



# Warrior Shellhole

## Memorable Order of Tin Hats



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**Request to West Rand District and Platinum Province that Moth Gregory Brian Bennett be awarded the "Certificate of Excellent Service".**

**Good Morning District Deputy Old Bill,**

The Warrior Shellhole Executive, together with the members of the Shellhole, hereby respectfully requests the consideration of both District and Province for the awarding of the **Certificate of Excellent Service** to Warrior Shellhole member and District Old Bill, **Moth Gregory Brian Bennett**.

Please find attached the citation submitted as evidence of Moth Bennett's dedication, exemplary service, and continued commitment to the Order and its members.

We trust that the attached citation meets the required standard, and we respectfully request approval from the West Rand District Executive as well as the Provincial Executive.

Once approval is granted by Province, the Warrior Shellhole Executive further requests that the presentation of this prestigious award be conducted at the next appropriate Warrior Shellhole meeting, with both the Provincial and District Executives in attendance.

Moth Brian Bennett is truly deserving of this recognition, and we, the Executive of Warrior Shellhole as well as all Shellhole members look forward to the favourable consideration and response of both District and Province.

Your Faithfully

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**(The above is sent with approval of The Warrior Old Bill Moth Ken Meyer)**



## **Citation for Gregory Brian Bennett for application to Province that he be awarded the “Certificate of Excellent Service.”**

Brian, who in his younger days had served with 8 SAI, ending up in 5 Signal Regiment with tours to Omega and Mpacha bases and was the proud recipient of both the General Service and Pro Patria medals, was introduced to MOTH while at a Friday afternoon tea party held at Cottesloe in 2016, Brian went on to join the revived Dardanelles Shellhole and was duly marched in on 14 July 2016.

In the following year, Moth Bennett joined Dardanelles Top table where he served as Pay Bill for 3 years. Within the first year his dedication was noticed, and he was awarded the Certificate of Comradeship. It was also during this time that he teamed up with the bikers that had been dispatched to rescue Dardanelles, and strong-armed District into have their yearly parade back at the Shellhole.

In 2020 Moth Bennett transferred to Warrior Shellhole where he went on to become Old Bill, until standing down for natural progression in 2023. He and his team had the unsavoury task of not only having to dispose of their property, which was no longer sustainable but also having to relocate all the cottage residents. A further challenge was to find a new home for Warrior, which was successfully carried out with no loss of members to The Order.

Moth Bennet join District as a Pay Bill in 2020. Valuable time was spent in training and coaching other folk regarding Smartedge. 2021 saw him take up the position of District Deputy Old Bill, and during this time having to facilitate the closure of Cappro Shellhole and incorporating their members into Warrior. In 2025 Moth Bennett took over the reins of West Rand District Dugout as Old Bill and was finally able to lead the District parade he had fought so hard to have returned to Dardanelles all those years back.

The Westrand Krugersdorp Cottages Committee has also gained from his services with him filling various posts from Liaison Officer, Treasurer and Vice Chairman. For a number of years, he was personally responsible for all facets of the Far Westrand SMC on behalf of the Chairman.



Not only did Moth Bennett serve as a member on the Warrior Oasis Cottage Management Committee from 2021 where they faced finding alternate accommodation for the residents before WOCMAC disbanded but he has also been a member of the Cottesloe Cottage committee since 2022 until now.

Having become a member of the Property Management Committee in 2019 where he served at times as Treasurer, he took up the position of Vice Chairman in 2022. His years with PMC have seen the implementation of a credit management system, the moving of MESCA over to Smartedge and his training of various cottage scheme committee members. Traveling around the country with the PMC Chairman, they have visited many cottage schemes, had to face plenty of challenges and make difficult decisions about sustainability, rescuing and the way forward. He has also on numerous occasions been present at National Executive and GHQ meetings, as well as helping to update our Standard Operating Procedures. His biggest joy is the resuscitated PMC "Bugle" newsletter which keeps all and sundry informed of what is happening at the various cottage schemes.

Outside the realm of Mothing, Moth Bennet has also served as a member and Ombudsman with the Floroma Old Age Home since 2020 and the Memorial Cottages and Golden Age Village Krugersdorp as a Trustee since 2023 until now.

Besides the occasional weekend getaway with his partner, that he had roped into joining MOTHWA and is now the Chilly Trench MOTHWA Lady Billy, he also loves pursuing his favourite passions of fishing and hunting as well as attending his Masonic meetings.