



# The African Telatelist

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## THE BEGINNING OF THE END HAS FINALLY ARRIVED!

Well I guess it was just a matter of time before the main article to our monthly newsletters would dry up.

Unfortunately even the last few standing soldiers (contributing members), have now run out of material. Over the years I have published in the Presidential reports the issues we have been facing as a collectors' club. At the back of one's mind each Excom member hoped that it was just a temporary problem and with time it would improve. Well this was so far from the truth.

So I guess the question on every member's mind now is **"Where to from here and what about Telately 2011?"**

Let's put this to bed immediately – based solely on the participation, Venue availability, membership renewal and attendance of club meetings, Excom has decided to not continue with the hosting of a Telately event. Even simple things like just returning a questionnaire seems to be a problem for members. How can Excom plan an event when there are basically a handful of replies?

In order to try and keep the club alive it has been proposed by EXCOM that a "get together" braai, swap, social day still be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> August (Venue to be announced) whereby each member who attends will be sponsored to the value of R150 for food & salad etc. More info on this in next Newsletter.

As far as the future of the club is concerned, well the god old faithful 6 – 8 members will continue to meet in the short term, but there are no guarantees for the long term. A basic newsletter will still be published and distributed to all paid up members and associate members. However, should the information run out then only the competition and auction material will be published.

Looking back at the history of ATA, members can be proud that for 13 years they received a monthly newsletter and had bi-annual conferences. The writing is now, as they say **"on the wall"**. Excom has run out of initiatives, ideas and pleading for help.

A special meeting will be called in the next few

months to decide on the future of ATA. Until then – Enjoy!

During the club meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> May Hans Joythe came up with a good idea; each member commit to an article of his/her choice for a particular month – Anton will format and scan cards etc. Hans will be making contact with members over the next few weeks in this regard.

### NEW EXPIRY DATE FOUND FOR TELKOM SA Ltd CHIP CARD– SAY WHAT?? - TPBG



With reference to N/L 152 page 2; the first Expiry date found was 2014/03.

A new Expiry date of 2014/04 has been found by Derik Ras during March 2011.

### DAWIE SCHWARTZ FLOATING TROPHY AWARD



The 2010 award eventually was awarded to Cedric Edwards during the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2011 club meeting. Congrats Cedric.