

TIME TO ORANGE UP!



With just over two weeks to go before the 2016 Sedgefield Slow Festival kicks off, there is once again an appeal for the townsfolk to get into 'orange gear'!

According to Festival organiser Amanda Dixon, the workings of the Slow Fest are falling into place, and the hard-working committee are busy doing everything they can to ensure that all the events will go as smoothly as possible.

"And now it is time for the community to really start 'getting their orange on'," she said. Traditionally many of Sedgefield's business owners have made every effort to bedeck their windows, walls and floors with orange regalia as part of The EDGE 'Get Orange' competition, and this year the appeal is for them to do the same... but earlier!

Indeed extra points will be awarded by the judges (there's great advertising prizes to be won) for businesses who have 'orange'd up' by Wednesday 16th. It goes without saying that even those who don't win will benefit in making the town that much more attractive - in an off the wall kind of way - to visitors and locals.

A further appeal is also being put out for local residents (those who are Slow Festival Fans - which we hope includes EVERYONE) to start getting into orange mode too. Be it a t-shirt, a hat, a scarf or a car decoration... Perhaps even - for those brave enough - a lick of orange paint on the front gate? Start wearing it, sporting it, painting it from now. The more orange Sedgefield gets, the more the our Slow Festival excitement will build.

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SMUTSVILLE LOCALS INTIMIDATED BY ARMED MAN

Several members of the Smutsville community have come forward to The EDGE complaining that a man arrested last year for murder is not only still wandering the streets, but, they allege, he is regularly seen brandishing a firearm. Questions are being raised as to why he is not behind bars.

The man, Ayanda Mchitheka, was taken into custody last year February, following the fatal shooting of Dunovan Bond. Witnesses at the time claimed that Mchitheka had been fooling around with a pistol which went off, severely wounding Bond and ultimately ending his life. Mchitheka was arrested two hours later, but then released whilst the case was being investigated.

He was still out and about in October last year, much to the horror of Dunovan's mother Jacqui Salmons. When a query about this was sent to SAPS, The EDGE was informed that the docket had not been placed on the court role at the time of Mchitheka's arrest, due to a lack of evidence. We were assured that further investigation was continuing, and that the man was due to stand before the judge in November that year.

But he is still on the streets, and according to some residents (names withheld for obvious reasons) he is not shy to point his firearms (they allege he has several) in the direction of anyone who crosses him. They also claim that he has been seen running from the police, somehow managing to evade arrest.

Queries to SAPS regarding the case are yielding no results, but a reliable source has informed us that Mchitheka was picked up in December last year for possession of an illegal firearm. But it seems he is back on the streets again. Asked if she had been given any details regarding the investigation of her son's murder, Jacqui Salmons said that she is aware that Mchitheka is due to appear in court on Tuesday 15 March.

With response from the SAPS Communication department not forthcoming, we asked the CPsF Chair for Sector Six Mike Hofhuis for comment. He said that they have been informed of Mchitheka's actions and would be circulating a petition against his bail for community members to sign. "This is, of course, presuming that he arrives for his day in court," Hofhuis said.

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Notes from T'Ed's Head

We went to the Mother City last week AGAIN.

Really! It seems that we are destined to spend every second weekend motoring the 500 odd kilometres down the N2 to either drop off/ fetch/ bail out/ feed / console /furnish / unfurnish one or both of our offspring. Mrs Ed says it's *The Right Thing To Do* and pooh-poohs my ideas about changing our phone numbers and email addresses to toughen up the little blighters, but secretly I think she just likes the shopping opportunities the big city presents.

At least this time was slightly different. On the second day of our two day trip we ended up in Stellenbosch, a place I have thus far in my life never managed to visit. I must say, seeing all those students hanging around made me quite nostalgic. I suddenly missed 'The Student Life' that I loved living all those years ago.

Now please understand I am not trying to mislead or, indeed, impress you by mentioning my ever having lived *'The Student Life'*, which you may think infers that I actually spent time studying as a student at some poor, unsuspecting University or College.

Of course I didn't, and quite frankly I take offence to such an insinuation. That would have involved knuckling down and actually getting an education. Why on earth would I want to do such a thing at a time when there was far too much amber nectar to be consumed, parties to be attended and bands to be started? No, if the truth be told, apart from a year at the rather poxy Harare Polytechnic as the theory part of my printing apprenticeship, I did not attend any fine tertiary education facility for any length of time.....

But that did not stop me enjoying *The Student Life*:- Hanging out with students, partying like a student, pranking like a student, looking like a student, smelling like a student.. And I thought doing all of this without actually being an actual student was quite impressive. In fact you might say (*thank you so much!*) that I did my honours in *Being A Student Who Isn't A Student*.

I think I'm going to add that to my business card.

But I digress. (*which is odd*



because I don't remember gressing at all.)

Why I have mentioned all of this is to explain why, when we stopped in 'Stellies' (*trendy hey?*) last Monday and I was sauntering around various busy streets and coffee shops, I found it very tempting to coolly sidle up to the groups of twenty-somethings and, you know, spend a bit of 'chill' time with them. Hanging loose with my NBFs you might say.

Surprisingly my daughter (*Fear Factor - yes, she is still learning to drive*) wouldn't have any of it. In fact she refused to let me near any of them and actually pulled me back by my shirt any time I went near anyone under forty.

But eventually I found myself alone with time to kill, after being banished by Mrs Ed and Fear Factor whilst they embarked on their spree of Unnecessary Spending at as many retail outlets they could bustle into. It was one of the worst TSEs (*Terrible Shopping Expeditions*) because they were shopping for food for the latest weight-loss program they were both embarking on, as a sort of mother-daughter-bonding-through-distance-dieting deal. In practice it meant that, despite being 500 odd kilometres apart, they would be eating the same meals at the same time.

I use the term 'meals' very loosely.... There was tofu involved... and bean sprouts... and celery. My goodness.

Sorry to digress again, but being someone who believes in the highly accredited and notably effective *Miranda Hart Weight Loss Programme* (Step one: Eat a little less. Step two: Move about a little more) I find the Purchasing of Diet Food almost at the pinnacle of my *'Shopping Trips I Hate'* list, only narrowly beaten by Mrs Ed's record-breaking *'Something to where for a wedding'* marathon.

Which is why I got myself banished from their company so quickly.

Actually this particular 'banishment' was, if you don't mind me proudly acclaiming (*thank you, again*), quite a record - I managed to get the two women to drop me within the first half hour. Indeed singing the lyrics of *"Do that to me one more time."* (including the high bit in the middle) in a Jamaican accent will certainly be chalked up as one of my better banishment acquiring methods.

So, after a most welcome 'Will you just please go away?' I was left to my own devices, and after popping in to one or two shops I spotted a group of 'varsity aged men and women at a cafe. I sidled over to them and grinned the coolest student smile I could muster up from my memory of cool smiles gone by.....

I think I must have got it wrong.

As I reached their table and they turned to face me, it was instantly obvious that the *Sneer and Sarcastic Grimace* combination had replaced the cooler smiles of the '80s.

I was not put off. In the quest for recognition of my *Student Life* prowess I turned my smile upside down and my cap around the wrong way, yanked my shorts halfway down my backside and offered "Yo peeps, wassap?" I had heard this phrase used in a movie in which the young actors had all worn their pants in a similar style, so I was convinced it would have an impact.

It did.

One of the girls actually threw a smile my way and stood up, obviously eager to make my acquaintance. I raised my eyebrow at her male counterparts and hit them with a sly *"When you got it you got it"* wink (I was so cool I actually dropped the 've off both you - impressive hey?)

The young lady stepped forward, clasped my hand in hers and, looking deeply into my eyes, said

"Awww Sjame! Has Oom lost his car?" She turned back to her friends as she started to lead me off, presumably towards the car park. *"This used to happen to my Oupa all the time,"* she told them. Then back at me, giving my bum a friendly yet sympathetic pat. *"Did Oom go to the toilet? Does Oom need help pulling his shorts up properly?"*

Fortunately that was when *Fear Factor* intercepted us, and after thanking the young lady profusely, and assuring her that I would be looked after and fed, she briskly led me away. "Can you not just be a dad, not some student wannabee?" she hissed when we were out of earshot.

I stopped and looked her in the eye. "Is that what you would prefer?" I asked, "You mean, like a regular old codger? Not hip'n happening? Not an ultimately

cool dude?" "YESSSS!" she exclaimed, as if the penny had finally dropped.

"So what you are saying is that

I... I..." my voice trailed off as I tried to come to terms with what I was about to say. "I.... I should.... cancel... the appointment I made earlier....to

have..... my ear pierced?"

"Oh my WORD," she gasped, **"I'd be mad if you didn't!"**

WATER WOES CONTINUE

The recent downpours were surely most welcome to garden lovers in the greater Knysna area, but according to the municipality, they did very little to lift the level of local water supply. They have issued the following communiqué:-

Knysna Municipality issues a call to work together to ensure water security.

THE WATER situation in the Knysna Municipality has reached critical levels with reserves of this precious resource down to 23 days at the current rate of consumption.

Knysna Executive Mayor, Georlene Wolmarans, urges: "Knysna is on high alert. We appeal to all residents of Knysna to make a conscious effort to conserve water and cut consumption to ensure we get through this thirsty time that is upon our town."

The situation is dire, with the Akkerkloof Dam which is the main reserve facility for Knysna at a critical level of 34% and the Glebe Dam at under 5% which means it can no longer supply the system.

"Each and every one of us needs to think twice about how we use water," says Wolmarans, "with the reality being that we need to cut our usage in half to meet sustainable targets and make our reserves last longer."

The consumption target for the greater municipality, which has been widely published, is eight megalitres of water per day. Currently we are significantly more - 12,8 megalitres per day. In Sedgefield the target is 1,9 megalitres, while the current consumption stands at 2,4 megalitres.

"Unless all Knysna residents start working together, we run the risk that our taps will run dry within the next couple of months," says Wolmarans, "We have reached the point where we need to implement desperate measures to avert disaster."

The Municipality is considering a range of measures to address the issue:

- The implementation of punitive tariffs to curb wasteful usage;
- The roll-out of a water awareness campaign aimed to inform, educate and motivate;
- Strict enforcement of water restriction measures such as the installation of meters with a water management device that limits water supply to properties;
- A water leak repair programme, and
- If we fail to reduce consumption the

municipality will have to institute water "shedding" and rationing.

Wolmarans says: "It has become clear we cannot rely on rainfall to save us. The Municipality is doing everything we can to address the state of affairs, but each and every one of us can do our part at home as well."

Tips to reduce water consumption at home:

- Take a short shower instead of a bath.
- Only flush the toilet when absolutely necessary (preferably using a dual-flush system).
- Set your appliances to economy mode - washing machines and dishwashers.
- Water your garden only at



dusk (18:00 to 19:00) on designated days (Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays for houses with even numbers, and Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays for houses with odd numbers).

- Use grey water (run-off from the washing machine, sink, shower etc.) in the garden if possible.
- Don't brush your teeth, wash the dishes or shave with the tap running.
- Wash your car with a bucket and not the hose.
- Don't top-up the swimming pool for the time-being.

Other, more extensive measures can also be considered like installing catchment tanks to store rain water, drilling a borehole or digging a well.

"We are confident that if we come together as a community, we can prevent the impact of the drought that has devastated the rest of South Africa from affecting our beautiful town," says Wolmarans, "It is only by working together toward this common goal that we can attain success."

"Let's show the rest of the Garden Route and the country how it is done."

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COME JOIN THE TORTOISE TUFF & TAKE PART IN THE TEKKIE DRIVE

With online entries closed, and email or fax entries only being accepted until Thursday noon (sarie@cordinsa.co.za or fax 0866142109), the Sedgefield Striders have announced that the 19th Tortoise Tuff Challenge is ready for the starter's pistol.

The event will be held on Saturday, 12 March 2016, when runners and walkers will hit the streets of Sedgefield competing in the 10km walk and run, 30km walk and run, 21km Goukamma Trail and 2,5km fun run/walk.

This year the organisers would like to encourage participants, their families and friends, and anyone else to support a new part of the event:- "The Tortoise Tuff Tekkie-Drive".

This drive, inspired by the soon-to-be-launched Smutsville Time trials - a sport development initiative of the Striders, is aimed at providing 2nd hand training shoes for young athletes who cannot afford to buy new ones.



The Tortoise Tuff's 21.1km trail run includes sections along the beach, through the Goukamma Nature Reserve, and some challenging dune climbs. Photo: Luana Laubscher

"So we would like to encourage people to donate their old Tekkies and place them in the Tortoise Tuff Tekkie Drive Box on the Sedgefield Primary field on the day of the Tortoise Tuff. During the rest of the year tekkiies can be dropped off at the Sedgefield Tourism office," says Club Chair Sarie Exton.

All size running shoes will be appreciated - children and adults.

Please note:- The 2.5km Family Fun Run may be entered on the day before the event at Sedgefield Primary School field from 5pm-7pm or at registration in the morning of the race itself.

PRIME PRIZES PICKED FOR THE PARADE

The Parade is the highlight and culmination of the Slow Festival's events. A showcase of everything that is good and right over the celebratory Easter Weekend.

Have you finalised the plans for your creation for the Slow Festival Easter Street Parade? Do you have the biggest float? Do you have the best creation? Do you have the most eye-catching float?

With sponsorship of three amazing prizes, the organisers hope to incentivize individuals, groups, families, corporates, charities or groups of friends to come up with best parade creation.



Miss SlowFest 2015

1st Prize: A weekend at Black Waters River Lodge (accommodation and breakfast), golf and canoeing for two people (valued at R6140.00)
2nd Prize: 6 x meal vouchers for Sunday lunch at Totties Country Kitchen (valued at R900.00)

3rd Prize: 2 vouchers for 2 people to Monkeyland, Birds of Eden and Jukani (valued at R740.00)

What a Successful Shavathon

Congrats to the 100+ Sedgefielders who supported the Shavathon held at Mosaic Market on Saturday Feb 27. It raised a fantastic R3682 for cancer!

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Hospice representatives Sarah Cook and Hennie Kombrink happy to collect Easter eggs for their patients from Pick n Pay's Elfranco.

With Easter just around the corner many of our village's 'Good Causes' are already gearing up to make sure their beneficiaries enjoy that special time of the year.

Sedgefield Pick n Pay has always been a good friend and proud supporter of Hospice and the local Lions Club, and so were very happy to help out where possible.

The Hospice (Knysna/Sedgefield Branch) has touched many, many lives in this area, providing palliative, home-based care and support for persons with progressive, incurable or chronic debilitating illnesses. Their holistic care extends to the families prior to and during the bereavement period. With all their hard work it's no wonder they have so many supporters, and Pick n Pay is very proud to be one of them!

The Sedgefield Lions Club is another champion of the needy folk in the area, and their portfolio of good deeds covers so many different groups, many of which would be unable to survive without the Lions' assistance. Pick n Pay has certainly recognised the importance of helping the Sedgefield Lions help others!



Elfranco hands over boxes of Easter eggs to Val Patrick and Quinta Banghart of Sedgefield Lions. The eggs will be handed out at the Slow Festival Easter Parade.



KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY

BID NO. RFP 06 / 2016:

PROVISION OF LOAN FINANCE TO KNYNSA MUNICIPALITY

Knysna Municipality invites proposals for the provision of loan finance to Knysna Municipality. The period of the loan will reflect the estimated useful life of the fixed assets being financed out of the loan, and will range from five to twenty years.

The physical address for collection of tender documents is Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna.

A receipt for a non-refundable deposit of R 218.00 payable by cheque made out in favour of Knysna Municipality is required on collection of the tender document. E-mailed tender documents can be obtained from the following address: cybezuidenhout@knysna.gov.za at no cost.

Technical enquiries relating to the tender documents may be addressed to: Anthony Morgan, Tel No. 044-302 6436, email: amorgan@knysna.gov.za

The closing time for submission of bids is 12h00 on Wednesday, 30 March 2016. Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above, and placed in the bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna, before the latter time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, e-mail and late bids will not be accepted. Bids must remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days after the closing date of the bid.

Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Section at 12h05. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued.

Bids will be evaluated in terms of the Council Supply Chain Management Policy, Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 2000 and the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011.

The Municipality reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to bid and/or re-advertise or to reject any bid or to accept a part of it. The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or to award a contract to the Bidder scoring the highest number of points.

Further requirements for sealing, addressing, delivery, opening and assessment of bids are stated in the Tender Document.

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Some Simple Steps could Help Blunt the Impact of the Interest Rate Increase

The interest rate increase by 50 basis points will cause many South Africans, already stretched by cost-of-living increases, to stretch their monthly budget even further.

At first glance a 0.50% increase in the repo rate, the interest rate at which the central bank lends money to the country's commercial banks, may not seem like a lot, but it indicates that the Reserve Bank is worried about inflation as prices of goods and services rise, fuelled in part by escalating energy costs and a depreciating currency.

"Simply put, inflation means that the money in your wallet is worth less. By increasing interest rates the Reserve Bank is trying to reduce spending and limit inflation to between 3% and 6%. The problem is that this also makes it more expensive to borrow money, which can limit economic growth," explains Marlies Kappers, head of marketing at Direct Axis.

This may seem that it has little to do with ordinary South Africans, but it does have a very real effect on householders trying to make ends meet.

After the interest rate announcement the major banks

announced they would increase their prime rates by the same margin. This means that if you've borrowed money at prime rates you'll be paying 50 cents more a month on every R100 you owe.

If this was the only factor affecting household budgets, many would cope. Bear in mind, however, that if you have a bond, not only has the cost of owning your house increased, but so has the cost of living in it as electricity costs have also risen.

If you rent, it's likely that your landlord will raise the rental when you renew your lease to cover the new mortgage costs. The same applies to your car. If it's financed you'll be paying more on the monthly instalments.

Although there's not a lot ordinary South Africans can do about macro-economic issues there are some steps they can take to limit the effects of rising interest rates and other costs. These include:

- Ruthlessly cut out non-essential spending and use the savings to pay off short-term debts, starting with those that attract the highest interest rates;
Keep track of monthly

expenses to see where you may be able to save. For example you may discover you have duplicate insurance cover or by shopping around are able to get better premiums;

Consider consolidating debts. This involves lumping all your debt together and getting a single loan to repay all of it. Doing this makes managing your income and expenditure simpler and because the interest rate is fixed, it's easier to budget. Spreading repayments over a longer term also usually reduces the monthly instalments;

Set a monthly budget. First cover essential fixed expenses such as a home loan, rent or car repayments, then provide for variable expenses such as electricity, food and phone costs.

Try to save a little each month. Keep this in an accessible account to cover unexpected expenses such as car repairs.

"It's worth remembering that increasing interest rates is a double-edged sword. You pay more on any money you owe, but you also earn more on any money you save," says Marlies.

THREE CASES OF FRAUD BEING INVESTIGATED

Three cases of fraud involving more than R700 000 are being investigated in Knysna.

First case

A 54-year-old suspect, Daniel van der Velde, was arrested and charged with fraud on 28 January 2016.

This suspect was arrested after six victims, mostly senior citizens on retirement, alleged that they were defrauded of an amount of R183 000. It is alleged that the suspect and his accomplice addressed a group of people regarding a planned tour to Egypt during 2013. They were requested to pay an amount of R32 000 each to the suspect. The planned tour was postponed and later cancelled by the organizers, without refunding the victims.

The suspect appeared in court on 28 January 2016 and this case was postponed to 17 May 2016. Another suspect will be arrested soon.

Second incident

It is alleged that a man befriended a 47-year-old woman during 2015 through Facebook. He discussed personal problems

with the victim and requested financial assistance. Numerous transfers were made into different bank accounts of the suspect, with a total amount of R342 000 to date.

Investigation into this case is still at an early stage and no arrest has been made yet.

Third incident

Information available indicates that a local business was contacted and informed that an amount of about R260 000 was deposited, by a supplier, into the bank account of the business on Thursday, 11 February 2016.

The company was requested to refund the supplier and the amount was transferred into a bank account. Internal investigation into the transfer was conducted by the company, only to discover that the initial transfer into their account was a fake transaction.

No arrests have been made and the Knysna Detective Branch is currently investigating both cases.

We once again want to urge the public to take extra care when

conducting business with strangers especially through the internet or social media.

It is important to note the following when considering to enter into a business transaction with an unknown person or business:

- Check the credentials of the person or business to see whether or not the person operates a legitimate business or that the business does exist.
Never pay anything in advance unless you are absolutely sure that goods or services are going to be delivered.
Never provide the other party with blank letterheads or invoices.

The public are further advised to be very careful when and to whom they disclose their bank details, because a risk might be involved. One might think that it is inconceivable that a person could fall victim to such a questionable scheme. However, people have fallen prey to such schemes. Victims do not always report such incidents due to the embarrassment that it may cause them.



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Technical enquiries relating to the tender documents may be addressed to: Gumbi Tyelela, Tel No. 044-302 6455, email: gtyelela@knysna.gov.za

The closing time for submission of bids is 12h00 on Wednesday, 06 April 2016. Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above, and placed in the bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna, before the latter time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, e-mail and late bids will not be accepted. Bids must remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days after the closing date of the bid.

Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Section at 12h05. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued.

The evaluation of this bid will be subject to functionality evaluation. Tenderers must achieve a minimum functionality score of 30 points (30 points or more out of 50 points). Bids that fail to score the minimum score for functionality will be disqualified. The functionality criteria and weighting is set out in the tender document.

Bids will be evaluated according to the 90/10 preference points system. The bids are subject to the Council Supply Chain Management Policy, Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 2000 and the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011.

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MIKE HOFHUIS STEPS DOWN FROM CPsF

After four years at the helm of Sedgefield's Community Police Sub-Forum (CPSF), Mike Hofhuis, aka Sedgefield Sheriff, has elected to step down. He assures us, however, that he will still be on the crime-fighting forefront for the village, adding that he simply needs more time to focus on another important issue – that of acquiring a fully fledged police station for Sedgefield and the surrounding communities.

"I am fully aware that this has

been a battle fought before," he said, "But that is not to say that we cannot re-engage with the powers that be. I really believe that Sector 6 (Sedgefield, Karatara, Buffalo Bay and Rheendal) is a large enough area to qualify for a fully fledged SAPS station, and I aim to provide government with all the necessary motivation to make this a reality."

Sedgefield was promised a new police station back in 2004 by the then Western Cape Provincial Police Commissioner Mzwandile Petros, but this plan

fell through less than a year later. Hofhuis hopes to get government to relook at building such a station on Oestervanger Road which leads into Smutsville. "Of course that is the best place for it," he says, "Many of the residents of Smutsville and Sizamile do not have vehicles, and so don't really have easy access to the police station where it is now."

Hofhuis also wants to spend more time bolstering up the various Sector 6 neighbourhood watches, hoping to increase their effectiveness in the fight against

crime even further. He will continue being part of the Community Orientated Policing of Sedgefield (COPS) along with Gary Atkinson and John Moore, and retain his place on the Sedgefield Ratepayers' Committee where he holds the Safety and Security portfolio.

The busy man said that he knows the CPsF will continue its good work, and that he will make himself available as a normal committee member if they require him to do so – for the sake of continuity.

Man Harassing Businesses

Several businesses have recently complained of being harassed by one particular young man, whose obnoxious manner and threatening behaviour have ruffled a number of feathers in the CBD.

The man – who apparently goes by the name 'Mawa' – is of average height and build, and sometimes wears either a DA shirt or a reflective yellow car-guard bib. Most days he is wearing a floppy red hat.

According to Sedgefield

Sherriff Mike Hofhuis the complaints regarding this young man started coming from the Forest Lodge shopping centre, where he harassed numerous business proprietors, mostly female, but since then he has pushed his 'reign of harassment' further afield.

The police have been notified about his threatening behaviour and have picked the man up several times, but cannot charge him up as no-one is prepared to go through the process of opening a case against him. Business owners and residents



have been warned not to entertain this young man's requests for money and that, should they feel threatened they should call the police and their security company.

SCHOOL BONANZA RAFFLE DRAWN

Two thousand six hundred tickets were sold by the children of Laerskool Sedgefield Primary in this years School Bonanza raffle.

First prize - a weekend break at Sedgefield Arms (value R1500) went to M Ndumane. Second prize a R1000 meat voucher from Gordon & Gordon Boedery went to Rene Perrins. Third prize of a R300 meal voucher from The Views went to Elaine Hannah. Deputy Head Riaan van der Spuy said "As we rely on fundraising, this sort of project is very important."



Above Michael Rorke (Sedge Arms), Christelle Robertson (Gordon & Gordon Boedery) and Dept. Head Riaan van der Spuy with Head Boy Roger Legg and Head Girl Abigail Minnies officiating.

We are all pilgrims on a journey!

For the second year 8 church congregations in Sedgefield will be taking part in the Sedgefield Slow Festival, presenting The Way of the Cross Pilgrimage.

This 3.2km walk, or cycle, or car ride begins at Sedgefield Christian Church on N2 North and winds its way through town visiting four churches and up the dune into Smutsville, where pilgrims will visit three church venues. En-route you'll find Pilgrim's Rest, where pilgrims may take a welcome break and free refreshment. Children are welcome.

A team of over twenty people form the busy planning committee, to ensure that everyone who participates, locals and visitors, will experience true fellowship, unity and love plus an enriching spiritual journey this Easter. The participating congregations are; Sedgefield Christian, NGK, St.



Anthony's Catholic, St Francis United, COR Anglican, Christ Nehemiah, Efesse Gemeente Suid - Kaap Christen Familie. Our meetings abound with laughter, love and prayers as we experience the joy of working together as ONE. For a small donation Pilgrims bags containing information

folders will be available through participating churches on Sunday 20th March or may be collected at SCC, (the start of the route) Please see the Slow Festival website for more information on opening times etc. or call Alwyn Burger 044 343 1333 or 0721759991

LAKE PLEASANT LIVING

Join us for an evening of slow and not-so slow dancing at Lake Pleasant Living in celebration of this year's Sedgefield Slow Festival

Theme: Black and White
Date: Saturday, 26 March 2016
Time: 19:00
Venue: Lake Pleasant Living
Thirty couples can come and enjoy live music and finger foods at R200 per person
Cash Bar Available

For bookings, please contact 044 349 2400

FRIENDS OF THE CHOO-TJOE

by Colin Jenkins (Chairman, Friends of the Choo-Tjoe.)

On Friday, 4th of March, the Minister of Transport and Public Works for the Western Cape, Donald Grant called in at Sedgefield to collect a petition from the Friends of the Choo-Tjoe.



Colin Jenkins handing over the petition to Donald Grant at Sedgefield station.

Over the last couple of years, the Friends have been canvassing public opinion by asking the simple question; 'Do you want to see the Choo-Tjoe running again?' The Friends have collected over 18000 signatures from local people, visitors from South Africa and international visitors. It was an interesting exercise to see how people of all races and ages responded.

When the line was washed away 10 years ago, it seemed to be the end of the road for this iconic route. Transnet were certainly not interested in restoring the line for tourists as it did not form part of their core business. Fast forward seven years and the situation had changed. Realizing that they could not solely rely on bulk coal exports and other bulk loads, there was a

change of heart. It was now realized that certain branch and secondary lines could in fact provide freight for the main lines.

With this mind, Transnet asked the local municipalities if they would look into ways of providing services that would supplement their main line loads. In the case of the George-Knysna line there was a recognition that tourists would play a big part in any future plans.

One line that has already seen the benefits of this Transnet/private partnership is the Ceres line. During the week Transnet moves freight from Ceres to Cape Town and at weekends, tourist trains are run. (details from www.ceresrail.co.za) So far, the tourist trains have been a sell out and booking is essential.

So let us hope that this, the tenth anniversary of the closure of the line will see it's reopening.

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<p>Seeff Sedgefield 044 343 1151</p>	

INTERACT - LEARNERS VISIT KNYSNA POLICE STATION

The Station Commander of the Knysna police, Colonel Michael Taylor, welcomed the visit of 30 Grade 10 learners from various schools in Knysna to the police station on 18 February 2016.

The learners were from the Concordia High School, Percy Mdala High School, Knysna Secondary School, Knysna High School, Knysna Montessori School and Heatherhill College. The visit forms part of the annual Know Your Town initiative from Rotary Knysna.

These learners were informed about the different career paths within the South African Police Service Police, as well as an overview of the current crime situation. Their visit included sessions in the



Community Service Centre, police holding cells and the mortuary. They were also informed of how the criminal justice system operates. The

group also engaged directly with the station management on various aspects of policing.

Colonel Michael Taylor, the

The Station Commander (Colonel Michael Taylor) with representatives from Rotary Knysna, learners and Student Constable Aviwe Ngqukuva

Congratulations Joy and Sean!



Congratulations to the Team of Sean Trietsch and Joy van Zyl from Remax Lakes who received 100% club awards at the annual Remax awards, recently held in Port Elizabeth.

This is quite an achievement, and requires plenty of hard work to get there.

LIBRARY WEEK

11th March - 18th March



Please return all old and outstanding library material during Library Week (11th - 18th March) and all fines will be waived



KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

CLOSING TIME: 12:00

CLOSING DATE: 30 MARCH 2016

EOI 04/2016: PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE BUILDING WORKS FOR LOW INCOME HOUSES (40 m²) IN CONCORDIA, NEKKIES, DAM-SE-BOS & OUPAD, KNYSNA

The KNYSNA Municipality is in the process of implementing the construction of 459 low income houses to serve the Northern Area Townships of KNYSNA over a period of three years.

The Municipality will provide the material for these houses and would like to request all interested emerging building contractors who comply with the minimum applicable CIDB contractor grading designation of 1 GB and have a valid certificate with the National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) to provide services to the project at a fixed labour cost.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted on the original documents and remain valid for ninety (90) days after the closing date of the tender. Enquiries pertaining to the specifications can be addressed to Mr. Riaan Booysen from Sintec at telephone (044) 382-7680. Enquiries pertaining to the completion of the documents can be addressed to Ms Charmone Bezuidenhout at telephone (044) 302-6349

A set of documents can be obtained at a non-refundable cost of R75.00 per set from Ms Marina Coleman at telephone (044) 382 - 7680 or e-mail at mcoleman@sintecknysna.co.za or at the Supply Chain Management Offices, Queen Street, Knysna.

Fully completed documents must be placed in a sealed envelope and placed in the **tender box of the Supply Chain Management (SCM) offices of the Knysna Municipality by not later than 12h00 on WEDNESDAY, 30 March 2016.**

Expression of Interest will be evaluated on the following functionality criteria and EOI's that score less than 60 out of 90 points will be considered as non-responsive. Evaluation criteria and weight:

1. Similar and Relevant experience carrying a weight of 30 points
2. Local Based Experience carrying a weight of 30 points
3. Resources carrying a weight of 30 points

A maximum of ten (10) contractors will be appointed and only responsive EOI's will be considered. The rankings of the contractors will be determined by their B-BBEE Level of Contribution as per the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011. Should more than one contractor have the same B-BBEE Level of Contribution, the points scored for functionality will be the determining factor. If the scores remain tied, lots will be drawn.

Receipts will be issued on request only for documents handed in during office hours from Mondays to Fridays. Receipts will not be issued for tenders placed in the tender box after hours or which are received by mail.

The tender box will be emptied just after 12:00 on the closing date as above, hereafter all expression of interests will be opened in public. Late expression of interests submitted by e-mail or fax will under no circumstances be accepted.

The Municipality reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to tender and/or to re-advertise or to reject any tender or to accept a part of it. The Municipality does not bind itself to accepting the lowest tender or award a contract to the bidder scoring the highest number of points.

**GRANT EASTON
MUNICIPAL MANAGER**

Station Commander, informed the learners about the importance of completing their studies. He also introduced a police trainee, Student Constable Aviwe Ngqukuva, who was part of similar visit to the police station a few years ago as a learner of the Percy Mdala High School. Constable Ngqukuva is also currently busy with the second phase of his training as a police official.

The Station Commander thanked Rotary Knysna for their continued partnership with the Knysna police through different projects.

How big should your imagination be?

An imagination. The one thing every kid is told to use; for entertainment, for understanding. An imagination lets kids, and in actual fact any living human, live as many lives as they can create. It helps lonely people, happy people, confused people, angry people, any kind of person with emotion. And for people without emotion, well, they can just imagine it. We've all been told to expand our imagination as wide as we can. But what if, in reality, for safety, our imagination should have boundaries?

I'm talking about at night. Darkness and monsters and strangers in your house. Some say, "But these are just fears. Fears can be conquered." Correct, fears can indeed be overcome. But I'm not talking about just fears. I'm talking about a fear and a spoon of imagination. That mixture is like my mom's bread starter, once you create your mixture, it grows on its own. No help. It's a homogeneous mixture, fear and imagination, you cannot tell the components apart. Perhaps it is even chemically bonded, as you cannot simply separate it with physical matters. That said, can one separate them psychologically? Possibly. An example being that I now sleep without a blind on my window so that I can show my mind the beauty of the night, that the only things out there are the stars and the moon. The darkness of the night is but the day in black and white. Nothing



by Heather Metelerkamp

more. Just quieter. And what is better than a bit of silence?

People may think that all you have to do to get rid of this "fear and imagination mixture" is to control the mind. In a way, it works, but I don't believe that it works completely. I still believe that it is what you are taught that can lead to an uncontrollable imagination. I shall use myself for another example. I wake up in the night to go to the bathroom as the average person does. Yet it has taken me months, if not years, to train my mind to be okay when getting out of the bed, walking to the bathroom, and walking back. I have created one personal scene that makes me feel safe. But it is only if I concentrate on that scene, playing it over and over, that I won't imagine all the terrifying images that lie at the tip of my imagination. If I slip up once, my heartbeat will quicken, I will start to hear sounds, I will feel like something is chasing me, and I will tighten my blanket around me so that my blood can't flow until I fall asleep. It's a problem for me. I'm okay now,

but I remember the nights when I simply would be too afraid to get out of bed.

All I'm getting at is that maybe we should take a step back and look at the things we're telling kids. Things like, "Snakes are scary and very dangerous", "There is a killer who has been murdering teenagers in the neighbouring town", and "You never know if you'll live to see tomorrow". Those words could mean nothing to you, and everything to someone else. And it doesn't always mean that it's little kids who get scared. There are adults who are still afraid of the dark. We need to show people the beauty of these things, and watch our words. An imagination is there to bring more great things to the world; new experiences, new inventions. But sometimes, I feel that boundaries should be set. It's a scary thing to feel like you don't have control over your own mind. Don't let it happen to yourself and be aware of what you are passing on to others.

Book Day

World Book Day was celebrated on 03 March 2016 and is about inspiring kids to read more and / or to give books to those who don't have a story book to read.

Laerskool Segefield Primary focused on inspiring the children who were encouraged to dress up as any book character. The children rose to the challenge and it was difficult choosing the best costumes the top five were as follows: William Robertson (Grade R) as the Indian from Pocahontas; Georgia Voges (Grade 2) Cruella de Vil from 101 Dalmatians; Jesse Olivier (Grade 5) was Harry Potter.



Benjamin Voges (Grade 6) was Dumbledore from Harry Potter. Chene Adam (Grade 7) was Pippi Langkous.

Each one received a R100 book voucher to spend at the childrens' book stall at the market. Some of the teachers also took part and without a doubt teacher Doortjie van der Spuy aka Captain Jack Sparrow won hands down!!

Lots of fun and laughter was had and the R5 entry raised R1300.

What a Lot for the Village Green



Cheers to the Village Green (pic by Des Scholtz)

During Sedgfield's Slow Festival, the Village Green forms the central axis around which everything turns.

This year the Village Green setup will move down to the eastern side, offering a much bigger area for the exciting array of food and craft stalls. With both the Mitchells' Craft Beer Garden and the entertainment tent flanking the green, there will be more than enough to please even the most discerning festival supporter.

Evening events include the highly successful Slow Festival Opening Night on Thursday 24th March and a Music Trivia Evening on Sat 26th March. The Drive-in will be moving to Whistle Stop Café with an unbeatable 3 night movie line-up of The Blind Side, August Rush and The Hundred-Foot Journey.

The children's playground is adjacent to the green, offering

parents the opportunity to sit back, relax and enjoy performances by local musicians while keeping an eye on the young ones who are playing, or learning how to mosaic in the craft tent run by Masithandane or making dreamcatchers with the FreshStart creative team. Various charities will also be raising funds through their stalls on the green so pop along to your favourites and see what they have on offer.

The bigger area on the green will bring a first class Mercedes display from Stanmar Motors as well as events such as the Sotheby's Slow Biking, the Hill's Dog Walk, Talk and Show, Dog Agility Show and Freshstart's Boeresport right into the midst of spectators while the view for the Out of the Bin Fashion Show and the Magic

Show with Jannie de Bruin & Tommy Tomsen will be much improved.

Should you need any assistance in where to go and what to see, you can visit the Slow Festival Information Gazebo, see the entries of the colouring in competition, cast your vote for the Outstanding Community Member or come and take a Slow Festival Selfie in the 'Selfie Frame'.

Like the village square of old, this is truly the place to meet, have fun and know that whatever you spend will benefit a charity or small local business.

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The Slow Festival OCM Awards

Sedgfield is a town with an amazing sense of community. For the last two years, the Sedgfield Slow Festival committee has strived to recognise the unsung heroes in our community through the Outstanding Community Member awards for both a lady and a gentleman.

"With both nominations and votes from and by Sedgfielders themselves, it is the privilege of each of us on the committee to honour these amazing men and women within the Sedgfield community" said Slow Fest committee member, Riana Hanekom, "We live in a special little town where people who

have little themselves often give much to the many worthy causes around them."

With its inception in 2014, the awards went to: Debbie Olivier for her outstanding work with the NSRI and Sedgfield Lions.

Bomber Webb for his outstanding and absolutely committed service to the community.

Last year the awards went to: Melanie Baumeister for her outstanding work with the children of Sedgfield.

Mike Hofhuis for his

outstanding commitment to keep Sedgfield safe.

Please make your voice heard. If you know of any great community people that you would like to nominate, please send the name and contact details of your nominee, as well as a short motivation to merchandising@slowfestival.co.za or Whatsapp to 076 478 6214

Cast your vote on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th March at the Slow Festival gazebo on the Village Green. The winners will be announced at the Prize giving ceremony on Sunday 27th March after the Street Parade.

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KNYSNA Municipality
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DIARY DATELINE

9th - 23rd March 2016

Wednesday 09

8:45am Guided meditation @ The Well, Plumtree Centre
2-5pm Sedgfield Tennis Club (Social)

Thursday 10

6:30am Eden Cycling Road bikes & MTB's depart Cycle Worx. All welcome.
7:30am Sedge Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links
2:30pm Bowls coaching
5:15pm Guided meditation @ The Well, Plumtree Centre
7:30pm Lions Club of Sedgfield meets at the clubhouse. Debbie on 083 306 9998.

Friday 11

8:00am Ladies Golf @ The Links Course
9:00am Line Dancing @ St. Anthony's. 084 549 3967
10- 11:30am Anchusa meet @ St Francis Church hall. Ph 044 343 1099

Saturday 12

7:30am-12 Wild Oats Community Farmers' Market @ Swartvlei
8:00am - 2:00pm Mosaic Market
8:00am- 1:00pm Scarab Craft Market

Sunday 13

6:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome

Monday 14

2:30pm Art Society meets at Roman Catholic Church. 044 343 2387
6:30-10:00pm Badminton Town Hall
7:00pm Duplicate Contract Bridge in the Catholic Church Hall. Ph 044 3433141

Tuesday 15

6:30am Eden Cycling road bikes & MTB's depart Cycle Worx. All welcome.
2:30pm Bowls coaching

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Should your association, charity or group have any forthcoming events, please send us details so that we may publish them in our next issue!

PLEASE NOTE: Letters to the editor must be submitted with the author's full name, address and phone number. If a writer does not wish his or her name to appear in print, a 'pen name' (nom de plume) may be included. Email letters to: editor.edge@mweb.co.za



The editor has full discretion as to which letters to include or exclude and no argument, badgering, cajoling, bribery or heated conversation will be entered into. Opinions expressed in published letters and articles are not necessarily those of the management and staff of The EDGE Community Newspaper.

Dear Editor

Subject: City green
We do not want changes to the city green. If need be and work created yes do it then by the old station which needs tourism and there is lots of parking for coaches to stop. Stunning history!

Demetri

Dear Editor

Aggggh, please no more Mosaic, will we need to re-name Sedgfield Mosaic Town? There are already lovely mosaics at our beaches, in town and on our streets.

Enough! It can be overdone. As a newcomer to this best kept secret on the Garden Route; it is disturbing to read of the proposed construction contemplated for the Village Green.

Would a Potager, or Herb Garden not be a better idea. Keeping its integrity as a Common to be enjoyed as a peaceful recreational area for all. Providing dog owners clean up after their pets to ensure a less hazardous and smelly stroll. A Village Green is such a valuable asset, it is worth fighting for.

N Calburn

To Editor

Subject: Village Green.
How sad it is that our much used and appreciated Village Green, is going to be destroyed and desecrated by blocks of toilets and unwanted, inappropriate Mosaic structures of Sea Monsters of all things (placed on dry land, when they should be on a Beach) that is, IF they want to make them; and NOT on OUR Village Green. The first Benches were beautiful and served a useful and much appreciated purpose, but I can't say that, other than a couple of tortoises that the General Public appreciate or want Our Village to be burdened with any further "Works of Art".

Leave us as we were Please.

MSK.

To Editor,

Concerning the building of toilets and mosaic constructions on the commonage adjacent to Kingfisher Drive.

I was at the meeting on the 19th February and I agree with most of the items mentioned in the letter in the Edge on the 24th February.

One item that was not mentioned and which is of importance to me is the placing of any concrete buildings etc in a natural open area.

I asked if it was felt that a manmade concrete structure can compare to a meadow with wild flowers!!

Responding to the idea of a playground for children's birthday parties.

I must remind one that there is a well equipped area with swings and slides next to the Municipal Clinic which can be used for that purpose. There is also a toilet building right next to this area for public use.

If one is looking for an outlet for the mosaic items, an advertisement in other towns would serve this purpose. I have given mosaic frogs and mirrors to friends in Johannesburg and found that people there were very interested in these products. We all want the best for our town and are very happy to help achieve this.

M van Heerden

Dear Sir,

Employment Opportunities
The Sedgfield area, like most of South Africa, lacks employment opportunities, especially long term employment. It is sad that the current crop of possible development ideas for the Sedgfield area, imply that each development will create lots of "employment". The reality is that both the one proposal & one idea being punted at the moment are unlikely to create significant "long term employment opportunities".

These two concepts are the proposed new township on Cloud 9, referred to as "The

Hill", and the idea of building a stage & toilet block on the Village Green, as well as some large "Mosaiced" creatures that can be used for people to sit on, while they enjoy a spectacle being performed on the nearby stage.

It is quite sad that both groups of people are each claiming that their idea will create "lots of jobs". Yes, the proposed township on Cloud 9 may well create "short term jobs" during the construction period. But if past history is anything to go by, this development will attract numbers of "emigrants" to our area, hoping for employment, but to the detriment of our local job seekers. These immigrants are likely to stay & will affect the long term opportunities for local folk. Any long term opportunities are, in any case, likely to be minimal.

The "mosaic animals" may well create about two weeks work for a group of the skilled mosaic artists, while the creatures are being overlain with mosaics, and then????????????? Really short term work too.

If one looks at recent housing developments, such as Sandpiper near the river mouth, after over 2 years there is only one house built on the site and I cannot believe that this development is creating any "long term employment".

If one also looks at "Island Village", a complex of some 80 plus houses in Sedgfield, & well established for more than 10 years, I doubt if there are more than about 30 full time jobs

Heather, a Sedgie gem at 70



Why was Heather Rietbroek's 70th birthday on 25 February 2016 so special?

The friends who know Heather, many of whom enjoyed her birthday lunch, have come to appreciate her tough stance on daily exercise; no excuses and no room for aches and pains. But the soft side of Heather always shines through. Her caring nature goes far beyond the organisational responsibility of 'The Easy Riders' mountain

Heather (centre) with a few of her spinning friends.

bike club which she and Carl manage. She donates a large portion of her time to Sedgmeer Park, a highly motivated spinning class, her garden and of course to Carl. Always putting herself last, Heather thinks of others first and is a mine full of local information often outshining the Sedgfield section of 'The Yellow Pages'. Happy birthday to a cheerful positive person who is a privilege to know.

in that housing complex, and most will be for garden or maid services.

Once again our unskilled job seekers are being conned to support these new proposed ideas as both being a source of "many employment opportunities", short term

employment possibly, but certainly not long term employment.

However, I guess if you have no employment at all, then even a short term job has some appeal.

Regards,
Terry Cockcroft

A PURPLE ANGEL FOR SEDGFIELD

The first in South Africa!

Local lady Elzabe Ballan has been appointed as the Ambassador for the Purple Angels Dementia Campaign – making her the first 'Purple Angel' in South Africa!

The purpose of this campaign is to raise awareness, give hope to and empower people with dementia by giving out information on how shops, businesses and other services can support people who have this progressive disease – both elderly and younger onset.

Since it started in UK a few years back, Purple Angel friends and ambassadors from all walks of life have been at work in many towns, creating dementia-friendly communities all over the world. Elzabe is currently working for The Living Cornerstone, the non-profit organisation in Sedgfield, which has three caring homes for Alzheimer's/ Dementia patients.. "That's where my passion lies. To think they all once had a normal life until Dementia got hold of them," she says. "So when I came across The Purple Angel website I thought I so want to be part of this." After searching the website and discovering that South Africa was not on their map, Elzabe applied, writing a 200 word essay explaining why she believed she could be an ambassador.... and got appointed!

Part of the Campaign's work is informing people in business



Local lady Elzabe Ballan

what they might come across when they meet someone, perhaps a customer, with dementia. For example often a person with the disease can be found standing in what is called a "Catatonic Trance". Simply put, it will look like they are daydreaming. If this happens, please observe and offer help if and when it is needed. Looking or becoming confused is also very common. This happens when the person with dementia is having a problem focusing on what to do or where to go next. A little gentle reassurance and an offer of help will always be welcomed.

Another example is that people with dementia sometimes have trouble in handling their money and the currency. They may have difficulties understanding the amount they have to pay and also the number of notes and coins they need to hand over. This applies in retail as well as banks, post offices etc. A little patience

and understanding will help enormously.

The Purple Angel website www.purpleangel-global.com puts their mission in a nutshell.

*We believe that people with dementia have the right to a good quality of life and to remain independent in their local community.

*We believe that people with dementia have the right to live well, engage in and contribute to their local communities as long as they wish to do so.

*We will address negative attitudes and raise awareness and understanding of dementia.

As part of The Purple Angel Awareness Campaign, The Living Cornerstone will be participating in WRAD (World Rock Against Dementia) on the 19th of March (see article on page 9) with cabaret artist Emile Minnie performing in aid of the worthy cause.

EREKLEURE : HOËRSKOOLOUTENIQUA



Hierdie twee Graad 12 Kwaggas van Hoërskool Outeniqua, het Erekleure vir Veelsydigheid ontvang. Dit is die hoogste toekening wat die Hoërskool Outeniqua aan sy leersers gee wat uitstaande prestasies behaal.

Op die foto is Jacobus Jacobs wat die toekening vir Akademie, Kultuur en Leierskap ontvang het en Janneke Agenbach vir Akademie, Sport en Leierskap.

Foto: Neels Blom

TLC to benefit from smooth sounds

South Africa's own star of the cabaret stage, Emile Minnie is coming to Sedgfield to help raise much needed funds for the Alzheimer and Dementia homes, The Living Cornerstone (TLC).

Garden Route residents know and love this talented star whose piano playing has been described as phenomenal and voice known to inspire. Laurika Rauch describes Minnie as one of SA's best songwriters. She recently recorded three of Emile's songs,

and reviewers and the public agree that Emile's songs are absolute "highlights". Minnie's latest offering is a romantic French show that promises to breath new life into old favourites like La vie en rose and Jene regrette rien. His

Nagmusiek album was nominated for a SAMA (South African Music Award) for best alternative Afrikaans album. He was a runner-up in the Huisgenoot/You Songwriting Competition and he was a finalist in the World Song Contest.

Gilda Scammel, TLC founder invites all to come and experience the charm of the "French chanson", presented with Emile's typical energy and style.

For his Sedgfield performances Emile will combine romantic French love songs with favourites from his previous seven albums. He will also give the audience a taste of his new Afrikaans album, Donker Liefde. "For good measure, Emile will include some Golden Oldies, and even a dash of rock and roll," smiled Scammel.

"Come and see the captivating Emile Minnie light up the stage with his incredible passion and energy," encouraged Scammel. Minnie is currently promoting his new album, Donker Liefde, which features songs about longing, passion and the underbelly of love.



Cabaret artiste Emile Minnie

The show on March 18 and the matinee on March 19 will both include classic love songs like La Vie En Rose and No Regrets by French songbird Edith Piaf. "Make sure you get to see Emile Minnie's piano skills in action live in Sedgfield at the Dutch Reformed church hall. Tickets cost R100 and are

available at Deo Gratia Book & Coffee Shop (Pick n Pay centre), from Gilda Scammel on 084 544 2103 or from the door. Friday, March 18 show starts at 18:30 and the matinee on Saturday, March 19 at 14:30. For further information on this amazing talent visit www.emileminnie.com.



KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NO. 07/2016

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL UPGRADING OF GOUNA RAW WATER PUMP STATION

Bids are invited from suitably qualified service providers to undertake work for the Civil Engineering Department of Knysna Municipality.

The tender consists of the design, supply, delivery, installation and commissioning of the following items for the Gouna Raw Water Pump Station:

The replacement of the existing two low-lift pumpsets, refurbishment of the existing two low-lift pumpsets as store spares, a new static screen fitted between low-lift and high-lift pumpsets as well as minor civil works, e.g. the construction of a platform to house static screen.

It is estimated that tenderers should have a CIDB contractor grading designation of 3ME or 3EP or higher.

The qualifying criteria and the score in respect of each criterion are as follows: **A minimum of 50 points** out of 80 total points is required for the bid to be evaluated further or to be regarded as responsive. Only those Bidders who score the minimum points and more in terms of the qualification criteria stipulated in the bidding document will be further considered.

For all sections of the works, it is a requirement that the Bidder shall have in his employ a suitably qualified staff member or can appoint an Accredited Agent that can manage and implement the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Construction Regulations.

Tender Documents will be available from **Friday, 11 March 2016**, during working hours (08:00 to 17:00 Monday to Friday).

The physical address for collection of bid documents are: **Aurecon George, Suite 201, Bloemhof Building, 65 York Street George**

A non-refundable bid deposit of **R 340-00**, payable in cash or by bank guaranteed cheque, has to be made out in favour of the Knysna Municipality. Proof of the last-mentioned payment is required on collection of the bid document at the consultant's office.

Queries relating the supply chain policy and tender procedures may be addressed to: **Ms C Bezuidenhout, Tel : 044 302 6349 Or E-mail : cbezuidenhout@knysna.gov.za**

Technical queries relating to these documents may be addressed to: **Mr K Potgieter, Tel No. 044-874 2165 or E-mail: george@arecongroup.com**

A compulsory clarification meeting, together with representatives of the Employer, for all Bidders will be held **on Thursday, 17 March 2016, commencing at 11h00** at the Gouna Pump Station in Knysna. All members of a joint venture shall attend the clarification meeting. Bid documents must be purchased at the Municipality prior to this meeting and must be brought along to the meeting. No bid documents will be sold at the clarification meeting. Bidders must sign the attendance list in the name of the bidding entity at the meeting. Bids will be considered only from those bidding entities appearing on the attendance list and who's Certificates of Bidder's Attendance had been signed.

No person/s will be allowed to join the clarification meeting or to submit a bid if such a person/s are more than fifteen (15) minutes late.

The closing time for submission of bids is **12h00 on Wednesday, 30 March 2016**. Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above, and placed in the **bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, 21 Clyde Street, Knysna**, before the latter time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, e-mail and late bids will not be accepted. Bids must remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days after the closing date of the bid.

Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Section at 12h05. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued.

Bids will be evaluated according to the 80/20 points system. The bids are subject to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 2000, the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011 and Council Preferential Procurement Strategy adopted in terms of Section 2 of the act.

The Municipality reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to bid and/or re-advertise or to reject any bid or to accept a part of it. The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or to award a contract to the Bidder scoring the highest number of points.

Further requirements for sealing, addressing, delivery, opening and assessment of bids are stated in the Tender Data.

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Municipal Manager
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SUP COMES TO SLOW FEST

Originating in Hawaii as an offshoot of surfing, stand up paddle boarding or surfing (SUP) was identified as the outdoor sporting activity with the most first-time participants of any in the United States in 2013 and it would appear that the same is currently true in RSA, with the sport taking off at an amazing rate throughout the country.

The sport has grown to incorporate various modes of stand up paddling, including flat water paddling for outdoor recreation, fitness, or sightseeing to racing on lakes, large rivers and canals, surfing on ocean waves, paddling in river rapids (white-water SUP), SUP Yoga and even fishing.

With Sedgfield being surrounded by large, pristine waterways and spectacular lagoon and dune scenery, it is without a doubt a world class playground for water sports enthusiasts young and old. How exciting it is then that the Slow Festival will incorporate the first time event Pili Pili Slow Fest Fun SUP on Friday 24th March as part of its programme of events over the Easter weekend.

Pili Pili owner, Neels Swanepoel said SUPing is the closest you'll ever get to walking on water! This is a race that promises to be great fun for anyone with a SUP. And for those who don't have one, we have specially sourced a small fleet of SUP boards that you can hire directly from us.

As this is a fun race, its an ideal opportunity to bring the entire family and come and see what all the SUP fuss is about. One can register anytime from now through to 11am on Friday 24th March and the event will start on the Fish Eagle Green on the Island at 2pm. Families, friends, supporters and spectators are all welcome!

Don't miss out on some great fun and an opportunity to see Sedgfield from a new angle. Fantastic prizes and great vibes!

The entry is R200pp and includes a T-shirt and boat support. Contact Pili Pili on 044 343 3087 or email them on info@pilipili.co.za.

KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY



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IFOMU ZEZICELO ZIFUMANEKA KWEZI OFISI:

- Ilofisi kanondyabo wedolophi: Queen Street, Knysna.
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GRANT EASTON
MANEJALA KA MASIPALA

The FARCE SIDE presents 'The Unnecessary Farce'

Nobody really knows how they end up in the Farce Side, is it a response to Star Call for audition in the Edge? Is it because they got invited by a friend to attend a rehearsal of one of their farces or maybe you've had to sit through a couple of rounds of 'Improv. Games'? Maybe you've even caught one of their shows; they've had three - including a bout of Street Theatre directed by Emma Rorke on the fringe of last year's Slow Festival.

The Farce Side is an amateur dramatic group that does, what they like to call 'talking plays'. Where they learn lines, where to stand, how to stand and if they're feeling a little existential maybe even why to stand or sit and in most cases - why their heads hurt from being slammed in doors twice a week. The farce is an accessible form of comedy that seems to fit with anyone who loves a good laugh. Melanie Baumeister, the director and producer, has always been involved in theatre and assisted with local school productions. It

was Bomber Webb who, after being forced into the role of Captain Hook for 'Peter Pan', suggested more 'grown ups' be coerced into the joy of theatre and scripts that would involve actual acting and performing - it was worth a go. 'We have nothing to lose.' They said.

The Farce Side was born and a pact was made to always bring comedy to Sedgefield. 'Suite Surrender' was delivered in 2014, who can forget the antics of Pippet (Ian Perryman) and the two magnificent divas, Athena (Nicky Franceschi) and Claudia (Kirsty Hayward).

'It's On, It's Off' was on the boards last year, starring the hilarious Romey Bobek and Jacques Marais. Sanet Basson, of course, stole the show with her skilled acting prowess. Lauded for their excellent set, the Farce Side has an incredible company asset in the form of Juliette Reid. Juliette is the stage manager for each production, assisted by Janice Gibson, these two keep our talent on its toes.

With 16 years of international theatre experience and an eye for subtlety and detail, Juliette runs a tight ship backstage that adds the polish to every production. This year The Farce Side has been in production since the end of February, rehearsing every Tuesday and Thursday evening, running lines and blocking scenes. With a punchy two act play called 'Unnecessary Farce' - it is a 90 minute barrel of laughs. Starring some of the familiar faces (Emma Rorke, Romey

Bobek and Bomber Webb) and introducing some new thespians (Elaine Hannah, Tammy Lindeque, Cornel Delafield and Mike Young) who have stepped up to keep us roaring with laughter with their onstage antics.

Show dates are 17, 18, 20, 24, 25 & 27 May 2016. Tickets go on sale at the beginning of April - watch the Edge for details or contact The Farce Side thefarcesideis@gmail.com

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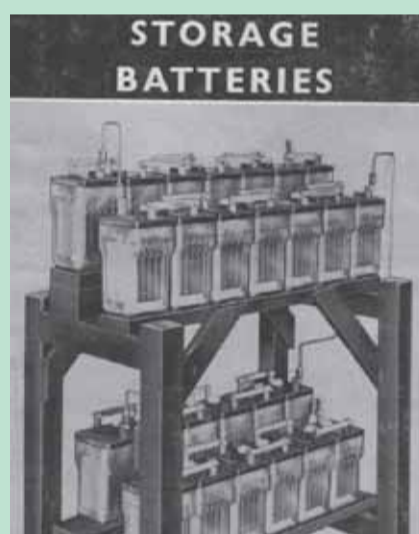
Eskom is one of the biggest South African sellers of stuff we use. What sets it apart from every other supplier is that it has no warehouse to keep stock of what it sells.

There are signs that this is about to change, thanks to emerging developments in the way batteries are made. The adjoining picture is taken from the cover of a book I bought about 50 years ago. What it shows is a bank of accumulators. During World War II I lived in Scotland in a town called Stirling. Our house didn't have mains electricity, so we had a room which housed accumulators a bit like these. We had gas,

which was used for cooking and most lighting, but to find out how the war was going we needed a radio and that was the main reason for accumulators.

The first battery was developed by John Frederic Daniell in UK in 1836. Lead-acid batteries appeared in Germany in 1886 and since then we have seen all sorts of other technologies for small portable batteries - Lithium ion for cell phones is one example. I'm not going to go into scientific detail of how batteries work. Suffice it to say that they all need two electrodes which are separated by an electrolyte.

The 21st century has brought lots of changes in battery technology, but even now, if you want to use solar or wind power to provide your electricity for your home, you still need a big enclosure for batteries to deal with the problem that the sun doesn't shine at night and the wind doesn't blow all the time. Two things seem about to change all this, by developing batteries which cost less and need less space. The first is driven by South African born Elon



Musk who is responsible for the development of Tesla cars and Powerwall which it is claimed will revolutionize domestic electricity supply. Tesla are considering erecting a Powerwall gigafactory in Cape Town. The second, and I think much more significant, is an announcement by an organization called Ambri. It's run by Donald Sadoway, a professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and it is developing what it calls Liquid Metal Batteries.. To quote from the Ambri literature "... they will fundamentally change the way power grids are operated on a global basis." Find out more

from www.ambri.com. Why do I say that this is such a significant development? Well, I think it will certainly become the cheapest way of putting electricity into out-of-town residential properties and I think it will probably mark the beginning of the end of transmission lines marching all over the country alongside our roads. Imagine a situation where you don't have to pay the Municipality for electricity every month. I'd say it's coming and I certainly can't predict exactly how life will change.

EMPIRE WAR AND CRICKET

On Thursday March 31st this intriguing subject will be the topic discussed by Dr. Dean Allen when he makes a presentation to the Knysna Branch of U3A at the Brenton on Sea Community Hall.

A native of Somerset in the West Country of England, Dr Dean Allen's long association with South Africa began in the mid-1990s when he began his studies at Stellenbosch University. It was during research for his Masters Degree (that focused on Sport during the Anglo-Boer War) that Dean first visited Matjiesfontein and a fascination for the history of cricket and this region led to a PhD that was completed in 2008. His exciting new book Empire, War and Cricket in South Africa: Logan of Matjiesfontein is published by Penguin Random House (Zebra Press) and signed copies will be available for sale at his talk. Cecil Rhodes is on record as saying he had only met two creators in South Africa, one being himself and the other James Douglas Logan. Born in Reston, Scotland in 1857, Logan immigrated to South Africa at the age of nineteen. Based upon years of research in South Africa and the United Kingdom, and using original archive material (including many unseen photographs) Dr Allen's fascinating talk explores how James Logan made his fortune in late nineteenth century South

Africa through business, politics and a high profile association with the British Empire's favourite sport - cricket. James Logan became known as the 'Laird of Matjiesfontein' after the Karoo town he had developed. This famous town is today a national heritage site and a popular tourist destination for South African and international visitors. This talk will explore how Matjiesfontein was created and how James Logan developed this little town in the Karoo into a renowned health resort attracting the rich and famous of the late nineteenth century. The talk will also explain how James Logan was instrumental in developing the game of cricket in South Africa and examine the controversial but little-known 1901 South African cricket tour to England - a venture funded by Logan himself in the midst of the Anglo-Boer War. Matjiesfontein's pivotal role in the war is explored alongside James Logan's exploits during this time. It is a truly amazing story that has had many British and South African audiences enthralled. All are welcome to attend what will no doubt be a very fascinating presentation. The doors open at 9am and after tea/coffee and biscuits, the meeting starts at 10am. Members pay R5 and non-members R10 towards the hire of the Hall. Any queries contact Judy Dixon 0448831015

UP FOR ADOPTION

Knysna Animal Welfare Society has a cattery full of gorgeous cats and kittens, and a wonderful selection of dogs of all shapes and sizes, all ready to move into your home and into your heart. You can see the full selection on www.knysnaaws.com or visit the kennels at 1 Marlin Street, Hunters Home, Knysna to select your new furry friend. Phone 044 384 1603 for further details.



Scooter (above) is a lovely playful male cat, born Jul 2015. He is waiting patiently for someone to come along and fall in love with him!



Izzy (above) is a cuddly sweet male kitten, born Jan 2016. Please come to meet him, if you are considering adopting a kitten.



Holly (left) is a true treasure, with the most enormous ears :) She is a sweet young unique breed female puppy, just 8 months old. She is really hoping to be adopted into a loving home very soon!

River (below right) is a handsome black & tan unique breed male dog, 1 year 4 months old. He is very social and really hopes to be a part of a loving family very soon.

Stella (below) is an adorable unique breed female dog, 2 years old. She can't wait to be part of a loving family or to be a faithful companion to some lucky person.



Kahlua (left) is a gorgeous female tabby cat, born Jul 2015. She is looking forward to a loving forever home very soon!

NEW HOME A LIFELINE FOR TEN TSiBA EDEN SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS

Student accommodation at South African Universities has reached crisis point. This leaves students at risk of being financially exploited by landlords, as well as exposing them to various risks. Because of a generous matriarch and her daughters sponsoring a new student residence ten scholarship students' lives have been changed forever.

The mood was festive at the newly renovated student residence at N2 Gateway Complex in Langa Township, Cape Town. This was a special house-warming to officially welcome students from the Tertiary School in Business Administration's (TSiBA) Eden Campus which is in the rural area

of Karatara, near Knysna, to their new fully furnished, four bedroom home. This is much more than just a house – this home makes it possible for them to travel to Cape Town to progress in their tertiary business studies.

It was an emotional moment for Ruth Powell from Knysna as she honoured her parents who taught her the gift of giving from a very young age “Giving is a very special thing for me and my girls, we continue to ensure that every year we put money into TSiBA's Bachelor in Business Administration (BBA) fund to help with student stipends, levies etc. I'm so proud I've been able to give my children that same grounding that my mother taught me”.

TSiBA CEO, Adri Marais expressed her gratitude to Ruth for not only living the TSiBA dream and vision of igniting opportunity, but also for being so active in making these dreams a reality.

Tertiary School in Business Administration (TSiBA) is a unique private, not for profit business school that helps people who cannot access opportunities to jump ahead in life. TSiBA does this by providing emerging leaders with an opportunity to study high quality, accredited academic courses that are focused on developing entrepreneurship and leadership. What is unique about TSiBA is that students receive sliding-scale scholarships to assist them

in the pursuit of their business qualifications. After graduation students are not required to pay back this back in monetary value, but rather to pay it forward by transferring the knowledge, skills and resources they gain at TSiBA to their respective communities.

Thembelani Ntshinga is currently a Bachelor in Business Administration student in TSiBA Cape Town, and a TSiBA Eden alumnus born in Steinsberg a small town in the Eastern Cape. Thembelani described living in the house as a blessing “we treat each other as a family; we help each other with our assignments. We all get along very well, but

what makes all our lives easy is simply communicating with each other”.

TSiBA encourages any student with an interest in business to apply, especially if you wish to use your education to benefit others. The courses on offer place emphasis on leadership

and entrepreneurship which are great skills that also apply to any career.

Applications for 2017 will open in March, for more information please contact Genevieve Keene on 044 356 2789 or tsibaeden@tsiba.org.za on how you can apply, or visit www.tsiba.org.za.



Swop Shop and Kiddie Corner

by Annie Ogilvie

Last week's Swop Shop was, as always, heart warming, fun, energetic, vibrant and colourful.

I think the absolute 'MAGIC' of the day was 'The Kids Corner' a gentle, inviting, nurturing place under the shade of the gazebo where the children could simply 'be!' They could play, draw, do face painting for each other, listen to songs with the guitar and sing along where they knew the words! They lingered long and grew in numbers! For me the most precious moments were watching the children snuggle closer and closer to Wilna Dekker as she read them stories with animation and love.

Eventually they were hugging her around her neck, sitting on her lap, stroking her arms and just couldn't get close enough to her!



We have longed for this to work and yesterday was magic. The child volunteers were also so precious - they encouraged the children to draw - did face painting and encouraged the Swop Shop children to paint each others faces. There was such a happy, relaxed

atmosphere and I have no doubt that it will be a swop shop long remembered and many children will return to the 'MAGIC KIDDIES CORNER' for more love, more touch, more interaction and more freedom to be who they really are. I wept last night as I thought of the joy and my heart was very full!!



KNYSNA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE OF THE INTENTION TO LEASE MUNICIPAL ASSETS

In terms of Sub-regulation 34(1)(a) of the Asset Transfer Regulations, 2008, notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council intends to and request proposals for the granting of a right to use, control or manage the following assets;

1. The leasing of a portion of Erf 255, Knysna, in George Rex Drive ± 1 304 Square Meters in extent next to Loerie Park to the Knysna Sea Scouts to establish their Headquarters at no rental;
2. The leasing of a portion of Erf 215, Buffalo Bay for the establishment of parking bays near the slipway of the Buffalo Bay Ski-Boat Club;
3. Entering into an agreement for the management and maintenance of a Hiking Trail on a portion of Erf 215 Walkers Point, Buffalo Bay with the Western Cape Provincial Government (Cape Nature);
4. The leasing of the Sports Facilities on portions of Erf 2058, Sedgefield for a Bowling Club, Tennis Club and the related use of the Reg Basson Hall with Kitchen;
5. The leasing of a portion of Erf 211, Knysna for the running of a Lions Club at no rental, and
6. The Leasing of a portion of Erf 1316, Knysna for the running of the Sea Cadets at no rental.

The above mentioned assets will be leased for a period of 9 years and 11 months, with the exception of number 6, Erf 1316, Knysna (leased to the Sea Cadets) which lease will only be on a month-to-month basis.

Additional information can be obtained from Mr. Renwill Hardnick at telephone number 044 302 6459 during normal business hours or via e-mail at rhardnick@knysna.gov.za.

Any proposals, comments or objections regarding the above proposed leases must be submitted in writing to the Municipal Manager, P.O. Box 21, Knysna, 6570, by no later than 12h00 on Wednesday, 30 March 2016.

**GRANTEASTON
MUNICIPAL MANAGER**



KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY

BID NO. T 08/2016

Appointment of a Service Provider for the Construction of an Extension to the Existing Platform and Appurtenant Works at the Refuse Transfer Station

Knysna Municipality invites tenders for the appointment of a service provider for the construction of an extension to the existing platform and appurtenant works at the refuse transfer station.

The physical address for collection of tender documents is: **Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna.** Documents may be collected during working hours Thursday 03 March 2016.

A receipt for a non-refundable deposit of **R200.00** payable by cheque made out in favour of Knysna Municipality is required on collection of the tender documents. E-mailed documents are free of charge.

It is estimated that tenderers should have a CIDB contractor grading designation of 3ME or higher.

Queries relating to these documents may be addressed to: Mrs C Bezuidenhout, Tel 044-302 6349, e-mail cybezuidehout@knysna.gov.za

A compulsory pre-tender clarification meeting with representatives of the Knysna Municipality will take place at **12H00 (noon) on 09 March 2016** at the site in Knysna, which is located in **Auction Mart Street at the old Spoonnet freight yard.**

The closing time for submission of bids is **12h00 on Wednesday, 30 March 2016.** Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above, and placed in the **bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna,** before the latter time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, email and/or late bids will not be accepted. Bids must be valid for a period of ninety (90) days after the closing date of the bid.

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1. To Rent

Montage R4900 p/m. Freestanding lock-up & go, in Security Village. 2 Beds, 1½ baths, covered stoep, garage. Excl W/L. 044 343 2416.

Overdale R3900 p/m. 2 Bed 1½ bath Duplex - garage & outside area, no smoking/pets. Excl water/lights. Hanneke 044 343 2416.

Room space for rent in salon, ideal beauty room @ Lizzy's Hair Salon, Sedgefield 044-3432442 or Liz @ 0722267165

Village R5500 p/m. Views galore, by lagoon. 1 Bed, 1 Bath, 1½ garages. Be king of your castle. Excl W/L. Photos www.promisedland.co.za Hanneke 044 343 2416 / 083 715 8630

3. Accommodation Holiday

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Audrey was a well-known visitor to the business communities of Sedgefield as she placed all of the fund raising tins in the shops etc. and collected them once they were full. In the past year this had been taken on by Judy. Apart from her work for Hospice she also helped out at the Smutsville School with reading to the children and helping them with their English. Audrey was a lovely caring person and we would like to send our condolences to her husband Bill and the family, she will be sorely missed by us all.

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KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY



IMPORTANT NOTICE
APPLICATION FOR INDIGENT SUPPORT AND SOCIAL REBATES

REBATES: RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES

Residents are hereby advised that owners of ratable dwellings and tenants of state housing schemes may, subject to certain conditions, apply until **31 May 2016** for a rebate on the annual rates service charges. A special concession applies for married pensioners.

The onus rests on owners of single residential properties and tenants of state housing schemes to apply for this social rebate and may be granted in respect of **one dwelling unit only used exclusively for residential purposes** and provided acceptable proof is submitted that the combined gross income of the owner does not exceed **R4 200.00**. You will automatically qualify for a rates rebate if the combined gross income as stated on the application form does not exceed the limit of R2 600,00 per month.

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The EDGE on Health

What is Marijuana/Dagga/Weed/Pot?

Continued from the last Issue

Is marijuana addictive?

Contrary to common belief, marijuana can be addictive. Research suggests that about 1 in 11 users becomes addicted to marijuana (Anthony, 1994; Lopez-Quintero 2011). This number increases among those who start as teens (to about 17 percent, or 1 in 6) (Anthony, 2006) and among people who use marijuana daily (to 25-50 percent) (Hall & Pacula, 2003).

How does marijuana affect a user's life?

Compared to nonusers, heavy marijuana users more often report the following:

- lower life satisfaction
- poorer mental health
- poorer physical health
- more relationship problems

Users also report less academic and career success. For example, marijuana use is linked to a

higher likelihood of dropping out of school (McCaffrey, 2010). It is also linked to more job absences, accidents, and injuries (Zwerling, 1990).

How can people get treatment for marijuana addiction?

Long-term marijuana users trying to quit report withdrawal symptoms that make quitting difficult. These include:

- grouchiness
- sleeplessness
- decreased appetite
- anxiety
- cravings

Behavioural support has been effective in treating marijuana addiction. Examples include therapy and motivational incentives (providing rewards to patients who remain substance free). No medications are currently available to treat marijuana addiction. However, continuing research may lead to new medications that help ease withdrawal symptoms, block the effects of marijuana, and prevent relapse.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

- Marijuana refers to the dried leaves, flowers, stems, and seeds from the hemp plant, Cannabis sativa.
- The plant contains the mind-altering chemical delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and other related compounds.
- People use marijuana by smoking, eating, drinking, and inhaling it.
- Smoking THC-rich extracts from the marijuana plant (a practice called dabbing) is on the rise.
- THC over activates certain brain cell receptors, resulting in effects such as:
 - altered senses
 - changes in mood impaired body movement
 - difficulty with thinking and problem-solving
 - impaired memory and learning
- Marijuana use may have a wide range of effects, both physical and mental, which include:
 - breathing illnesses
 - possible harm to a foetus's brain in pregnant users
 - hallucinations and paranoia
- The amount of THC in marijuana has been increasing steadily, creating more harmful effects for users.
- Marijuana can be addictive.
- Treatment for marijuana addiction includes forms of behavioural therapy. No medications currently exist for treatment.

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 3rd Leslie Farnaby / Pam Day 56.55%
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 2nd Meg Isherwood / Johan Steyl 63.02%
 3rd Jeannie & Mark Taljard 54.69%
 We meet at the Roman Catholic Church Hall in Flamingo St every Monday evening at 18:45 and start playing at 19:00.
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 24 February 2016 -- 8 Table Howell
 1st Jean Taylor / Meg Isherwood 70.9%
 2nd Joy Amm / Bella Scoccia 60.6%
 3rd Leslie Farnaby / Johan Steyl 60.0%
 2 March 2016 -- 6 Table Howell
 1st Marguerite Badenhorst / Oswald Dittrich 68.3%
 2nd Leslie Farnaby / Johan Steyl 58.9%
 3rd Bella Scoccia / Barbara van der Noort 58.2%
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 Name:

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Across

- The traveller loses one, um... in plaster of Paris?(6)
- One might be envious of vegetables he sells. (6)
- Might help get the car going, if pressured. (2,1,4)
- Result of bad service turned around to support the climber. (5)
- Chad half starts at the metal container, it's something he does daily. (5)
- Ted, mixed up in a rape case, is overcome by bureaucracy. (3,4)
- Is he keen on being a dam builder? (5,6)
- Drink back outside when the time is getting on for specific exercise. (7)
- To owe on both sides might be substandard. (5)
- Eat ravenously in the ravine? (5)
- A small company exit broken into interesting bits. (7)
- Attempt to get out of the final, but in. (6)
- Pay to put down roots. (6)
- Cheesy pie industry has a homely feel. (7)
- Red about the ear nose and throat – but hired anyway. (6)
- The successful musician who smashed the table. (11)
- Missing from the smalls section? (2,5)
- Dalai Lama initially turned up by himself, outside and totally finished. (3,4)
- Spot Gigi half got into with a stopcock. (6)
- If not ironed out one might mean trouble for the batsman. (6)
- Is Ant ready without any on his stairs? (5)
- This new Western starting point might be on the cards. (5)

Down

- Look quickly, and note the spear! (6)
- Ian's in the mail spot – what's he playing at? (5)
- String up the little fellow for a sound performance. (7)
- Quick about the coin found in the little invasion. (5)

Across: 1. Metropolitan 9. Grind 10. East River 11. Ethereal 12. Dahlia 14. Nails 16. Inanimate 18. Informant 19. Spiro 20. Graphs 22. Landmark 25. Restraint 26. Edify 27. The Apartment

Down: 2. Edith Piaf 3. Rider 4. Premarital 5. Last 6. Terrapins 7. Novels 8. Grease Monkey 9. Green fingers 13. Past Master 15. Surcharge 17. Agitation 21. Asset 23. Dream 24. Limp

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9.30am
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Wilderness Hotel, (Old Karos Hotel)
George Road, Wilderness
Pastors: Chris & Trudie Smit
044 877 0307 or 084 240 5414

BOWLS TIDBITS

LADIES AND MEN'S OPEN CLUB SINGLES

These matches start on Tuesday 16 March – being played Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The final of the Men's Pairs was played yesterday but unfortunately too late for publication.

The Ladies Pairs Final was played last week with Allanah and Gill Maasdorp winning and Runners-up were Pam Millard and Merrill Milton. Well done to you all.

On 24/25 February the Nissan Two-Bowls Trips was played at Leisure Isle and this was won by Rick and Rosalie Horning together with Daniel Metter. Well done to you all!

PRESIDENT'S DAY - THURSDAY 10TH MARCH
We hope that the weather will be kind and we wish everyone a happy and enjoyable day.

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Laerskool Sedgefield Primary Two Athletes Awarded SWD Colours

Two Sedgefield Primary athletes Chenè Adam and Caleb Minnies were awarded SWD colours and took part in the Western Cape Athletics this past Saturday on 27 February in Outshoorn.

Caleb Minnies cleared 1.17 in high jump for boys 10 years and came 6th. The winning height was 1.26 also from a SWD athlete Ruan van Zyl. Chenè Adam came third in the long jump event for girls 13 years with a distance of 4.58 and the winning distance of 5.05 went to Lu-ann Oliveros from Boland.

Good luck to Chenè Adam who will participate in the South African Athletic Championships as part of the Western Cape Athletics Team on 12 March 2016 in Port Elizabeth.

Chene makes us, as her parents, extremely proud. It is her third year in a row to receive swd colours in long jump. The first year 2014 she got swd colours and came 8th at wp. Last year she came 6th at wp and this year she came third! and will now



Congratulations to Chenè Adam who came third in the girls for 13 years long jump.

participate at sa's!! Her hard work, dedication and efforts paid off. We will shout and cheer on Friday and no matter the outcome- in our eyes you will always be the best!!

Ladies Golf

The final 18 holes of the Sedge Links Ladies Championships was played on February 19th.

The prize giving was proceeded by the A.G.M. at the Links course. Winner of the Ladies Championship with a Gross of 115 was Marianne Du Preez. Runner up with a Gross of 138 was Joy Herbst.

The Gold section Best Nett was won by Marianne du Preez with a Nett of 109, following her was Joy Herbst with a Nett of 114. Silver section Best Nett winner Janet Wood had a 116 Nett. Runner up Meg Isherwood with 122 Nett. Bronze section Best Nett was won by Almarie Mead with a Nett of 110. Runner up Vonn Veldtmann had a Nett of 113.

Friday February 26th competition was played in rotation from the three tee boxes. First with 41 points Liz Stewart. 2nd place Ronnie Maingard 40 points and on a count out 3rd place Barbara Renfield 37 points. Eagles: Wendy 18th Barbara 3rd.

appointment only and Rose can be contacted on (044) 343-3273

CLUB NEWS
Willie van Aswegen is back home after a short spell in hospital and we send our good wishes for a speedy recovery to you, Willie.

Two female friends were having coffee together when one of them remarked that she'd be 30 years old the following week. "Gosh," said her friend, "don't you

Birdies: Ronnie 3/18. Bridget 12/18 Emily 3/12 Janet 3/12 Alice 12/15/18 Colleen 3. Elmarie 18. Elize 9/18 Liz 12/17, Marianne 3/9/6

The new Ladies Committee for 2016 is.
Captain - Marianne du Preez, Vice-Captain - Wendy Mack, Treasurer - Sandra van't Slot, Secretary - Colleen St'Clair and Member - Janet Wood.

After the tension of playing two weeks of Championships, 14 ladies turned up on a splendid summer morning on the 9th of March to play a leisurely, fun event of Stableford (Pink ball =double score). A lot of fun was had and all teams, barring one, managed to keep the 'pink' ball until the last hole, quite an achievement! On a count out team Meg, Marie and Jean won with 109 points. 2nd place went to team Alice, Emily and Colleen also scoring 109 points. There were plenty of birdies as usual, with Marina outstripping the field with 3; Meg, Emily, Colleen and Alice all had 1 birdie each.

think you should be married by now? All our friends who are 30 are married already." "That's such a silly generalisation," said the first friend. "It's like saying to a 70 year old, "Gosh you're 70. Isn't it time you had a hip replacement? All our 70 year old friends have had hip replacements?"

Good bowling everyone.

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Sedge's Gentlemen's Club

We have in our midst a senior golfer who is proudly in possession of a number of the local course records. These are playing 15 strokes on a single hole as well as a total score of 15 points during a particular game. He must remain nameless owing to a recent heart condition. Golf, obviously, contributed to this sorry state of affairs. However, all is not doom and gloom because we have a young upstart who is bent on bettering these records and this in a single game nugal.

During the course of this day's play Ali (Oh sh*t) Lasskorn

managed a total of 18 points and then took a dip at immortality by playing 14 shots on the final hole. We need you back on the course H. L. to defend what is rightfully yours.

The day's competition was in the format of a combined medal with drawn partners and the eventual winners were Roy Stedman and the aging teenager, Peter Hood with a total of 116 points. They were followed by Theo Pelsler and Rob on 119. Third place went to Martin Louw and Buks Triegaardt (ringers both) after a countout with Dolf Botha and Peter Heath, with a total of 120. It was great to see Roger Stainforth back on the course and strutting his stuff.

Golf News

Mr John L B is away this weekend doing his 20th and final Argus race we wish him well.

The competition for the 3rd of March was a 'greensomes' format, play the best drive then alternate shots to the hole. In 1st place on 65

points was the duo of Dolf and Ian followed by Mike Hammond and Reg on 62 points. They were followed by a count-out Herman and Hamish and Guy and Terry Savage both teams having 58 points. The game was played over 27 holes on a warm day and the last hole the 28th was a welcome sight to one and all.



Winners of the Links Ladies' Championships

TIDE TABLE		Next Full Moon: 23 March 2016	
09 March - 23 March 2016		● Full Moon	● New Moon
Wed 09	Low 10:18 22:33 Sunrise 06:22 Sunset 18:53	Hi 04:19 16:35 Moonrise 06:34 Moonset 9:15	
Thur 10	Low 10:57 23:10 Sunrise 06:23 Sunset 18:52	Hi 04:58 17:14 Moonrise 07:44 Moonset 19:56	
Fri 11	Low 11:36 23:46 Sunrise 06:24 Sunset 18:51	Hi 05:37 17:53 Moonrise 08:53 Moonset 20:39	
Sat 12	Low 12:16 Sunrise 06:25 Sunset 18:49	Hi 06:17 18:31 Moonrise 10:01 Moonset 21:24	
Sun 13	Low 00:24 12:57 Sunrise 06:26 Sunset 18:48	Hi 06:57 19:11 Moonrise 11:08 Moonset 22:10	
Mon 14	Low 01:05 13:41 Sunrise 06:26 Sunset 18:47	Hi 07:41 19:56 Moonrise 12:12 Moonset 23:00	
Tue 15	Low 01:53 14:36 Sunrise 06:27 Sunset 18:45	Hi 08:35 20:56 Moonrise 13:13 Moonset 23:53	
Wed 16	Low 03:04 16:11 Sunrise 06:28 Sunset 18:44	Hi 09:58 23:15 Moonrise 14:0 Moonset -	
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Fri 18	Low 07:20 19:40 Sunrise 06:29 Sunset 18:41	Hi 01:01 13:21 Moonrise 15:44 Moonset 01:44	
Sat 19	Low 08:06 20:19 Sunrise 06:30 Sunset 18:40	Hi 01:54 14:10 Moonrise 16:24 Moonset 02:40	
Sun 20	Low 08:41 20:51 Sunrise 06:31 Sunset 18:38	Hi 02:34 14:49 Moonrise 17:02 Moonset 03:36	
Mon 21	Low 09:10 21:19 Sunrise 06:32 Sunset 18:37	Hi 03:08 15:23 Moonrise 17:37 Moonset 04:31	
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THIRD PLACE ON PODIUM IN PATAGONIA

Merrell Adventure Addicts came hurtling in to claim third place at the Patagonian Expedition Race nine days after starting but "Not sure if you can call it a race, so much as something that altered your perception of adventure and survival." Says team member Grant Ross. "When we got to the finish line, they just so happened to put the survivors into positions."



It's called The Last Wild Race and it truly is a journey like no other. 18 teams of 4 started off the 612km expedition on 16th February at the entrance to the Straits of Magellan in southern Chile and only 4 made it to the finish line after mountain biking across the continent in a persistent headwind, paddling in icy fjords and trekking through peat bogs and over glaciers under sleet and rain.

The South Africans impressed everyone with their fortitude through all the new experiences they had to endure, competing against teams from the far northern hemispheres who are more used to such conditions, and some of whom had competed many times in this race. Eventual winner GODZone from the UK remain unbeaten over six such events here.

The team had been most concerned about how they would handle the cold and afterwards admitted to "feeling it, but never suffering from it." As Captain Graham 'Tweet' Bird put it; "We were actually never out of our comfort zone, and perhaps focused too much on looking after ourselves rather than racing." Evidently some of the other teams were thinking differently and dropped out one by one through exhaustion or injury. Popular Japanese team East Wind were flying from the

word go and the captain took a bad fall off his bike, leading to medical treatment and retiring from the race. Amazingly they returned, complete with neck brace, and pushed on to finish the race in second place after storming through the last 41km glacier run, dicing Merrell all the way.

Live coverage from the race was almost impossible, highlighting the remoteness of the region (and delicious wildness that so many of us seek) and so resulting in delayed and conflicting reports. Intermittent tracking, only provided in the second half, made for frustrating viewing as team dots popped on screen or disappeared completely. Due to terrible weather conditions deemed unsafe by the Chilean Navy, teams had been delayed from starting the kayak legs and their race times had been neutralised while stopped, camped out in thick, soggy wet forest overnight. Teams thus accrued time credit depending on how long they had had to wait. The teams were all kept up to date on their relative positions, but that information was not transmitted to viewers, so it was several hours after the finish that final ranking was understood.

Now that the media and teams are back in the town of Puerto

Natales for the finishing ceremony, where everyone who even entered this race is honoured, more images and details are emerging. Merrell have posted their own photographs on their facebook page taken in the spectacular surroundings and will soon post one of their popular videos.

This race, more than others, had those watching trying to imagine themselves out there. It is such a foreign environment for South Africans.

"Fantastic." Said Robyn Kime Owen of her fourth big adventure race in one year. "The Patagonian mountains, lakes, fjords and even the infamous weather did not disappoint." "She didn't get to see 'a real iceberg' on her wish list but "the peaks made up for it." Towards the end of the race they travelled amidst snow capped mountains gazing at the iconic pointy bits of Torres del Paine and of this section, Hanno Smit said "Was such a treat, like the icing on a cake. It was spectacular and damn dangerous and without that section this race would have only been a fourth of what it was for us."

For the rest, it was "Relentless, you get nothing for free. We were fighting the terrain all of the way." Said Graham.

"I didn't really know remoteness like I experienced here." Added Grant. "This race is really wild! I've only known organized rope sections, and neutral zones where no racing can take place because it can be dangerous. Here, the danger lurks regularly on the route, and the organizers just can't plan it, it is there already."

A truly wild race and a truly magnificent team representing our country. Thank you to the organisers and all involved in setting out and managing this epic adventure. And heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors who let us live our dreams out there. Each and every product helped us get through and OUT. Perform ourselves. Our main sponsor Merrell, and also PVM Nutrition, Black Diamond, Ocean Eyewear, Llama Bars, ButtaNutt Spreads, Extreme Lights, SquirtLube and Giant Bicycles. Spot Africa stepped in and provided a personal tracker for the first half of the race.

Next up, Expedition Africa at home in May!

WINNING TEAM - NISSAN KNYSNA TOURNAMENT



Winners of the recent Nissan Knysna tournament held at Leisure Isle Bowling Club were Rick & Rosalie Horning and Daniel Metter from the Sedgefield Bowling Club.

Above (Front L-R) Rick & Rosalie Horning, Daniel Metter, (Back L-R) Allan Brunt, Leisure Isle Bowling Club & Simon Guassardo from NISSAN Knysna)

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New SuperCar Shootout Headlines Even Greater Spectacle for 2016 Jaguar Simola Hillclimb

Visitors to this year's Jaguar Simola Hillclimb, taking place in Knysna from 6-8 May 2016, are in for a real treat, with the most exciting programme and the most expansive and exotic line-up of cars yet in the award-winning event's history.



First-ever Formula 1 car to tackle the Simola Hill

Aside from the largest-ever number of entries for Classic Car Friday and King of the Hill, this year's edition of South Africa's premier motorsport event is set to include a dedicated SuperCar Shootout, an intriguing new category for hybrid-powered vehicles, and the first-ever Formula 1 car to take on 'The Hill' – all of which is sure to excite and delight the more than 15 000 fans expected to make their way to the famous Simola Hill over the course of the weekend.

"The SuperCar Shootout adds an exciting new element to the Jaguar Simola Hillclimb, as it allows supercar owners to compete against one another for Hillclimb glory," says Geoff Goddard, the hillclimb's Sporting Director.

This event runs alongside and uses the same format as King of the Hill during the Saturday and Sunday, including the practice and qualifying runs, leading up to the class finals. The Top 10 competitors then proceed to the final SuperCar Shootout – which precedes the King of the Hill Top 10 Shootout – to determine the overall SuperCar winner.

"Drivers that elect to compete in the SuperCar Shootout will not be eligible for the King of the Hill Top 10, so it becomes a stand-alone event in the programme," Goddard explains.

Qualifying entries for the SuperCar Shootout have to be production-based showroom-

spec cars using standard road tyres – all of which fall under Class A regulations for road-going vehicles.

The fastest entries are likely to come from four of the Class A categories: A4 which includes the likes of the four-wheel drive turbocharged Nissan GT-R and a Noble M400; Class A6 with the Porsche 911 GT3; A7 that encompasses the evocative Ferrari 458 Italia and screaming Lamborghini Aventador; as well as Class A8 with a McLaren 650S and, naturally, the Jaguar F-Type R Coupé with its mighty 5.0-litre supercharged V8 that produces a thunderous 405 kW of raw power.

Another interesting addition to the 2016 Jaguar Simola Hillclimb is the new Class A9 for hybrid-powered vehicles. At least one BMW i8 is destined for the start line, and is sure to be a major talking point throughout the weekend. Relying on a high-tech combination of a 1.5-litre three-cylinder petrol engine synchronised with an electric motor, it produces a combined output of 266 kW and 570 Nm of

torque. It will be fascinating to see how this lightweight plug-in hybrid fares against its more conventional rivals.

Motor racing purists will be delighted to witness the first-ever Formula 1 car to be unleashed on the Jaguar Simola Hillclimb. Owned and driven by Andre Bezuidenhout, one of SA's most fervent motorsport enthusiasts and competitors, the 1989 Dallara is powered by a Cosworth-Ford V8 and currently holds the lap record of 58.839 sec for the 2.4 km Zwartkops Raceway in Pretoria.

Is it capable of blitzing Des Gutzeit's current Hillclimb record of 40.148 sec notched up last year with his explosive, highly modified 1 400 hp Nissan GT-R, or will the road course be its undoing? All will be revealed at the beginning of May...

For more information on the event visit: www.jaguar-simolahillclimb.co.za #JaguarSHC

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