

OP CLASS OF '72, FIFTY THIRD YEAR REUNION

Due to the success of the previous reunions the Class of '72, under the leadership and *constant* nagging of Buzz Bowker, recently held a get-together at picturesque Kogel Bay close to Kleinmond in the Western Cape. Thirteen classmates attended with twelve accompanying partners. This was out of an original class of forty-five second years in 1969.

The Cape Nature facility provided the class with an ideal setting amongst majestic Cape Mountains for hours of reminiscing recalling OP days and renewing old and longstanding friendships. The reunion was held over three days in March in mostly ideal weather conditions.

Rick Mapham was an able Master of Ceremonies and Master at Arms throughout the reunion and kept everything running smoothly and within the law. Matt Ekron paid a moving tribute to deceased members of our class and wished those well who could not attend due to illness or other problems.

A special mention and award was made to Ian and Sally-Ann Halliday who had travelled all the way from Cambridge in England to celebrate with local colleagues.

The last evening was spent at a local restaurant. John Adam led a discussion on humorous events that happened over the years with Class members. There was no shortage of stories and plenty of laughter. Ian Herbst was also present and as only he can, added much merriment to the occasion. Tribute was also paid to the amazing successes of the whole class in their chosen career paths.

Friso Woudstra finished off a great evening with magnificent videos on nature throughout Southern Africa.

Friso and Hilda Woudstra, having retired to Kleinmond, were responsible for the bulk of the organising of the food and accommodation. To them and Buzz and Marion Bowker we owe a vote of thanks for making the reunion the success it was.

See you all next time.



BACK ROW; LEFT TO RIGHT
RICK MAPHAM-JOHN ADAM-LEN BRACHER-BUZZ BOWKER-
DOC HALLIDAY-GERT BRIERS-MATT EKRON- JOAN KLEYNHANS-
FRISO AND HILDA WOULDSTRA
MIDDLE ROW: LEFT TO RIGHT
SALLY ANN HALLIDAY-MARION BOWKER-TINKS BRACHER-
CHARME SOUTHEY-LYNETTE ADAM-RIANA BRIERS-JOYCE EKRON-
DAMPIES VAN DEEMTER
FRONT ROW; LEFT TO RIGHT;
LINDA MAPHAM-JENNIFER GORDON-ANDREW SOUTHEY-
RONEL VAN DEEMTER

BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT;
FRISO WOULDSTRA-RICK MAPHAM-DOC HALLIDAY-CAS GORDON-
GERT BRIERS- LEN BRACHER
FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT:
JOHN ADAM-BUZZ BOWKER-ANDREW SOUTHEY-JOAN
KLEYNHANS-DAMPIES VAN DEEMTER

