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Editor's corner

The social side of shifting

SOCIAL get-togethers are an integral part of readjusting to new surroundings. Newcomers find comfort in familiar accents, familiar things.

Clubs are popular venues where people find both and southern African expatriate clubs abound across the world.

In addition to the club contacts pages at the back of this magazine, we have introduced a new pictorial feature - Social Scene - for readers and clubs to display pictures of their latest event.

We invite ANY southern African expatriate to submit pictures of events for publication. We can't promise, but will do our best to run as many as possible.

Monty Friendship, our regular wine buff, has come up with a cracker this time around - the annual Nederburg Wine Auction. He, and Cape Town photographer Matt Stow were on hand to catch all the action.

Marc and LucyAnne Botham live in Vancouver and Marc has given us a detailed look at living in that vibrant Canadian city on the edge of the Pacific.

For those interested in moving to the US, Mandy Jacobs' story is worth catching. Today, she's a resident of California and runs a business helping southern Africans in particular gain residence and start businesses in the US.

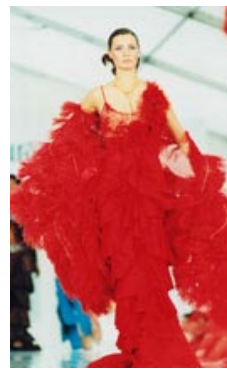
In future editions she has undertaken to give more detailed information, which we are eagerly looking forward to.

Bahrain in the Persian Gulf isn't everyone's destination when moving "out of Africa" but Bulawayo-born hairdresser Steve Herschel found his niche there.

Today, he runs his own salon and is doing fine, although getting used to the extreme temperatures of the Middle East took some doing.

Again, we are always looking for your stories. Please help others by sharing your emigration experiences. Many people thinking of upping stakes would love to know the pitfalls!

- Tom Henshaw



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Wine, women and WOW!

That's the Nederburg experience



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THERE seems to be uniform agreement that the Nederburg Auction is the Cape's premier social event of the year. There has never been any doubt that it is the biggest wine auction in South Africa. There were buyers and journalists from 28 countries attending. Indeed it is right up there with any auction worldwide.

This year was the 28th Auction and once again the weather was stunning. This time of year in the Cape, with temperatures around 25C, brilliant blue skies and freshness in the air, make this probably the most beautiful spot on Earth.

Another world record for auctioneer Patrick Grubb who was wielding his gavel for the 28th successive year at the Nederburg.

The buyers and media turn out on the Friday. This is a working day with the bulk of the buying been done by about 6pm. The fun part is on the Saturday.

Twelve hundred guests are welcomed then, with the usual red carpet and a trio playing classical music. A jazz combo wandering throughout the Nederburg homestead grounds. The participants were forced to gorge themselves on oysters, Cape cheeses and



Magnum Force: Monty's breakfast arrives!





Bid buddies: Auctioneer Patrick Grubb (left) and auction manager Bennie Howard at the microphone.

limitless quantities of sparkling wine until the opening address, this year by Italian wine estate owner Marchese Piero Antinori.

If you like Italian wine then you probably know of Piero. His family have been making wine for 600 years and appear to be getting the hang of it. Probably his best-known wine is the super Tuscan, Tignanello. You might recall that Mr. Antinori was the Decanter Man of the Year in 1986.

In his address he urged the South African industry to, “have a long term vision, perseverance and, above all, a great passion and a real obsession for quality.”

“It is essential to establish a country’s reputation for excellence first, by starting with the best quality and most expensive wines until these are entrenched with the consumer market.”

I couldn’t agree more, but all the evidence seems to point to some greedy exporters putting large quantities of rubbish on the shelves in London and elsewhere which has already done serious harm and will take a lot to recover from.

He also thought countries should be known for a particular cultivar and suggested that we should go with Pinotage.

“I know that there is still debate on this subject in some quarters but if there is certainty and conviction that Pinotage can bring forth a world-class wine, then it would indeed be important to promote it even more worldwide.”

After selling the remainder of the wine, the auction proper closed at 12 noon and a charity auction was held immediately in aid of the Hospice Association of South Africa. A bottle of 1780 Bual Madeira went for a modest R12,000. The



Voice of experience: Piero Antinori gives the opening address.

Prat of the Week Award

IF THERE is one place on earth that you are not going to get a “corked” wine it is at the Nederburg Auction. There are many hundreds of bottles served throughout the day and all of these are opened and tested by Cape Wine Masters and Diploma Graduates of the Cape Wine Academy.

Anything even vaguely wrong is rejected out of hand.

Therefore I make the award to the genius that sent back two bottles of Nederburg Prelude.

“These wines are corked, My Good Man!”

The tasters certainly didn’t think so and the head taster, a Cape Wine Master, was called and adjudged them to be perfect.

Perhaps the gentleman was trying to impress his girl friend or guests.

He certainly made an impression, but perhaps not the way he had hoped!



In full swing: Local and international buyers bid at the 2002 Nederburg Auction.

highest price was R65,000 for a trip on the Blue Train and the first set of 10 bottles of Nederburg Cabernet Sauvignon ranging in size from 250ml to 27 litres. The latter would be an ideal size for my next braai!

R193, 500 was raised in total for the Hospice.

Then the fashion show. The highlight for the non-buying guests. Creations from 20 fashion houses were paraded, including the Zimbabwe Sun Collection from that country. Most designs were quite wearable with the odd one being over the top. I think to myself: "Where on earth could you wear that!"

Still, a plethora of beautiful women displaying large areas of flesh and most pleasing to the eye. The models are really professional, there is not that much room on the catwalk and if one of them turned left instead of right I have lovely visions of a huge human pile-up with long limbs and breasts intertwined. Didn't happen unfortunately.

Miss South Africa, the very lovely Vanessa Carreira, was there throughout the day, mingling with the guests and having lots of photo opportunities and she also did a parade on the catwalk at the end of the fashion show.

You know the "bimbo" type ideas that many people have about beauty queens. These are really not justified. I have met several Miss South Africas over the years and they have all been extremely intelligent and well read, poised, elegant and courteous. A real credit to the country.

Next some grub! 1200 meals prepared and served in unison by 100 chefs and a zillion waiters.



Best dressed: The fashion show was a hit with visitors

Steamed Norwegian Salmon served with an apple and chive fromage fraise and a light saffron sauce.

Deboned roasted baby chicken with grilled root vegetables and a rich red wine jus.

Iced soufflé of honey and noble late harvest in a chocolate ramekin with crispy candied pineapple and a compote of woodland berries.

All very well prepared and a novel chocolate spoon served with the dessert. Perfectly useable and then you can eat the bugger!

Eighty-four participants in the auction this year and 157 different wines up for grabs. Red wines made up 70 per cent of the offerings and prices were up 13 per cent on last year, averaging R1310 for a 12-bottle case or just under R110 a bottle.

The highest price was for six bottles of 1966 Pinotage which went for R12,000 or R2000 a bottle. Go well with your next hamburger, I should think!

Other top selling wines were the 30 year-old Nederburg Auction Cabernet Sauvignon 1972 at R8,400 a case and the Kanonkop Paul Sauer 1993 and the Stellenzicht Syrah 1994, both selling for R2,900 for a six bottle case.

In the dry whites, the lovely Vergelegen Chardonnay Reserve 1999 sold at R2,700 for a six-bottle case and the De Wetshof Edeloos 1988 took the noble late harvest honours at R1800 for a 6-bottle case.

In the fortified category the Monis Stamp Collection Port 1948 went for R2,700 for a 6-bottle case.

A new record total of R7,343 million, up nearly 14 per cent on last year and with the top ten buyers accounting for just over half of the total sales. The top buyers were South African, mostly the large supermarkets, restaurant chains and retailers.

The biggest international buyers were from the United Kingdom, Belgium, Indonesia and Zambia. Little Zimbabwe bought 30 cases, but that was more than Finland, Gabon, Ghana, Germany, Japan, Sweden and Tanzania. So there!

As always comments and questions to montyf@iafrica.com.



Ramp vamps: Some of the fashions on show at the 2002 Nederburg Auction.

Social Scene

Welcome to our new section - Social Scene . This section is open to any southern African emigrant, or club, who would like to post a picture (or pictures) of a special event in their lives. Please email your pictures, plus identifying captions and information of when and where it was to <mailto:henshaw@iinet.net.au>.

Boston, USA



Members of the AmaBoston Club enjoy a recent braai

Washington

Despite poor weather, and near-zero support (four people and a dog!) the rsa-overseas club went ahead with a match against a local side. It was judged to be a resounding success, despite losing by 30-odd runs. Another match has been organised to Memorial Day weekend. Contact <http://www.rsa-overseas.com/> for more details.



The team: [from top left to right] Shane van Wyngaardt, Warren Bonochris, Sewes Erasmus, Tim McDonald, Schalk van der Walt, Chris Coutts, Dave Bonochris, Gary Coetzee, Nicky Swart, Hein Smit, Antonio Piriano.



Howzat!: A wicket tumbles.

Oman

The South African Group in Oman recently held their second Annual dinner. A great time was had by all!



Vanessa Mommsen and John Arnold certainly enjoyed themselves.



Dermot de Gersigny won a Pashmina for Marinda and Adriana Kettel a RO 50 Woolworths voucher.



Camera winner Gareth Hutchinson receives his prize from Beryl Nicholson who won a Desert Discovery family weekend.



Marc Botham: First job in Canada was far from ideal.

Vibrant Vancouver

Marc and LucyAnne Botham found a warm welcome when they arrived in Canada, but warn that it can be expensive . . .

IT'S HARD to believe that its been 11 years since we left South Africa for Vancouver, in some ways it feels a lifetime away. So much has happened to us personally and our careers, yet it also feels like we left SA just a few months ago too.

My first impression of Canada was . . . on our arrival at Vancouver International Airport at 11.45 pm on a Friday night - that it was super-clean, modern and FRIENDLY.

Yes, getting beaming smiles from officials saying "welcome to Canada" - after being hassled by officials at Minneapolis airport for hours (trying to prove we were actually heading for Canada and not trying to sneak into the US) was in itself comforting and I took it as a good sign.

My first surprise when we arrived here was that I never really heard anyone speak French, to this day I've only met about six people in Vancouver who are French Canadian . . . and here I was expecting everyone in the country to be as bi-lingual, as the English and Afrikaans are in SA.

I'm told that in Ottawa things are more bilingual - on paper and signs especially, and then again in Montreal you hardly hear English again. Even though Canada in a way presents itself with a similar lifestyle to SA there is still a bit of culture shock to be absorbed, from driving on the other side of the road to getting familiar with the banking system etc - great services like getting a phone in a day, or your cable TV hooked up are a definite plus and help one to get settled more quickly

This is a city of immigrants and Vancouver sure has them all - which is great as one tends to fit in quite easily as just about everyone, or their parents are from somewhere else. The largest immigrant population is from Asia, mainly China and many wealthy Hong Kong immigrants moved here after the Expo in '86, so a lot of the building boom is attributed to Asian money, but then so is the high cost of housing. I'm still not used to the fact that the houses here are wood-framed and exteriors are mainly wood siding or stucco - a kind of plaster board. But it does make for some interesting designs and full use is made of loft and basement levels. Vancouver has some beautiful Victorian-style homes all painted up in traditional colours, similar to what one sees in San Francisco - but they are mainly in the trendy Kits and old New West areas. The most exclusive suburbs are Shaughnessy (old mansions - a la- Houghton, Bishops Court) then there is Point Grey, West Van (more modern homes - ocean view) - a la Llandudno, Camps Bay, Waterkloof Ridge, Sandton.

One also hears of the "monster homes" - huge houses, all money, no taste - that have sprung up all over the place, but here its each to his own.

Quite often recently especially one sees jobs posted where Mandarin or Cantonese is required - bringing me to another point - Vancouver is a world-class city in terms of education and technical skills, so when you apply for a job be prepared to stand in line.



LucyAnne applies make-up on a recent shoot.

When I applied for my present job in the advertising field six years ago, I was one of about 150 people applying - all equally capable of doing a good job. Apart from needing to have the proper skills it's also a personality/social factor that can land you a job, or make you not get it.

Here, they want to see that you will fit in, be a team player etc, so it pays to be confident and friendly and open - being arrogant with a "I know better attitude" will get you nowhere. In my company - which is communications related there are more than 500 employees and just in my direct area on a daily basis I work with people from Germany, England, Ireland, Hong Kong, Beijing, Dubai, Japan, Holland, Ireland, India, Russia, Portugal, Peru, the Philippines and oh yes a few true Canadians. There are now seven ex-South Africans in the company as well.

My first job in Canada was far from ideal and was only partially related to my field, but I took it on as we needed the money.

Even then, our rand didn't go very far here and our savings were diminishing at a rapid rate due to having to pay double rent for the first month for the apartment, getting a TV, a phone, an answering machine - or answering service supplied via phone company (essential), a secondhand car to get around with to interviews . . .

Our furniture was only due to arrive a few months later, and until then we needed to get some essential things.

Work. One must be prepared to be open minded and flexible and not expect to find the ideal job. Once you're in the market and have proved yourself, you can look around for a better job.

LucyAnne, who is a trained fashion designer, started off working at Starbucks coffee. She then did a detailed makeup course which landed her a job at M.A.C. cosmetics and after two years became the manager of one of their stores.

Then when our daughter was 2 and just before our son was born she decided to freelance as a make-up artist. That was more than four years ago and she is now very successful and done work for Canadian, American, European and South



High-rise buildings jostle for space in downtown Vancouver near the recently-extended Canada Place cruise ship terminal.



Water views: A Vancouver streetscape

African magazines, catalogues etc.

Vancouver has often been likened to San Francisco or Los Angeles because it has a huge population who love to live and work downtown, unlike most other cities in North America and the US where the cities are business centres only, and at night they're deserted, as people drive home to the suburbs.

It also has a distinct old Chinatown as does San Francisco, but in my opinion it has more too, a huge new affluent Chinese population which has spawned Asian malls, supermarkets, a building boom and incredible restaurants etc.

Together, it makes you realise that in 'Frisco the Chinese have become more Americanised over time.

It's also a bit like LA too, because outside of LA, the city boasts the second highest number of movies and TV series being shot here - hence its nickname - "bollywood" .

Why "brolly" - well get used to it - it rains a lot here.

Vancouver's climate is similar to England's. Because the coastal mountain ranges run east to west, unlike the east coast where they run north to south, our weather is way milder than even states as far south as Carolina. The mountains keep back the icy north pole cold fronts.

There are a few big movie studios here as well as some very good recording studios - local musicians include - Bryan Adams, KD Lang, Nelly Furtado, Cowboy Junkies and the Grapes of Wrath. Also, many bands have come here to record their albums. Michael J Fox lives here, as does Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell of recent.

Quite a few Hollywood stars own penthouses in Vancouver but they do not live here.

The X-files were shot and produced here as was this year's Oscar contender "Monsters Ball". JumpStreet, Mcgyver, Rambo, Bird on a Wire and many other movies were also shot here. Often Vancouver doubles as a US city too - as was the case in "Sleepless in Seattle" -

For a number of years it's been voted the "world's best city to live in" - based upon factors including, living standards, health education and safety.

But it all comes at a price - Vancouver is very expensive compared to most North American and American cities and houses here are more expensive than anywhere else in Canada.

For us time seems to move so fast these days, partly its the hectic pace of life and partly its the fact that we're older now and have two kids as well, aged 2 and 6.

Also we do all our own housework and gardening.

I'm used to it and like most immigrants from SA we just have to accept it.

Anyway, I like the fact that I'm in control of every corner of the house. But there are times when I envy family and

friends back in South Africa who still have live-in maids and gardeners.

Now a lot of my spare time is spent cleaning up or mowing the lawn - at nine at night!

But then these problems pale in comparison to crime, declining education and a dwindling medical system back in SA.

Since arriving our career paths have been shaped and moulded and we are thankful for all the training and experience we've gained.

I have travelled all over the States and Canada and the country has a lot to offer. We've been fortunate to have had four trips back to SA to visit family and friends, but its expensive and time consuming getting there. Now that we have to pay for four tickets I don't see us returning that often - something to consider when moving here too.

Back to general day to day living - one can hire a molly maid once a week or a garden service company. But be warned, its expensive and most "middle class" people don't make use of these services for more than say once or twice a month. As it stands now Vancouver is Canada's third largest city and they say that within the next 5 to 10 years it will surpass Montreal and become Canada's second largest.

I can well see this happening just on looking at how the downtown, city centre core has changed since we arrived. Just about every year there were at least 5 to 11 new hi-rises or buildings going up downtown, mostly luxurious high-rise condos all with these incredible penthouses boasting lap pools and cinema rooms etc - getting snapped up by wealthy Japanese, Hong Kong or American billionaires for between 1 and 5 million dollars each.

I'd say that since weve arrived between 40 and 50 new hi-rises have sprung up downtown, including a new Colosseum-styled library, a second stadium, another big theatre, few more hotels . . . and its still going on. And that's just the downtown core. The outlying areas are also growing quite rapidly. The airport has been greatly expanded upon and is Canada's second-largest and busiest, as it has to cope with the 10 to 15 million tourists who grace these shores every year.

Cruise ships dock in here all summer on their way to Alaska and after "Florida's Caribbean" cruise season we're the second busiest in the world - for the summer month period.

Vancouver is more closely linked to Seattle and Frisco than it is to the rest of Canada geographically, and Seattle is only a two to three hours' drive away, whereas Toronto is a five-hour flight away.

So we have this distinct west coast feel, also seen in the fact that one has California grocery chains here, as well as some gas stations etc that are not seen in eastern Canada.

We also have a Starbucks on every corner, as we we're the company's first venture outside Seattle.



Party time: Botham children Cheyenne, 6, and Paris, two-and-a-half, engrossed in a celebratory meal.

The great thing about living so close to the States is that you have access to anything from the US as easily as what any American does. I constantly just order my software upgrades directly from the US company and it arrives the next day by courier. All US magazines, movies and the like are released or on our shelves the same day as they are in the US. We have cheap 24 hour high-speed internet connections in most homes and hundreds of TV channels. So in a strange way its almost as if we live in the US, yet we don't either because there is something more European about Canada

too.

There are now a few Nando's around, and I know of four butchers where one can buy boerewors, droewors and biltong. There are one or two small stores who carry some South African goods, Mrs Balls chutney, Pro-Nutro, Five Roses tea - and two grocery chains who sell Ceres fruit juices.

Taxes are high, but you get things like basic free medical and free Schooling for your money as well as community centres with libraries, gyms and other sports facilities. Sometimes small user fees apply, but they are minimal, considering what you get.

Some additional info to ponder upon:

There are two English Vancouver city newspapers, the Sun and the Province and quite a few regional local community papers, including some Chinese papers.

You can work downtown and within 20 minutes be ski-ing on one of the local slopes. The world-famous Whistler Ski resort is a few hours' drive north of the city. Vancouver and Whistler are bidding for the 2010 Winter Olympics. The Island of Vancouver is only linked to the mainland by ferries and the trip from the lower mainland to Victoria takes a few hours, but it's a gorgeous trip as you wind your way past some of the smaller islands. It's still pretty cheap for foot passengers, but getting pricy taking your car over. Some of the other islands, like Pender and Saltspring have pretty large towns and established communities as well as tons of holiday cottages and retirement villages, but it'll take you two ferries to get there - unless you have your own boat.

If you want open ocean and waves you have to go to the west side of Vancouver Island - beautiful and great for whale watching too.

A three to five hour drive inland takes you to the lake, wine and fruit areas of British Columbia - Kelowna, Okanagan etc and many people head inland for hotter and dryer summer vacations.

Speaking about vacations - expect two weeks for the first five years - three weeks after that - some companies offer more but they're few and far between.

The cheapest new car here costs around \$12 000. Between say \$19 000 and \$25 000 you can get a Toyota Corolla, or Matrix, or small Honda. For about \$5000 - \$7000 you could

buy yourself a reliable oldy. You can get for much cheaper too but it probably won't be long before you'll have to spend money on it and if your vehicle looks suspect and like it needs to be retired. You can be sure you'll be hauled off the roads by some cop cruising by. A one-bed apartment rents for around \$800 a month, excluding lights and water. A three-bed house: expect to pay around \$1500 and up for rent.

Forget trying to buy a house for under about \$200 000, unless it's really small, very run down or you are prepared to spend an hour to two driving to work each day. You can however buy an older townhouse for around \$190 000, the newer ones go for around \$260 000 and 300 000, and the average house price is around \$320 000 - to 600 000, depending on the area- the closer you get to town the more expensive houses become. CDs are relatively cheap, average say \$14, although often one sees specials for around \$9. TVs and DVDs are coming down in prices daily - a 27" Sony Wega sells for around \$700 these days - other 27" TV's could be bought for say \$400 to \$500 on a sale.

IKEA - the Swedish Home store, a great shopping experience and a must for those everyday items - Vancouver now has two Ikea stores.

Shopping here in general is great, stores are open seven days a week and you can get anything you want, plus the food selection is unbelievable. Apart from the big grocery chains you have incredible specialty stores and markets all over, its mind boggling - way more than the States, because here one is catering to a much more diverse population - which is also why you can buy European appliances here more readily than in the States.

Telephone calls: local calls are free. International: you have a choice of companies and with Primus calls to SA at around 33 cents a minute.

IF youre moving here expect rain, Stanley Park on the



Smooth sailing: Cruise ships call in on Vancouver on their way to Alaska.

edge of the city (about an acre smaller than New York's Central Park) is basically a rain forest, and even during the summer months which are meant to be dryer one can still have quite a bit of rain.

But the summer the days are long and one can be watching the sun set or jogging on Kits beach at 9.00 at night.

The city has great summer festivals, including a kids' festival, a famous jazz festival and many others.

To anyone wanting to move here - get used to a faster, hectic life with a few odd slow paced things thrown in ie: you can wait days for someone to get back to you about an interview.

But in general, you work hard and value your free time.

Apparently its even more hectic in Toronto, and the winters are much colder and longer and the summers humid and hot so for Canada, Vancouver gets my vote!

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Mandy Jacob - aware of the expense involved in operating in a dollar-based climate



Johannesburg-born Mandy Jacob has found a unique way to help businesspeople set up in the United States

MY earliest memory, now a long standing family-joke, typifies my upbringing in the true belief that “I could achieve anything I set my mind to”.

The story transpired during my primary school holidays when I was eleven years of age.

My father, an entrepreneur himself and co-founder of Rand Merchant Bank, South Africa, asked me if I wanted to go to work with him one day (with the intention of me doing menial office chores).

I promptly replied, “Fine dad but please, no big deals on my first day, okay?”

Growing up, my mother encouraged me to develop in every facet of life and the crucial knowledge that I could achieve all my heart desired, helped me pave my way to success.

Born and bred in Johannesburg, South Africa, I soon realised it was imperative to acquire an internationally recognised degree in order to build my future overseas.

In 1990 I was accepted at the University of Cape Town (U.C.T.) to do my Bachelors of Commerce (accounts & economics), followed by an Honours Degree in Financial Economics. Thereafter, I was accepted by the University of Warwick (one of the top three business schools in the UK) to do my Master’s of Law (LLM).

Between my graduation from U.C.T and move to the UK, I travelled around the Americas. I fell in love with the USA and consequently applied for the Greencard lottery.

After graduating Cum Laude from Warwick, I was notified by the INS that I had won the GREEN CARD lottery! (a chance of 1 in 55,000,000).

I had already been employed by GE Capital on their Financial Management Program (FMP) and received an extension to enter the US on termination of the FMP course.

This course was life altering. Not only did I gain my MBA but moved countries and companies every 6 months with top-level GE management exposure only experienced by 115 other GE employees.

After this program, at the age of 27, I was made the International Financial Manager for NBC Enterprises (A GE subsidiary) in Burbank, California. Finally, I could return to the land of milk and honey!

After the trials and tribulations of working in a stagnant environment and an insatiable need to improve the world by helping others, I saw the gap in the market. There were no companies in the US with the expertise to help small to medium sized foreign companies and business professionals operate in America!

After conducting a feasibility study, numerous business plans and spending many sleepless nights developing a unique business model, Inkorpa LLC was born in Burbank, California, USA.

Inkorpa’s services range from visa applications, to setting up a company’s legal entity in America, to doing federal, state, county and city tax filings, marketing strategies, GAAP pre-requisites, payroll calculations, insurance packages, relocation, financial planning and budgeting.

Inkorpa’s competitive advantage lies in its unique business model, which allows us to offer our clients a risk free service.

Being a South African, I was aware of the expense involved in commencing operations in a dollar-based climate and as a result have eliminated the expense for fellow foreigners.

Unlike our competitors that require an upfront investment plus consulting fees, Inkorpa only receives payment once the company has become profitable.

All we require from our clients is the investment of their time, since Inkorpa’s success is dependent on their triumph, creating a win-win situation for all. Inkorpa helps immigrants through every decision that has to be made in an unfamiliar business climate, to ensure that corporate, financial and personal targets are attained. (For more information about Inkorpa, please reference our website at <http://www.inkorpa.com>.)

I often get asked the daunting question of “Where do you see yourself five years from now?” and I can honestly answer it by saying that it is not the geographics of “WHERE” I see myself but rather HOW I would envisage myself five years from now.

Southern Africans have been exposed to the joys of our vibrant African sun, I, in turn, hope to meet all the encounters of my life, with that SAME vibrance and joy.

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South Africans have long found refuge across the Indian Ocean in the Australian city of Perth. In recent years the big money in Johannesburg has increasingly seen Western Australia as a place to invest and grow. In this report, **Mark Drummond**, of the *Australian Financial Review*, tells how South African money and expertise are influencing that part of the world.

WHEN a British tabloid leaked news that England had been drawn to play the Springboks in Perth in next year's rugby union World Cup, there was outrage that such a venue would effectively deliver the South Africans a home ground advantage.

Chances are the crowd support from the "large community of South African immigrants", which has so alarmed the English press, will emanate from the corporate boxes as much as the outer at Perth's Subiaco Oval.

That's because South Africans quietly have become a powerful force in corporate Perth as the outflow of investment capital and white-collar professionals from the republic creates a significant influence in what is the closest Australian city to Johannesburg.

Most recently, that investment has been directed at Western Australia's resources sector, which is the backbone of the state's economy.

In a trend set to continue as the falling rand and relaxed currency controls prompt more South African companies to

For South African companies and people, doing business in WA has been made easier by the legion of their countrymen who migrated to Perth in the 1980s to meet white-collar skill shortages in the banking, accounting and legal professions.

The influence of those expats has transcended into the boardrooms of some of WA's best-known public, private and government-operated companies.

They include Ian Mackenzie at BankWest and Iluka Resources; Peter Mansell at WA Newspaper Holdings, Hartleys and Bunnings Warehouse Property Trust; David Schwartz at Schaffer Corp; Paul Farrelly at QPSX; David Taylor at Intellect Holdings; Kevin Clarke at Alesco (the

Taking care of business



"externalise" their operations, some of the republic's biggest mining houses including Anglo American Corp, AngloGold, Harmony Gold, Gold Fields, Iscor and Kumba Resources have spent billions of dollars acquiring substantial gold, nickel, iron ore and mineral sands interests throughout Western Australia.

And the South African influence has extended outside the mining industry along Perth's financial heart - St Georges Terrace.

In 2000, Johannesburg-listed AST Group South Africa's biggest information technology and management consulting group agreed to pay about \$40-million for former stockbroker John Poynton's Poynton & Partners and GEM Consulting businesses.

Among other achievements, Poynton's companies were responsible for luring Australian multi-millionaire Kerry Packer to reinvest in Western Australia, even though Packer had declared the would never again do business in the state after his disastrous property development deals of the 1980s.

There were indications in March that South African interest in WA had spread to the state's pastoral industry, with the Botha family from Bloemfontein teaming up with a local partner to pay a record \$18 million for the Moola Bulla cattle station in the Kimberley.

former Atkins Carlyle); Miles Kennedy at Kimberley Diamond Co; Michael Carrick at African Gold Resources; Don McKay-Coghill at Gold Corporation; Brian Bath at Australian Gold Refineries; and Robin Waters at Kerry Stokes' investment flagship Australian Capital Equity.

In the field of corporate law, Perth's leading specialists include Freehills managing partner Peter Mansell, Mallesons' partner Ian Cochrane and Queen's Counsel Peter Jooste.

In the accounting fraternity, Ernst & Young audit partner Greg Meyerowitz has the prized Wesfarmers audit account, while fellow South African expat Derek Parkin is an audit partner with Andersen.

Perth's better-known insolvency practitioners include Clout & Associates's Louis Nilant, while Paterson Ord Minnett's merchant banker Bob de la Motte and Rothschild venture capital specialist Clive Donner also hail from South Africa.

Kennedy, the chairman of Kimberley Diamond, is a lawyer who left South Africa for Perth (via Melbourne) in 1980.

He says the recent sharp depreciation of the South African rand, caused by the political instability in neighbouring Zimbabwe, will create even more focus on WA mining assets.

"Prudence dictates to big South African mining companies that nothing affects share prices like any degree of political uncertainty," says Kennedy, whose company is about to begin

mining at the Ellendale diamond prospect in the far north of Western Australia it bought from Rio Tinto for \$23million.

“Any prudent South African executive might be keeping one eye on what’s happening in Zimbabwe. Establishing a base in Australia is just sensible planning.”

Kennedy says Australian-based Zimplats, which has platinum mining operations in Zimbabwe, is a case in point.

“By any measure of the book that would otherwise be a \$10 share on its fundamentals, but it is trading at around a buck.”

He says South Africans have yet to embrace the Australian concept of junior exploration companies only 15 such stocks are listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

“I think the Aussies have got a lot to teach them in terms of innovation, running things on the smell of an oily rag, attracting capital and bringing projects up to the stage where the majors are interested,” he says.

Donner, who has financed about 40 mining projects while working for Rothschild, says South African migrants like those who left western Europe for Australia after World War II have excelled in their respective fields because of a strong, and often underestimated, will to succeed.

Donner, who arrived in Australia in 1986 after then treasurer Paul Keating issued 16 foreign banking licences, says in recent years more South African mining companies have realised they have to build offshore asset bases to get access to global capital, secure the longevity of their businesses and balance their geographical risk.

“They realise the need to externalise their assets,” Donner says.

WA’s significance in that asset externalising process certainly hasn’t been lost on South African mining giant Anglo American, or its AngloGold offshoot or 45 per cent-owned diamond associate, De Beers.

After losing out in 2000 to Rio Tinto in the \$3.5 billion takeover battle for WA iron ore miner North, Anglo American recently moved to secure an indirect interest in another Pilbara iron ore project, Hope Downs.

That interest is held via a 9.6 per cent stake (with the option for 10.5 per cent more) in Kumba Resources, which was spun out of its debt-ridden South African parent, Iscor.

Kumba and Gina Rinehart’s Hancock Prospecting are equal partners in the Hope Downs project, which could cost about \$1.3billion to develop if stand-alone rail and port facilities are required.

Elsewhere in the iron ore industry, the \$60-billion merger between BHP and South African mining giant Billiton has obviously increased South African interest in the vast Mt Newman iron ore operations in the Pilbara.

Also in 2000, De Beers was trumped by Rio in the \$750 million battle for control of Ashton Mining, part owner of the Argyle diamond mine in WA’s Kimberley region.



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- Miles Kennedy

Kumba’s other WA interests include a near 50 per cent stake in listed mineral sands miner Ticor, which some analysts believe could be in play if Anglo American secures management control of Kumba.

Kumba also has a 35 per cent stake in WA nickel junior Mincor Resources.

Not all the investments have been winners. Anglo American owns about 25 per cent of troubled WA laterite nickel miner Anaconda Nickel, a large part of the \$323 million cost of which has been written off.

AngloGold is expected to pursue more expansion opportunities in WA after losing out to US-based Newmont in the \$4.5

billion takeover battle for Normandy Mining. In 1999, AngloGold paid \$832 million for Acacia Resources, which owns the Sunrise Dam and Boddington gold projects in WA.

South Africa’s Harmony Gold is wrapping up control of Hill 50 Gold with its \$230 million bid, having earlier absorbed fellow WA gold miner New Hampton Goldfields.

Harmony has an option over a 9.8 per cent stake in AurionGold, which has a suite of WA gold interests, including Kanowna Belle, Paddington, Mount Pleasant, Kundana and 40 per cent of Granny Smith.

South African mining giant Gold Fields (viewed as a potential suitor of AurionGold) has forged a significant presence in WA with the \$526 million purchase of WMC’s St Ives and Agnew gold operations.

Gold Fields chief executive Ian Cockerill says he believes the South African interest in WA mining assets is “simply a reflection of the globalisation and internationalisation of this business”.

“The more your asset base internationalises, the easier it is to finance [acquisitions],” he says.

“It [WA] is a relatively easy place to do business. It’s a place where miners are welcome, as long as they’re responsible. And apart from the [shared] mining history and the understanding of mining, there’s obviously not a language issue and the lifestyle is very similar.”

Like most of the South African miners, Cockerill says Gold Fields relies on local management staff to run its WA operations.

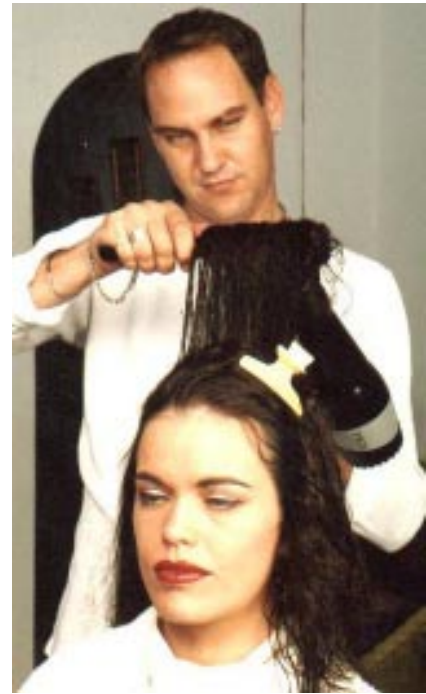
“It’s not as if we loaded the place up to the gunnels with South Africans,” he says.

The president of the Chamber of Minerals and Energy of WA, Peter Lalor, says that with 67 per cent of Australian gold production in foreign hands, there is a broader issue of where foreign companies base their operations.

Lalor says there is a limit to how long the foreign ownership trend can continue.

“It can’t go on forever because we’d run out of marbles,” he says.

Hair today, Bahrain tomorrow . . .



Bulawayan hairdresser Steve Herschel headed for the Middle East to find his fortune

I AM 33 and was born and bred in Bulawayo, having finished school at Hamilton, I decided to take on the career of hairdressing as my mom was in the trade.

I left Zimbabwe in 1993 after being offered a job as a stylist with the Holiday Inn, Bahrain. Not knowing anything about the place and having never heard of it, I thought I would give it a shot.

It was a total culture shock, as everything looked so sandy and desolate, and the people looked kind of . . . covered - well what you could see of them!

It took a few days to adjust to the heat - 47 degrees Celsius and 100% humidity - August is known as the suicide month.

I soon met many other expatriates, working mostly in the banking industry.

Bahrain is the capital of the Middle East banking sector and I began to see a different side to the place.

Despite the weather at that time of year there is still so much to do. Hundreds of hotels, which all support entertainment outlets and several international standard clubs and bars, so being a typical Zimbo, as long as the Castles were

around, which they were, I began to fit right in !

The Arab men and women of this part of the Gulf, have a fantastic rapport with the big expatriate community, which includes Britons, Americans, Aussies, South Africans, Asians, Filipinos and Kiwis.

Life is generally quite laid back!

I run a very successful hairdressing salon catering mostly for expatriates. Many are stewardesses working for Gulf Air.

I have been responsible for doing the Grooming Lectures required by the airline for the past seven years.

My salon is small and I employ three Filipino staff, who have been with me for the past six years.

In total I have been here for almost 10 years. I bought the salon two years ago and so far so good.

I miss Zimbabwe terribly and I try to get back at least twice a year as my dad and my brother still live in Bulawayo.

My dad is now getting on a bit and his health is not at its best; my brother has recently had to have his leg amputated due to diabetes and the two of them live together and support each other as best they can.

My dad does not want to move from there and start over and why should he? He is happy despite the situation.

I would go back to Zimbabwe tomorrow if things came right.

I thought I'd come to Bahrain and make my fortune. I am still trying!

The life is good and I will try to stay as long as they will have me.

My ultimate aim is to head for Australia - Melbourne sounds great.

I would like to say hi to every Zimbo who reads this and wherever you are, don't ever forget those roots!





Coming to America



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The fine art of moving to the States

IN THE early 80s the words from Neil Diamond's song "America" could have rung true for many immigrants flocking to the USA, they could have "come to America, today"! However, after last September 11 it may seem that the lyrics to this song should be changed to "I'm coming to America – NOT!"

Unfortunately, in today's political climate, the methods of attaining residency or citizenship have evolved into a fine art. Don't let all this dismal talk get you down though, after all this is why we are publishing tips on immigrating to the USA.

Follow them and you will not only be able to confidently determine your path to immigration but also to steer friends and family in the right direction.

Some 70,000 South Africans have already followed their dreams to the USA.

OK, a brief rundown on alternative ways you could use to enter the USA before we begin analyzing the specific visas.

Next issue we will analyse the all-incumbent Diversity Visa, more commonly known as the GREEN CARD Lottery. So don't forget the next issue of Out of Africa International to take a chance at living in the US!

For those of you who aren't avid gamblers, there are more succinct ways of ensuring your stay in America.

If you fall into one of the visa categories below, you may be eligible to live and work in the United States.

Only some of these visas lend themselves to extensions and finally, acquisition of permanent resident status, Green Cards and finally citizenship.

However, you will have to read the next few issues to be able to determine what is applicable to you.

The categories to live and or work in the US are:

- Spouses of permanent residents or citizens.
- Immediate relatives of permanent residents or citizens.
- Fiancés of permanent residents or citizens.
- Nurses.
- Airline crew members.
- Religious workers.
- Foreign media.
- Diplomatic personnel.
- Cultural exchange visas.
- Internationally recognized entertainers or athletes.
- International organization representatives.
- Treaty trader or investor visa.
- Intracompany transfer visa.
- Sponsorship by an employer.
- Students.
- Investment/treaty visa.

The visas mentioned above are a mix of both immigrant and non-immigrant visas.

A non-immigrant is classified as a resident with temporary legal status to live and work in the United States.

In the next few articles the emphasis will be on immigrant petitions, commonly referred to as legal permanent residency.

There are two methods of attaining legal permanent residency; firstly, through family relationships with U.S citizens or legal permanent residents and secondly, through employment. Employment visas are the L1A, L1B and H1B.

If you want to see how to come and live, work and play in the U.S.A, read our following issues.

If however, you are too impatient to wait until then feel free to email any of your questions directly to <mailto:info@inkorpa.com> or simply reference <http://www.inkorpa.com> for answers to questions that have already been asked on our Frequently Asked Questions Page.



*Statue of Liberty:
Symbol of
freedom*



*Bridge of size: Golden Gate
bridge in San Francisco.*



BOOKSHELF

Windows

Autobiographies by former Rhodesian students from the Rhodesia Fairbridge Memorial College

Review: By Adrian Montgomery who was born in Bulawayo, educated at Milton, University of Cape Town and the Teachers College. He spent his working life as a teacher. Taught at Hillcrest in Livingstone, Hamilton in Bulawayo, Camps Bay in Cape Town and then moved to the UK where he taught at John Kelly Boys High in London for 11 years. For the last 20 years he taught in Queensland, Australia. He retired from teaching at the end of last year. Adrian can be contacted at admonty@bigpond.com

ALL of us who read out of africa online obviously have an interest in reading the life stories of our fellow ex-Rhodesians. What are their stories? What have they done with their lives? Where are they now? What do they remember and why?

With these thoughts in mind you can imagine my interest when almost by chance I came across a copy of "Windows", a book in which no less than 25 Rhodesians tell their own life stories. But these are no ordinary stories; they are the autobiographies of some of the former Fairbridge students, English boys and girls who were sent to Rhodesia as British child migrants after World War Two.

Many of us may remember television programs such as "Lost Children of the Empire" and "The Leaving of Liverpool" which revived memories of a long discontinued child migration scheme.

The Rhodesian part of this scheme involved only a small part of a scheme that involved 130,000 child migrants. Only a few hundred children were sent to the Fairbridge Memorial College established in ex-military buildings outside Bulawayo and which existed from 1946 to 1962.

In "Windows" former Fairbridge students now have the chance to tell their own stories and the result is a fascinating book which I can unreservedly recommend.

It is one of the most absorbing books I have read in years and will strike a chord in the hearts of many Rhodesians.

There were many reasons that influenced parents to put their children up for emigration.

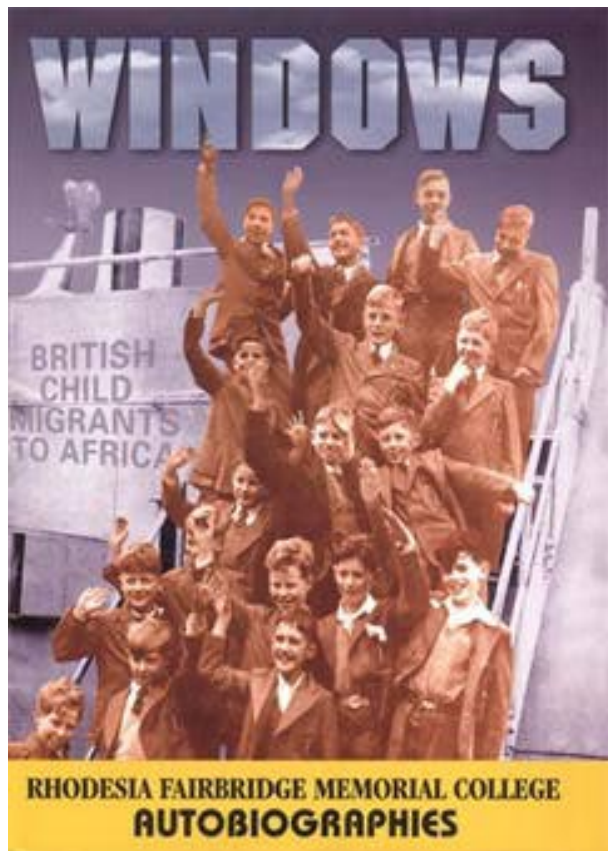
Some believed that it was a chance of a better life, far away from the postwar gloom of an austerity Britain with its ration books and clothing coupons.

Some were single parents widowed by the war and others had less charitable motives of their own.

How these children coped with separation from family and home is one of the underlying themes in many of the stories.

Some never were able to reconcile with their families and for others it is almost as if the Fairbridge family of ex-students, now scattered across the world, was the only real family they had.

The Fairbridge students were sent to Bulawayo schools for their education and former students of Milton, Eveline,



Northlea, Gifford and Townsend may well remember some of those who tell their stories and some of the teachers who taught them.

A key figure in the life of the College was its long serving Head, Tom Robinson who distributed a newsletter to ex-students for many years and indeed some of his newsletters are reproduced in the book.

One student, Thomas Paine writes: "We were extremely fortunate to have people in charge who really cared for our

welfare, and the patriarch and matriarch of those were Tom and Dot Robinson.”

Nevertheless the discipline was very strict by today’s standards and canings were regular as indeed they were in most Rhodesian schools at the time.

One chapter in the book takes the form of a tribute to the Robbies written by John Dunn.

“In retrospect,” wrote Michael Davies “It is amazing how much freedom we were given, especially at weekends.

“On Friday we could put our names down for a packed lunch . . . thus provisioned, we could roam the bush for a whole day. We got to know the Matabele bush very well.

“From the old airstrip up to the basalt-topped sandstone hill called ThabaZinduna . . . the world was ours to explore.

“There were landmarks, the haunted house, the marula tree, the wrecked plane and the old munitions magazine. Saturdays would see little bands of Fairbridge kids playing tactical war planes all over the place, hunting each other with catapults, grubbing in the school rubbish dump for unconsidered trifles, or burrowing tunnels into the old gold mine dumps.

“Once, a tunnel collapsed on me, but my mates pulled me out by my feet.” It seems to many of those who tell their stories in the book that they all seemed to develop independence and survival skills.

“Catherine Maunder puts it like this: “We are now scattered throughout the world but the one thing that we all have in common is that we are all survivors. Being an ex-Fairbridge girl is like belonging to an exclusive club, a sisterhood.”

But in some ways the stories about what happened to the Fairbridge boys and girls after school are of even more interest.

Peter Gould, now living in New Zealand and the man who was responsible for compiling the book writes: “In January 1956 the College supplied me with two suits, other clothing and a ten pound note with which to start my working life . . . ”

Jean Norton writes: “All too soon schooldays came to an end and we were pushed out into the big bad world with five pounds, a new set of clothes but with no idea of life outside an institution and emotionally unprepared to deal with life as a ‘grown up’.”

Francis Pearce tells much the same story. “As I remember it, when we left Fairbridge, there was no fuss or farewell party. You were given the basic essentials – clothing and ten pounds, and off you went to make your fame and fortune in what was to us an unfamiliar world.”

Not a promising beginning but the exploits of those who began their adult life in this inauspicious way make for absorbing reading.

Some did make their mark in life, in both sport and business worlds. Many did well in Army uniform, being well versed in bushcraft.

Some obtained university and college qualifications. Like so many of their contemporary Rhodesians they are to be found all over the world today. The stories of what they did and how they coped and how they got to where they are today will strike a chord with many of us.

“Windows” is an excellent book, not only an entertaining read but also an important addition to Rhodesiana.

The fact that each story is an autobiography told in the writers own words must make the book unique.

“Windows” is available from the Fairbridge Marketing Company Ltd. P.O.Box 6341, Christchurch, New Zealand. The price is \$37 NZ plus postage.

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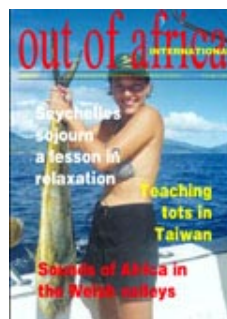
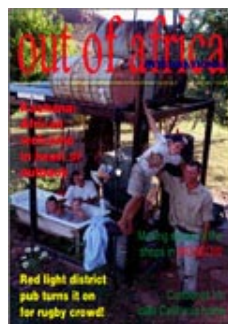
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