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# DIAMOND OPEN ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Diamond Open Athletic Championships which took place in the ODASA Stadium on January 13 was organised by CDM's Recreation Department on behalf of the SWAAAU and the SAAAU under the rules of that latter body.

Teams from Bellville (Western Province), Gobabis (S.W. Africa/Namibia), Anglo-American Mines and Kleinsee and Rossing Mines accepted the invitation extended to them.

The first event of the day to be decided was the high jump which had developed into a closely fought



Gobabis' E. Reimann was first in the high jump.

duel between E. Reimann (Gobabis) and F. Dippenaar (Bellville). The Gobabis jumper emerged as the winner with a jump of 1,90 metres, only 0,03 metres short of the SWA/Namibian record.

André Pollard, from Beauvallon Farm (CDM) is the South African Junior discus champion and in this meet-



André Pollard threw a discus 37,64 metres to win the event.



Lazarus Kapolo of CDM won the 800m race. Close behind him is L. Erasmus of Bellville who was 2nd.

ing he lived up to his reputation by winning the discus event with a throw of 37,64 metres. R. Snyman (Bellville) was second.

Local runner Lazarus Kapolo, 5 000 metres record holder, ran in the 800 metres race for the first time in his career - and won, in a time of 1 min. 58,5 sec. beating L. Erasmus of Stellenbosch and Western Province into second place.

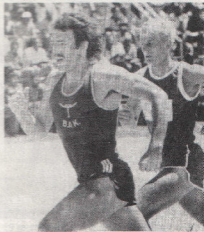
A. Pollard followed his earlier success by winning the shot-put with a throw of 11,92 metres. ODASA athlete Herbert Thomas came in a creditable third with 11,12 metres.

The 100 metres final was a thrilling race from start to finish, with four runners virtually running



Local athlete A. Pollard won the shot-put event.

neck and neck for the whole distance. The judges found it difficult to separate them at the tape but eventually, after much deliberation, gave first place to J. Bezuidenhout (Bellville) with a time of 10,9 seconds. P. Visser (Bellville) and M. Burger (Gobabis) were placed joint second with times of 11,0 seconds while H. Garusab (Rossing), with the same time was placed fourth.



Bellville's L. Erasmus was 2nd home in the 800m race.

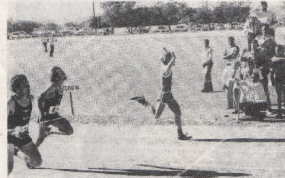


Above: W. Masiwane of AAC won the 1500 metres race in 4m 9,4s. Left: Pete Bergh of Oranjenburg hurled javelin 53,74 metres to win. Far left: Herbert Theunissen of CDM was third in the shot-put event.



J. Bezuidenhout of Bellville Athletic Club won the 100m race and was second in the 200m.

Mannetjies Burger (Gobabis) surprised both himself and the opposition by winning the 200 metres race in a career best time of 22,3 seconds. Western Province runners filled second and third places. Burger, still



The finish of the 200m race was close. Arms upraised, M. Burger of Gobabis won in a time of 22,3 sec. Closely following into 2nd and 3rd places are J. Bezuidenhout (22,4s) and H. Kotze (22,5s), both of Bellville.

at school and normally competing in junior events seemed assured of a successful athletic future if he keeps improving on this time.

CDM made a clean sweep of the javelin event, filling all the first three places, with local policeman Pete Bergh the winner (53,74 metres) and F. Frylinck and G. Festus second and third respectively.

The event that was looked forward to all afternoon did not eventually disappoint. This was the 5000 metres race in which Mathews Batswadi was running. Batswadi, from Western Deep Levels Mine (AAC) is the South African 10 000 metres champion and was the first black to be awarded Springbok colours. He is, in addition, the South African cross-country champion, having won this event in 1976, 1977 and 1978. What a pleasure it was to watch this finely trained athlete running with seemingly effortless ease. He always seemed to have power in reserve to be used when necessary. As lap after lap was completed he moved farther and farther into the lead and actually improved his time for each of the last five laps, with the final one being timed at 60 seconds. His time of 14 min. 14,7 sec. was, besides being a new S.V.A./Namibian Open record, his personal best this season. One wonders what record time he



In front is the winner of the 400m, H. Kotze (Bellville), followed by M. Noabeb (52) of Rossing, 2nd and H. Engels (Gobabis) who was third.



Mathews Batswadi romped home in record breaking style in the 5000m.

would have produced had he had better opposition. His superiority on that day is evident when one notes that S. Majoro (AAC) who came in second was 57 seconds behind Batswadi and Capes and Potgieter, both of Bellville, who were joint third were a further 1 min. 12 sec. behind Majoro.

The meeting ended with a 4 x 400 metres relay and a demonstration of hammer-throwing by Pollard and several Western Province athletes. The relay was won by Gobabis with CDM's team coming in fourth.

Recreation Officer Chris Esterhuizen tells us that it is planned for Mathews Batswadi to appear at another meeting in Oranjemund later in the year. For one, will wait with eager anticipation.



S. Majoro of the AAC team was 2nd in the 5000m.



Fernando Bernard, Mathews Batswadi and Lazarus Kapolo at the braai and social which followed the sports meeting.



Joint third in the 5000m were R. Capes (right) and A. Potgieter.



A demonstration of hammer-throwing concluded the meeting.



Gobabis' anchorman breaking the tape to win the 4 x 400 metres relay

# LONG SERVICE AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Alex Hall, Director of CDM and DE Beers flew to Oranjestad from Kimberley on Monday 8 January to present 25 year service awards to ten CIM employees. Recipients of gold watches were Messrs A.J. Baker, S.D. Fry, A. Ipinge, P.A. Nel, K.H.F. Reackke, E. Selby, B.J. Solomon, H. van Rooyen and A. Viljoen. Messrs. P. Iyambo and N. Nahale should have also received their awards and watches but were unable to attend.

Mr. Hall, prior to the presentations told the gathering that Mr. Tony Wilson, a director of both De Beers and CIM apologised for his absence. He explained that Mr. Wilson had been seriously ill and was in a nursing home but that he was showing a steady and progressive improvement.

Addressing the ten recipients, he congratulated them on joining the very exclusive 25 year club. Their contribution to the operations and prosperity of CIM is all the more praiseworthy when they have spent the whole of their 25 years service in one of the Group's most important outposts of the De Beers outposts.

Mr. Hall said that he had been coming to CIM on and off for thirty odd years, beginning his visits before there was a bridge and the river had to be crossed by pontoon. He had enjoyed every trip and found it most pleasurable to see each time, the progress and development that was so evident. He said that though each visit was, of necessity short, it always seemed to take place in good consultants' weather. How different it was for the long-service employee who had to spend his whole working life in conditions far less favourable than those experienced by the occasional visitor.

He said that he was retiring very shortly and wanted to extend his grateful thanks for friendships at Oranjestad over the years. He shared the confidence of our Chairman, Mr. H.F. Oppenheimer, that the new dispensation for Namibia/SWA will not be disadvantageous to any great extent to the satisfactory operation and prosperity of CIM.

Mr. Hall concluded by conveying the thanks of both himself and the board of directors to all long-service awardees for their valued service which contributed to the well-being of the Company and the prosperity of the Group, as well as to the diamond industry as a whole.

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AUBREY JAMES BAKER was born on 13 August 1929 in Abergavenny, Monmouthshire - a county which has always been a cause of contention inasmuch as politically it is part of England but culturally is part of South

Wales. Anyway Aubrey claims to be Welsh and as he talks like one is accepted as one. After leaving school he served an apprenticeship as a diesel fitter with the Red and White Bus Company whose distinctively coloured buses are a feature of the country landscape of South Wales and Western England. He continued work there until 1952 when he came to South Africa as a field engineer for General Motors. His trip to Africa is a story in itself. Flying with Tropic Airways in a converted Avro Lancaster bomber - renamed the "York" the trip took eleven days. Every time the plane landed the engine had to be changed. Three days were spent in Malta while four engines in succession were fitted and removed and fitted again - each time because of piston trouble. Those were indeed "hairy days" for the trans-continental flyer.

His employment with General Motors enabled him to see many countries in Africa, to the North, South, East and West of the continent while machinery was installed and troubles solved. This travelling and living out of a suitcase must have got him down because after a year and a half he applied for and obtained employment with CIM. His career with CIM commenced in October 1953, has been varied but has always been connected with the Engineering Department. He has risen from diesel fitter to foreman and in between has worked in the old Central Fields Workshop, Mittag Workshop, the Loco Shed and Compressor shop besides being for a time a draughtsman, Capital Estimator during the construction of No 1 Plant and a member of one of the original committees who worked out the A.M.A. system.

His sporting activities have been just as diverse. He was a founder member of the Yacht Club and is in fact a Vice President of that Club today, a former member of the Camera Club and the present properly constituted Cricket Club as well as being in at the beginning of the Modelling Club. His interests today lie solely in that last named club where he has specialised in radio controlled flying and sailing.

In 1954 Aubrey returned to Abergavenny for a holiday during which time he married his childhood sweetheart Pearl Stone. He returned to Oranjestad with his wife who immediately started her own career with the Company. Except for two periods during which Julian arrived in 1960 and Edwina was born in 1965 she has worked continuously. Pearl has taken an interest in all of Aubrey's sporting activities. She was a familiar figure at the Yacht Club in the days when Aubrey had a boat and her name often appeared on the list of prize winners as her husbands "crew".

Julian has just written his matric and intends to enter the Personnel profession and Edwina has reached the age which every parent in Oranjestad dreads - the time in her life when she must depart for boarding school.

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STANLEY BRIAN FRY is the younger of the two Fry brothers working for the Company. He was born in Gloucester, England in June 1928, and after matriculating at Sir Thomas Rich's School won a scholarship to the Camborne School of Mines. After obtaining his Diploma of Mining in 1948 he got out of the country just ahead of an invitation from His Majesty the King to join the Army as a conscript.

His first trip abroad was to fill the post of surveyor on the Ashanti Gold Fields near Kumasi in the Gold Coast, now Ghana. Forced to leave there on medical grounds he had a short holiday at home and then sailed to Singapore, from where he travelled inland to alluvial tin mines belonging to Anglo Oriental Mining Co. Working as a shift foreman on a dredger in a river flowing through humid forests in Malaya and Siam is certainly no way to spend a lifetime so after three



years it was back to England for Christmas 1952.

In 1953 he emigrated to South Africa where he was virtually in on the ground floor of the Welkom Gold Mines, as an assistant surveyor at President Steyn Mine.

During a holiday in Oranjemund in 1955 he enquired about the possibility of a transfer to CDM. As transfers between Gold and Diamonds are not usually made he resigned from President Steyn and was signed on by CDM in September 1955 as a surveyor. Promotion to Senior Surveyor followed in 1966 and to 1st Assistant Surveyor (Evaluation) in 1970. He became Section Surveyor in 1973 and Planning Officer (Mining) in 1975, his present post.

While on leave in Cape Town in 1957 he met a young



Scots girl, Flora Macpherson and later that year married her. They have four lovely daughters. There is Margaret, aged 20 and employed as a laboratory technician in the Oil Testing Laboratory, Sheila (18), recently matriculated and working in the Records Office, Barbara (15) who is at High School in Cape Town and Elizabeth (10), a pupil at the Oranjemund Private School.

As far as sporting activities are concerned Brian has been virtually a non-starter. He once took up golf but after six months found it too strenuous so joined the .303 Rifle Club and competed in the prone position. This did not last long and then followed a few years of weekend inactivity. Prodded by his wife he has recently joined her as a playing member of the Bowls Club.

However, in the field of numismatics and philately Brian is an expert. He has what is probably the finest collection of postage stamps in South West Africa and is a registered stamp dealer while his accumulation of coins is a joy to behold.

Flora has worked for CDM since April 1972, until the present day. She has worked continuously in the Shopping Centre as Sales Assistant and Shop Managers

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ASHIPALA IPINGE is a Kwaabi, born in the Oqongo district of Ovambo in 1919. Twenty years later saw him commence a career at CDM which has lasted so far more than twenty eight years. His first job was as a mule driver at Bogenfels. The mules were used for the transport of small amounts of stores from mine to mine, for the collection of paycards at the beginning of the shift and their redistribution at the end of the day. Ashipala's first two periods of service, each of two years duration, were spent at Bogenfels among the mules. In 1943 he was promoted to a faster means of transport driving locomotives. From that date until 1972 he was associated with the transport systems of CDM. He has



Seen with Ashipala Ipinge and Mr. Alex Hall is Ambrosius Amutenya who acted as interpreter at the ceremony, been a tracklaying headman, a training Senior Helper and a traffic control Headman.

When he returned for the sixteenth time he was promoted to headman at No 4 Plant and today, on his twenty second period of service totalling more than 28 years he is the most experienced headman at the same plant.

Ashipala is married and has seven children.

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PETRUS ABEL NEL, better known as Piet came to CDM in October 1953 after having tried his hand at several other ways of earning a living. Born in Calvinia in September 1924, he completed his schooling there and joined the Prisons Department as a Trainee Warden. He came to Oranjemund, as a prospector. In 1953 the Prospecting Department was under the supervision of Mr



Percy Hughes, who with Captain Jack Carstens first discovered diamonds south of the Orange River. Mr Hughes was a strict but very fair disciplinarian who expected a full day's work from everyone in his department. This initial training and way of working that Piet received has served him in good stead throughout his 25 years with the Company.

For as long as the Prospecting Department "sailed under its own flag" he was an integral part of the crew. In 1957 he became a lorry driver in the department and as such had to keep the widely separated prospecting crews supplied with explosives, food,

water, mail and the "tools of the trade". Prospecting in those days was really "far-flung" with no good roads leading to the camps which were dotted up the coast, to Affenrucken and beyond. In 1960 Piet became a Handyman, sharing a small workshop with ex-boilermaker Jock Alexander. His job then was to repair the "tools of the trade" as well as building ponds, drinking water containers, etc.

In 1963 the Prospecting Department was incorporated, along with the separate Earthmoving Department into a larger Mining Department. Piet continued as a Handyman, but this time with a workshop at Mittag. 1974 saw him promoted to storeman and 1978 to Magazine Master, in charge of the numerous dynamite magazines dotted about the mining area.

In December 1956 Piet married Rina Nel, whose home was in Barberton, Transvaal. They have five children, Leon, Henning, Pieter, André and Hanlie. Leon, having completed his Army training is now serving an apprenticeship with CDM while Henning is at present in the Army, serving at the border. Rina, with four years service behind her is the supervisor of the Materials Department in the Shopping Centre, having previously, for twelve years been one of the few dressmakers in Oranjemund.

Both Rina and Piet are keen and popular members of the Bowling Club.

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MICKY RESCHKE, christened Karl-Heinz Fritz was born in April 1926 in Kolmanskop and except for one year, between 1956 and 1957 has spent his whole life in South West. He went to school in Kolmanskop and Luderitz while his parents continued to live in Kolmanskop. His father had arrived from Germany in 1904 to work for the Hansa Brewery in Swakopmund but at the



time of Micky's birth was employed by CDM as a truck-layer and line inspector on the railway system that criss-crossed the diamond diggings in the vicinity.

He commenced an apprenticeship with Metje and Ziegler at an age when children today are still in school. With World War II raging in Europe and supplies and commodities scarce in the country Micky spent most of his "time" making utilitarian objects and in fact, for his trade test had to make and assemble a wood/coal burning stove.

From 1947 to 1951 he worked for CDM as a fitter/welder, with his base workshop in Kolmanskop. It was during this time that Mickey, fishing, met Anita Schmidt on one of Luderitz's beaches. A romance ensued, followed by a marriage in January 1949. Their first home was a small house at Bogenfels which they occupied un-

til August of that year.

In 1951 Micky left the Company's employ and for the next five years divided his time between SWAFIL where he worked as a Seamer Engineer and Moisa Kahan's diamond mine at Saddle Hill, across the dunes to the north of Luderitz. Then he and Anita and their small son Peter, born in 1953 left South West for the first and last time. They took up residence in East London while Micky worked as a Maintenance Fitter for a company canning pineapples. He saw so much of them that he has never eaten one since.

September 1957 saw the Reschke family back in the familiar arms of CDM. A short time later Micky had an accident while working on a Scoop at Gembok Workshop which necessitated several spells in hospitals, both here and in Cape Town. A small permanent disability resulted, making it impossible for him to continue in his trade.

From 1959 to the present day he has worked at an assortment of jobs ranging from Storeman, Study Office Departmental Personnel Officer and Township Officer, the position he occupies today.

Peter, the Reschke heir, now 25 years old, was married a couple of weeks ago to local schoolteacher and accomplished horsewoman, Robby Carretoni. Anita, having first started working for the Company in 1957 in its original Printing Works, progressed via the Accounts Department, to her present post of Administration Officer for Permanent Residents in the Personnel Department. In all she has accumulated more than twenty years of service with CDM.

Micky's after-work activities used to include badminton which he played in Luderitz and Oranjemund, soccer, at which he left his mark in Luderitz as an accomplished goalkeeper for Rangers who were League champions on several occasions and tennis and swimming. More recently he was on the original roll of members of the Riding Club but says however, that his main hobby today is relaxing at his beach house at MacDougall's Bay and making occasional forays into the Bay in search of crayfish.

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EDGAR SELBY is a Yorkshireman by birth, having first seen the light of day in Thurnscoe, near Doncaster, in April 1925. He was incidentally, born in the same street as Les Head who joined the 25-Club last year. After completing his schooling he commenced serving an apprenticeship in 1941 with Steel, Peech and Tozer, a part of the massive United Steel Corporation. The call of adventure offered by the Second World War



which was raging in Europe was too much and he was allowed to join the Royal Navy as an Electrical Artificer 5th Class. After seeing action at Scapa Flow and Rosyth he was released from the Navy in 1946, some time after the cessation of hostilities - it was at that time far easier to join than to leave. Returning to his old firm as a qualified electrician he was placed in charge of the automatic telephone exchange.

Prior to leaving for the wars, when aged seventeen, he had met Barbara Oliver at a church dance. The romance continued for six years during which time she had a war-time stint in the A.I.S., the womens' section of the British Army. They married in June 1948 an event which was followed by the birth of Paul in May 1949. Neil, born in 1952, is the other member of the Selby family who is British by birth for, before the other two children, Nicolas and Penelope came on the scene, the four Selby's emigrated to South West Africa, joining CIM in November 1953.

Edgar started as an electrician at Central Fields Workshop on his arrival but was transferred to the Communications Department in 1958, the year which marked the arrival in Oranjemund of the new telephone exchange. Promotion to Leading Hand followed in 1959. During Edgar's early years in the Company he had become interested in First Aid and studied and earned in rapid succession his General Certificate, Silver Medal and Gold Medal. His First Aid Instructor's certificate followed in 1960.

1960 was also the year in which Edgar became CIM's first Safety Officer, a position he has held ever since, although the job was increased in scope and its name was changed in June 1978 to Loss Control Officer.

Edgar has been associated with many clubs - as an actor in the Players; as a player and umpire in the Cricket Club; as the Captain of the Gun Club at its inception as well as Chairman on numerous occasions; as an active participant in both sections of the now dormant Silver Band and Choral Society; as a player in the Golf Club where his proudest moment must have been when he and his partner Alf Jackson, playing against Bill Fry and Club Captain Don Walker won the Christmas Turley competition. He has been a live-wire member of the Executive Committee of the Recreation Club virtually continuously since 1955 and a very active member of the Namib Shellhole of the MOTH's where he has been Old Bill four times. He was also a founder member of the Royal Naval Association branch in Oranjemund.

He is what might be called a regularly active member of the Recreation Club for woe betide any stranger who usurps his seat in the Stauchs Lager Lounge - nearest to the ventilation fan's inlet/outlet where he saps his favourite cold Windboeks.

During this very active life he has found time to be an energetic member of the Anglican Church where he is at present Lay Minister, Churchwarden and member of the Diocesan Synod.

Edgar's wife Barbara has accumulated 14 years of service to the Company. She was the school's first secretary, from 1957. She resigned in 1958 to await the birth of her daughter, Penelope and commenced working again in 1965, on the secretarial staff of the hospital. At present she is the Senior Medical Officer's Secretary.

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HAIFETE SHIKESHO, a Kwanyama from Okahenge in Ovaambo is 57 years old. He started his life's work for CIM in 1941 after having worked two contracts in the Tsameb Copper Mine. His first work there went under the rather quaint title of Shift Boss's Piccanin. During his second time there he worked in the Ambulance Office.

Anyway, in 1941 he became Mile 20 Cookboy. Mile 20, so named because it was 20 miles from Kolmanskop

consisted of a pump station and a house in which two old Germans, Mr and Mrs Keeler lived. He continued returning to this little outpost in the desert until it was dismantled in 1951. On his fifth contract he was transferred to the Prospecting Department, still as a cook.



Haifete Shikesho (centre) was accompanied by his son Edas who is a clerk in LTA's offices.

Between 1953 and 1955 Haifete spent a year and a half as a lashing gang bossboy and then on his return from home again after a short holiday he received training as a driver, was awarded his heavy duty license and has been a driver of lorries and passenger vehicles ever since. To date his total service for the Company has exceeded twenty six years.

He and his wife Lalya Shikole have ten children.

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BENJAMIN JOHAN SOLOMON, plain Ben to his friends, was born in Cape Town in February 1921. After completing his education at Cape Town High School he spent a short time working as a tally clerk in a family fishing concern. He says that his job was to count the sneek as they left the boats but found the job so boring that he often fell asleep, in consequence of



which some customers used to get more than they paid for.

With the sounds of war echoing round the world in 1939 Ben joined that famous Cape Town regiment "The Dukes". After their initial training, they embarked on a troopship at Durban and sailed to Mombasa in Kenya. Then followed what is popularly known as the East African campaign. It involved fighting the nu-

versary, to the day, of his joining the Company. He is now a fully qualified member of the staff of the Painting Workshop.

Abraham married Sara Smit of Clanwilliam in 1955 and they have two sons, Hermias who is 20 and just arrived in town for a short spell of leave after completing eighteen months of active service with the Parabat Regiment, and Adri who will shortly be starting his second year at high school.

As far as sport is concerned Abraham only goes in for the occasional fishing expedition. A large number of his free daylight hours are spent in the garden where he usually has a marvellous collection of vegetables and flowers with pot plants thriving nearby in a home-made greenhouse. Evenings are spent with his large stamp collection of which he is inordinately proud.

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FILLIPUS IWANBO was born in the Opongo area of Ovambo in 1922 and is a member of the Kwambi tribe. He was eighteen years old when he first worked for CIM in the Kolmanskop Mine Stores. His next five contracts, each of two years duration were worked in the Oranjemund Mine Stores. This was between 1944 and 1954 which meant that in those ten years he spent only a few months with his family.

It was in 1954 that Phillipus commenced an association with Metallurgical treatment plants which has lasted until the present day. Starting his eighth period of service in the grease belt section of the H.M.S. plant he is now in his twenty third and is a

Senior Helper at No 2 Plant. His total time spent in the service of the Company now exceeds 29 years.

During his working life he worked once at Swakopmund as a Senior Helper at the salt farm.

Phillipus is married and he and his wife Loine Thomas have eight children.

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NENDENANJE NAHALE commenced his long association with CIM in 1937 when he arrived from his home in the Engshosi district of Ovambo at the age of 20 years. Those were the days before the town of Oranjemund existed so his initial years as a lasher were spent in the windswept wastes of Bogenfels and further north towards Kolmanskop. His first four periods of service were spent in lashing gangs, then in 1945 he was transferred to scoops. Four contracts there, each of two years, saw another eight years of his life pass, then followed seven years in the Public Health Department between 1953 and 1961.

From 1964 to 1967 he worked for two years at field screening plants. Then, after twenty four and a half years of work, he decided to stay among the greener pastures of home. He arrived back at CIM however, at the end of 1972 and completed another two periods, each of eight months, in a lashing gang.

He retired, after more than twenty six arduous years of work, in 1975. His eighteen separate stints at CIM have meant travelling, to and from his home, more than 58 000 kilometres.

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## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL NOSA GRADING EXERCISE

Mr John Richards, General Manager of CIM, presented NOSA grading certificates at a function in the Recreation Club on Wednesday, 31 January 1979.

In his speech, Mr Richards said:

"We are here for an important ceremony which takes place once a year. As you know, grading certificates are being presented tonight on behalf of the National Occupational Safety Association, known as NOSA. They are safety awards. We at CIM are serious about safety not merely because production suffers if accidents take place, but because the wellbeing of our employees is important to us.

It is not enough to pay our people well, to grant them generous conditions of service, to train them for better jobs and to provide good accommodation and recreational facilities. Such things naturally help to improve the quality of life for our employees, but - if they are to be enjoyed - life itself must be preserved in the first instance and limbs protected. It

is therefore vital that the work environment should be made as safe and healthy as possible.

CIM is justifiably proud of its safety record.



Section Engineer Charles Lenley and Plant Superintendent Richard Dewhirst with the certificate earned by No. 4 Plant personnel.



With their NOSA certificates. Left is Boetie Groenewald of the Carpenters' Workshop and right, Jimmy Dankworth, of the Treatment Workshop, Uubvley.



Section Engineer Bill Orr with boilermakers Dougie Hay and Jan Louw of No. 2 Plant maintenance workshops.

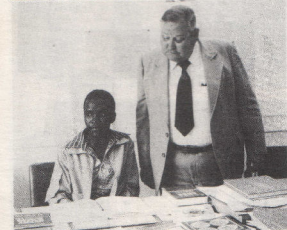
You may have heard of the Safety Effort and Experience Competition. It is for mines with fewer than five disabling accidents for every million manhours of work. Very few mines in Southern Africa qualify for the competition. CIM is one of the few. Indeed we have reduced the rate of disabling accidents every year for the past three years. We now have only 2,94 disabling accidents for every million manhours of work. Judged by international standards, it is an outstanding performance. But there is no room for complacency. In 1978 there were 73 disabling injuries and - I am sad to say - four of them were fatal. Although that is little in a workforce of about 6 500 people, we must redouble our efforts to avoid loss of life.

In 1976 CIM was also the first mine in the entire De Beers-Anglo American Group to receive a safety grading from NOSA. Gradings are given in terms of stars. On the occasion of the 1978 grading, for which certificates are being presented tonight, our mine was awarded four stars. The target of a five-star grading still eludes us, but we are determined to keep trying for it. If we persist in our efforts, we could achieve it this year. Unfortunately the town and ancillary services, with three stars, did not fare as well as the mine. Here even greater effort is required.

The gradings I have mentioned, for the mine and for the town, are given on the basis of overall achievement. Within each there are gradings for sections. I would like to congratulate the Engineering Technical Training Section, under the able direction of Mr Jack Annett, which once again was given a five-star grading. In fact its score increased from 91 to 95 percent, which is about as high as it is possible to go in practical terms. The Engineering Technical Training Section is setting a standard and example for the whole mine and town.

A total of 23 sections were graded, of which 14 were given three stars or less, which pulled down our overall gradings. Nonetheless there is clear evidence that improvements are being made all the time. Two sections were upgraded from three to four stars. They are No 4 Plant and the Magazine. In all eight sections out of 23 - more than a third - were awarded four stars in 1978. Nearly all of them, even where the grading was unchanged, improved their score percentage.

The Loss Control Officer, Mr Edgar Selby, and the Assistant Loss Control Officer, Mr Silvanus Nekundi,

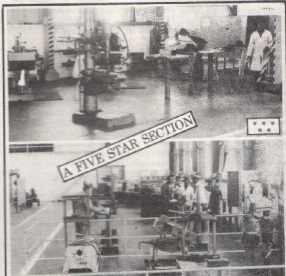


Loss Control Officer Edgar Selby on the right with Assistant Loss Control Officer Silvanus Nekundi in the small office at North.

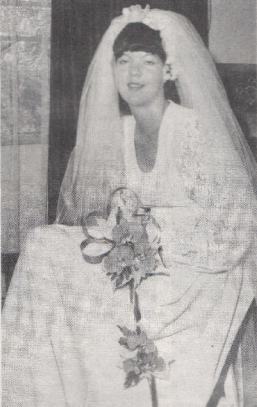
are a small team doing a large job. I am sure all of you know Mr Selby, who has been with CIM for 25 years. I should like to introduce Mr Nekundi to those of you who have not yet met him. He joined us in September last year for training as a safety officer. In that short time, he has already successfully completed his

driving, first-aid and CIM safety courses. Now he is to attend a NOSA safety course in Cape Town. His further training will incorporate all aspects of safety and loss control.

As I said a moment ago, Mr Selby and Mr Nekundi are a small team. But in a real sense every person at CIM, no matter where he works, is also a member of the safety team. Mr Selby and Mr Nekundi can only succeed in their important work to the extent that every employee co-operates with them. So I would like to thank everyone for his excellent efforts in 1978 and to say that I am confident that you will try to do even better this year."



THE STAFF OF THE TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTRE  
L to R - Senior Training Officer Jack Annett, Instructors Lucas Namuteba, Petrus Shileka, Leonard Johannes, Endjala Shigwedha and Training Officer Frans Wentzel.



Meereens het ons troue gevier in Oranjemund.  
Hierdie keer was dit tussen John Barry Symes,  
jongste seun van Mnr en Mev Symes en oudste dog-  
ter Anet Bouwer van Mnr en Mev Bouwer.

Die aangeleentheid het om 4 nm begin toe Ds  
van der Merwe die bruid (wat in beige geklee was)  
en die bruidegom in die N G kerk getrou het.

A.S.

Wedding Bells



## MODELLING CLUBS MONTHLY DISCOS GET UNDER WEIGH

Saturday night is the night to let your hair down and really get grooving. The place to do this is at Whispers, the once a month discotheque presented for all the beautiful people here in Oranjestad by the Oranjestad Modelling Society.

These disco's have proved to be a great success with not only the younger groupies, but also with those who have seen a few more years of life.

The regular disc jockey is Kevin Griffin who has all the latest discs spinning out beautiful disco music to the enjoyment of all who venture into the sounds of the disco-mania world. Unfortunately, Kevin could not do the music at this, the second discotheque of the year, so a stand-in was found, but nevertheless, he will be with us for the disco's to follow.

At each disco only 3 minutes of your dance time is taken up by drawing the ticket of the lucky winner of R100,00 prize in the Modelling Society "100 Club" draw.

Door tickets also carry a lucky number which is drawn later on in the evening for a consolation prize.



Eric van der Merwe -  
part time Disc Jockey.

## NEWS OF FORMER CDM PERSONNEL

Les Louw ex CDM personnel officer has recently been transferred from Kimberley to Jvaneng as personnel superintendent.

After graduation from U.C.T. as a B.A. in social science, Les started his group career at CDM as a trainee in the personnel department. He worked here as personnel officer (Admin.) and recreation officer before his transfer to his home town, Kimberley.

Les played cricket and hockey in Oranjestad and represented Namaqualand at cricket and S.W.A. at hockey.

Aif Jackman is living in retirement at Bredasdorp where he and Susan are both enjoying good health. They are kept busy in their large garden. Aif has brought his golf clubs out of retirement and enjoys a round at the Bredasdorp Golf Club.

Percy Hughes now lives in Kempton Park. He recently retired for the second time but says that he feels no older than when he left CDM. Percy is still active and able to dig and enjoy his garden.

Jack Campbell ex CDM pilot has retired to Amalia where both he and his wife are very fortunate in enjoying life and reasonably good health. His birthday celebrations though "come around faster and faster". Jack is presently engaged in trying to keep a large vegetable garden growing "not for us, but all the birds, insects and rabbits in the neighbourhood".

Eif Lindhout has come out of retirement and is working at the historical farm "Vergelegen" in Somerset West. He works a 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. shift five days a week and devotes the week-end to golf at the Somerset West Country Club. Golfers will read with regret that his putting has not improved.

Gordon Dally who is secretary of the De Beers Benefit Society in Kimberley was recently in the cast of "A Flea in Her Ear", a French farce presented in the Kimberley Theatre.

Jimmy Dickson, Chief Storekeeper, De Beers, Kimberley is enjoying his work there. He and Oly have a delightful home in the lovely suburb of Monument Heights. Now that the garden is growing to his satisfaction, he hopes to become active on the Kimberley golf course.

Theo Pretorius a previous General Manager was appointed deputy technical director - mining from January 1. He served as consulting engineer in the Salisbury office and has held senior appointments in Group companies in London and on gold mines of the Group.

Colin Williamson who a few years ago was here as aircraft engineer, was appointed chief aircraft engi-

## DO YOU KNOW THE ANSWERS?

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1. Where in the human body is the uvula?
2. What is the name of the alphabet used in Russia, Albania and parts of Jugoslavia?
3. What is COBOL?
4. Who invented the phonograph and the incandescent lamp?
5. What country in the British Empire was ruled for over 100 years by a British family called Brooke?
6. What is the only surviving "Wonder of the Ancient World"?
7. The Blue Ridge Mountains in the USA form a part of what range of mountains over 2 000 km long?
8. What in the First World War were Pups and Albatrosses besides being pups and albatrosses?
9. What is the name of the author of the science fiction books "2001" and "Space Odyssey"?
10. When Bjorn Borg won the Wimbledon singles title last year he equalled a record of four wins. Who held the previous record?
11. Niagara Falls in the USA connects Lake Erie with which other Great Lake?
12. Who was the only American President to be elected four times?
13. Which Middle East country has a flag with a white crescent and star on a red background?
14. How many sides has a heptagon?
15. What instruction would you follow if you saw raltendo on a music score?
16. Which two German Admirals were sentenced to life imprisonment at the Nuremberg trials?
17. Which English king was named "The First Gentleman of Europe"?
18. What is a person called who studies butterflies and moths?
19. In the Southern Hemisphere what is named after the German scientist Baron von Humboldt?
20. Which book in the Authorised version of the Old Testament bears a woman's name?

Answers on page 28.

**DID YOU KNOW?** THE GENTOO penguin can swim at up to 40 km per hour - five times faster than Olympic gold medalist Mark Spitz.

THE FIRST traffic signs in Britain were put up in 1879 by members of the Bicycle Union. The unamelled signs all read: To Cyclists. This Hill is Dangerous.

near with effect from December 1, 1978. He succeeds the late Bill Bennetts, father of Gavin who worked here as aircraft engineer.

# APPRENTICE PRIZE-GIVING ... 1979

This year the annual prize-giving was held in the Recreation Club hall on Saturday 10 February 1979.

Mr J Irish (acting ATS) opened the meeting, and called on Mr J R P Line (DTS) to deliver the speech of welcome.

Mr Irish then presented his annual report, mentioning the movement of personnel during the year. The workshop change-over of the Mechanical Workshops to North was done with very little disruption of the training programme. During the year part-time classes were held covering many fields, and examinations for a wide range of subjects were conducted at the College.

In his speech the guest speaker for the evening, Mr M Smith (Mining Manager), congratulated all those who had worked hard for their certificates and diplomas and also those who had become artisans. He emphasized however, that this was only the first professional hurdle which they had overcome. There were still many hurdles between this first step and the top of the ladder of success.

Mr Irish then read out the names of those who had obtained Technical Certificates during 1978. Mr du Plessis (Engineering Manager) presented the Trade Diplomas to those apprentices and trainees who had passed their trade tests. Eight apprentices and one trainee were successful, three apprentices passed out through efflux of time.

The main prizes were presented by Mr Phillimore (Personnel Manager). These were:

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|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Best Auto-electrician Apprentice | - Giel Huisamen   |
| Best Electrician                 | - Gideon Junius   |
| Best Diesel Mechanic             | - Gilbert Kernis  |
| Best Fitter & Turner             | - Jan Enslin      |
| Best Academic Apprentice         | - Anthony Johnson |
| Best First Year Apprentice       | - Kees Pienaar    |
| Personnel Manager's Prize        | - Anthony Johnson |
| Best All Round Apprentice        | - Gilbert Kernis  |

A splendid buffet was provided by the Mine Caterers, music was supplied by the Metronomes and the dance that followed was enjoyed by all.



Jan Enslin received the prize awarded to the Best Fitter and Turner Apprentice from the Personnel Manager, Mr. Dave Phillimore



Gideon Junius was the Best Electrical Apprentice in 1978



Giel Huisamen was awarded the prize for Best Auto-Electrical Apprentice of 1978



Anthony Johnson won the Personnel Manager's Prize and the trophy for the Best Academic Apprentice



Engineering Training Officer Johan Scholz received his IPM Diploma at the prizegiving

Final comment : Just where do the apprentices find all those LOVELY GIRLS?



"Mrs. Jones, our experiment was quite successful - nobody who took our new birth control pills became pregnant. As a dramatic comparison, we gave your group placebo's".

# SCOUTING and GUIDING ASSOCIATION



## SCOUTING

No meetings were held over the Christmas holidays and the Scouts re-formed for 1979 on 26 January 1979.

I hope that I will be able to pass similar comment in January 1980. Parents of Scouts in Oranjemund are no doubt aware that our Scoutmaster Rodney Barrett is returning to live in England shortly (Mad dogs and Englishmen!:) and our Acting Group Scoutmaster Bill Orr will soon be making tracks to a new diamond mine in Southern Botswana. This will leave the Scouts with no leaders at all - and unless we get some people who are willing to pitch in and have a go, Scouts in Oranjemund will close down - probably for good.

This town has produced some good Scouts in it's day - two of whom have been chosen to represent South African Scouting in World Jamborees. Nearly twenty years of work and fun has gone into Scouting here - and at the time of writing it looks as if this era is over and that the last meeting will be held on the 16th March.

Should you wish to join us - contact anyone in the Scouting or Guiding movement - we're not that hard to find. All you need give is some time and enthusiasm and we will train you. Ideally, you will have previous Scouting experience but this is not essential.

We welcome the following new additions to the Troop:

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|------------------|------------------|
| Thomas Schilling | Chesney Rogers   |
| Mark Hailton     | Stephen Hasland  |
| Colin Richards   | Raoul du Plessis |
| Martin Newmont   |                  |

Eight 'old boys' were lost to boarding school, but not, we hope, to Scouting.

Due to the troubles in Iran, the World Jamboree which was to be held there - and which Stephen Worth would have attended has been cancelled.

Alternative arrangements are being made by the World Scouting body, and it now looks as if Stephen will be heading for New Mexico in June this year.

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Some good news and some bad news .....

First the bad news. Six of our Senior Guiders have deserted us in favour of boarding school, and it was with regret that we said farewell to Melanie Wilson, Edwina Baker, Karon Zandhuis, Jacqueline Hodgson, Lynne Erickson and Mandy Rapley. It was a pleasure to have you with us, girls, and we wish you well in your new schools and Guide Companies.

Now for the good news. Wendy Roberts has joined us as a Guider - it's super to have you Wendy and we wish you a long and happy stay with us.

Comment from the Scribe: "It's a pity we cannot have 'Lady Scoutmasters', as it would appear that the ladies of the town are far more prepared to give up their time than the men - and just think what it would do for Scout membership!"

'Thinking Day' is just around the corner - 23 February in fact. The Scouts will be joining us in a celebration at the Log Cabin. Each patrol has been given a country and a brief to find out as much as

they can about that country and its people. They will dress up in the national costume of their adopted country and cook and dish up a typical national dish - sounds like a fun happening.

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## CUBS - AKELA REPORTING

Having had 3 months break from Cubbing, I thought that taking a meeting on my own would not cause me any hassles. I decided that the Cubs could well be occupied in following a "left, right" route through town to rendezvous at the baseball pitch for a cook-up. Well as I don't happen to know my left from my right, one group of cubs spent most of the afternoon



Above and below: NEW CUBS. Above, Simon Walters



Dylan Oliver



Garth Adamini



Jason Gavin



Alan Warrington

Looking for the rest of us 13th Avenue and there-  
fore missed out on cooking sausages on sticks over a  
camp-fire.

Now having had numerous cups of coffee in an  
effort to regain my shattered nerves after having had  
the "lost boys" at home this afternoon braaing in  
our garden (at the expense of my usual Sunday after-  
noon kip) I am faced with writing a report on what  
has gone on in my absence ..... I suppose I really  
can't blame my Assistants for all ducking out of town  
as soon as I returned!

When I left in October, five boys were ready to be  
invested as soon as their uniforms arrived. Hathl  
duly sorted out the uniforms when they arrived and got  
on with investing the Cubs - as can be seen from the  
photographs on this page.

Hathl and Baloo had worked out a play for the Cubs  
to perform, but I believe this didn't come to anything  
as so many children had school activities taking up  
their time in the afternoons that rehearsals were  
rather chaotic. Anyway the play will not be put under  
the carpet and as soon as school sports day is over  
we will give it another go and see if we can't enter-  
tain the Mums and Dads for an evening.

While I was away Warren Butler's Leaping Wolf  
Badge and certificate arrived and I was very thrilled  
to be able to present his badge to him just two days  
before his tenth birthday. Warren has been a very  
keen Cub right from the first day he was invested by  
Moiria Lang on 23 April 1976. Well done, Warren and  
let's hope that it will be an inspiration to some of  
your other Cubs to pass your Leaping Wolf. It's the

first time since I've been with the Cub pack that we  
have a Cub actually wearing his Leaping Wolf Badge on  
his Cub uniform.

Both Mark Bishop and Dale Ric-Hansen won their  
badges just before going up to the Scout Troop, al-  
though they still wear their badges on their Scout  
uniform.

Bill Orr, our Acting Group Scoutmaster, presented  
Warren's certificate on behalf of the Chief Scout of  
South Africa. It's great to have a Group Scoutmaster  
again even though Bill is not able to take on the job  
permanently. Bill was able to show Warren his Queen's  
Award that he received when he was in the Boys' Bri-  
gade in England. The Boys' Brigade is a similar  
movement to the Scouts and the Queen's Award is on a  
par with our Springbok Award in Scouts.

This month, Thomas Schilling went up to the Scout  
Troop. He was our Senior Sixer for the last six  
months and by the time you read this Warren will have  
been presented with his Senior Sixer stripe. We hope  
Thomas enjoys the Scout Troop.

Recently, our Parent Committee received a letter  
from Mrs Paddy Wessels to say that Cubs was the first  
of the Scouting and Guiding branches to be founded in  
Oranjemund 21 years ago. We will be having a special  
birthday celebration which you will be told about in  
due course. I would like to say thank you to Paddy  
for this information and as she always reads the  
Scouting and Guiding news in this Newsletter I know  
she will be pleased to learn that we will celebrate  
our "coming of age".

## HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

And what a lot of happenings this year promises to  
bring. Ideas were certainly flashing around at the  
A.G.M. as to how the club might best be organised, and  
with all the combined enthusiasm there should be no  
shortage of tours, socials, competitions and a rip-  
roaring good time. The only thing in short supply  
might be the energy to keep up with the hectic social  
whirl, but if you come along to practices every week  
we'll make you fit enough to see the season through.  
The A.G.M. brought with it a new Committee, which we  
can count on to give us plenty of action - if not it's  
public floggings all round - and for those of you who  
haven't had the misfortune yet to meet them, here they  
are folks.

Chairman: "Zandy" Zandhuis

A founder member and true stalwart of the club now  
serving his second term as Club Chairman. A first-  
class organiser and brains behind the ever-popular  
"Gold Rush" who can still wield a mean stick on both  
indoor and outdoor fields, despite his self-derogatory  
pleas that he's too old to keep up with the youngsters.  
Zandy manages to have a hand in most things, although  
rumour has it that frying chips is not one of his  
strong points.

Club Captain: Richard "Tricky Dicky" Dewhirst

Co-opted onto last year's committee and brought  
back by popular demand to display his verbal diarrhoea  
every Saturday evening when fines time comes around.  
Even not being beaten up by the ladies team for bad  
umpiring of their match can occasionally be seen sip-  
ping the odd beer or two..... or three..... or four  
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Ladies' Captain: "Budgie" Zandhuis

No-one, not even her husband, knows Budgie's real  
name, but on the field she displays more of the charac-  
teristics of an ostrich as she races up the middle to  
score yet another dazzling goal. She act Zandy origin-

ally on the hockey field, and by being elected to com-  
mittee seems determined not to let him out of her sight  
if anyone can whip the ladies into shape, Budgie's the  
one.

Match Secretary: Brian "Road Runner" Hosking

Usually found on the hottest, windiest day of the  
year running 300 km before breakfast. A dedicated fit-  
ness fanatic whose masochistic talents we hope can be  
turned to sorting out each Saturday's men's fixtures -  
a Herculean task which last year drove Dave Liebies to  
ask to be put onto shift work to escape. Brian will  
also be looking after club coaching - so if you need  
coaching, coaxing or even courting, he's your man!

Club Secretary and Treasurer: Val "What's your story?"  
Gavin

The brains behind epics such as the Windhoek Safa-  
ri, Valerie inevitably plays mother to all the poor  
souls who lose sticks, boots, clothes and minds while  
on tour. In between she finds time to dress from head  
to toe in armour plating to defend the ladies' goal a-  
gainst all comers - a difficult job which involves a  
lot of bending down to pick the ball out of the net.

Social Secretary: Anne "I'm only likkle" Clarke

Following in the giant footsteps of Joyce-Poohs,  
we have every confidence that Anne can maintain the  
high culinary standards of the past. Spotted recently  
purchasing "500 ways to boil an egg" from the store,  
she is supremely confident of her abilities, and there  
is no truth in the rumour that all her meals are ser-  
ved with a side dish of Enos Liver Seltz.

Additional Member: Robert "Bobbelina" Becker

Sometimes seen playing in the men's game, Bob is a  
stalwart of the club always ready to lend a hand when  
required. He was recently awarded the coveted Red Card  
Empire's Trophy for the most sendings-off in a season  
- a record which he has every intention of bettering  
this year.

In all seriousness, a fine body of people, who are  
all only too willing to make this season an especially

exciting and fun-filled one. Please remember, however, that a club is only as strong as its members, and that your support is vital in making the club a success. We celebrate 10 years as a going concern this season, and rest-assured such an event won't go unnoticed. Make sure that you are doing your bit to enable the Hockey Club to maintain the "Happiness is Hockey" tradition, and get stuck into all the goings-on.

Although it's been said many times before, a big "THANK YOU" goes once again to those gallant members who served on last year's committee and were unavailable for election this year. They all contributed a lot to the club, and this year's committee has some giant footsteps to follow in. Well done to those club stalwarts - the evergreen and irrepressible Dave Liebies; the ubiquitous Joycey-Poohs; and two other lovely ladies - Cherry and Dawn.

Indoor hockey got off to a good start this year, and although only very short notice was given, Brian managed to whip a team into shape to send them up to Windhoek for a tournament, and trials for Inter-Provincial selection. All the chaps acquitted themselves admirably, and although we were unable to get any representatives into the final squad of 16, they gained immensely from the experience of playing against the better players in South West. As usual, the Windhoek people went out of their way to make the guys welcome, and we are very anxious to get them down to Oranjenmund to reciprocate the tremendous hospitality shown to them. Next Newsletter, we will bring you a fuller report and some photographic evidence.

Our own Indoor "League" has been well supported to date, and it was super to see all the old faces again, and very gratifying to see keen new members getting stuck into the action. Even if you don't want to play come along and watch the game at the Rec Club every Tuesday evening - it's a great spectator sport. If you want to play but don't know which end of the stick is which, rest assured that this year beginners will be well-catered for in the capable claws of our coach Brian. Don't miss out on all the excitement just because you feel shy about starting from scratch; Brian tells me he's particularly happy to coach lady players .... say no more.....!

As promised some time ago each month some aspect of tactics, rules or general information about the game of hockey will be published in this column. This issue we take a look at probably two of the most confusing aspects of the game to less experienced players - the off-side rule and the question of body interference and obstruction. The following notes are extracted from the "Rules of the Game of Hockey" issued by the South African Hockey Union and South African Women's Hockey Association.

### 13. Off Side

- (a) A player of the same team as the striker or pusher-in is in an off-side position if, at the moment when the ball is hit or pushed-in, he be nearer to his opponent's goal line than the ball is unless:

OR He be in his own half of the field  
there be at least two opponents nearer to their own goal line than he is.

- (b) A player who is in an off-side position shall not play or attempt to play the ball or gain any advantage for his team or influence the play of an opponent.

**PENALTY:** A free hit shall be awarded to the defending team.

In the explanatory notes to umpires, the following comments are made:

The question of whether a player is off-side is governed by WHERE HE WAS AT THE MOMENT WHEN THE BALL WAS PLAYED not where he is when he receives the ball.

A player in an off-side position whether on or off the field SHOULD NOT BE PENALISED UNLESS he interferes with an opponent or the play, or gains some advantage by his off-side position, or by his presence causes any interference with the play of an opponent.

A player cannot be off-side if:

- (a) He is in his own half of the field at the time the ball is hit or pushed-in.  
(b) He is nearer his own goal-line than the ball is at the time it is hit or pushed-in.  
(c) There are at least two opponents nearer to their own goal-line than he is at the moment when the ball is hit or pushed-in.

**NB**

If a player is off-side, he is not automatically put on-side by returning to his own half of the field to play the ball.

A whole line of forwards having outdistanced the defence and having only the goal keeper in front of them could pass and re-pass to each other without being off-side provided that they keep behind the ball.

A player who is left off-side after making a previous shot should not be penalised if he is trying to get back on-side unless he is obstructing or distracting any opponent

### 12. Conduct of Player

A player shall not:

- (i) charge, kick, shove, trip, strike or personally handle an opponent or his clothing.  
(j) obstruct by running between an opponent and the ball or interpose himself or his stick as an obstruction.

### **PENALTIES**

#### 1. Outside the circle

A free hit to the opposing team, but a penalty corner for an offence by a defender in his own 25 yards area, when in the umpire's opinion, the offence was deliberate.

#### 2. Inside the circle - by an attacker

A free hit to the defending team.

#### 3. Inside the circle - by a defender

A penalty corner or a penalty stroke to the attacking team.

#### 4. Inside and outside the circle

- (a) For simultaneous breach by two opponents, a bully to be played on the spot (although not within five yards of the goal line) where the breach occurred.  
(b) For rough or dangerous play or misconduct, the umpire may also warn or suspend the offending player(s).

In the explanatory notes to umpires, further comments are as follows:

Subject to the "advantage Rule" umpires should be particularly strict on obstruction and other forms of interference.

It should be noted that obstruction does not necessarily depend on the distance from the ball of the players concerned.

A player even if in possession of the ball may not interpose his body as an obstruction to his opponent. A change of direction by a half-turn of the body with this result may amount to obstruction. It should be noted, however, that a complete turn does not constitute a breach unless an opponent has thereby been obstructed in an attempt to play the ball.

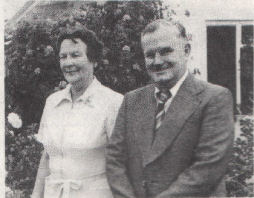
A player must not interpose any part of his body or his stick as an obstruction between his opponent

and the ball. Watch too for third party interference i.e. a player interposing himself between his opponent and the ball so that a fellow player has the opportunity to clear or play the ball.

The signal for the umpire for obstruction shall

## JOHN TOWNSEND RETIRES : ANTON MULLER REPLACES HIM AS CHIEF SURVEYOR

Chief Surveyor, John Townsend retired from CDM on Thursday 8 February after 22 1/2 years service with the Company. John arrived in Oranjemund in October 1956 having previously been employed by Trigsurvey since 1939. His service with Trigsurvey was interrupted between 1940 and 1945 when he served with the Army Survey Unit in East Africa, North Africa and Italy. He succeeded Pat O'Brien as Chief Surveyor here on 1 June



Theresa and John Townsend.

1977 having been Pat's understudy for many years.

As a young man, John had a most successful sporting career and played soccer, cricket, hockey and tennis. He represented Northern Transvaal under 19 at rugby in 1936 whilst still a school boy (the only school boy in the side) at CBC, Pretoria from where he matriculated in 1937. In 1945, only because of illness, he missed selection for the O.F.S. hockey team. While still in Pretoria he served on the Northern Transvaal Tennis Council.

John continued his contribution to community life in Oranjemund where he had many and various interests. He was chairman of the tennis club and was successful in the men's doubles on three occasions. He was a member of the cricket umpires panel. As chairman of the Boy Scout and Girl Guides Association, he was a prime factor in the building of the Guidehall and the sealing of the interior of the Scout Hall. He was chairman of the association for 8 years having served a six year apprenticeship as secretary. John also served the Community Chest, as chairman, the Recreation Club committee, was a trustee of Moth funds, and was a church warden of St Mary's Anglican Church for 12 years.

At a pleasant farewell function at the Recreation Club on Monday 3 February, acting General Manager, Mr Mike Smith made the presentation speech and presented John with his farewell gift.

John and his wife Theresa have retired to a comfortable flat in Milnerton with superb ocean views.

### ANTON MULLER APPOINTED CHIEF SURVEYOR

Anton Muller has been appointed Chief Surveyor with effect from 8 February.

He started his CDM career as a surveyor on 8 October 1969 and was promoted to Assistant Chief Surveyor on 1 June 1977.

Following his matriculation in 1959 at the Vryheid

be to make a circular movement with one arm in front of the body.

Hopefully, these notes will sort out a couple of the stickier aspects of the game and enable you to enjoy it more. Happy Hocking .....

High School, Anton qualified as a surveyor with the Agricultural Technical Services in Pretoria. Having completed his studies at the Pretoria Technical College he worked for the Lesotho Department of Roads in Maseru for 3 1/2 years. Prior to his arrival in Oranjemund,



Anton Muller, Chief Surveyor.

he spent 13 months with a firm of consulting engineers in Cape Town.

He was a keen athlete, rugby player and smallbore shooter, while at school, but now spends much of his spare time on the golf course. He was captain of the golf club last year.

Anton and Helsen have two sons and 2 daughters, three of whom attend the Oranjemund Private School, while the eldest son Gert is at Paarl Gymnasium.

## CHAIRMAN'S SAFETY SHIELD COMPETITION 1978

At the end of November 1978 the position in the Diamond Division of the Chairman's Safety Shield Competition 1978 was: Kleinzee - first, Orapa - second and CDM in third position. Seven mines in the Diamond Division compete for the Shield. With only December to be tabulated, Loss Control Officer, Edgar Selby does not expect any major change in the final positions.

A study of the tabulations since 1976 when CDM lost the shield, show that our frequency rate has steadily improved. In 1976 the frequency rate was 3,46; in 1977, 3,40 and to the end of November 1978, 2,79.

## RECENT VISITORS TO THE MINE

Recent visitors to CDM have included Mr Jack Kahn, a staffer of the New Yorker magazine. Mr Kahn is also the author of many books. From Diamond Trading Company, London came Mrs Edna Young, Mrs Betty Hodges and Miss Christine Rowe. Miss Rowe is secretary to Sir Philip Oppenheimer, Mrs Young is Mr E P Tomlinson's secretary and Mrs Hodges is Mr Lionel Kidson's secretary.

Another New Yorker to visit the mine was Mr Leon Tempelman of Leon Tempelman and Son, Inc., a company with wide diamond interests. Mr Terrence MacNally was in Oranjemund to exhibit his photographs of World War II and Oranjemund 1951 and 1953 vintage.

Mr and Mrs Harold Fridjohn. Mr Fridjohn is doyen of South African financial journalists, now retired and a freelance mining editor of The Star, Johannesburg.

Twenty Japanese Gem Trust members spent an exciting day on the mine as members of a diamond study group.



CARTOONS by PETER TURNER

## PERSONAL NOTICES

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These services are free

### ENGAGEMENT

#### MORRIS - MARX

The engagement is announced between GEOFFREY, younger son of Mr F A Morris and the late Mrs F T MORRIS of Worcestershire, England and INGRID, second daughter of HUGH MARX of Roodepoort and PADDY MARX of Cape Town (formerly of Oranjemund).

### FAREWELL

To all of you whom we couldn't see personally, either due to shortage of time or because you were away, we would like to say cheerio.

The last two and a half years have been a high point in our lives. We have enjoyed living and working among you and our lives have undoubtedly been enriched by the experience that is Oranjemund. You will be missed.

God bless you all, and should you pass this way, please look us up.

DAVE & LEE HURRELL,  
The Ernest Oppenheimer Hospital  
P O Box 87  
WELKOM 9460

### FAREWELL

A big thankyou to Management and other contributors departments who made "Our stay so Happy" and our "Exit so Smooth". Cheerio, God Bless You All.  
BEN, BARRY & THOMAS SOLOMON



Don't panic!... if you haven't time for a proper service, greasy hand-prints on the bumpers, oily fingerprints on door handles and steering wheel and Bob's your uncle!

#### ••TAILPIECE

POOR Van der Merwe. He was most disappointed he entered the bridal suite on his honeymoon and saw two beds in the room.

"Drat it. I thought we were going to have the room to ourselves"  
Fiona Chisholm... 'The Cape Times

# THE MONEY SAVING PAGE

**YOUR CAR** : If your car starts easily on cold mornings, beware. It's probably costing you much more than it need do to keep it on the road. It means that it is not properly tuned. Other clues to a badly tuned and, therefore, fuel wasting car are :

\*\*A black exhaust. This means that there is a waste of fuel somewhere. The Automobile Association says that during a survey on 900 cars only one in three was correctly tuned - their exhaust pipes were grey inside.

\*\*A puff of black smoke out of the exhaust.

\*\*Easy starting when cold, or difficult starting when hot.

One of the quickest ways of pushing up your petrol bill is by making short journeys. Buy a bicycle or walk, it will do you good. Fuel consumption on the short trip, where the engine does not have time to warm up, can quadruple.

Looking after your tyres will save petrol too. Radial tyres and the correct tyre pressure could save 5% of your petrol bill. A piece of wood under the accelerator may save you lots of money if you have a heavy foot when accelerating.

Sensible driving, without continual braking caused by unnecessary bursts of acceleration, will also help to keep fuel consumption down.

The most important factor for anyone interested in saving petrol is to have the car tuned. But to do this the car should be taken to a garage correctly equipped for the job because not every mechanic can do the job correctly. It is a question of trial and error but using mechanical or electronic means certainly helps. Of course it is a costly business to have a car tuned,

but one should bear in mind that it is equally as important to save petrol as it is to save money. It's worth it though, because it is the most practical way of saving fuel. Few local residents do anywhere near 15000 km per year, but those that do can save up to 75 litres of petrol per year which would certainly help to pay the bill for the "tune-up".

The way you drive though, makes a lot of difference to the amount of petrol used for a journey. You should get into top gear as soon as possible if driving a car with standard transmission, because at 30 km/hr, second gear uses about 15% more petrol than top gear. First gear uses 30 - 50% more!

Skip a gear when you can if conditions permit. Don't shift to a lower gear solely for the purpose of slowing down the car. Except in very hilly country the brakes will do the same job and save you paying the lower-gear penalty.

Fast starts are a sure way of nullifying your savings gained elsewhere. Fast getaways can use more than 50% more fuel than normal acceleration. When the long journey is over and the engine is hot let the engine idle for a minute before switching off. This helps eliminate hot spots and relieves hot fuel vapours that could cause vapour lock and hard starting next time out. Never rev the engine before shutting it off. A lot of drivers have this bad habit. They think that this extra shot will circulate oil for better protection when the engine is shut off. Actually, the exact opposite is true. A surge of raw petrol flooding the cylinders doesn't have time to ignite, dilutes the oil and in addition, washes away vital cylinder coatings.

**IN THE KITCHEN** : A lot of housewives say "Efficient housekeepers shop to avoid having leftovers". Some cookery books maintain that, whenever possible, only just enough meat should be bought, and cooked at a time.

What a lot those people miss. Leftovers should form a backbone for daily family cooking, besides being the basis of many dinner party dishes.

What is a leftover? Anything that has been cooked and remains uneaten at the conclusion of a meal; carcasses and bones, trimmings of meat, outside leaves and peelings of vegetables, egg whites when the yolks have been used for mayonnaise, pieces of stale cake and that last bit of jelly that no one had room for. The scope is enormous and the uses to which they can be put are as many as they are varied.

Even the humblest of ingredients can add flavour to some other recipe and help transform it into a really delicious dish. Onion skins, for instance - those beautiful shiny brown skins that usually finish up in the waste bin - give not only colour but a rich strong flavour to stocks and soups and those thick white stalks of cauliflower leaves, usually discarded without a second thought can become a vegetable on a par with asparagus. All that is needed there is little more cooking than the leaves.

In the coming months we will give you some ideas and recipes in which to use leftovers. All cooking should be fun but cooking with leftovers should provide enjoyment as well as the satisfaction of knowing that you are creating really tasty dishes from the most humble of origins.

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Like any other food, leftovers must be fresh. Cooked meat or vegetables which been left out and allowed to go dry and stale will never be turned into anything fit to eat and whenever possible all leftover food, whether it be vegetable peelings or the remains of a roast leg of mutton should be used as quickly as is convenient.

Vegetable trimmings and peelings should be washed, dried and kept in a cool place until they can be used to make stock or soup. Meat carcasses and poultry bones should be broken up and made into stock for soup within 24 hours. Leftover meat, poultry and fish should be carefully stored in a cool place and used up within the shortest possible time.

Whenever possible it is best to use only one leftover ingredient as the backbone of a dish. While a combination of remains from several meals may seem like a good idea the end result will usually be a woolly flavoured and textured nonentity. When food has been cooked and stored it tends to lack flavour and taste, so these must be provided by outside ingredients. To do this season ng, herbs and spices should be used to give it that sharp and intense lift needed to make it tasty.

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Here are a couple of recipes for soups with the

leftover starred :

**CABBAGE SOUP for 4.**

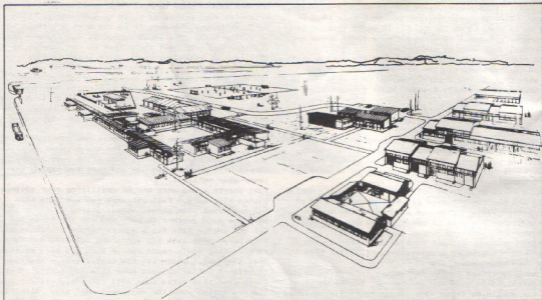
*70gms cooked cabbage	Salt and pepper
1 litre stock	*2 frankfurter sausages
3 gms butter or dripping	or cooked pork or beef
	sausages

Finely shred cabbage; thinly slice sausages. Heat butter or dripping in a saucepan, add the cabbage and cook over a high heat until lightly browned. Pour over the stock and bring to the boil. Add sausages and simmer gently for 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.

**CONSOUME WITH RICE AND TOMATO FOR 4.**

2 tins consommé or 1 litre	*10 gms cooked rice
clear stock.	Salt and pepper
2 tablespoons tomato purée	

Heat consommé or stock and blend in tomato purée. Add rice, season with salt and pepper, and heat through. Note : As with all clear soups, a tablespoon or two of sherry will give that extra lift.



For the first time in South West Africa/Namibia, black youths are being given the opportunity to study for the National Technical Certificate (NTC), a recognised qualification for apprenticeship in technical trades.

Classes have already begun at the R1,5 million Valombola Technical Centre in Ovambo, a gift to the people from CDM (Pty) Ltd.

The Courses are designed to take students to the NTC 2 and 3 levels. After an apprenticeship of 30 months respectively, holders of such certificates qualify to write a trade test and become an artisan.

The first 51 students were admitted on January 17. The centre has hostel and training facilities for 250 students in all.

Practical and theoretical training is this year being given in four trades - plumbing, carpentry, welding and motor mechanics - with drawing and applied science and mathematics included in the syllabus. It is planned to introduce electrical and bricklaying courses next year.

The graduates will be available to both the private and public sectors for training as artisans. As part of its own training program, designed to advance South West Africans/Namibians to skilled and supervisory positions, CDM would employ as many of them as possible, subject to its standards of selection and the availability of jobs.

In addition to full-time courses the centre is to consider at a future date the introduction of modular courses in the same trades, part-time, for industrial workers with little or no formal training but with a desire to improve themselves.

The centre is staffed and administered by the Ovambo Department of Education and Culture, but CDM will continue to take an interest in its affairs, as the Company will be represented on the Board of Management along with the Association of Mining Companies.

The Valombola Technical Centre is situated 20 km south-east of Oshakati at Ongwediva, which is being developed as the regional capital, roughly in the centre of a region where about 47 percent of the population of South West Africa/Namibia lives. It offers opportunities for further study in a developing country in which post-primary facilities are still inade-

quate.

The policy of the Ovambo Government is to give preference to inhabitants of the region, but youths from elsewhere in the country will also be admitted when places are available for them. Skills learnt here will help to build the new country after independence.

Valombola was designed by Anglo American Corporation architects and constructed by LTA Building (SWA) Ltd with the Engineering Department of CDM in a co-ordinating role. Wherever possible locally made materials were used in the construction.

The centre consists of a hostel block, a dining block with a kitchen, a house for the hostel manager, a teaching and administrative block with a library and separate workshops for bricklaying and plastering, carpentry and joinery, plumbing and drainlaying, welding and motor mechanics. All of the workshops have store-rooms, offices and ablution facilities.

On the recommendation of the Board of Management, the Ovambo Cabinet decided to name the centre after the late Headman Valombola, a board member in whose area the centre is situated, in recognition of his services to education.

In the words of the Chairman of CDM, Mr H F Oppenheimer, the centre was conceived as a "mark of appreciation to the people of Ovambo, on whose hard work CDM has always depended".

Black workers from Ovambo were employed on mines in the Namib Desert from the earliest times after the discovery of diamonds near Luderitz in 1908. They already formed a substantial part of workforce early in 1920 when Sir Ernest Oppenheimer united nine companies to found the Consolidated Diamond Mines of South West Africa (Pty) Ltd.

So it was that men from Ovambo helped to produce diamonds in places like Kolmanskop, Elizabeth Bay, Bopenfels and Pomona which are today ghost towns. They were prepared to suffer privations in order to work on the diamond fields.

Their journey from the floodplains and forests of Ovambo to the desert wastes and winds of the Sperrgebiet was an odyssey. It involved a walk of about 250 km from Ondangwa to the railhead at Tsameb, a route passing through lion-infested country in the vicinity of the Etosha Pan. The train ride from Tsameb to

Luderitz took several days.

Nowadays a bus transports workers along a tarred road from Ondangwa to Grootfontein, where they board an aircraft for a 135-minute flight to Oranjemund.

Whereas the old-timers went to the diamond fields mainly as manual labourers, the modern generation also goes to operate sophisticated machines and plants, to acquire trade skills and to do white-collar jobs. Salaries and conditions are equal to the best in the mining industry in Africa.

Although times have changed, the link between CIM and Owambo continues. It spans nearly 60 years. In fact it predates the discovery of the diamond deposits at Oranjemund, the operational headquarters of CDM, where about 4 700 people from Owambo are now employed. They constitute about 80 percent of all employees.

Back home in Owambo, on holiday between tours of ser-

vice, are another 7 750 employees.

Indeed the relationship with the people of Owambo is even closer than the statistics suggest. For in many cases their fathers and grandfathers before them worked for CDM.

CIM is keenly aware of their contribution, through faithful service and hard work, to the success of the diamond-mining industry in South West Africa/Namibia.

It is therefore decided in 1976 to make a gift to the people of Owambo as a gesture of its appreciation. In the course of subsequent discussions and inquiries on an official level it became clear that a technical training centre would significantly help to promote the development of the people.

Thus was born the idea of the Valombola Technical Centre. Construction started in November 1977.

## NEW ARRIVALS AT C. D. M.

We welcome the following New Employees who have joined the Company during the past two months and wish them a happy association with CIM. The place-name in brackets is the place of their birth. Club secretaries and fellow employees with similar interests are invited to contact them. Their addresses can be obtained from the Editor by phoning 752.

BARNES, Steve P (Brisbane/Australia) Squash, Yachting, Golf, Radio Controlled aircraft.	DATA PROCESSING SYSTEMS PROGRAM- MER	ROBERTS, Raymond W (Touws River) Badminton, Swimming, Bowls.	FITTER
BEUKES, Dirk P (Johannesburg) Yachting, Golf, Target Shooting.	DATA PROCESSING PROGRAMMER	ROBISON, Stephen (Scotland) Karate, Rugby, Darts, Snooker.	DATA PROCESSING COMPUTER OPER.
BORCHARDT, Michael (Cape Town) Swimming, Yachting, Music, Shooting, Cycling.	DATA PROCESSING COMPUTER OPER.	SIEBERS, Jonny G (Oranjemund) Rugby, Swimming, Shooting, Jogging.	TRAINEE COMPUTER OPERATOR
BRINK, Andries P (Johannesburg) Tennis.	SENIOR PLANT METALLURGIST	THOMPSON, Paul J (East London) Yachting.	PROGRAMMER MAN. SERVICES
FERREIRA, Jack (Werda, Natal) Athletics, Squash.	APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN	TIFFIN, Nigel M (Cape Town) Sand Sailing, Rugby, Diving.	FITTER & TURNER
GROENFELD, Johannes J (Cape Town) Rugby, Table Tennis.	APPRENTICE DIESEL MECH.	VAN EEDEN, Dirk (King Williamstown) Golf, Tennis, Running, Fishing.	MANPOWER DEV. OFFICER
HALL, John N (Nottingham, England) Karate, Reading.	FITTER	VAN WYK, C (Dr) (Durban) Tennis, Squash, Golf.	MEDICAL OFFICER
HAYES, Robert (Wymberg CT) Soccer.	RADIO TECHNICIAN	VISSER, Gerhardus (Vredenburg) Fishing, Rugby, Pistolshooting.	APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN
HEPTON, John L (Middlesbrough Eng.) Handgun/Reloading.	MAINTENANCE FITTER	WINTERBACH, Dewald (Bellville) Rugby.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
HEWITT, Colin R (Scunthorpe, England) Body Building, Swimming, Shooting.	FITTER	BADENHORST, J (Pietermaritzburg) Drama, Jogging, Oshivambo, German and speaking Italian.	TEACHER O.P.S.
KING, Graham L (Pietermaritzburg) Cricket, Rugby, Squash, Fishing.	SURVEYOR	CAMPBELL, C (Cape Town) Yachting and Canoeing.	FITTER ENGINEERING
MALYON, Geoffrey (Durban) Surfing, Golf, Guitar Playing, Squash.	COMPUTER OPERA- TIONS SUPERVISOR	ERASMUS, C M (Cullinan, Tvl) Canoeing, Music.	O R OFFICER
McGREGOR, David C (Bellville) Yachting.	AUTO ELECTRICIAN	FERRIMAN, D A (Miss) (Johannesburg) Hockey, Squash, Jogging, Yoga, Tennis, Reading, Handicrafts.	TEACHER NUR- SERY SCHOOL
MURPHY, J P (Johannesburg) Golf, Squash.	MINE SECRETARY - SERVICES	FREDERIKS, F (Upington) Soccer, Reading.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
NEETHLING, André (Oranjemund) Rugby, Cricket.	TRAINEE COMPUTER OPERATOR	FERRIRA, A J (Mrs) (Port Elizabeth) Music, Badminton, Bowls.	MUSIC TEACHER O.P.S.
		FERREIRA, F (Cape Town) Tennis.	TEACHER O.P.S.
		GORDON, J (Miss) (Johannesburg) Squash, Tennis, Running.	TEACHER O.P.S.
		HENNES, G (Miss) (Windhoek SWA) Tennis, Reading.	TEACHER O.P.S.
		KLOPPERS, S F (Roodepoort) Carpentry.	ASST PLNT SUPT METALLURGY
		KLEYNHANS, J L (Kroonstad) Rugby, Cricket.	OPERATOR METALLURGY

# MISS CAMPING 1978

LIEBENBERG, J (Hopefield) Rugby, Fishing.	BOILERMAKER ENGINEERING
MALAXI, I (Chicago USA) Rugby, Rock Climbing, Scuba Diving.	TRAINEE PERSONNEL
MILLS, D S (Utatali, Rhodesia) Horse-riding, Volley Ball, Diving.	COMPUTER OPERATOR
PERKS, H J (Knysna) Cricket, Rugby, Badminton.	FITTER ENGINEERING
ROBERTS, A (Miss) (Johannesburg) Tennis.	TEACHER O.P.S.
ROODT, L (Miss) (Johannesburg) Squash, Horse-riding, Bridge	SOCIAL WORKER HOSPITAL
STANDER, J (Oranjemund) Squash, Photography, Running.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
SABBAGHA, M H (Bloemfontein) Cricket, Golf, Squash, Angling, Photography.	DIV ENGINEER
SINCLAIR, I (England) Skin Diving, Body Surfing, Swimming, Chess.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
SMITH, C (Miss) (Cape Town) Squash, Karate.	TEACHER NUR- SERY SCHOOL
STEYTLER, H (Miss) (Beaufort West) Riding, Tennis, Hockey, Squash.	TEACHER O.P.S.
THOMPSON, K D (Cape Town) Target Shooting.	FITTER ENGINEERING
TOPFE, D T (Stellenbosch) Rugby, Cricket, Squash, Tennis.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
VAN STADEN, M L (Strand) Rugby, Athletics, Baseball, Shooting.	OPERATOR METALLURGY
VAN SCHALKWYK, J L (Prieska) Squash.	TECHNICIAN COMMUNICATIONS
VENTER, P J (Germiston) Squash, Fishing.	INSTRUMENT TECH. ENG.
VAN HEERDEN, B (Montagu) Rugby.	DIESEL MECH ENGINEERING
WILSON J (Miss) (Rhodesia) Tennis, Squash.	TEACHER O.P.S.



Lovely Delia Munn was elected Miss Camping of 1978 at the annual Christmas camping and caravan party at Beauvallon.

Delia is the 15 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Munn and is, at present a Standard Eight pupil at Paarl Girls' High School.

The lower picture shows Delia with her proud father at the moment of her crowning.



## BARCLAYS

### Barclays National Bank Limited

Barclays National Bank Limited is providing an independent Insurance Broking Service to the residents of Oranjemund. This includes all aspects of Life and Short-term insurance including a special scheme for Short-term insurance, which is available to all CIM (Proprietary) Ltd employees.

The service is provided by Barclays Insurance Brokers S A Ltd and they have access to the entire South African insurance market. The local Bank Manager will be pleased to discuss this with interested persons and if required, will arrange appointments with the South West African/Namibian Manager of Barclays Insurance Brokers S A Ltd who regularly visits Oranjemund.

The leader of the Evangelical Lutheran Ovambo-Kavango Church, Bishop Leonard Auala, took a helicopter journey into the past when he visited Oranjemund from January 24 to February 9.

With his wife he flew to the ghost town of Pomona, where he had worked as an 18-year-old youth from 1926 to 1927.

During the year he worked for CDM as an office messenger at Pomona, 53 years ago, he and a friend named Paulus Dumeni organised prayer meetings for the Black workers.

Bishop Auala had no idea, at that time, that he would one day become a pastor.

Nor could he anticipate that the selfsame Paulus Dumeni's son, Kleophas, would be elected to succeed him as bishop half a century later. Bishop Auala is due to retire later this year.

On the same helicopter journey, Bishop and Mrs. Auala visited Kolmanskop, where he worked in the mechanical workshops from October 1927 to August 1928.

Bishop and Mrs. Auala visited CDM, from Ovambo, for 17 days as guests of the Company. With them came Pastor P. Shipena and Pastor G.J. Shifiona.

Not only did they meet church members, of whom there are many at CDM, but also a number of close relatives, for two of the bishop's sons and four of his nephews work at CDM.

His sons are Mr. Eparfras Penda Auala, industrial relations assistant, and Mr. Natangue Vilho Aualo, recreation assistant.

Nephews at CDM are Mr. Leonard Auala, Mr. Rein-



L to R: Pastor Shifiona, Eparfras Auala, son of Bishop and Mrs. Auala who is an industrial relations assistant at CDM, Mrs. and Bishop Leonard Auala, Pastor Shipena.

hold Auala, Mr. Gerhard Pendsapa Auala and Mr. Matheus Veiko Auala.

Apart from the helicopter journey up the coast to Pomona and Kolmanskop, when Bishop and Mrs Auala saw seal colonies and the Bogenfels from the air, the highlights of their stay were a visit to Beauvalion Farm and a tour of the mining area.

They also visited Oranjemund Private School, the Nursery School, the Hospital and the Technical Training Centre.



RECENTLY ARRIVED BOOKS

FICTION

- RAMAGE AND THE REBELS - Dudley Pope
- KATE - Brian Cleeve
- THE CONTAMINANT - Leonard Reiffel
- CARVER'S KINGDOM - Frederick Nolan
- BLINDFOLD - Antony Mellville-Ross
- MY ENEMY THE QUEEN - Victoria Holt
- THE SECOND DEADLY SIN - Lawrence Sanders
- A WOMAN WAITING - Margaret Powell
- WAR AND REMEMBRANCE - Herman Wouk
- THE MANIPULATORS - Hugh Atkinson
- SECOND GENERATION - Howard Fast
- THE DARK ARENA - Mario Puzo
- SPOTTED SOLDIERS - C E Dibb
- BEYOND THE POSIDON ADVENTURE - Paul Gallico
- THE FAR PAVILIONS - M M Kaye (an epic novel of India)
- TARGET RISK - John Wingate
- THE LURE OF THE FALCON - Juliette Benzoni
- PICNIC AT HANGING ROCK - Joan Lindsay
- FLYAWAY - Desmond Bagley
- VIXEN OJ - Clive Cussler
- BLACK CAMELOT - Duncan Kyle
- DAY OF JUDGEMENT - Jack Higgins
- MACBETH THE KING - Nigel Tranter
- PRELUDE TO TERROR - Helen MacInnes
- TALK DOWN - Brian Lecomber

CRIME

- TIM FRAZER GETS THE MESSAGE - Francis Durbridge

- GRAVE MISTAKE - Ngaio Marsh
- COPPERGOLD - Pauline Glen Winslow
- A RIPPLE OF MURDERS - John Wainwright
- MURDER IN FANCYDRESS - Laurie Rantall

ROMANCE

- THE DARK SIDE OF MARRIAGE - Margery Hilton
- BELOVED BENEFACTOR - Yvonne Whittall
- THE CRYSTAL GULL - Lucilla Andrews

AFRIKAANS

- WAAISKUIM - Kobus Myburgh
- DIE MYNDOKTER VAN EMMA - Heinz G Konsalik
- 'N SAGTE LANDING - VLUG NA AMSTERDAM - Etjie Bierman
- GEBUGTE VAN REËN - Andre P Brink
- DIE SWERFJARE VAN POPPIE NONGENA - Elsa Joubert (Non-Fiction)
- DIE SMAAD VAN KROONDAL - Dricky Boukes
- BLINDES KAN NIE DANS NIE - C J Venter
- TUSSEN ANGS EN SEKERHEID - Ferdinand Deist
- ONS WAS VIER - Wondra Potgieter
- HAAR GELEENDE NAAM - Nita Griesel
- PRINSES KERKHUIS - Lourens Oberholzer
- 'N BOKRAM BY DIE SEE - Henk Rall
- DRIE KINKELS ON DIE MAAN - Annico van Vuuren
- TYEN ROEPES VIR 'N LEWE - Etjie Bierman
- MIDDELWATER SE NUWE DOKTER - Ella van der Mescht
- KAAPSE MOPPIES - I D du Plessis
- 'N LEWE IN DIE SON - Nelie de Bruyn
- IN DIE STERRE GESKRYF - Lize Swart
- 'N DOMINEE VIR SOMERDAL - Nickey van Schalkwyk
- DIE NUWE DAGBREEK - Mike Heine
- TANYA - Hannah du Plessis
- STRUBEN SE GOUE VALLEI - John Coetzee

NON-FICTION

- THE GARDEN OF THE GODS - Gerald Durrell
- EVITA, THE LEGEND OF EVA PERON - A Lloyd & Tim Rice
- BRUACH BLEND - Lillian Beckwith
- A PLASTIC SURGEON ANSWERS YOUR QUESTIONS - Kurt Wagner M.D.
- THE SUPER-AFRIKANERS : INSIDE THE AFRIKANER BROEDERBOND - Wilkins & Strydom

ACCORDING TO THE EVIDENCE - Eric von Daniken  
 FOURTEEN MINUTES - James Croall (The last voyage of  
 the Empress of Ireland)  
 NICHOLAS & ALEXANDRA - Robert K Maasie  
 NOTHING BUT HONOUR - J K Zawodny (The Story of the  
 Warsaw Uprising, 1944)  
 THE SEARCHING SPIRIT - Joy Adamson  
 WILDERNESS EUROPE - TIME/LIFE, The World's Wild Places  
 THE FRANK MUIR BOOK, An irreverent companion to social  
 history - Frank Muir

BOARDING PARTY, The Last Action of the Calcutta Light  
 Horse - James Leasor  
 WORLD FURNITURE, An illustrated history - Helena Hays-  
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## ORANJEMUND GOLF CLUB

After the Christmas lay off, January saw the start  
 of a busy session stretching through until the end of  
 April. With the wind generally less violent this month  
 good scores were expected, and obtained although some-  
 times from an unusual source.

On 13 January the Volkswagen Trophy was competed  
 for. The competition was individual medal and out of  
 a field of thirty the winner was:

1st	H Symington	73
2nd	J Fouche	73

Next came the 36 hole Greenbat Trophy on 20 JANU-  
 ARY. Individual Stableford was the game and we had  
 our first outsider come in. Vic Adamini who always pays  
 out his bets with a smile had an even wider smile as  
 he collected many golf balls and the trophy.

1st	V Adamini	67
2nd	J Joseph	67



Kalbe Bester on the third green.



"Guess who's sponsoring this tournament".

On Saturday 27th, Teltron returned for their se-  
 cond sponsored day. Last year's day was extremely  
 popular and a field of over sixty this time showed that  
 everyone remembered. Selwyn Queit and his colleagues  
 from Teltron created a carnival atmosphere at the club  
 with bunting and flags and free T-shirts for all the  
 players. Prizes were awarded for good golf and bad  
 golf and there was a "Mug's Mug" for incredibly bad  
 golf, the winner of which with 4 points over the 18  
 holes thought he played fairly well. In the evening  
 dinner was served at the club and excellent entertain-  
 ment was provided by Rita and Dudley on stage and va-  
 rious others, not on stage, who shall remain nameless.  
 The party eventually broke up at three or four o'clock  
 in the morning and not surprisingly the next morning's  
 field was rather small.

Results : 1st S Gooch 43  
 2nd V Adamini 40  
 Nearest Pin: B Cammerford  
 Longest Drive: J Williams  
 First in water at 13th: M Benadé  
 "Mug's Mug": J Collins



A winning smile from Stan Gooch.

February 3rd was the day for the Hansa Cup Indi-  
 vidual Bogey. For this type of competition, one would  
 expect +4 or +5 to win but Derek Erickson hit a real  
 purple patch and brought in +8. When you consider  
 that a recent Betterball Bogey competition was won with  
 +7, you realise what a fine score this was.

Results : 1st D Erickson +8  
 2nd O Wood +3  
 R Wood +3



SANVO  
 Somebody had to come last - Joe Collins with the mug



Entertainment in the evening from the lovely Rita



Dick Wilson has a definite 'ear' for music

## HISTORICAL RAILWAY COACH JOINS OCC'S MUSEUM

CDM has donated a railway passenger coach to the O'okiep Copper Company. This coach was originally used by the Cape Copper Company to convey passengers between O'okiep and Port Nolloth.

The coach, built at the turn of the century by the Gloucester Railway Carriage and Wagon Company in England was found at Mesklip in Namaqualand in a bad state of disrepair. CDM, because of its close association with Port Nolloth, bought the carriage from its owner, a farmer. Only two thirds of the original unit remained and all the seats and upholstery of the side walls had been removed. However, the exterior frame work with sliding windows and shutters, although weather beaten was still in original shape.

Contact was made, through Charter Consolidated in

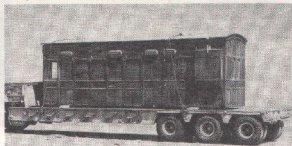
London, with the coach builders who had been taken over fifteen years previously by a larger company, requesting detailed drawings of the coach. The coach was brought from Port Nolloth to the CDM workshops where restoration has recently been completed.

The passenger service between O'okiep and Port Nolloth was instituted in the late 1800's and at first consisted only of open trucks fitted with benches. After a while an enclosed carriage called the Monkey Box was brought into service. This was followed by the introduction of a regular passenger service consisting of two first class coaches, one of which has now been donated, and three second class coaches. The fare for 2nd class tickets was 12/6 and 22/- for first class.

The Cape Copper Company was subsequently taken over by O'okiep Copper Company who continued to run the railway service until the early forties.



Wilhelm Mbishi and Ivan Brandic repaired and rebuilt the carriage



Fastened on to a trailer for its last journey - to the OCC Museum  
 OCC have recently established a museum of which the railway system is an important and interesting aspect. A train consisting of one of the original stean locomotives used on the route, an ore truck and a coach, possibly the Monkey Box, will be considerably enhanced by the addition of CDM's donation.

A valuable and interesting part of Namaqualand's history will have been preserved.

**\*\*FOOTNOTE\*\*** My grandfather, Mr. F.S. Cocks was foreman joiner at the Gloucester Wagon Works as it was called locally, at the time this carriage was built, so possibly he could have helped in its construction. My father was a designer and chief draughtsman, starting work there in 1910, so just missed seeing the carriage. A more comprehensive article on the history of the railway line from O'okiep to Port Nolloth will appear in the next issue of the *Oranjevund Newsletter*.

Bill Fry (Editor)

## ANOTHER RECORD FOR KAPOLO

### CDM ATHLETES ATTEND AAC NATIONAL COACHING COURSE AT WELKOM

CDM sent three athletes and a cyclist to Welkom where they attended the AAC National Coaching Course which lasted from 20 January to 26 January.



Lazarus Kapolo now holds the SWA 800m and 5000 metre records.

On Saturday 20 January they competed in the Maize Road invitation meeting.

Lazarus Kapolo did extremely well in the 800 metre event in which he set a new SWA record of 1:54,9 seconds. This is his second SWA record this season. Earlier this season he broke the national record in the 5 000 metres. He is the first and only black athlete in the territory to hold two records and he is a great credit to CDM.

Another athlete who performed very well was Gideon Festus. He won the gold medal in the javelin event



Gideon Festus won the javelin gold medal at the Maize Road's invitation meeting at Welkom.

but did not manage to reach his best distance of 52,50 metres. His winning distance at Welkom was 46,40 metres.

Moses Sindano came fourth in the long jump with a best jump of 6,15 metres. He did not compete in the 400 metres which is his best event.

Our champion cyclist, Pilemon Abisai, was unsuccessful in his events. The training and the experience gained should be of great benefit to him and fellow cyclists at Oranjemund.

## BURSARIES

CDM (Proprietary) Limited is offering young people in South West Africa/Namibia another 12 bursaries for degree or diploma studies. The closing date for applications is March 31.

The bursary scheme was introduced last year, part of an ongoing drive to train and educate local people for advancement to senior positions, mainly but not exclusively in technical fields.

The General Manager of CDM, Mr J O Richards, said today that the Company had introduced the bursary scheme because it believed private enterprise had a duty to help develop leadership material in the national interest.

The bursaries are open to persons of any race born or permanently resident in the territory. They cover tuition, examination fees, board, lodging, text-books, stationery, personal allowances, clothing, medical treatment and travel.

Courses available to successful candidates include electrical, mechanical, mining and chemical engineering, metallurgy, geology, social sciences, commerce, accountancy, computer sciences and business studies.

It was announced that six bursaries had been awarded for studies this year. The recipients are:

\*\*\* Mr F J P Ndoromo, 27, a metallurgical trainee at CDM, who is studying mineral processing at Leeds University in England.

\*\*\* Mr W O Ewald, 18, a matriculant from St Pauls College in Windhoek, who is to study electrical engineering at the University of Cape Town.

\*\*\* Mr S J N Esterhuizen, 28, a telephone technician

at CDM, who is to study electrical engineering at Stellenbosch University.

\*\*\* Miss L L Kamati, 24, a Swakopmund teacher with a B. Juris degree, who is to study business administration at a university still to be determined.

\*\*\* Mr E V Bok, 22, a tutor at the Christian Centre in Windhoek, who is to study law at a university still to be determined.

\*\*\* Mr F S Vahkeni, 26, an engineering draughtsman employed in Windhoek, who is to study mechanical or mining engineering at the University of the Witwatersrand.

In addition Mr G K Enkara, 32, from Oshakati, is studying for an engineering degree at the University of the Witwatersrand on a bursary awarded by De Beers, of which CDM is a subsidiary.

Persons interested in bursaries may obtain application forms and further details from the Personnel Manager, CDM, P O Box 35, Oranjemund 9015, or from CDM's head office, Swabank Building, Bulow Street, P O Box 1906, Windhoek 9100.

**THE CELL ZOO** ANIMALS from aardvarks to zebras are being preserved at a temperature of -190°C in a Houston hospital. Cell samples are taken, cultured and grown until about 20 to 30 million are ready for freezing. The cell zoo deliberately collects threatened species - cheetahs, tigers, white rhinoceros, etc. Zookeepers expect the cells could survive for 1000 years - long enough, according to cell biologist Dr. T. Hsu for scientists to develop methods of cloning to bring extinct species back from cells alone.

and annual chrysanthemum) will give better results than those raised from seeds in Spring. They will come into bloom at a time when they can add colour to the Spring display.

Annuals for sowing now in tins are ageratum, snapdragons, columbines, asters, calceolaria, Canterbury bells, carnations, delphiniums, golden feather, larkspur, nemophila, nicotiana (tobacco plant), pansy, pentstemon, phlox salvia and Virginian stocks. Open ground sowing include alyssum, cornflower, eschscholtzia, gailardia, gypsophila, pinks and sweet peas.

We have just returned from a long and lovely weekend with Audrey and Pat O'Brien in their Pinelands home. There sandy soil is, apart from the moles, a gardening problem. Ample and regular applications of compost will improve it, though it will take time. Peatmoss is always quoted as an essential for soil improvement and I set out what the late Colonel Jeffs wrote. "Peat is organic vegetable matter in an arrested state of decay, and is found as deposits in healthy, marshy ground, often having been under water for some long period. It is of special value to the garden as it adds humus to the



Dahlias are a sign that autumn is approaching

soil, is very moisture-retentive, and relatively free of fungus spores and weed seeds. Also, as it takes a considerable time to decay, it remains effective in the soil for a long period, and has a marked effect in improving soil texture generally. It makes an admirable top-dressing for lawns, and can be used either by itself or as a 50-50 mixture with coarse river sand; whilst a similar mixture is ideal for rooting cuttings of most plants, especially the more delicate pot and house plants. There is one rather important point to remember. In its dry state peat takes rather a long time to absorb water, so it is best to spread it out and water it thoroughly, until it is crumbly moist, before either digging it into the soil, using it in potting mixtures or applying it as a mulch. It is as a surface mulch, as well as incorporating it in the soil, that it is of special value in the culture of Heaths, Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Camellias and Lilies. Now is the time to prepare the beds and divide up large clumps of the bulbs once the stems have died down".

A few words for the kitchen gardener. Make a sowing of parsley to replace old plants now running to seed - the fresher the seed the better the germination. A deeply-dug, rich, fertile soil, containing a liberal supply of manure and compost, increases fertility and the water-holding capacity of sandy soils. It makes clay more porous and better suited to root growth. Crop rotation when growing vegetables is as essential as clean cultivation and a loose soil. If a vegetable or vegetables of the same plant family are grown on the same soil year after year, a decrease of soil fertility can be expected as well as a gradual increase of



insect pests and diseases that will harm the crop.

Now is the time to make a sowing of lettuce, radishes and onion for the salad bowl and sow seeds of tomato, beans, eggfruit and all the cucurbits; also cabbage, cauliflower, beetroot, carrots, kohlrabi, parsnips, rhubarb and Swiss chard.

## PLAY AND THE NURSERY SCHOOL

Udo Schuster

5 yrs old.



"The word play is very misleading. People have the idea that play is something which you do that isn't important; something they do purely as relaxation or pleasure. They think that play is the exact opposite of work. This is not what happens with a child. What we call play is real work where a child is concerned. People call it play because the child enjoys it, assuming that one couldn't possibly enjoy work. When children play or work they are enjoying themselves.

Play is work.

Play is valuable.

Play is learning."

With love from the Nursery School.

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... Thomas Edison. 5. Sarnak. 6. The pyramids at  
... near Cairo. 7. The Appalachians. 8. The Sop-  
... th Pup was a British fighter plane and the Albatross  
... as a German fighter. 9. Arthur C. Clarke, who now  
... lives in Sri Lanka. 10. Fred Perry. 11. Ontario.  
... 2. Franklin Delano Roosevelt. 13. Turkey. 14. Seven.  
... 1. Slow down gradually. 16. Donitz and Rooder.  
... 7. George IV. 18. Lepidoptera. 19. The Humboldt  
... O. Ruth.