

## ATKV KLEIN KARIBA RALLY REPORT: 15-20 JANUARY 2023

### Report by Nowell Griffin

This being the first official Northvaal midweek rally, it was with excitement that 26 motorhomes met on a very hot Sunday, just outside Bela-Bela (Warmbaths).

As no official committee had been elected, Ari stood in as chairman for the rally, he in turn welcomed all to the rally, with a special welcome to first time ralliers, Francois and Suma Smit and the visitors from the Free State Region, especially our National Chairman Willie and Madelein van Heusden.



Ari explained the way forward with mid-week rallies as follows:

1. We would fall under the auspice of the Northvaal Regional committee
2. Mid-week rallies will not necessarily be aligned to normal monthly rallies
3. The following positions need put to the members:
  - a. Chairman (Ari Korver and Nowell Griffin elected)
  - b. Secretary (Elaine Pakes)
  - c. Additional members (Agreed that the Chairman elect / co-opt as and when needed)



The rally tokens and attendance register were handled by Eddie & Estelle, who, in turn, rattled the Cansa tin at the same time.

Nowell thanked all the members for their prayers regarding his illness, the reason he was able to attend a rally for the first time in a few months was due to the prayers and the subsequent healing that has and is taking place. As a token of appreciation, Nowell sponsored the wine for the evening.

Now that the official business has been handled, it was time to let our hair down and enjoy one another's company. The fantastic venue added to the vibrant atmosphere.



Die hittige dae het verseker dat die swembaddens gereeld besoek word, maar daar is tog lede wat nie te warm gekry het nie, en ten spyte van die hitte, die binnehuis warm swembad gebruik het.

Die oord bied baie aktiwiteite aan, van stap roetes tot golf en roei, met 'n verskeidenheid van diere wat rond loop. Die brawe dames Estelle, Marsha, Hulda, Herma en Gill het die kort stap roete gedoen, 6 kilometers later het die dames weer by hulle mans aangesluit. Let wel asseblief; hul word nie geag as deel van die verskeidenheid diere nie!



Woensdag middag het Ari en Clemens die vure aangesteek vir die "klein Saterdag" gemeenskaplike braai, met Clemens wat in sy vorige lewe 'n stoker moes wees. Die manier hoe hy die kole met passie gehanteer het, het verseker dat daar genoeg kole vir almal was. Ons verjaarsdag lid, en ook ons nuutste pensioneris, Alan het wyn geskenk, dankie Alan. Krediet aan ATKV, hulle het die charcoal geborg, dankie Klein Kariba.

We noticed a motorhome standing off to one side, eventually we discovered it was members de Villiers and Yvonne, who joined us on the Wednesday evening. Unfortunately, they had a commitment to leave the following morning. We trust that we will see them at future rallies.



We were privileged to have the current and three previous National Chairmen at the rally, from left to right: Willie & Madelein, Tim and Val, Nowell & Marsha and Ari and Herma.

Don't ever let anybody tell you that the mid-week group are a bunch of old people who sleep in the afternoon and go to bed before the sun sets. The resorts security is proof of this, they had to approach a group of jovial members at 3am to please go to bed.

Unfortunately 2 motorhomes had to leave early, Francois and Suma our "first timers", due to a previous serious accident that Francois had late 2022, he is unable to sleep lying down and decided enough is enough – his lazy boy at home is now the answer, and Vincent and Jill had to leave due to Vincent taking ill. We wish you both a speedy recovery.

Te vinnig het die rally op n einde geloop, snaaks hoe tyd vlieg as mens iets geniet. By Vrydag oggend het een na die ander huiswaarts beweeg, behalwe 9 wat Harties Boot Klub toe vertrek het om by Januarie Noordvaal rally aan te sluit.

All in all the feedback of attendees was that the idea of midweek is great and everyone just wanting to know: when is the next one?

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