



2009-2010: John Shipley,
MB,ChB(UCT) MMed(Orth)(UOFS)
Born in 1947.

An account of his career as Professor in Bloemfontein appears on p 54.

John Shipley was the first President whose term of office ran for one year.

Born in England, he qualified in Medicine at the University of Cape Town, after which he worked at Grootte Schuur Hospital and Mpilo Hospital, Bulawayo.

He proceeded to train in Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of the Orange Free State where he graduated M.Med.Orth. in 1981.

He worked as part-time Consultant at the University Hospital there while engaging in private practice until his appointment as Professor and Head of Department in 2004.

With a special interest in spine surgery, he is a Past President of the S.A.Spine Society.

He was elected to the Executive of the South African Orthopaedic Association in 1984 and became its Honorary Secretary in 1985.. He was Vice President in 2008, and was President from 2009 to 2010.