

THE BLACK SASH



Cape Eastern Region

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Mrs Rosemary van Wyk Smith
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Dear Rosie,

We thought you would want to see a copy of Wayne Mitchell's letter in response to ours following on from the public meeting. I feel he missed the point.

There were two COSATU people at the Advice Office meeting on Friday, 25 September--an official and a shop steward--and what an interesting time it was! We mentioned our concern about released detainees often not getting their jobs back (as discussed at Regional Conference in Grahamstown on 29 August), and of course they are very aware of this problem. It is difficult for them in the rural areas where they are perhaps not organised. I wonder whether National Head Quarters could or should take up this issue?

We had a stand on Tuesday, 22 September and it must have been the wettest day of the year! No publicity as usual was given to it. We borrowed words from Cape Town, "Group Areas Hurt", and will stand again this Tuesday. Hope for better weather!

We had a video evening recently and were glad of an opportunity to see "Witness to Apartheid" and a report back on the Lusaka Conference. Most interesting.

Love to all of you.

Joobul.

We are pleased to have appointed Cate Turner as our administrative assistant. She started on 8th September.