



the Generals Voice

TIM LUKIN SHELLHOLE
NEWSLETTER



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*"Everybody wants to save the Earth;
nobody wants to help Mom do the dishes."
— P.J. O'Rourke*

AUGUST 2025

Our August meeting marked a significant milestone in our Shellhole, drawing an impressive turnout of 42 members on parade, including the Top Table, as well as 12 visitors.

This gathering was likely the largest attendance we've seen to date—an encouraging sign of our continued growth and relevance within the community. It reflects the dedication and hard work of all members who have committed their time and effort to strengthen our ranks and uphold the values of the MOTHS. A heartfelt well done and congratulations to everyone who has contributed to building the Shellhole into what it is today—your efforts are truly appreciated and continue to make a lasting impact.



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

Sergeant Major Craig Herwill called on MOTH Dennis Barry to remember our fallen comrades.

☼ 542847 LT	Whitelaw LL	SAF	18 th July	1944
☼ 542813 W/O	Whitelaw RB	SAF	17 th October	1944



INDUCTION OR INSTALLATION?

We've often heard the words that so-and-so will be inducted or installed, but is there a difference between the words or are they used interchangeably.

Think of **induction** as becoming part of the MOTH family, and **installation** as taking up a job within the shellhole. Here's a short overview:

INDUCTION

Induction is the formal process of welcoming a new member into the MOTH Order and, specifically, into a Shellhole. It involves a ceremonial procedure during a Shellhole meeting where the new member takes part in a ritual that introduces them to the traditions, values, and responsibilities of the MOTH. This includes the symbolism behind the Tin Hat, the rifles and twelve stars and the expectation to uphold the principles of **True Comradeship, Mutual Help, and Sound Memory**. After induction, the member is officially part of the Shellhole and can wear the Tin Hat.



INSTALLATION



Installation usually refers to the official appointment of elected members to leadership within the Shellhole—such as Old Bill, Deputy Old Bill, Adjutant, Pay Bill. This happens annually (usually after elections and during the AGM) and also follows a formal ceremonial process. It confirms the transfer of duties and responsibilities to the incoming executives, often in the presence of visiting members and higher-ups from District or Provincial level.

INDUCTION FOR AUGUST

This month was a particularly proud one for Tim Lukin as we welcomed new faces into the fold. We inducted four new Supporters—*Frida Holland, Kira Sparrow, Debra Purvis, and Bradley Gee*. In addition, we were honoured to induct three new MOTHS into the Order: *Henry Holland, Ray Muir, and Clive Prince*.

Their willingness to stand behind the Order's values is deeply appreciated, and we look forward to their continued involvement in our activities.

MOTHS and Supporters have now officially joined our ranks and taken up the torch of *True Comradeship, Mutual Help, and Sound Memory*.



To all our new members—welcome!

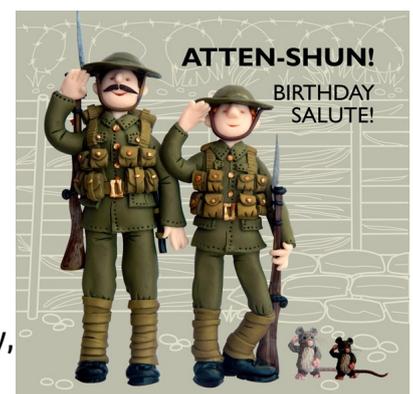
May your journey with the MOTH be rewarding, meaningful, and filled with fellowship.

BIRTHDAYS — SEPTEMBER

Happy Birthday!

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| 🎂 Craig Herwill | 2 nd September |
| 🎂 Jeannie Estment | 7 th September |
| 🎂 Heidi Robertson | 25 th September |
| 🎂 Veronica Snyman | 29 th September |

Wishing you all the best on your special day. May it be filled with joy, laughter, and wonderful memories!



YOUNG ISCOR STAR DOMINATES FINAL AFTER NAIL-BITING SEMI-FINAL DRAMA

This month we showcase one of our own MOTH'S, Ian Weinmann and a throwback to 1994 which coincides nicely with our bowls' day that we had on the 17th August 2025. This is an embellishment and rewrite of the attached article.

The NTBA Inter Club Selected Singles Championship delivered edge-of-your-seat excitement as Ian Weinmann (Iscor) emerged victorious in a tournament that showcased the very best of Northern Transvaal bowling.

Quarter-Finals Set the Stage

Three of the four quarter-final matches went down to the wire, providing spectators with grandstand finishes that had everyone on their feet. Hennie Fraser (Wonderboom) edged past Sisse Tel (PHSB) in a tight 21-18 contest, while Philip Nel (Meyers Park) had to dig deep to overcome the challenge of Silvio Fabbri (Harlequins) 21-19.

In perhaps the most dramatic quarter-final, Francois Koen (PCS) was pushed to the limit by Chris Oosthuizen (Mooinooi) before securing victory 21-16. Only Ian Weinmann managed a comfortable passage, accounting for Piet Robbertse (jnr) of Vriendekring with a convincing 21-12 victory.



Semi-Final Drama Unfolds



storm back and claim a stunning 21-17 victory.

Final: Weinmann's Masterclass

After the day's earlier drama, the final proved to be a one-sided affair that showcased Weinmann's exceptional skill. Following his two sterling comeback efforts, Philip Nel seemed to lose his touch just when it mattered most.

In contrast, Weinmann was on a winning roll and delivered a performance of devastating precision. His deadly drawing game proved unstoppable as he swept to a comprehensive 21-0 whitewash victory in just 11 ends - a scoreline that tells the story of complete domination.

Championship Recognition

As NTBSA president Ferrie Ferreira remarked at the prize-giving, young Weinmann's commendable skill and maturity throughout the tournament must have significantly enhanced his

chances of earning senior provincial colours. The champion's well-judged running shots and consistent drawing game marked him as a player to watch for the future.

It was noted that only two selectors were present to witness the finals - perhaps more should have been there to see such an impressive display of championship bowling.

Final Results:

Champion: Ian Weinmann (Iscor)

Runner-up: Philip Nel (Meyers Park)

Final Score: 21-0 (11 ends)

DATES TO REMEMBER 2025

Platinum Meeting – every last Sunday of the Month

District Meeting – every 3rd Saturday of the Month

Founder’s Day	07 – May
Jan Smuts Remembrance Day	24 – May
Delville Wood Remembrance Day	16 – July
El Alamein Remembrance Day	23 – Oct
Cosy Corner Remembrance Day	10 – Nov
Rhodesian All Forces Parade, (Dickie Fritz)	10 – Nov
JHB Mayor’s Parade JHB, Military Museum, Saxonwold	10 – Nov
SA Legion Shadow Parade, Casino Rd, Foundershill, Modderfontein	11 – Nov
MOTH Remembrance Day	11 – Nov
MOTH Shadow Parade (War Memorial)	11–Nov

Platinum Provincial Dugout meet on the last Sunday of every month at 9h30, at Evenden House, 139 Glover Avenue, Die Hoewes, Centurion.

East Rand District Dugout meet on a alphabetical (*MOTH shellhole name*) rotational basis at 9h30 on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

Shellhole Charter Dates:

MMA East Rand:	17 th January	2017
General van der Spuy:	02 nd June	1991
Shellburst Shellhole:	13 th July	1958
East Rand District Dugout:	21 July	2016
Cosy Corner Shellhole:	01 st September	1927
Savannah Shellhole:	04 th September	2002
Windy Corner Shellhole:	27 th September	1938
Dickie Fritz Shellhole:	11 th September	1955
Sphinx Shellhole:	17 th October	1938
<i>Tim Lukin Shellhole:</i>	<i>24th October</i>	<i>1938</i>

🎂 **September Shellhole Birthday.** 🎂

What a month for charter celebrations.

Some of our Shellholes have been marking some seriously impressive milestones:

Cosy Corner Shellhole 🏠

98 glorious years!



The Brakpan shellhole was one of the first to be established in the MOTH movement, which was founded in 1927. This old-timer has practically seen everything twice and still knows how to throw a good party. Almost ready for that century celebration – better start planning the cake logistics now!

Windy Corner Shellhole 🌬️

87 trips around the sun!

That's a lot of cosmic frequent flyer miles! No wonder they're called "Windy" – they've been blown around by nearly nine decades of adventures.

Dickie Fritz Shellhole 🌙

70 years of moon-gazing wisdom!



Seven decades of watching the moon rise means they've got the lunar calendar memorised and probably know which tides bring the best stories.

Savannah Shellhole 😊

The sprightly 23-year-old!



The baby of the bunch, but old enough to know better and young enough to pretend they don't. Watch out world – this one's got energy to spare.

Here's to all our fantastic Shellholes – may they continue to live long, prosper, and collect even more ridiculous stories to tell at the next charter celebration! 🍷🍷

Age is just a number... a really, really big number in some cases!

JOIN THE MOTHS – WE NEED YOU!



Looking to Get Involved?

If you're interested in learning more or attending a meeting, reach out to your local Shellhole for details.

For information on how to join TIM LUKIN MOTH Shellhole Contact:

Deputy Bill Jose: 082-561-2990

Useful Links

Visit M.O.T.H. Home Page

Tim Lukin Shellhole Facebook Page

Tim Lukin Shellhole Official Page

East Rand District Dugout

MMA's Facebook Page

MOTHWA Home Page

MOTH Beginnings

Tim Lukin's Business Directory

(To place your advert contact Vincent on 082-257-3213)

Support Your Shellhole Community.

Are you a member, supporter, or friend of Tim Lukin Shellhole? Help strengthen our community by supporting one another's businesses. We're creating this comprehensive business directory to help members find the services they need right within our own network. Whether you're looking for a butcher, baker, candlestick maker, or anything in between, our directory will have you covered.

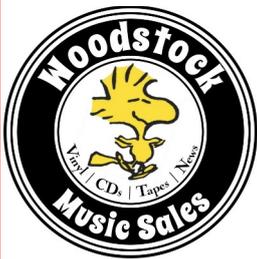
How to Submit Your Listing:

Keep it Simple: A clear and concise message will do.

Submit Your Business Logo: Send us a high-quality JPG of your business card/logo for a consistent look.

All your contributions / donations will directly benefit Tim Lukin Shellhole and our Mutual Aid Fund.

Help strengthen our community and let's work together to build a thriving MOTH network!



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