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EDITORIAL – VAN DIE REDAKSIE

It has been a long time since the appearance of the previous *Antarctic Bulletin* (Vol. 2, Nos 11/12, March, 1973). For this delay the Editors and the Committee of the South African Antarctic Association wish to apologise. With the generous help of the sponsors, BP Southern Africa (Pty.) Ltd., we are now able to present a double-thick edition of the *Bulletin*.

We are, however, happy to reassure our readers that the Association is alive and well and has its headquarters in Pretoria. The Annual Reports of the Association in this *Bulletin* contain news of the Association's activities. Attendance at the meetings has been excellent (provided that adequate publicity was arranged in advance) and shows that there is considerable interest in Antarctic matters.

Actually, this interest is hardly surprising, for Antarctica offers something for everyone: beauty, the unknown to be explored, the challenge of survival in polar surroundings, and of course the scientific discoveries still to be made there. And it is one of the few places (the only one?) in the world where nations collaborate in the search for knowledge.

Inligting vir Bydraers

Die Redakteurs van die *Antarktiese Bulletin* verwelkom bydrae oor enige onderwerp in verband met Antarktika, en veral oor Suid-Afrikaanse bedrywighede in Antarktika. 'n Onlangse opname onder lesers het die onderstaande volgorde van gewildheid van onderwerpe aangedui:

- (1) Populêre wetenskaplike artikels.
- (2) Ekspedisies.
- (3) Verblyf- en werksomstandighede in Antarktika.
- (4) Geskiedkundige nuus.
- (5) Artikels oor dierelewe.
- (6) Sosiale nuus.

Bydraes moet aan die redakteure by die bogenoemde adres gestuur word.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Readers are invited to send in black and white photographs for our photographic competition. Good colour slides may also be submitted, but a little quality may be lost in copying onto black and white film, but this has been done quite successfully in the past. The best photograph received will be printed on the front cover of the *Bulletin*. Photographs not used on the cover may be used to illustrate articles appearing in the issue.

COVER PICTURE

Winner of the photographic competition for this issue is Trevor Schaefer (Sanae 12) – A husky hitches a sledge ride north of the Borgmassivet.

Information for Contributors

The Editors of the *Antarctic Bulletin* welcome contributions on any subject pertaining to the Antarctic and in particular to South African Antarctic Activities. According to a recent opinion poll, readers place subject matter in the following order of popularity:

- (1) Popular scientific articles.
- (2) Expeditions.
- (3) Living and working conditions in Antarctica.
- (4) Historical articles.
- (5) Articles on animal life.
- (6) Articles of social interest.

Contributions should be submitted to the editors at the above address.

The *Bulletin* is published quarterly and is free to members of the South African Antarctic Association. The charge for membership of the Association is R3,00 per annum. Should you wish to join the Association please apply to the Secretary at the above address