

23 – 25 Maart 2009

Mariana Olivier and her team participated in a project called “What’s in a Name?” presented under the auspices of the Tygerberg Museums and arranged by Louise Ing and Ria Briers on it’s behalf between 23 and 25 March 2009. The venue for the exhibition was the Goodwood Town Hall. The event was a golden opportunity for genealogists to promote their cause. The nitty gritty of family research was the responsibility of three organisations. The GGSA Western Cape, Ancestry24 and the Cape Family Research Forum displayed posters, rendered talks (Ebrahim Rhoda from the CFRF provided a huge screen so that the Powerpoint presentations appeared very professional) and were available throughout to assist and advise newcomers (some not so new) to the wonders of genealogical research.

Photo 1: The exhibition team, Engela van Dyk, Anita Slabbert, Mariana Olivier, Simone Kay and Eugene du Toit, without Alta Griffiths, who was the photographer.

Photo 2: Bernie and Marianna de Jager (middle and right), members who participated in the event.



1 Mei 2009

Op baie kort kennisgewing is op 1 Mei 'n tafel beman by die "Showcase of Hobbies" by die Hermanus Primary School in Hermanus. Alta Griffiths berig hieroor: 'Our genealogy table was in the middle of the hall. Paul Wolvaardt, organiser of the event, sent an email ... that says it all: "Dit het partykeer soos 'n basaar tafel daar by julle tafels gelyk.'" ' Alta, Engela van Dyk en Pauletta Joubert van GISA het die tafel beman en navrae hanteer.



13 Mei 2009

Op Saterdag 13 Mei is die span genooi om 'n stalletjie daar te stel by die Collector's Toyfare in die Edgemead Stadsaal. Lorraine Fautley was weer daar na haar besoek aan haar dogter in Nieu-Seeland. Alta Griffiths kon egter nie daar wees nie met die gevolg dat haar hardekopieë van SAG nie beskikbaar was nie. Gelukkig het Mariana vir haar die stel SAG's op CD aangekoop en kon daarin nageslaan word.

18 – 22 Mei 2009

Die KAB het vanaf 18 tot 22 Mei hul jaarlikse Argiefweek aangebied. Op versoek van Erica le Roux van die KAB, het Mariana rondgeskarrel om 'n aantal pamflette wat die GGSA bevorder in die hande te kry om as deel van die verrigtinge uit te stal. Sy het dus gesorg daarvoor sowel as vir die tentoonstelling van 'n aantal plakkate.



Gedurende die onlangse Argiefweek van die Kaapse argiewebewaarplek, is vir die eerste maal ook 'n kort kursus in genealogie aangebied. Die Afrikaanse en Engelse weergawes van die kursus is op verskillende datums aangebied. Die bywoning het daarvan getuig dat dit in 'n behoefte voorsien het. Jaco van der Merwe (foto) was die bekwame kursusleier.



13 Junie 2009

Die “Wat sê ‘n naam?” seminaar gedurende Maart, het daartoe gelei dat die Departement van Kuns en Kultuur en die Cape Family Research Forum versoek het om 'n beginnerswerkwinkel vir 'n groep jong mense wat in hul erfenis belangstel, aan te bied. Dit is op 13 Junie aangebied en deur Alta Griffiths gekoördineer. Daar is gebruik gemaak van kwartierstaatvorms (wat voor die tyd vir voltooiing uitgedeel is) en heelwat videomateriaal, Die span was aangenaam verras met die entoesiasme van die groep.



6 - 8 Augustus 2009

Mariana Olivier, the team leader responsible for exhibitions, reports on the Goodwood Expo 6-8 August 2009, as follows:

“A year ago Louise Ing and Ria Briers from the Tygerberg Museums invited us to their 7th annual Collectors & Hobbies Expo. This was the first time that we ran a stall at another organisation’s exhibition and we did not expect much interest. We were very wrong! Not only were we inundated



with queries, but received so many invitations from other organisations to run stalls at their exhibitions that we could not accept all of them. This year Louise and Ria once again invited us to their Collector's & Hobbies Expo and also made arrangements for us to present three workshops for beginners. Eighty-eight people attended the workshops. We would like to thank Louise and Ria for the opportunity to promote family research. Louise purchased a complete set of SAG's which were at our disposal throughout. Our stall was also very busy. There was hardly a moment without any visitors and the team had to be at their sharpest to answer questions and provide advice throughout. Simone Kay with her laptop was of great assistance because she was actually able to provide internet access to NAAIRS and so start beginners off on their quests. The stars at the Expo were 79 year old Rowena Bannatyne and her 84 year old sister Jean Savage, who recently returned from Britain after having traced their family there and are now busy tracing them in South Africa.



26 September 2009

The Genealogy Day held at Paarl on Saturday 26 September was hampered by some challenges this time around. In the first instance, the venue was not up to standard as was found during previous years. Secondly, the newspapers which we approached to advertise the event, did not respond favourably and thirdly, the weather was not conducive to anybody braving it outside. It



goes without saying that our visitor numbers declined considerably and that we will not be using the same venue in future. Participants were: The Henning Familiebond (photo 1), Prieur du Plessis, The Cape Town Family History Society, GISA, Huguenot Museum, Huguenot Society of SA, Military Research of Colonel Graham du Toit and the Cape Archives. Nevertheless, the positives were that, due to the diminished number of visitors, personal attention could be afforded to those who did go to the trouble to attend. Exhibitors used the time to network and so build up valuable relationships for future co-operation. And the highlight of the day was certainly Anita Pekeur's (photo 2) delicious vetkoek, which was enjoyed by exhibitors and visitors alike!



31 Oktober 2009

Op 31 Oktober 2009 het die uitstallingspan, verteenwoordig deur Alta Griffiths, Lorraine Fautley, Simone Kay, David de Klerk en Engela van Dyk, ons weer verteenwoordig op die Pionierskool Wielefees in Worcester, met die doel om genealogie te bevorder. Die span het die dag in die buitelig geniet ten spyte van die afname in besoekerstal in vergelyking met verlede jaar.

