om snoek te braai



Die resultaat – heerlijk!!

A most enjoyable evening was had by all at this great venue next to the Langebaan Lagoon. Thanks Cobus and Vaneta and also to Doc and Lixi Lawson for their contribution.



Raffle winner – Dirk Blom. Congratulations!!!



Do you remember? ± 1964

7 June 2017

Our last meeting before the winter break held at the Langebaan Yacht Club was well attended by 57 people. Renée dealt with the Branch business and also gave feedback on the SAAFA Congress held in Makhado attended by herself as well as by Rob and Lesley Sproul.

At the Congress two Presidential Merit Awards were awarded to two of our Branch members. Lesley Sproul received hers at Congress from National President Hugh Payne himself while Renée handed over the award to Les Liebenberg at this meeting. Congratulations to you two. We are proud of you.



Les receiving his reward and a hug from Renée

Rob had prepared an awesome curry buffet enjoyed by all. Great stuff, thanks Rob and Lesley for once again providing such an excellent meal for us.





Frans and Irene Labuschagne going for seconds

Raffle winner – André Burger. Congratulations!!

Paraprosdokians

Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous.

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
3. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
4. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
5. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
6. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
7. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
8. Going to church does not make you a Christian, any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
9. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
10. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

Tot volgende keer, mooi loop . . . !

Keep well !