



The Sharp End



School of Artillery Newsletter



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NATIONAL GUNNERS' MEMORIAL: 14 APRIL 2019

(Capt Tumi Chabalala)

It has been a long standing tradition for the gunners to commemorate national gunners' memorial in remembrance of all the gunners who lost their lives on duty. The memorial is held during the second Sunday of April every year and this year was no different, gunners came in numbers to commemorate this day. The invited guests arrive from 09:00 to register their wreaths and have tea while mingling with each other.

The members made their way to their seats at 10:45. Ushers were appointed to show the VVIPs and VIPs to their respective seats. The members on parade marched on and the Dignitaries marched to their seats. The parade started at 11:00. Chaplain Museri conducted the service and the President of the National Gunners Association, Lt Gen (Ret) Phillip du Preez addressed the members at the memorial site. The representative members were called accordingly to protocol to their lay wreaths on behalf of their organisations. The members on parade were the MSDS 2018 group from the School of Artillery, the Parade Commander was Major Tlampe and the parade Warrant Officer was WO2 Syster.

Among the members who attended the memorial parade and laid wreaths were the General of the gunners Major General Mbuli, General Officer Commanding SA Army Artillery Formation, Brigadier General Makina, General Officer Commanding SA Army Air Defence Artillery Formation, Brigadier General Fongoqa, different defence attaché, Officers Commanding of the different artillery units and the Acting Mayor of JB Marks Municipality, Cllr S.M. Mothopeng. After the parade there was refreshments served outside the memorial site.



MEDAL PARADE: 25 APRIL 2019

(Capt Tumi Chabalala)

On 25 April 2019, the School of Artillery hosted a medal parade in the Ubique hall. The parade started at 10:00 and Chaplain Molehe from 4 Artillery Regiment conducted Scripture reading and prayer. During the parade Colonel Schoonwinkel, Officer Commanding School of Artillery awarded the recipients with 10 year good service medals. During his address Colonel Schoonwinkel urged the recipients to be dedicated soldiers, keep the discipline and be worthy of these awards. The parade commander was Major Hassen and parade Warrant Officer was WO2 Duiker. After the parade, the members enjoyed refreshments at the warrior mess.





LOVE & SORROW



Birthdays

We would like to congratulate the following members with the celebration of their birthdays. We hope that you will have a wonderful day and year:

Gnr P.G. Ratsibela - 05 May
Lt D.D. Mokgele - 06 May
Bdr O.D. Sesing - 07 May
Ms N.J. Nthimola - 07 May
WO1 D.G. du Preez - 09 May
L Bdr K.V. Sout - 09 May
Bdr K.J. Plaatjie - 09 May
Gnr M.P. Mphaki - 09 May
Sgt M.J. Mathobela - 11 May
Gnr J.T.M. Fillies - 14 May
Gnr S.R. Prins - 14 May
Gnr M.D. Motsoane - 15 May
Gnr J.B. Van Rooyen - 17 May
Gnr L. Mokgopa - 17 May

Mr J.R.M. Manzana - 17 May
L Bdr D.P. Mojaki - 18 May
Gnr S.M. Mafa - 19 May
Gnr L.A. Porter - 19 May
Bdr J.R. Maiyane - 20 May
Pte K.S. Tladi - 20 May
Sgt J.M. Motswenyane - 21 May
Gnr G.S. Mofongola - 21 May
Sgt G.C. Maree - 21 May
SSgt V.K. Oliphant - 25 May
Ms M.D. Phakedi - 25 May
Mr R.E. Motlokoa - 26 May
Maj F.J. Van Niekerk - 31 May



School of Artillery Prayer Chain

The following members are on the School of Artillery prayer chain and we call on all our friends and colleagues to think of them in your daily prayers:

- **Unit Members on Course**

Maj Schwarts – Army College	S Sgt le Roux – Ops Duties
Lt Sebati – YOC	Cpl Bloem – JPC
Lt Photoane – YOC	Gnr Halom – RNCO
Lt Mfuku – YOC	Gnr Seakamela - RNCO

- **Detach Duty**

Capt Mohale – 4 Arty Regt
Lt Oliphant - 2 field Engineer Regt
Bdr Goliath – AMHU NW
Bdr Bodiba – SA Army Arty Fmn
Bdr Rambofheni – SA Army Arty Fmn
L/Bdr Montle – SA Army Arty Fmn
L/Bdr Magaseng – SA Army Arty FMN
L/Bdr Mabaso - SA Army Arty Fmn
Gnr Jiba – Special Forces



UPCOMING EVENTS:

24 May – Blood drive

30 May – Recognition parade

DATES TO BOOK:

School of Artillery Birthday Ball – 19 September 2019

School of Artillery Corporate Golf day – 20 September 2019

