

Membership Categories

A) Individual Membership (students, local and abroad):

Individual membership is available to all wildlife managers, scientists, conservationists and decision-makers in the field of renewable natural resource conservation and wildlife management.

Individual members:

- Receive the association's publications: the South African Journal of Wildlife Research (hard copy & electronic copy) and the annual News Bulletin (since 2007 only available electronically).
- Receive regular electronic news circulars, "SAWMA Matters" by email.
- Have free access to the online version of the South African Journal of Wildlife Research. Authentication is arranged via User ID and Password. The password is renewed annually and provided to all paid up members.
- Are eligible for office and qualify to vote for the executive council.
- Qualify for lower Symposium registration rates as well as a discount on page fees for publications in the South African Journal of Wildlife Research.

B) Institutional Membership (Local and abroad):

These include institutions, e.g. libraries, universities and research organisations that would like to receive the association's publications through direct subscription

Institutional Members:

- Are provided with subscription to the South African Journal of Wildlife Research
- Have access to the online version of the journal. Authentication is arranged via User ID and Password. The password is renewed annually and provided to all paid up members. Are NOT eligible for office and do not qualify to vote.
- Do not qualify for lower Symposium registration rates or a discount on page fees for publications in the South African Journal of Wildlife Research.

Registration forms are available on the website: <http://www.sawma.co.za/> or from the secretariat:

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Membership rates 2009

Local Ordinary members:	R300	Student members:	R150
Pensioners: 170	R240	Foreign Institutional members:	USD
Local Institutional members:	R575	Foreign Ordinary members:	USD 81

Membership data from 2004 to 2009

SAWMA MEMBERSHIP	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 /current
Local Ordinary (Individual)	226	233	231	231	253
Local Institutional	19	22	24	19	19
Student	54	57	58	46	42
Ordinary Foreign	14	16	14	12	11
Life	31	34	34	31	28
Honorary	4	4	4	4	4
Complimentary	7	9	7	7	9
Total	355	375	372	350	366

Note: The above data excludes the suspended membership and members who cancelled their memberships in 2008/2009. Unfortunately due to non-payments between January 2008 and February and March 2009 a total of 30 memberships had to be suspended and 12 members cancelled their membership during 2008.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

A total of 45 new members registered during 2008 and to date 9 new members have registered since the beginning of 2009.

Student members 2008

Mr Anthony Borrel (Unisa Conservation Student, Swaziland)

Ms Amy Doubell (National diploma student in Game Ranch Management at the NMMU)

Mr Ross Hawkins (currently busy with National Diploma in Nature Conservation)

Ms Izelle Joubert (Busy with B.Tech Diploma)

Mr Lucky Mangena (African Global Skills Academy, PE)

Mr Gerhard Nortjé (Busy with M.Sc.)

Mr Mattheus Pretorius (busy with B-Tech in Nature Conservation, TUT)

Ms Sieglinde Rode (busy with M.Sc. in Environmental Management; Hoedspruit)

Mr Stefan du Toit (B.Tech Game Ranch Management, completed 2008)

Ms Michelle Thorn (Currently busy with Ph.D. in Biological Sciences, University of Brighton)

Mr Lwazi Khuzwayo (Eastern Cape Parks Board)

Local Individual members 2008

Dr Marisa Coetzee (Grootfontein Agricultural Development Institute, Middelburg)

Mr Sikhumbuzo Dlamini (Eastern Cape Parks)

Mr Nicholus Funda (Tshwane University of Technology)

Mr Lulama Funayo (Eastern Cape Parks)

Dr Jerome Gaugris (Centre for Wildlife Management, UP)

Ms Bev Geach (Eastern Cape Parks)
Ms Catharine Hanekom (Ecological Services, Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife)
Mr Stefan Hattingh (Saasveld, NMMU)
Dr Matt Hayward (Scotia Sanctuary, Australian Wildlife Conservancy) – complimentary member
Dr Bettine Janse van Vuuren (Dept of Botany and Zoology, US)
Mr Johan Kruger (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Ms Mmatlhanya Legodi (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Mr Philippe Lesage (Brakpan)
Mr Moremi Lesijane (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Mr Ntsikelelo Lester (North West Dept of Agriculture, Conservation & Environment)
Ms Thihumbuli Makuya (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Mrs Nomcebo Malatji (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Dr Jason Marshal (School of Animal, Plant and Environmental Science, Wits)
Mr Bobby Masuku (North West Dept of Agriculture, Conservation & Environment)
Ms Mikateko Ndlopfu (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Mr Dzivhuluwani Mphaphuli (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Ms Shonisani Mphaphuli (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)
Mr R Pearse (Manager: Pumba Private Game Reserve)
Mrs Sacha Peinke (Eastern Cape Parks)
Ms Candice Roux (Shamwari, Eastern Cape)
Mr Wilfred Seithamo (North West Parks & Tourism Board)
Mr Serf Serfontein (Busy with MPhil at UP)
Mr Twakundine Simpimba (Zambia Wildlife Authority, Kafue National Park)
Mr Neil van der Merwe (Zimbabwe)
Mr Dawie van der Walt (Johannesburg Zoo, Rietkuil Breeding and Conservation Research)
Ms Minette van Lingen (Grootfontein Agricultural Development Institute, Middelburg)
Mr Christiaan Visagie (Dept of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Polekwane)

Local Institutional members 2008

Dept Forest Resources and Wildlife Management, National University of Science & Technology, Bulawayo (Complimentary member)

Wildlife and Ecological Investments (Somerset West)

New members 2009:

African Lion & Environmental Research Trust, Zambia (Institutional Member)

Mr Geordie Gartrell (Reserve Manager. Duma Manzi Game Reserve)

Ms Robyn Hetem (Student at School of Physiology, University of the Witwatersrand Medical School)

Dr Francis Mkanda (Zambia Wildlife Authority, Kafue National Park)

Ms Lizette Moolman (SANParks, Knysna)

Mr Gareth Newby (Student: Wildlife management)

Dr Amani Saidi (Bronkhorstspuit)

Ms Michelle Thorn (Student: University of Brighton & University of Pretoria)

Mr Peter Coulon (eLan Group, Durban)

Membership cancellations 2008:

The following members cancelled their membership: Ms Sanet Briel, Mr CS Cronje, Mr Hylton Herd, Dr Ute Kryger, Mr Andre Marais, Mr Suleiman Mia, Mr Kevin Shaw and Mr Lochran Trill. SAWMA also says goodbye to Dr Rob Little, who has been the WWF-SA representative in SAWMA and who were Journal editor for SAJWR from 1993 - 1997 as well as Prof Tim Crowe, a previous president of SAWMA. Two long standing members who deserve special mention are Ms D Velcich (member since 1972) & Dr Wolfgang von Richter (Founder member), who decided to cancel their membership with SAWMA in 2008. We wish them all the best and thank them for their support over the years.

OBITUARY'S

We were saddened to learn of the passing away of the following members:

Nora Kreher Founder and Chairperson of The Bateleurs. Nora passed away on 30th October 2008. Nora has been a long standing member of SAWMA and was widely known.

Susan Macdonald, wife of Dr Ian Macdonald, passed away on 22 October 2008

Prof. Steven Piper – previously from KwaZulu Natal University, passed away unexpectedly on 25 March 2009. Steven was a long standing member of SAWMA and joined the association shortly after its inception.

We wish to convey our deepest sympathy with their families.

Members on the move during 2008

Some members made career changes during 2008. *(There must be more, but unfortunately I am only aware of these - editor)*

Mark Anderson, previously from Dept Tourism, Environment and Conservation, Northern Cape has been appointed as Executive Director: BirdLife South Africa.

Koos de Wet resigned from Mpumalanga Parks Board and has been appointed as Ecologist for Golder Associates Africa

Sam Ferreira, previously at CERU, is now working for SANParks in the Kruger National Park.

Sandra Hedges was appointed as Assistant Project Manager for the Kruger to Canyons Bird Route with BirdLife SA, based in Phalaborwa.

Marna Herbst was appointed as *Regional Ecologist - Arid Park Cluster*, South African National Parks (SANParks), Kimberley.

Tom Hugo previously from Botswana, is now based at Lapalala Wilderness, Vaalwater.

Tim Jackson, previously from CERU, is now the Scientific Editor for African Geographic.

Jessi Junker, previously a student at CERU, is currently doing her PhD in Germany with the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology.

Charlene Bisset is working for Kwandwe Private Game Reserve.

Claudia Schoeman has moved in February 2008 from Ruanda back to Germany and is now working for Federal Research Institute for Animal Health, Institute of Epidemiology.

Candice Roux is now working at Shamwari Game Park in the Eastern Cape.

Dave Zeller has moved from Knysna to McGregor.

Congratulations to the following members who recently obtained Ph.D. Degrees:

Jacqui Codron, Daniel Parker, Amanda Page Brock & Frans Radloff. *(Sorry if I left out any names! - editor)*

The following members have new addresses but we do not have their latest contact details. If you have any contact details for them, it would be appreciated if you would pass them on to the secretariat.

Dave Simpson, who apparently now lives in the Eastern Cape. He is an honorary member as well as founder member.

Dr PT Jessen, Gabarone, Botswana

SAWMA website and Face Book Group:

Please visit our website, <http://sawma.co.za>. Job adverts, the regular e-news circular (SAWMA Matters), upcoming events etc. are updated on a regular base. Thanks to our new student representative, Kelly Marnewick, the SAWMA Face Book Group is now also up and running. We would like to invite you to join Face Book as this is a great networking tool and it allows us interact with everyone. It also allows us to keep you up to date with all the latest developments at a regular basis as well as to publish photos. Please have a look on www.facebook.com, Southern African Wildlife Management Association.

SAWMA turning 40

SAWMA will be turning 40 in 2010. We would like to use the annual symposium to celebrate this. Please send us your suggestions on how to make the event special.