

SOUTH AFRICAN ARMY ARTILLERY FORMATION WEEK OF EXCELLENCE

4 Artillery Regiment was abuzz and the atmosphere was jovial and very contagious. All the gunners had once more converged at 4 Artillery Regiment. Veterans and young gunners, all mingling and catching up with each other. All gunners were ready to compete against each other on guns and gunnery.

The South African Army Artillery week of excellence started the year 2010 and has ever since taken place once every year. This is when gunners of all ranks compete against each other on the Artillery core business. This is also where we get to select the team that will be partaking in the South African Army Fittest Soldier.

GOC SA Artillery Formation, Brig Gen K. Makina, opened the events of the week with an inspiring and motivating speech. The GOC encouraged everyone to take part in all of the events.

The events of the week were as follows:

Monday:

Fittest Soldier competition

Obstacle course and grenade throw

Artillery General Knowledge assessment

5 km Fun run

Tuesday:

Neatness/Drill

4/8 km Cross Country Run

Agility T-Test, Reverse Running, Sideways Running, Arty Surprise and Bleep Test

Map and Nav Assessment

Wednesday:

Individual Table 2 Shooting

Pace Stick

17 km Route March

OVSS/ATS Assessment

9mm

Military Skills R4 applications

No1 and No 3 Gun drills assessments

Vehicle A and B Driving Skills

Thursday:

Unit Teams table 2 Shooting

Individual TA/Svy Assessment

Individual Gyro/ Theodolite Assessment

Unit Teams adapted Table 2 Shooting

Thursday:

Inter Unit Gun Run Competition

Prize Giving Ceremony

GOC SA Artillery Formation, Brig Gen K. Makina, handed over trophies to respective recipients and closed the week's events with a heartwarming speech. The GOC thanked everyone for their participation and urges all gunners to be more involved in the next week of excellence in 2018. The GOC expressed her gratitude towards all that took part in ensuring that the Week of Excellence was a big success.

On that high note, the South African Army Artillery Week Of Excellence was officially ended with all present in high spirit and looking forward to the next week of excellence.

The following recipients were 1st position on respective categories:

MILITARY SKILLS

Military Skills Male: 93069870BV L/Bdr O.E. Gumede

Military Skills Female: 08315780MR Gnr S.A. Cousin

FITTEST SOLDIER

Fittest Soldier Male up to 34 years: 10891208MG Gnr K.J. Mainole

Fittest Soldier Male 35 to 44 years: 98535487MC Bdr F.M. Masela

Fittest Soldier Male 45 years and up: 94075251PE Bdr T.E. Netshilindi

Fittest Soldier Female: 98513997MC Sgt D.M. Mogatle

ARTILLERY INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Driver A Vehicle: 00032110MC L/Bdr R.A. Taje

Driver B Vehicle: 97064950PE Bdr S. Molo
M5 No3: 02044527MC L/Bdr C.M. Dikgale
MRL No3: 05026844MC L/Bdr T. Rammala
GV5 No3: 04003398MC Bdr L.J. Erasmus
GV6 No3: 05024963MC L/Bdr D. Letsholo
M5 No1: 96223581 Sgt J.M. Tswai
MRL No1: 95060315PE Sgt C.S.O. Dlamini
GV5 No1: 99022840MC Sgt L. Nogaga
GV6 No1: 95000949MC Sgt N. Van Heerden
TA Survey and Navigation NCO: 93775187PE SSgt K.N. Kaleng
Technical FIRE Control NCO: 95000360MC S GT K. Matolweni
Junior Officer Survey: 05034475MC CO T.C. Thupayagae
Terminal Fire Control Officer: 02025088MC Lt L.L. Vana

WO, NCO SKILLS COMPETITION

BEST SHOTTIST: 97213250MC Bdr B.M. Motlapema
BEST L BDR: 03022332MC L Bdr M.R. Makubela
Best Bdr: 00016303MC Bdr T.J. Maine
Best Sgt: 01002054MC Sgt G.W. Geduld
Best SSgt: 97275333MC SSgt S. Makamu
Best WO: 92677319PE WO2 M.A. Botcheli
Pace Stick Team: School Of Artillery

ARTILLERY OFFICER, WO NCO AND GUNNER'S COMPETITION

Best Arty Gnr: 11002060MC Gnr N.L. Ndakane
Best Arty Junior NCO: 00016303MC Bdr T.J. Maine
Best Arty Senior NCO: 97275333MC SSgt S. Makamu
Best Arty WO: 92677319PE WO2 M.A. Botcheli

Best Arty Junior Officer: 98543887MC Capt E. Mabina

SHOOTING COMPETITION

Best Male Shot: 87301594BV Bdr W.J. De Wet

Best Female Shot: 10681369BV Bdr D.M. Rossouw

Best Shooting Unit: VAR

GUN RUN

Gun Run Team: School of Artillery









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