

SEA BONES # 8

A NEWSLETTER FROM SHELL COLLECTORS SOUTH AFRICA (SCSA).
(PREVIOUSLY, THE CONCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA).

“GEOMETRY WILL DRAW THE SOUL
TOWARDS TRUTH, AND CREATE THE
SPIRIT OF PHILOSOPHY” — PLATO.

Shelling friends,

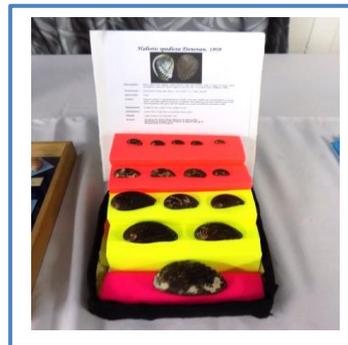
Some water has flowed under the bridge since the last Sea Bones, but I am pleased to say that there is a fresh Conchological wind blowing as far as SCSA is concerned.

This serves foremost, to inform all recipients that a new committee was voted in, at our AGM of 18th June, and is as follows:

- ❖ President - Andre Meredith
- ❖ Vice President - Roy Aiken
- ❖ Treasurer - Maurice Evans
- ❖ Secretary - Anton Groenewald
- ❖ Additional Members - Christelle Deysel, Ken Brown
- ❖ Editorial members - Anton Groenewald, Ken Brown & Roy Aiken
- ❖ Scientific Officer - Roy Aiken
- ❖ Liaison Officer – TBA

Our AGM was a convivial affair, with a great auction once again. Thanks are due to Alan Seccombe for generously providing material. There was a fabulous display of extreme variance of exhibits, with the following winners judged by Alwyn Marais and Rina Matthee. Cowrie Trophy – Andre Meredith for his “3D” display of African Cowries, in Spirals. Anton Groenewald, for an amazing display of the variance *Ketyconus tinianus*, still found on our beaches today. Special mention was made of the continued high standard of Jelle Lammers’ work, and of the initiative taken by Simone Page, proving that anyone can put up an exhibit. It was healthy to see our evergreen annual winner, Jelle Lammers, get some competition at last. However, as they say in the Olympics, it’s PARTICIPATION that counts. All credit is due to those who did exhibit...

The Shell Exhibits



Outgoing and In-coming Committee



Herewith find the photos of the outgoing committee, and new committee. Thank you to the outgoing committee for the exceptional job done, wishing that our new committee will be able to uphold the quality and dedication as proven testament through the years.



Caption Contest!

This picture in action was taken at the 2016 AGM. We ask all our members to please participate and give us your caption of what is going on...

The best caption will be posted in our next Seabones plus our lucky member will stand a chance of receiving a free gift. All entries to be e-mailed to the Secretary at briliantasia69@mtn.blackberry.com or SMS 083520 9703

...and to finish, a fascinating piece of information that came out during the Colubraria presentation at the last Pretoria meeting... This Genus is known to feed by inserting a long proboscis into the soft parts of sleeping fish, and sucking out the blood, apparently rendering no harm to the host!

In closing this Seabones, please note:

- 1 - Your new Editorial Board will be sending out an interesting and diverse Strandloper very soon.
- 2 - Some lovely ideas for Pretoria meetings for the next year have been mooted, and will be communicated in the next Seabones.

Until then, remember that first and foremost, ...we are here to enjoy the shells

Yours, in the continuance of Southern African Shelling

Roy Aiken - July 2016

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