

P Horn, 'n prokureur van Kimberley (15/10/97-15/11/97); J W Wilmans, ook 'n prokureur van Kimberley (16/11/97-15/12/97); C J Olivier, 'n lid van die plaaslike Balie (10/11/97-15/12/97); J G van Niekerk, 'n lid van die plaaslike Balie (23/11/97-29/11/97; 23/2/98-6/3/8); C H Botha, ook 'n lid van die plaaslike Balie (30/11/97-31/12/97); en H J Lacock SC, die leier van die plaaslike Balie (5/2/98-8/2/98).

Balieraad

Op die algemene jaarvergadering van

die Noord-Kaapse Vereniging van Advokate, wat op 28 Januarie 1998 plaasgevind het, is die vorige jaar se bestuur net so in hulle ampte herkies. Lacock SC, is herkies as die voorsitter, Van Niekerk as ondervoorsitter en Olivier as die ere-sekretaris.

Lede

Carel Luwes het sy pupilskap aan die einde van 1997 voltooi en sy eksamen suksesvol afgelê. Hy praktiseer tans te Kimberley.

Marelize Marais het in Desember

1997 bedank as lid van die Balie en verhuis na Upington.

Sosiale nuus

Die jaarlikse formele Balie-dinee is op 14 November 1997 gehou. Hierdie jaarlikse tradisie bly steeds een van die sosiale hoogtepunte op die kalender van die Balie en was weer eens 'n baie groot sukses. Wat van die dinee 'n besondere geleentheid gemaak het, is dat dit, soos feitlik sonder uitsondering elke jaar gebeur, deur alle lede van die Balie bygewoon is. Met die uitsondering van een, is die dinee ook deur al die regters van hierdie afdeling bygewoon. Daar is tot in die vroeë oggendure gesellig saam verkeer.

Nog 'n geleentheid wat vinnig besig is om 'n jaarlikse instelling te word, is die ete wat die lede van die Balie vir hulle gades aangebied het op 3 Februarie 1998. Vanjaar het dit plaasgevind by die Koedoesrand Game Lodge, 'n paar kilometer buite Kimberley. Op enkele uitsonderings na, is hierdie geleentheid ook deur alle lede van die Balie saam met hulle gades bygewoon. Dit is voorwaar 'n voorreg om te praktiseer by 'n Balie waar daar so 'n besondere gees en atmosfeer onder die lede heers.



Afskeidsdinee vir regter-president Kriek

Van links na regs verskyn: Lacock SC, leier van die Noord-Kaapse Vereniging van Advokate; Bester, wat as seremoniemeester opgetree het; regter-president Kriek; mev en mnr P Horn, voorsitter van die plaaslike sirkel van prokureurs.

Bar Council

A new Bar Council was elected at the end of October 1997. Gerald Farber is the chairman and Roland Sutherland the vice-chairman. Other silks on the Bar Council are Guy Hoffman, Altus Joubert, Mike Hellens, Gilbert Marcus and Nazeer Cassim. The juniors are Colin Lamont, Gerrit Pretorius, Clive van der Spuy, Margie Victor and Pieter Pauw. The honorary secretary is Bruce Leach and Mandy Bate is the assistant honorary secretary.

Senior status

The following members attained senior status since the publication of the last

edition of *Consultus*: Josie Brett, Nazeer Cassim, Bernard Gudelsky, Ralph Meyer, Sias Reyneke, Piet Robinson, Karel Tip and Nigel Willis (see page 17 of this issue).

Acting appointments

A large number of our members, silks and non-silks, acted on the High Court Bench since the last publication of *Consultus*.

There have been no judicial appointment from the ranks of the Johannesburg Bar.

Sandton chambers

Sandton has become the fourth set of chambers approved by the Bar Council.

Fifty eight members are practising there full-time. Sandton has shown to be popular with attorneys and clients who do not want to come to the Johannesburg CBD. Members who do not occupy full-time chambers in Sandton have access to consultation facilities there. The Johannesburg Bar still has chambers in Innes Chambers, Schreiner Chambers and Colman Chambers.

Innes Chambers

As far as the environs of the CBD are concerned, the Society is hoping to get the Central Johannesburg Partnership (CJP) (a non-governmental organization with power to control the pavements >

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certain sectors of the city) to extend its jurisdiction to include the surrounding areas of Innes Chambers. On 26 February the Society hosted a meeting of the CJP and of owners and agents of properties neighbouring Innes Chambers with the view to getting extended control of the public areas surrounding these properties and coming to decisions on matters of common interest.

The ideal is that in the environs of the High Court and the buildings occupied by the society, there be established a legal precinct.

Bar library

The Bar library recently expanded its coverage of comparative and constitutional law. There is a representative selection of the text books from several countries

and a vast range of law reports from comparative jurisdictions. In particular, there are full sets of the major English reports. The library also has complete sets of United States, Irish, Scottish, Canadian, New Zealand, Common Wealth and Australian reports. There is also a specialized tax collection which emphasizes South African, Australian, New Zealand and British tax law. 

Natal

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Acting appointments

The following of our Natal advocates held acting appointments in the Natal Provincial Division during the period under review: Moodley SC, Pammenter SC, Swain SC, Vahed SC and Jappie.

Members

P Dillon, S Geraghty, K Gouden, B Jila, M Posemann, V Rajoo, D Ramdhani and V Voormolen joined the Natal Bar after successfully completing their pupillage in December 1997. We welcome them to the Bar and wish them every success.

Comings and goings

A Grove joined the Pietermaritzburg Bar in November 1997 whilst A Strachan left the Pietermaritzburg Bar in October 1997 followed by J S Moodley in December 1997. K K Mthiyane SC was appointed to the Natal Provincial Division from October 1997 whilst Z M Yacoob SC was appointed to the Constitutional Court in February 1998 (see page 19 of this issue).

Pupils

Eight pupils in Durban commenced pupillage in February 1998 and four in Pietermaritzburg. As in previous years, in addition to their ordinary curriculum, a structured series of lectures is being provided for them by certain members of the Durban Bar. In addition, it is compulsory for pupils to undergo an advocacy training course. The programme was introduced in an effort to improve the results of candidates and the meas-



At the JHI Business Relay from left to right: Sharon Price, Ben van Heerden, Ian Topping, Vinay Gajoo, John Pammenter and Lynette Latter.

ure of success at the Natal Bar is indicated by the fact that we had a 90% pass rate in December 1997.

In memoriam

The Natal Bar mourns the tragic passing of its erstwhile member, Don Thompson, who died in December 1997 while serving as an assessor with the late Judge Meskin and expresses its condolences with the members of his family.

Sport

In the days leading up to 22 November last year, the Durban Bar was gripped by JHI Business Relay fever. The designated team organisers had only two weeks in which to coax and cajole (mostly) unwilling bodies into jogging gear. The response was overwhelming. The Society of Advocates entered eight teams, five running teams (of five

each) and three walking teams (of three each). Of the 40 participants (one of whom was the Deputy Judge President), about half were members of the Bar and the rest were secretaries, wives, girlfriends and friends. Our fastest team of runners came third in the Legal Category in a total time of approximately 1 hour 15 minutes (or 233rd of a field of 1 549). Our best walkers came 58th in a field of 552.

A marquee was provided by the Society as well as salads and rolls. Draught beer, much needed sustenance for the runners after the race, was for sale.

All those potential runners who would have run and could have run but were not given enough notice, will be the first to be signed up for the next relay.

A special thanks to Cheryl Smart, Shelly Walker and Terrence Seery for organising the day. 