

Dudley James Award for Excellence in Scouting

Presented by the Nangu Thina Network 2002 - 2007

Dudley James started his scouting career on the 1st of January 1961 in Benoni where he became a keen cub and only ended his days there as a Rover in 1973. After he has started his family and has moved over to the Lowfeld he continued his scouting career as troop Scouter in White River in May 1980 and only finished there in Dec. 1996 to take over the newly formed Mpumalanga Area at the beginning of 1997. He ended his term after five years of hard work in the beginning of 2002 and is now working in the back office serving as the area chairman for Mpumalanga.

During all these years of service to the brotherhood of scouting and the local community he showed great dedication to the movement with outstanding leadership. This dynamic person had visions for scouting as a whole but also new and innovative projects that benefited the community. His endurance and long-term dedication made things possible that other had never dreamed of. The starting of the MP area and its enormous growth is to a large extent due to his vision which was made reality with a strong team of supporters.

Also the support of Guiding was always important to Dudley, not only because of the members in his family but also as it is the sister movement to scouting. It is a great way for girls to experience the outdoors and be valuable to the community.

The highlight in his scouting career was surely all the international contacts that he gathered since he joined the SA contingent to the World Jamboree in Holland in 1995. The friends that he found there were invited to the Lowfeld and after only a year the friendship grew stronger and stronger. Today the Nangu Thina members with other friends from all over the world are frequent visitors to Mpumalanga and partners in scouting.

We would like to acknowledge this exceptional person and identify other Scouters and Guiders that served the movements in similar outstanding ways. Individuals that have a **long standing** record for **dedicated service** but also scouters/guiders that have newly joined the movement and have shown **innovation and leadership** in that what they do. We would like to honour and encourage them to continue in their scouting/guiding career and be an **example for others**. Only with dedicated scouters and guiders the movements will grow stronger in the Mpumalanga Area.

This special award is presented **annually** to mark the achievements of special people in the scouting and guiding associations. That is why we choose to have this award.

Hoping to have many nominations for the years to come
Yours in Scouting

Uwe Bothur
Chairman Nangu Thina

Details

Nominations for the Award shall be handed in between the **1.3 and 1.12. of each year**. The Committee will make a decision up to the 15.2 of the following year and **present the award during the B.P. camp** ceremony thereafter.

The award includes the **participant's fee for a trip to Germany** with a group from Mpumalanga or South Africa.

Guiders and Scouters from the age of 18 years on from the Mpumalanga Area can be nominated.

The award will be presented annually up to the year 2007 which marks 100 years of scouting.

A nomination must include

- name and address details of the nominator,
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- a short overview of his /her guiding/scouting career
- a picture of the nominated person
- a concise reasoning/argumentation for the nomination
- two references

The committee consists of :

- Dudley James
- The area commissioner of SASA MP (Elvis Mdaka)
- The regional commissioners of GGASA MP (Eunice Rikhotso and Jan Davidson together with one vote)
- The Nangu Thina Chairperson (Uwe Bothur)
- The Nangu Thina Vice-Chairperson (Joerg Hagmaier)

Nominations shall be handed in to:

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