



Library and Information Association of South Africa

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LiSLIG has four active branches, i.e. Eastern Cape, Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, and Western Cape.

The Gauteng Branch is still not operational. At the 2009 AGM they undertook to work on this, but unfortunately I've received no report or any information during the year from this branch.

I would like to report on the following:

1. COMMITTEES

1.1. Committee Members

1.1.1. National Committee

As elected at the National AGM in October 2008 in Cape Town:

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1.1.2. Eastern Cape

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Note: Ms Torlesse took over as Chairperson after the previous chair, Ms Shirley Kabwato, had resigned in August 2009. They decided that she'll stay on as Treasurer.

1.1.3. Free State

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1.1.4. Gauteng

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MNIKI, Noxolo			CSIR

MATLALA, Florence			Dept Transport
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1.1.5. KwaZulu-Natal

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1.1.6. Western Cape

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Note: Ms Amy Bell Mulaudzi was no longer available to serve on the committee and Margie Struthers from the Peace Library at the Centre for Conflict Resolution agreed to serve on the committee until August 2010.

1.2. Committee Meetings

Eastern Cape: At the committee meeting held at NELM on 18th November 2009 plans for the year ahead were discussed in depth. The thoroughness of this planning meant that no further formal committee meetings needed to be held, but committee members liaised via telephone and e-mail. As joint signatories of the Post Office Banking account, the Chairperson and Secretary had to visit the Post Office together to conduct banking transactions.

Free State: 9 December 2009, 6 March, 6 May, 15 July.

Gauteng: No information

KwaZulu-Natal: 15 January and thereafter committee members regularly communicated via telephone or e-mail concerning all LiSLIG matters.

Western Cape: 18 November 2009, 3 February, 3 August.

2. ACTIVITIES

2.1. Eastern Cape:

a) 2009 AGM Meeting @ East London Museum Library 15 October 2009 was attended by 20 people and 12 apologies received. Rachel Williams, the host librarian, gave an interesting talk entitled 'More than what meets the eye – the story behind the museum artefacts'. This was followed by a very interesting tour of the East London Museum Library. Dorothy Pitman the librarian at Bayworld in Port Elizabeth gave a presentation entitled 'When the fish tank leaked – a case study'. Important insights into disaster management and rescue methods for library materials were learnt by all.

b) Paper Conservation Workshop. 9-10 February 2010 held at the Albany Museum, Grahamstown, presented by Fleur Way-Jones. 11 people attended: and gained valuable practical knowledge on how to repair and conserve documents and books. Mario Rionda, bookbinder and restorer, gave an informative talk on his work as a bookbinder and restorer of old books. He brought examples and photographs to illustrate his points.

c) Meeting at Bayworld in Port Elizabeth on 21 April 2010, attended by 16 people. During the meeting members gave extensive and very interesting report backs on their libraries, courses attended etc. (This included an illustrated report back by Fiona Still-Drewett on the Conservation / Book Repair Workshop held in Grahamstown from 9-10 February 2010). Unfortunately the planned visit to the Africana library had to be cancelled due to the strike by municipal workers. (It will be rescheduled for a meeting in Port Elizabeth in 2011). To make up for missing this visit Dot Pitman of Bayworld arranged an interesting interlude with the moving dinosaur models and a short informative visit to her museum library. Lunch was at the Bayworld café.

d) Meeting at Public Library Hall, Hill Street, Grahamstown on 21 July 2010, was attended by 33 people. Michael Warren, a lawyer from Port Elizabeth, gave an excellent PowerPoint presentation on South African copyright law, which covered questions members had submitted to him beforehand. In the afternoon members had a choice of a tour of either the Library for the Blind or the High Court Library.

2.2. Free State

a) 8 March 2010: The guest speaker, Me Huldah Raubenheimer, FS Chairperson of IGBIS, presented the following PowerPoint presentation, "Library Catalogues into the 21st Century". It was quite informative and made all of participants aware of the serious problems and changes facing cataloguers today. AACR 2 vs RDA (Resource Description and Access) was discussed as RDA is based on the FRBR model (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records). 18 people attended.

b) 6 May 2010: The guest speaker was, Me Rhonda Bezuidenhout, Resource Centre Manager. She explained and showed the layout, activities and the services of the new library at the Bloemfontein Campus of Motheo FET College taking place at the Bloemfontein Campus. 14 people attended.

c) 15 July 2010: Me Hester van den Berg, from SA Media on the Bloemfontein Campus of UFS, explained the activities and services going on at SA Media. All work stations were visited, starting at the marking of articles, processing sections and up to the final scanned articles available on SA Media's website. 10 people attended.

d) 18 August 2010: AGM at CUT FS, Bloemfontein Campus. After the business part of the AGM, the members joined the LIASA AGM for a motivational speech by Mr Igno van Niekerk. 7 members attended.

2.3. Gauteng

No information received.

2.4. KwaZulu-Natal

a) 7-10 June 2010: workshops on *Leveraging Organisational Knowledge: The Basics of Knowledge Management and Internet Information Retrieval* and *Web 2.0 Tools and Techniques*, presented by Dr Ben Fouché; Dr Gretchen Smith & Prof Peter G. Underwood from Knowledge Leadership Associates. 21 people attended the two workshops.

2.5. Western Cape

a) 14 April 2010: This event, co-hosted by LiSLIG and the SLA Sub-Saharan Chapter, took place at Central Library. The speaker was Harris Gordon and he spoke on "*Disruptive technology*" - *the radical way that technology is changing the search for information*. The presentation led to a lively debate on the implications of disruptive technology for libraries. The meeting was attended by 27 people.

2.6. National:

a) The national AGM took place on 30 September 2009 at the CUT FS Bloemfontein Campus during the LIASA Conference and was attended by 24 members.

b) After the AGM three guest speakers presented their papers, i.e. Ms Anna-Marie Jonker on *Educational Toys Outreach Programme*, Ms Denise Nicholson on *Copyright and Access to Knowledge issues in Africa*, Ms Fatima Darries on *E-Prints in Library and Information Science* to 48 people.

3. MEMBERSHIP

3.1. Eastern Cape:

78 names on the e-mail address list. Problems were encountered with 6 e-mail addresses which bounced when we sent out notices during February 2010.

3.2. Free State:

34 names on address list, but only 14 paid-up members.

3.3. Gauteng:

No information received.

3.4. KwaZulu-Natal:

No information submitted.

3.5. Western Cape:

There is a slight increase in membership since last year. The latest LiSLIG Western Cape membership numbers received from the National Office for August 2010 stand at 56.

3.6. Membership as from LIASA National Office:

Province	Prim IG	Sec IG	Total
Eastern Cape	19	13	32
Free State	8	5	13
Gauteng North	20	26	46
Gauteng South	24	23	47
KwaZulu- Natal	15	16	31
Limpopo	3	7	10
Mpumalanga	2	3	5
North West	0	4	4
Northern Cape	2	1	3
Western Cape	34	23	57
No indication	1	1	2
Total	128	122	250

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4.1. Eastern Cape:

Balance of R 1991.92 in their Post Office Banking account

4.2. Free State:

Money available = 552.64.

4.3. Gauteng:

No information received.

4.4. KwaZulu-Natal:

Money in the bank = R1,674.03.

4.5. Western Cape:

The LiSLIG WC bank account balances as of 29 June 2010:

Cheque Account – R1,952.41

32 Day Call Account - R17,894.38

4.6. National:

DATE	SOURCE	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
30 Sep 09	Brought forward			R4,823.65
2009/10/26	Donation to President's Campaign		R1,000.00	R3.823.65
30 Sep 10	SALDO			R3,823.65

5. ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

5.1. Eastern Cape:

This September sees the fifth anniversary of the lovely spring day in 2005 on which 12 librarians from various special libraries throughout the Eastern Cape converged on the Nanaga Farm Stall (on the road between Grahamstown and Port Elizabeth) with the intention of establishing a provincial Special Libraries Group under the auspices of LIASA.

This is a committee voting year and nominations will be requested for the AGM in October

5.2. Free State:

This is a committee voting year and therefore nominations had requested by the members. The voting process was finalised at the AGM on 18 August 2010. Dorothy Russell stepped down as chairperson and as a member.

5.3. Gauteng:

No information received.

5.4. KwaZulu-Natal:

None

5.5. Western Cape:

LiSLIG WC would like to acknowledge and thank the Sub-Saharan Chapter of the Special Libraries Association, TSiBA Education, Sabinet, Central Library and SA Astronomical Observatory for their generosity and continued contribution to the success of their meetings over this period.

5.6. National Chair:

5.6.1. Marketing

LiSLIG Link on **LIASA Web Page**:

On National Link: Annual Report 2009 and photo of presenters at LIASA Conference

EC Branch = Photo Paper conservation workshop (Feb 10)

FS Branch = Annual Report 2009

KZN Branch = Planning for 2010

LiSLIG members published in ***Liasa-in-Touch***:

- ✓ Article on the FS branch meeting by E Mostert (Sep 2009)
- ✓ *LiSLIG on the move @2009* by E Mostert (Dec 2009)
- ✓ *Launch of South African classic literature in indigenous languages* by A Smuts (Dec 2009)
- ✓ *New Resource Centre at Motheo FET College* by A Labuschagné (Mar 10)
- ✓ *Library Week at Motheo FET College* by A Labuschagné (Jun 10)
- ✓ Article on the FS branch meeting by E Mostert (Jun 10)

Should there be other items / articles by LiSLIG members not stated here, I do apologise. The reason will just be that I was not aware that the responsible person is a LiSLIG member.

Frequent announcements of branch activities were published on ***Liasa Listserv***.

5.6.2. Last word

I would like the opportunity to thank the National Committee, LiSLIG branch committees and the branch members for their hard work and commitment to LiSLIG and LIASA.

Thank you for all the support given to me as Chairperson for the past two years.

The national election took place during August 2010 and the following members were elected, unopposed, for the various portfolios:

- Chairperson: Ms Ann Torlesse (EC)
- Deputy Chair: Ms Erna Mostert (FS)
- Secretary: Ms Eulanda Thantsa (FS)
- Treasurer: Ms Shireen Davis (WC)
- Add member: Ms Fiona Still-Drewett (EC)

My best wishes to Ms Torlesse, and her new National Committee for 2010-2012!

Ms Erna Mostert
LiSLIG National Chair

29 September 2010