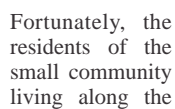


LAND OWNER ASKS QUESTIONS AS TO WHY NO ARRESTS WERE MADE

"The community often walk dogs or cycle on the property, which I have had no problem with up until now. We did have a gate some years back which was stolen," he told us.

Later that day, the owner was at the bottom of the 'Cloud 9' road meeting his neighbour to discuss firebreaks, when a truckload of timber came down the hill. They stopped it to chat to the driver and established it had come from the Wucherpfennig property and that at

“The allegations pertaining to police conduct must be reported to the Knysna SAPS station management for an investigation to be instituted.”



Stacks of timber illegally harvested from private land on Cloud 9.

Meanwhile, Sedgefield's COP (Community Orientated Policing) and local Neighbourhood Watch groups circulated a petition for locals to sign. The petition asks the court to oppose bail for Harvey and keep him in the custody of the

Meanwhile, investigation into the latest case continues, and we have it on good authority that the victim is recovering well and her dog is fine.

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Notes from T'Ed's Head

"Ok, my darling boy, just put your bags in the guest room, the one facing north, and then we can have some lunch in the conservatory." Mrs Ed said, pointing to the door at the end of the passage.

She was talking to our son, The REE (Resident Expert on Everything), in that rich, love-oozing syrup-saturated voice that mothers reserve for their sons. Kind of the exact opposite to the tone used for their husbands. "Guest room, Mom? REALLY? You mean my bedroom, don't you?" "Yes, dear, but we don't call it that anymore."

The REE had arrived after a long drive from Cape Town, and despite her special voice, I think Mrs Ed was either trying to punish him for the long gap between visits or keep him from moving back home on a permanent basis.

It was only seconds later that we heard the squawk of alarm, similar in modulation to that manly (though perhaps a little high-pitched) squeal I have occasionally been known to emit on discovering a resident rodent.

"MOM! WHAT HAPPENED TO MY BEDROOM?"

"I told you, we don't call it the REE-Room anymore. It's now the North-Facing Guest Room," Mrs Ed replied calmly.

"BUT... BUT... BEIGE!!! YOU'VE PAINTED MY BEDROOM BEIGE!"

"No, dear, it's not your bedroom anymore. And for the record, the colour is actually 'Fawn', not beige."



I stood and watched with a half-smile. I didn't have the heart to tell either of them that the second coat was actually 'Oatmeal' due to my forgetting the name when I was at the hardware store. Fortunately, I had been quick-thinking enough to remove the label from the paint tin on the way home. Later I had explained to Mrs Ed in my best 'Any painter worth her rollers would know this' voice that the second coat is always substantially darker than the first.

But Fawn, Oatmeal or Beige – The REE was having none of it.

"But blue – it's supposed to be BLUE... it's ALWAYS been blue...andWHERE ARE MY POSTERS? AND MY 'SURFS UP DUDE' DUVET COVER? MOOOOOM!"

I sighed that contented sigh of one who can recognise the arrival of trouble / confrontation/bouts of sulking but knows that, with a little careful footwork, he will probably be able to avoid it....

You see, I have wisdom - lots of it. Enough to know that our offspring, and, I would guess, everybody's offspring, simply

don't like change.... at home.

At all.

Indeed, they believe that once they have left the nest, their ageing parents have only one job.

No, that's a lie. MANY jobs.

But there's one that is more important than the rest (except, perhaps, stocking the fridge with cheese), and that is NOT CHANGING ANYTHING.

AT ALL.

I guess we are their safety nets. The constant in their lives. And whilst they accuse us of being boring old flatulents who are stuck in our ancient old ways, they actually wouldn't have us any OTHER way.

You're nodding, aren't you?

I remember our daughter, Fear Factor (she was learning to drive at the time... I think she has since given up) (the learning, not the driving) (please say a prayer for her fiancée), bursting into tears the day she found one of my t-shirts on the DDP (Destination Dust-rag Pile).

"YOUR BEATLES SHIRT? DAD? NOOOOOOOOOOO!"

"Um.... yes...." I answered. I too was sentimentally attached to the shirt and was actually quite proud that I'd stretched it out so long – the shirt itself, which fitted perhaps a little snugly over my six-pack, and the wearing of it so many years past Mrs Ed's official 'I will not be seen with you in that old thing' proclamation (perhaps that's why I loved it so much).

But even by my fell-off-the-fashion-bus standards, it was done. There was more hole than shirt, and the last time I wore it, a 'bergie' had given me an orange.

And sad as I was to see it go, I certainly didn't think it worthy of tears! (it had a few tears of its own – though they were markedly different in pronunciation.)

"DADDYYYYYYYY," she had wept, holding it against her cheek, "You can't throw this out. You wore that to my first preschool play.... AND to my matric send off!"

But back to the present – The REE was still distraught about his bedroom, and his mother was offering only a beige attempt at mollifying him. "Let's have tea in the conservatory," she said, "I have made your favourite brownies!"

"Conser... what?" he asked "It's the veranda," I whispered, "She's talking of glassing it in when we next win the lottery."

Presumably fearing the worst, he rushed to the door leading to the veranda (sorry – conservatory) and squawked once more. He turned on his heel (I have told him there's nothing wrong with being short, but he won't listen)

and this time looked me in the eye. Such was the burning of his silent accusation of cowardice that all I could do was slump my tired shoulders forwards. "Yes, son," I said, shaking my head in dejected commiseration that I hoped would also portray a level of camaraderie between two men facing a common enemy, "The Beer-pong table has gone. I'm... I'm... so... sorry." "It was an old door balanced on beer crates," Mrs Ed insisted, quite heartlessly, I thought, "And it certainly didn't fit in with my pot plant arrangements." As she turned around to go and put the kettle on, I took the opportunity to step closer to The REE. "Dad," he said, looking at me with a whole new level of consternation, "How could you let her.... You and I were the champs at my twenty-first!" "Son, it was either that or the hammock," I whispered, putting my hand on his shoulder and choking back the tears, "If only you had been here...."

Mrs Ed tutted from the kitchen. "If you two are going to go on about this, I would rather you went and sat in the Man Den." "Oh my goodness!" exclaimed The REE, "ANOTHER ROOM CHANGED? Is there anything left of the house I grew up in?" "SHHHHHH," I answered quickly, "This one's ok. It's the new name for the Garden Shed." Grabbing his arm, I steered him towards the lawn to make sure we were out of earshot. "And it's got a bar-fridge in it!" His face lit up to the glowing visage of happiness I remembered from his childhood days. "Then to the Man Den we go," he said, offering me a salute, then linking his arm through mine as we strutted towards the bottom of the garden.

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FAREWELL DESMOND SCHOLTZ

19 February 1964 - 17 July 2021

On Saturday 17 July, we lost a very good friend of The EDGE, a man we knew and loved personally and a regular contributor whose photographs often appeared in our pages.

After two weeks in ICU, where he battled with COVID, which resulted in his catching pneumonia, Des passed away in hospital with his wife Athane by his side.

When Athane announced the sad news, heartfelt messages from thousands of friends and colleagues all over the world began pouring in through social media, e-mails and Whatsapp, bearing witness to the amazing man that Desmond was.

There is no question that Des was dedicated to his faith and family first, yet he was still one of the most well-known photographers on the Garden Route. It was not only his exceptional skill behind the camera, but his easy-going manner, his honourable work ethic and perhaps - on occasion - that mischievous twinkle in his eye that made him such a wonderful person to work with, and his pictures so alive. His freelance work for publications across the country and overseas provided Desmond with wonderful experiences and the opportunity to meet many famous people, including one or two international rockstars. He was the most excited, however, about meeting and photographing Nelson Mandela, twice.

He also leapt at any story that would take him into the skies - via chopper or small aeroplane.

Des was a person you felt good spending time with, a man who would listen, laugh, offer wise counsel and often pray with his friends. All of us felt better after a cuppa or two (or three!) with Des - perhaps that's why his capacity for coffee was legendary, even in media circles!



He and his small family moved to Sedgefield from the Eastern Cape in 2004. They made many close friends in the 13 years that they lived here before moving to George in 2017 to be closer to the children's schools and Des and Athane's places of work.

They have remained a part of the community through these friends, and Athane's mother, Sally Bauermeister, who still lives in Sedgefield.

We say farewell to our friend - until we see you again and offer our deepest sympathies to Athane and their children Emma (17) and Nathan (14), as well as Desmond's brother, Ken, sister Debbie, and mother Joan.

WILD OATS GETS CLOSED... TEMPORARILY

There was quite a commotion during the early morning of Saturday 24 July when Law Enforcement arrived to close down the Wild Oats Farmers Market in what the market owners/organisers Rose Brettell and Susan Garner have described as a 'travesty of Justice'.

"Sixty-five stallholders were affected when five law-enforcement vans and one fire department van, coupled with armed officers, descended on the market at 6am, blocking the entrance and threatening to arrest of all of us," the ladies told us later in an email.

A number of the stallholders were left high and dry, with fresh produce prepared especially for the market and suddenly nowhere to sell it. Many locals were incensed and voiced their anger on social media, whilst others organised ways for the stallholders to accept orders for their perishable goods online." The two neighbouring markets -

Mosaic and Scarab - did not open on the day, as both had been instructed that they could no longer operate under the then-current Level 4 COVID restrictions.

But the Wild Oats owners say they received no such notification.

"For this entire few weeks of Stage4 restrictions, we were relying on our 'produce market' status, which in the Stage4 Government Gazette Section 21 allows us to be open," they explained in their email to The EDGE.

They voiced disappointment that decisions affecting the markets were made without any input from them.

"The Disaster Management powers-that-be had, at some stage, decided Wild Oats is a flea market, a status which is cited to



be closed in Section 24 of the gazette," their email said, "The decision-maker(s) did not include us in this decision, no visitation to the market by these decision-makers occurred, no explanation or further negotiation with us as owners occurred."

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They further insisted that this “flea market” status decision was not communicated directly to them until Saturday morning during the closure raid. “Surprising, because the two Saturdays prior, Disaster Management representatives visited the market and saw our strict Stage4 observances... yet did have a question on our seating areas being only half closed. This was the time they should have closed us down if they had an issue with Wild Oats being a flea market in Stage4!”

When Law-Enforcement closed them down, Susan and Rose contacted a local lawyer who advised them not to resist to avoid further legal issues.

But it seems they are not letting the matter end there. “The aftermath of public outrage has been unprecedented!” they said, “Many other market owners have contacted us and plan legal action... as some markets were allowed to open under the “produce market” status.” Examples provided of these markets included Harkerville Market near Plett, Oranjazicht Market in Cape Town, Greyton Market and Pretoria Boermark.

Further, the ladies said they have video footage of a market in Knysna Taxi-rank trading on the same Saturday. This video is also doing its rounds on social media.

Throughout the weekend, Sedgefield community platforms on Facebook hummed with

many directing their anger towards Knysna Disaster Management, whilst others came out in defence of the local authority, saying the decision was made at a higher level.

On Monday, we asked the Municipal Communications Department if they could shed light on how Saturday’s ‘raid’ had come about.

According to Knysna Municipality’s Head of Disaster Management, Richard Meyer, the decision to close down markets was made at the district level during a special zoom meeting of the JOC on Thursday, 22 July 2021.

The following departments were part of the meeting, District/ Local Disaster Management, Environmental Health Practitioners, Municipal Law Enforcement, Eden Cluster S A P S, and Station Commanders.

“The decision was based on the adjusted level 4 regulations and was applied nationally from 28 June 2021, then amended on 11 July 2021 until 25 July 2021. It also followed legal advice provided by the District Joint Operations Committee (JOC),” a Municipal spokesperson reported in an email, adding that under adjusted level 4, flea markets and leisure markets are prohibited.

But the Municipal response insists that the closure on Saturday should not have come as a surprise to the Wild Oats

management.

“Wild Oats was warned on numerous occasions and even Friday afternoon to refrain from opening,” it states.

When this was put to the market’s owners, they were adamant that this was not the case.

“We did not receive advance notice, only a phone call from Mr Beukes of Law Enforcement on Friday, simply asking us if we will be open. We explained we were a produce market and legally could open. He never asked us to close, although he invited us to a meeting on Friday afternoon, which we declined due to work responsibilities and timing issues. We had requested a meeting the previous Saturday (through 2 DM uniformed representatives who seemed ok with our strict Stage4 enforcement, they took our contact card), yet no further response was received during the week. The notice from GR Muni was presented by law enforcement only early Saturday morning during the ‘raid’. I think they may have sent out a notice to Mosaic Market about the closure of ‘all markets & flea markets’, which we did see in the Mosaic social media posting. We do not have any other communication from DM or SAPS,” they responded.

Fortunately, under the current Level 3 Lockdown restrictions, all three markets will once again be open this coming Saturday.



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Understanding the impact of time on risk can make you a better investor

By Adriaan Pask, CIO, PSG Wealth

Most investors focus on the risk-return properties of their securities or portfolios, but factoring in a third dimension - time - can help you make better investment decisions.

Traditional wisdom dictates that securities and portfolios should be selected or constructed after careful consideration of the risk-return properties of each security, and the portfolio as a whole. This conventional method adopts a two-dimensional approach to assessing assets: the consideration of relative risk and the consideration of relative return. In academic circles this is often referred to as the efficiency frontier.

What I have always found interesting about this approach is, firstly, that there is no consideration of time, and secondly, that risk is always defined as volatility. By virtue of these two seemingly inconspicuous assumptions, it is my belief that investors can be led astray.

Let’s say for example you have 20 years left before retirement. In this scenario your risk is perhaps not short-term volatility, but rather the risk of not saving enough for retirement or outliving your capital during retirement. At this stage of an investor’s life, these are clearly far more serious risks than short-term volatility.

Another interesting observation is that the longer you invest, the closer an asset class tends to move toward its long-term average return. Over the short term, returns can vary greatly, but the more time passes, the narrower the range of outcomes becomes.

Is the asset class then potentially less risky than what is assumed in the traditional efficiency frontier? I would certainly say so. By adding a third dimension, investment horizon, to the two-dimensional approach, we can assess risk more accurately and use asset classes more effectively. By incorporating this third dimension in our assessment or financial plan, we can make better investment decisions.

So how do we use these new investment superpowers to become a better investor? Start with investment horizon, consider how much time you really have, then think about what you deem your risks to be over that period, then stick to your plan. Is losing 30% of your capital over a 12-month period really a risk if you know that over longer periods you will not only recover, but generate superior returns?

Is cash really the lowest risk investment when, although it is highly unlikely that you will lose capital over a 12-month period, we know that the probability of not generating inflation-beating returns is actually the highest of all asset classes over the long term?

It is important to note that if you can reduce risk by extending a time horizon, it implies that you can increase risk by reducing a time horizon. This is again a really important consideration when investing.

The riskiness of an asset class is not the same over all time periods; it changes as the investment horizon is increased or decreased. That also means that if you apply the wrong horizon to an investment, that you could increase the risk. Ultimately, the investor has the power to alter the riskiness of an investment, by extending or reducing the time horizon of their investment. Successful outcomes depend on having a thorough understanding of the time horizon you are investing for, and how this should influence your decisions. A qualified financial adviser can help you factor this into your overall plan effectively.



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Sedgefield Crime Watch Report

12 July 2021 to 26 July 2021

Groenvallei Meedingsride
12 July Marigold 12h40:
A neighbour saw three trespassers on a property, who then ran away. One suspect apprehended by security response officers. The other two fled across the N2.
15 July Bleshoender:
A storage hut was broken into
19 July Fraser 07h50:
Well known repeat offender was caught by a resident breaking into one of their vehicles.
20 July Bleshoender:
Fuel was stolen from a vehicle parked at a residence.

Sedgehill
13 July Plumbago:
A gas cylinder was stolen.
14 July Volstruis:
The electricity was cut at a residence. The alarm was triggered & security responded. Nothing was stolen.
16 July Cycad 21h45:
A perpetrator is believed to have climbed up to the first floor &

entered a house. The Residents were home. A phone was stolen.
17 July Kalossie:
A laptop was stolen from premises. A known suspect was arrested the following day and the laptop recovered.
18 July early morning hours:
Garage door broken open. Nothing believed to be stolen at the time.
24 & 25 July Fish Eagle:
Early hours resident had an intruder in courtyard setting off beams & garden gate left open.
25 July Quail 03h20:
A perpetrator gained access to a vehicle.
26 July Patrys approx 03h00:
A garage at a holiday home was burgled. Unknown items were stolen.
Village
14 July Glasogie:
Theft of hair clippers from premises.
22 July Crane Quail Walk:
A lawnmower was found behind

premises on Crane Walk. No report of stolen lawnmower at the time.
Myoli / Cola Beach
15 July Claude Urban:
There was an attempted burglary at a building site.
16 July Claude Urban:
Perpetrators stole 2 gas bottles & a wheelbarrow.
The wheelbarrow was recovered.
17 July Claude Urban:
A garage was burgled.
18 July On Cola Beach 18h40:
There was a kidnapping, assault & theft of motor vehicle. Residents managed to prevent vehicle from leaving the area. The suspect fled but was arrested within 24 hours.
Cloud 9 Area
15 July Cloud 9:
There was theft of numerous trees from a property by illegal loggers.

SAMS - Much to be grateful for

We have now moved past the solstice and into the coldest part of winter. The SAM team is dealing with the usual injuries, illnesses, neglect and abuse of animals, lost/found pets, homing and weekly sterilisations. They have also faced the added workload resulting from the COVID cases at KAWS in Knysna. The KAWS team has been knocked hard by COVID, and many of their kennel staff have had to isolate. Consequently, SAM has tried to manage without adding to KAWS' troubles. The skeleton staff at KAWS and our small SAM team have put their shoulders to the wheel and provided the best possible care throughout. Our thoughts are with the hard-working and committed KAWS personnel, and we hope that they will all be up and well again soon. The staff at KAWS and our SAM volunteers are nothing short of champions, and we are very fortunate to have them.

That said, we once again face the grim reality of finances. There is an ever-increasing need for animal care in our community, and - as with all animal welfare organisations - SAM has to keep costs down and yet provide the best care possible. Our SAM Charity Shop Manager, Jean Mulder, is always coming up with innovative ways to raise funds and plans to have a massive 50% sale at the shop on

Friday, 30 July. Awesome winter clothing needs to move to make space for the equally fabulous summer stock that will be put out on the rails in time for the warmer weather. At the same time, there will be a plant sale - something our keen gardeners can look forward to. This will be an outdoor sale to ensure that all COVID restrictions are followed, so please make a note in your diaries. There will be plenty of bargains up for grabs. Save the date! We will have a beautiful succulent planter that will be raffled at R10 a ticket.

The local community has been our greatest support, and one particular donation deserves a mention. One of the SAM Charity Shop volunteers, Lore Pillman, made a beautiful reversible double bed quilt for auction. Bids came in thick and fast, and the final bid brought smiles all around. Debbie Oliver, everyone's favourite Lion, placed the winning bid. A nice chunk of money for SAM's vet bill!

Considering the stress placed on small businesses this past year or more, it was just grand for the SAM team to be on the receiving end of delicious cupcakes from Deo Gratia this past week. A generous and thoughtful way to say thank you, and much appreciated by our team.

SAM has more animals to care

for every week, and this is resulting in rapidly increasing costs. Although the SAM Charity Shop is a source of funding, we would like to put a plea out to those who request SAM's assistance: please could you consider making a donation for the services rendered? No matter how small, it all helps pay for vaccines, deworming, tick and flea treatment, treatment of mange, sterilisations, feeding, treatment of injuries and insuring, running and maintaining the Caddy. Providing these services free of charge is just not sustainable in the long term, so a small donation, if at all possible, would be gratefully accepted.

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8am - 12. Midweek Village Market at Mosaic.

Thursdays

7:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.

8 for 9am Sedge Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links

13:45pm Tabs in for Bowls.

Fridays

8am Ladies Golf @ Links Course

Saturdays

7:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.

8am-12 Wild Oats Community Farmers' Market

8 for 9am Saturday Competition Golf @ Links Course

8am-2pm Mosaic Market

8am-1pm Scarab Craft Market

13:45pm Tabs in for Bowls.

Sundays

8am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDGE

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to write a letter to the editor, it 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@edgenews.co.za

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A GENEROUS GIFT FOR SAM

On a cold Saturday morning with a lot going on, something special happened at SAM.

The SAM Charity Shop volunteers were on duty as usual, and along came a lady with a little boy. This quiet little chap handed over a bank baggie full of cash - R1300 to be exact!

Young Elias had been saving his pocket money for three years. He was putting it aside with the express purpose of donating it to an animal welfare organisation. This is an enormous sum for a child to give away. He could have bought himself many

Dear Editor

In solidarity with people with positive integrity who are cleaning up behind all the looting and plundering in areas where places and people are left destitute, I decided to walk around a few blocks in my vicinity - armed with a plastic bag and garden gloves - to pick up litter in the streets.

Without pointing a finger to blame, you can imagine my surprise to discover the area with the most rubbish was in front of a church!

When I wanted to throw all the mess away, I only found two rubbish bins in the nine parts of the blocks that I covered. Where should people throw their rubbish, aside from littering the streets with cigarette butts, cooldrink cans, chips and chocolate wraps...?

Now I will follow Forest Gump's words and say, "that is all I want to say about that".

Regards

Estelle

In Loving Memory

of
John Laros

07.01.1940 – 11.07.21

Your wings have been given to you and we were not ready.

Fly safe between the angels. Rest in peace and happiness.

You will be dearly missed.
Hesphia & Douglas



things with that money, but he loves animals and is aware of what animal welfare does. He wanted to help, and his wonderful donation will most certainly do that. His mother is justifiably proud of him, and the SAM team is bowled over by this act of kindness. It is heartwarming to see a youngster show such empathy and compassion for animals in need.

On behalf of SAM and all the animals in the community that need help, thank you, Elias.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO SEABRIDGE... on their first day at School!



On Monday, the 26th of July, Seabridge School in Sedgefield had its first official day of lessons and learning.

With all regulations and COVID-19 protocols in place, The Edge managed to capture the Gr 9 Science class in practice with John Fearon (the teacher) and a force meter practically illustrating vectors and scalars to young Nathan Jacobs (15).

PG SUPPORTS TLC FOR MANDELA DAY



Thank you to Gilda Scammel for allowing us to assist in making a difference this winter by celebrating Mandela Day - "It is those who live their lives remarkably who inspire our own". Pots and spoons were clanging as the agents and staff of Pam Golding Properties Sedgefield took to their stoves to make soup in aid of The Living Cornerstone residents.

The Living Cornerstone provides a loving, homely and secure environment creating dignity and independence as far as possible for all their residents irrespective of race, colour or creed. Pam Golding Properties Sedgefield would also like to thank all those who are generously contributing to the food drive trolleys.

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A Life Well Lived

Mrs Jaroslawa (Irka) Jablonski

07 July 1927 - 22 July 2021

by Ziuta Lloyd-Townsend

Another legend has left us all, and along with her, all her knowledge, experience and rich history.

Our loving mother, grandmother and friend, Mrs Jaroslawa (Irka) Jablonski, born 07 July 1927, died at HUG House, Sedgefield, on 22 July 2021 after suffering a stroke at home a week earlier.

Mum was one of 12 children born in the village of Wertepain, Poland, now forming part of Russia and renamed.

At the age of 12, the Second World War broke out, and she witnessed first-hand the horrors of human destruction. The family lived on a small subsistence farm raided by the Ukrainians. The farmhouse was burnt down, her father shot dead along with the farm animals whilst the rest of the family fled for their lives.

They suffered much hardship, foraging for food and bartering whatever little they had of value for necessities. This, with her experience of farming, set the scene for teaching her children and grandchildren how to be resourceful and save money.

She remembered a terrible mass relocation journey by train in a cattle car. On arrival, she and her family were given housing by the Polish authorities. Mum found work in a laboratory but jumped at the opportunity presented by her brother in 1958 to emigrate to what was then Rhodesia.

She arrived early 1959 without any knowledge of English and no money, but due to the kindness of the community, found work as a child minder at a crèche, grateful to be earning her way with £20 a month.

A friend of mum's holidaying in Sedgefield met dad and suggested he contact her, and the rest is history. Dad was also Polish and served in the war, after which a short stay in England opened the doors for a major relocation to South Africa. Dad was a qualified bricklayer and worked on the mines in Welkom rebuilding the boilers. Throughout his career, he laid the bricks whilst his assistants mixed the mortar and passed bricks to him. He built our current family home at the age of 72. By the time mum and dad met, he had already built The Lido restaurant (now the well-known Montecello) and, with the help of his boys and mum, proceeded to build the block of flats.

When, as children, we were tall enough to serve tables, we did, and mum ran a tight ship, teaching us very strict etiquette as service providers. Dad worked on projects often as far away as Willowmore, which only saw him home on average two weekends a month while mum worked the business in Sedgefield. They had three children together, which totalled eight in the family. Today there are only four remaining siblings. Mum suffered the loss of 4 children in her latter years, dad having passed away from cancer in 1997.

Having moved to Sedgefield in 1963, we believe she was the 2nd-longest Sedgefield resident at the time of her passing.

Mum, having been competent and independent all of her life, became frustrated when she began to lose the ability to do the simple things that she loved, like gardening, cooking and crocheting. Not being able to get around anymore meant that her contact with the community was limited, adding to her frustration.

Through all of her hardships and challenges, mum still had one of the most beautiful smiles I've ever seen. She could make you feel that nothing was impossible and that your trials were temporary and solved with one of those smiles and a hug. Knowing her history, you would be reminded that if she could endure the horrors of the Second World War, you could overcome anything.

Mum will be remembered for her tenacity, hard work, dedication to her family, extensive practical knowledge, unconditional love and commitment to her husband and the people she cared for the most. Our sincere thanks to Dr Stander, Sedgefield Pharmacy, Sr. Brigid and her team of carers for their service to mum and the community in general over the years.



HEROES of SPEED

Herotel is proud to announce that it is building a world-class fibre internet network in Sedgefield that will deliver internet speeds of up to 200Mbps to the community. We have the best-priced fibre product in South Africa available to you. Our 50Mbps True Uncapped product will cost only R499 per month. You are probably wondering how we do it and what makes Herotel different from most other fibre operators. We are different in three ways: We build most of our fibre in the air and sell directly to consumers to keep prices low, and we establish a local office to keep service levels high.

In every suburb, there is an allocated space between homes, typically at the back of a property, that has been reserved for critical services such as sewage, power and telecommunications. Unless there is a specifically promulgated legal restriction, our Electronic Communications Network (ECN) licence allows us to build our network here, at the back of properties on wooden poles. In most cases, a single pole can provide fibre to 3-4 households, which means that we typically need just a few poles per street. Our teams will move through the suburbs of Sedgefield, engaging directly with residents, during which time they can answer any questions or concerns that homeowners might have. Our staff members are employed by Herotel and will be clearly identifiable with security tags, their uniform and branded vehicles.

Herotel will never enter a property without the homeowner's permission. Our Hero Fibre poles are neatly tucked away in your backyard and are rarely visible from the street unless we need to do a road crossing. Direct Access means that we prefer a direct relationship with our customers out of our local offices. Most fibre providers sell their services through national ISP middlemen, who manage their clients remotely from the big cities. We service our customers from the towns where we deploy our networks. Should something go wrong, we can fix it immediately by deploying local teams on the ground. This creates long-term local employment: technicians, sales staff and management. Direct Access means that we build, sell and maintain our own networks, no middlemen required. Why pay two companies when you only need one? We know residents have many questions, so we have captured some of the most commonly asked questions below for your perusal.

Q: Who is Herotel? A: Herotel is a local business that was started in 2014 with the dream of connecting all South Africans to faster, more affordable internet. That vision was accelerated through a nationwide consolidation of 30 local owner-operated businesses. We united these businesses to help bring meaningful change to an

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ALL ABOUT ALDAMALI

Aldamali Internet Services is based in Zeegesicht, Sedgefield and has been distributing Wireless Internet since July 2020. Our main base was the Sedgehill, Smutsville, Groenvallei and Sedgefield CBD areas that could link to our connection towers.

Aldamali was recently VOXinated. We have expanded our services and have become a VOX Telecom business partner.

Aldamali has been involved in the community from the day we started.

- We sponsor and supply internet services to the Alzheimer care administration (TLC), Whisk Away Home Industry and Roy Forte Studio.

- We created a website with full video and audio services for the Dutch Reformed Church (NG Kerk Karatara).

- More websites were sponsored for new small businesses such as BB Protection Services: bbprotectionservices.co.za, Oelf Electrical: oelfelectrical.co.za, VDM Bistro: vdmdbistro.co.za and a George company called Go Digital Installations: godigitalinstallations.co.za

The services and products that Aldamali provides to Sedgefield and its surroundings are based on what will enhance the living standards of the clients who use them. These products are categorised into three sections - the 3 C's.

*Connectivity - we connect the client to the internet by fibre, wireless connection and LTE through MTN. In-house wireless connections start from R400 per month for 5Mbps speed. Pensioners get a R100 discount per month.

Satellite internet is also available for places with no other means of communication.

*Communication - We provide email and website hosting, bulk SMS messaging (still the best method to message), phone calls through an internet phone or a smartphone app, video intercom systems and many more. While on the internet, we also offer digital protection utilising internet security software. But digital security is not all we provide! We can also offer residents who live alone a monitoring system that will notify a friend or a caregiver of unusual events. Vox911 is a system that will be your voice to quickly inform your reaction unit about your location and need for assistance.

*Control - The internet is a very versatile medium to use as a connection agent. You can add a camera or two to your premises and monitor what is happening at your premises via your smartphone or



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There is so much that you can do with the internet. Not just Facebook and WhatsApp. Visit our website at www.aldamali.co.za or Facebook at @AldamaliServices or send us a WhatsApp/SMS on 082 895 8743. We are here to uplift the community of Sedgefield and its surroundings. It is our passion to help. Your happiness is our reward.

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THE COMPUTER SHOP

The Computer Shop has been running since 1998, with TCS Wi-Fi being created in 2014, to assist our loyal customers who were struggling with slow and unreliable internet connectivity. The Computer Shop is an IT service provider focusing on the internet, communications, consulting, and support of Information Technology and the core infrastructures surrounding it. The Computer Shop has all the tools, skills, and consulting experience to provide a complete service offering for your IT environment.

At The Computer Shop, we believe that everyone deserves access to high speed, reliable internet and that a network should be personally constructed to promote ease of use and maximize quality of life! As such, our services were born from a desire to satisfy our customers, and the entire system is designed from a remarkable user experience back to us. Over 23 years, we have grown and now have stores in 7 towns along the Garden Route and Eastern Cape, with further plans to expand further in the near future.

The Computer Shop in Sedgefield has been open and serving the Sedgefield community since 2016. And through TCS Wi-Fi, offers solid UNCAPPED, UNSHAPED, UNTHROTTLED connections with NO FAIR or ACCEPTABLE USAGE POLICIES. Our store is located at Shop 7, Plum Tree Trading Center, 52 Main Road, Sedgefield, which means we are on hand to assist when needed. There is no need to sit on the phone to call centres for hours at a time; at The Computer Shop, we pride ourselves on extremely high levels of support and service. We have a support line available from 5 am until midnight to ensure we are on hand should you need assistance.

Whether you are a home user or a large

business, TCS Wi-Fi has a connectivity solution for you. We can offer connections of various types, be it Wireless, Fibre, LTE or ADSL. We can provide various standard packages or tailor-make one to suit your very personal needs. TCS Wi-Fi loves connecting small towns, and as a holiday homeowner in these areas, we give you the ability to turn On and Off in 7-day increments saving you money when the house is not in use, in addition to being able to change your package on the fly when you need that little extra speed. With TCS Wi-Fi, you can now have the beautiful view and the connection to go with it!

In addition to our connectivity solutions, we can also install and supply various add on services such as VoIP, CCTV as well as the setup of custom internal network devices at your premises.

We are very proud to be associated with Octotel as they bring Fibre connectivity to Sedgefield. Our installation charge of R1500 includes the personalized service of our teams coming to do the initial setup and help you get your devices connected and a managed router to help us provide you with a higher level of support when needed. In addition to this, we offer our users the added option of a failover connection at a small monthly charge, that should the fibre go down for any reason, we can keep you online via our wireless network. We are also running a special with Octotel, whereby if you place your order with us for your new Octotel Fibre connection before the 31st August 2021, you get your first two months free. T&Cs Apply

For more information, a consultation, or to arrange a site inspection, please contact the branch via phone 044 050 0245 or email info@tcssedgefield.co.za; our friendly and knowledgeable team will be more than happy to assist you.



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If it's IT - then I'm your guy!

I also run an upliftment program, refurbishing old laptops and desktop computers for young people in need, so if you have equipment you need to find a good home for....

Petrus Maartens 084-637-1568
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YOUR GO-TO GUY FOR IT

Sedgefield has a knack for bringing world trotters to a stop, breathless and grateful for creation, ready to settle in and call a place 'home.'

Petrus Maartens, or "The IT Guy", has over 20 years experience in IT, ranging over continents, both physically and metaphorically. Picture the curious kid experimenting with computers behind his blind father's back, surprised when it would come out better than it was before. Then, using that gift to connect awkward teens and later turning it into a way to support his family. In 2016, after working tech in multiple settings and countries, he decided to start The IT Guy with a business model that could match his integrity, which he hadn't been able to find in the corporate world.

For Petrus, relationships with clients always come first. He assesses the situation to find the best solution for their individual needs, restoring what is possible and only reverting to replacement when absolutely necessary. Excess and waste is not his style, but saving his clients money is. Staying on top of technical innovations does not mean throwing out the old in favour of the new. Instead it means adapting what you have to meet what you want. You can even donate old unwanted hardware that he will refurbish and give out to someone in need.

As fibre gets under the surface of Sedgefield and every other community keen on keeping up to speed with the rest of the world, most of us are left with more questions than we know how to deal with. But nothing is quite as reassuring as a very large man, who calmly explains everything in simple,

easy to understand terms, with a smile that lets you know that he has everything under control and your best interests at heart. And what is better than someone giving you the confidence that you have made the best choices for your situation? Someone who can liaise with the fibre companies on your behalf! Because for most people, that is far from fun. But for The IT Guy, it is part of serving his clientele.

While the drama of fibre washes out to sea, he will still be there. Able to meet your Wi-Fi, hardware, software, and networking needs. Whether it is for your home or business, he has done it all and seen it all. Few things can still catch him off guard. And when they do, he sees it as a challenge that he enjoys stepping up to meet. He delivers support on-site, by phone, or remotely, all over the Garden Route. His work is guaranteed, and he won't quit until his client is satisfied.



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industry that desperately needed a shake-up. Today, we are one of the largest fibre players in South Africa, with 50 local offices all over the country.

Q: Does Herotel have the necessary approvals to build fibre? Yes, Herotel has a licence to build networks across the country, and we exercise that right along with the local municipality that helps us protect all infrastructure and maintain good order by issuing us with a wayleave.

Q: Does Herotel have the right to plant a pole in any private property, wherever they want? Yes, our ECN licence gives us the right of servitude to build the network in the mid-block in the absence of any restrictions promulgated in law. We must, and do, arrange access to these properties in a respectful manner. We will use this method to provide an affordable fibre network to your town. We consult with the homeowners to determine the optimal pole location, and poles will only be installed on an appointment

basis. Herotel teams will engage with residents to arrange permission to access properties in order to plant poles.

Q: What is a pole permission? Although we have a licence to build the network, we require and want to access properties respectfully, and we look for like-minded residents who will willingly give us the access to speed up the process for us to complete our network.

Q: How does Herotel go about getting these pole permissions and what community engagement is undertaken? The Herotel team will move through the suburbs engaging directly with residents, during which time they will answer any questions or concerns that homeowners might have. Our staff members are employed by Herotel and will be clearly identifiable by their uniform and branded vehicles. The team will also arrange information sharing days in town.

Q: What does a fibre network do to property values? Studies have shown that the presence of a fibre network increases property values over the long term. This is because access to high-speed broadband across the wider community will enable more citizens to enter the digital economy. Herotel plans to assist communities in

narrowing the digital divide helping your municipality deliver on the economic promises of the 4th industrial revolution (4IR).

Q: Do these poles look like the old Telkom/Eskom poles? No, they are much smaller and can easily be hidden in your backyard in the telecommunications servitude. They are rarely visible from the street unless we need to do a road crossing.

Q: Can fibre make me sick? No, there is no scientific evidence that fibre can make you sick. In the case of fibre, this is especially true as the data is transmitted as light signals within the fibre cable.

Q: What is the difference between 5G and fibre? They are very different technologies in how they connect you to the internet. 5G uses radio waves for sending and receiving data, which means that it is being broadcast over a distance and then received by radios. Fibre uses light to transmit data through fibre optic cables, which means that the connectivity stays within the cable and cannot transmit or broadcast outside of it. In short, fibre directly plugs you into the internet while 5G creates a broadcast zone that you connect to over the radio spectrum.

TIPS TO BECOMING A LITTLE MORE COMPUTER SAVVY

If you feel a little overwhelmed by technology, don't for one minute think you are alone. However this doesn't mean you should avoid it at all costs. Rather decide what you need your computer, tablet or smartphone to do for you - be it Face-Booking your grandchildren, watching movies on Netflix or paying your accounts online - then learn how these activities can be done, one step at a time.

You may have to ask a professional to guide you through a set up, or even one of those techno-savvy grand kids, but with a bit of patience (both you and your 'teacher') it will all eventually become second nature.

Here are some tips to becoming a little more well-versed with technology.

1. Conquer Your Fear

Fear holds us back from living our best lives. While exploring a new thing can be intimidating and scary, you know that you will get better with time. You have not come this far in your life by being timid, but by being brave.

Look back at all those things that you were once afraid of that you now enjoy, maybe it was making a speech or dancing and see how you conquered that! This too will be fun.

2. Have A Positive, Open Attitude

It is true that your attitude determines your altitude. Have an open attitude towards learning about computers and the Internet.

Your friends and colleagues have probably said some negative things about it and therefore held some strong opinions against it but now is the time to let that go and find out on your own. You may like the experience a lot and even find it exciting.

3. Reach Out

Do not be afraid to reach out and ask for help when you make the choice to learn about technology. Most young people are really good at this and will be more than willing to help.



This could also be a great time to spend time and bond with your child or grandchild. If you are an older person, who is still working you could request your younger colleagues or someone from the IT department to spend some of their breaks teaching you.

4. Google

In some cases, you may not have someone physically there to assist you, not to worry Google is your friend. Once you are connected to the Internet, you can use Google to find out anything you need to know.

If you search 'how to use Microsoft word,' Google will provide you with countless detailed results to pick from. Follow the instructions that are simplest to you.

5. Basic Settings Should Suit Your Needs

Making simple alterations to suit your needs such as larger text size and louder sounds will improve your experience.

6. Write Down Your Passwords

As you get older you may experience some level of forgetfulness which is quite normal. It is therefore advisable to have a backup plan. Write down your new passwords in your journal so that in the event you log out and forget, you can always get them in hard copy.

7. Take Your Time

Take your time as you explore this new topic, take short breaks when you feel exhausted. Don't be too hard on yourself. Be

patient and know that you cannot learn everything in a day. After learning a new skill, take time to practice it repeatedly so that you really understand it.

8. Battery

Only charge your computer, tablet, or phone when the battery is running low on charge. Charging your device all day can reduce the battery life.

9. Stay Connected

It is okay to switch off your computer when you are not using it, you can switch it on every now and then to see if you have any new messages for example once or twice a day.

However, with your phone, you do not need to switch it off since that can prevent people from reaching you in real time.

10. Personal Information

If you are making an online transaction or storing bank details, it is important to speak to your bank and understand the precautions you need to take. However, your information is safe in such situation.

11. Always Opt for Touch Screens

Research shows that seniors get on better with a tablet that has a touchscreen than a traditional computer so given a choice always choose a tablet or a smartphone.

12. Search History

If you share your tablet or computer with someone say a spouse or your grandchildren

who want to play games but you want to keep your activities private, always delete your search history when you are done.

13. Most Things are Free

While in the real world most things are not free, on the Internet they are. According to a BBC article, an application for counting your calories or playing your favorite puzzle will not cost you a thing. However, be sure to check first.

14. Read Reviews Before Buying Items Online

If you want to buy a particular

product or use a certain service say booking a hotel online, online reviews are very helpful. Most companies will not be honest about their shortcomings on their website, but a reviewer will be.

15. Virus/Malware Scanning

Invest in a good antivirus; this is a great way to keep your information protected. The good news is that most computers nowadays come with an inbuilt virus and malware and the scanner is quite user-friendly.

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Knysna Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitable tenderers for the oversee, coordinate and supervise maintenance activities on the existing water and wastewater infrastructure and reticulation network of Knysna Municipality for a period of three (3) years.

A receipt for a non-refundable deposit of R340.80 payable by EFT (Knysna Municipality, Current Account – 1626561826, Nedbank, Knysna, Branch Code – 198765, EFT Reference number: 349750848228) made out in favour of Knysna Municipality is required on collection of the tender documents. Tenderers must use the tender number as a reference. Tender documents can be downloaded from the Knysna Municipality website: www.knysna.gov.za at no cost. Website navigation is as follows: Do Business – Bidding Opportunities - Tenders – Current Tenders.

Tenderers must have a minimum CIDB contractor grading designation of **6 ME** or **6 EP** or higher.

Engineering queries relating to these documents may be addressed to: Rhoeydon Parry, e-mail: rparry@knysna.gov.za or Kim Sampson, e-mail: ksampson@knysna.gov.za and Supply Chain queries may be addressed to: Mzwanele Mato, e-mail: mmato@knysna.gov.za.

A compulsory virtual tender clarification meeting will be held on **Tuesday 17 August 2021 at 10:00**. To attend the meeting, tenderers are to email Mzwanele Mato at mmato@knysna.gov.za in order to register for the meeting. Closing time for registration will be 30 minutes prior to the meeting and no contact meeting will take place.

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

Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Offices at 12h00. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

The closing time for submission of bids is 12h00 on **Wednesday, 08 September 2021**. 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, on or before the mentioned 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. Knysna Municipality reserves its right to extend the validity period, should you not be willing to hold your bid valid in all respects for further period as requested, it will lapse on expiry of the current validity period.

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

The bids are subject to local content and production. Minimum Stipulated Local Content Designation for Pumps and Medium Voltage Motors is **70%**. Steel Value Added Products **100%** and Cable **90%**.

The qualifying criteria and the score in respect of each criterion are as follows: a minimum of **35 points out of a total of 50 points** is required for the bid to be evaluated further or to be regarded as responsive. Tenderers with a responsive bid may be invited to present their proposal to the evaluation committee where they will be scored against additional functionality criteria. Tenderers that fail to score the minimum score for functionality will be disqualified.




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ELECTORAL COMMISSION LAUNCHES ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION

On 14 July 2021, The Electoral Commission launched an online voter registration facility allowing new voters to register and existing voters to update or amend their registration from the ease and convenience of their homes or elsewhere. The online voter registration facility is part of the Electoral Commission's ongoing commitment to providing greater accessibility and convenience to voters.

It follows the implementation of a range of other digital service channels over the past five years, including online candidate nominations, online special vote applications and online party funding declarations. The new online voter registration facility

has been in development for a number of years. The first phase was the introduction of an online service known as "Click, Check, Confirm" ahead of the 2019 National and Provincial Elections, through which existing voters were able to check and amend their registration. More than 350 000 voters have made use of this system since its introduction.

The second phase - launched on the 14th - allows all eligible voters - whether registered or not - to register and update their details via a computer, smart mobile device or tablet. The system will utilise a number of security checks to ensure the integrity of the voters' roll. These include the use of a One-Time-

Pin (OTP) verification and the submission of a scan or photograph of the voter's ID document.

The online registration complements other existing registration options, including ongoing voter registration at all local IEC offices and various outreach initiatives, including at schools, tertiary education institutions and the general voter registration weekends ahead of elections.

The Electoral Commission believes the online facility will be a game-changer in promoting voter registration, especially among young and first-time voters. Research and

engagements over the years with young eligible voters to better understand their behaviour have frequently identified the lack of online voter registration as a key obstacle.

The introduction of an online registration system is also a crucial part of the Electoral Commission's plans to boost voter registration despite COVID-19 ahead of the Local Government Elections scheduled for 27 October this year.

The Electoral Commission has rescheduled its planned voter registration weekend to 31 July-1 August due to the third wave of the Corona pandemic. All 23 151 voting stations are expected to open between 8am and 5pm over that weekend to help voters register and check their registration details in person.

The Electoral Commission hopes that providing a facility whereby voters can register, check and update their registration details without having to visit an IEC office or a voting station will serve to minimise congestion and maximise registration. Due to the 24/7 nature of online registration, it will also allow voters to register and update their registration details up to the last possible moment ahead of proclamation. Proclamation has the effect of sealing the voters' roll for purposes of an impending election.

Go to <https://registertovote.elections.org.za>

MUNICIPALITY 2021-22 BUDGET MATTERS: UPDATE

"During recent weeks the Sedgefield Residents and Ratepayers Association (SR&RA), together with the Greater Knysna Business Chamber (GKBC), held joint virtual online meetings with the Executive Mayor, Acting Municipal Manager (AMM) and Acting Chief Financial Officer (ACFO) about the concerns of the Residents', Property Owners' and Business' regarding the recent substantial tariff increases that were applied just before the Budget for the New Municipal Financial Year commencing 1 July 2021 and ratified by Council on 31 May 2021. Their concern centres around the complete absence of any public participation from the ratepayers directly affected by these increases as they were unaware of them. The SR&RA and GKBC are grateful for the opportunity to discuss this issue with the Executive Mayor, Elrick van Aswegen, ACFO, Mr Jacques Carstens and AMM, Mr Dawie Adonis and are pleased that Knysna Municipality is considering the impact and

consequences of the vastly increased rates tariffs, which range from 32.6% to 112.2% year on year, for those ratepayers who have been affected by the increases. Given the apparent hurried changes made to some of the Rates Tariffs, both the SR&RA and GKBC doubt that the effects of these large rates tariff increases on consumers and business were appropriately workshopped by the Municipality prior to being ratified by Council. The SR&RA and GKBC expressed their concern that none of these huge tariff increases were tabled for public comment and query, suggesting that the integrity of the budget process is not sufficiently satisfactory and transparent.

In reply to questions during the recent meeting with the SR&RA and GKBC on 6 July 2021, the Executive Mayor acknowledged that whilst the impact of the excessively hiked 76.8 per cent rates tariff increase (for example) on Guest House Establishments of less than nine rooms was very significant for those establishments, the actual

increased Municipal revenue generated from those increases in relation to a budget exceeding R1 Billion, is minor.

A consequence of these recent discussions is that the Executive Mayor, together with senior Knysna Municipality management officials, agreed to consider the dire effects of the vastly increased rates tariffs and apply mitigating action.

The SR&RA and GKBC view the understanding of these serious circumstances by Knysna Municipality and the further actions being undertaken by the Executive Mayor and ACFO and AMM in a positive light. The SR&RA and GKBC are encouraged by the Municipality's attitude and believe that a well-considered and fair outcome will be achieved.

A further meeting with Knysna Municipality regarding its response to this important matter, once it is received, will be scheduled shortly."

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The EDGE on Health

QUINOA, A ROYAL SEED

Quinoa has been labelled a superfood in current times. So what is quinoa, and why is it a 'royal' seed? To begin, quinoa is classified as a seed, yet it is often considered more of a grain. This is because of its common culinary use. Interestingly quinoa has often been substituted for rice. Although rice is a true cereal grain and quinoa is not, quinoa can impressively substitute the role of grain when required. In addition, quinoa is soft when cooked and goes along with almost any flavour.

When uncooked, the seeds are hard oval shapes. With cooking, these seeds become transformed into a very light and easy to digest food. Please note, always rinse quinoa before cooking. This helps to rinse away any possible grit that may be present in the packaging.

As the colours of the seeds vary from white, yellow, pink and black, among other colours, so does the taste experience. Flavours range from bitter to sweet, yet all the flavours are very slight and often have a subtle nutty overtone. The gentle flavour makes it an easy companion to any strong flavoursome food. Quinoa is the type of food that lets other food ingredients take the 'taste light' while it provides a non-imposing background and supportive base.

In addition, this highly nutritious food is suitable for all ages. Babies (from age six months and older) and anyone with a tendency to weak digestion can enjoy this food. However, there is so much more to quinoa. It has become a multi-functional food. The seeds can be ground into flour to be baked into bakery products that boast that they are gluten-free. This is great news for anyone who is gluten

intolerant but enjoys baked muffins, cakes, buns and so on. You might also enjoy it as a breakfast cereal or replacement for noodles, or perhaps even try it as sprouted quinoa. Quinoa is great in cold salads, poke bowls and complements protein-rich meals.

Generally, a cup of quinoa contains just over 200 calories. This is still way fewer calories than are in many popular chocolate or health bars that you might snack on. Although quinoa may be higher in carbohydrates relative to its protein content, it proudly has a low glycemic index. Low glycemic foods help prevent unnecessary spikes in blood sugar levels. Spikes in blood sugar levels are a concern for people with blood sugar regulation problems. Examples are people with sugar diabetes.

The small amount of protein in quinoa delivers a power punch in protein quality. Protein has so much value in your diet, and it is not always about the higher quantity but more often about the higher quality with moderate quantity.

So if you are concerned about keeping your weight down, this is a handy food to indulge in. Quinoa may not be 'banting' approved; however, please keep in mind that low glycemic index whole foods tend to be high in fibre and nutrients (all part of what are deemed to contribute to a healthy diet). This seed is very low in fat, unlike other seeds such as sesame, sunflower and pumpkin seeds. Quinoa is an especially high source of the minerals magnesium and manganese. Magnesium performs numerous functions in the body, such as maintaining healthy bones and cellular energy production. In addition, magnesium and manganese play

special roles in maintaining balanced blood sugar regulation.

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Until next time

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SAMURAI SUDOKU

2. Each 9x9 sub-puzzle must be solved according to the rules of Sudoku.

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TED'S BRAIN CRUNCHER

Across

1. Pangs a centre-forward may feel for a non-consuming cause. (6-7)

10. As a result of instinct, I entered into unit in a rather haphazard fashion. (9)

11. A little bit of knowledge about the techno giant. (5)

12. Does two opposites being on the same level make for a good match? (5)

13. Did this crisis come out of a church located in New York? (9)

14. Show off a greeting from your first wife a little. (7)

16. One extra cheap sample would be breath-taking! (7)

18. Rule of the earth is – at least in part – frustrating indeed. (4,3)

20. First bit of dust in the car is put out for pudding. (7)

21. Kept aware about turnover of swimming facility. (2,3,4)

23. An exterior party might get a better result. (5)

24. Such a lemur might be a bit behind, right? (5)

25. A queue for rubbish, we hear, might be negatively affected by over expansion? (9)

26. Snap a single weapon and badly let someone down. (5,4,4)

Down

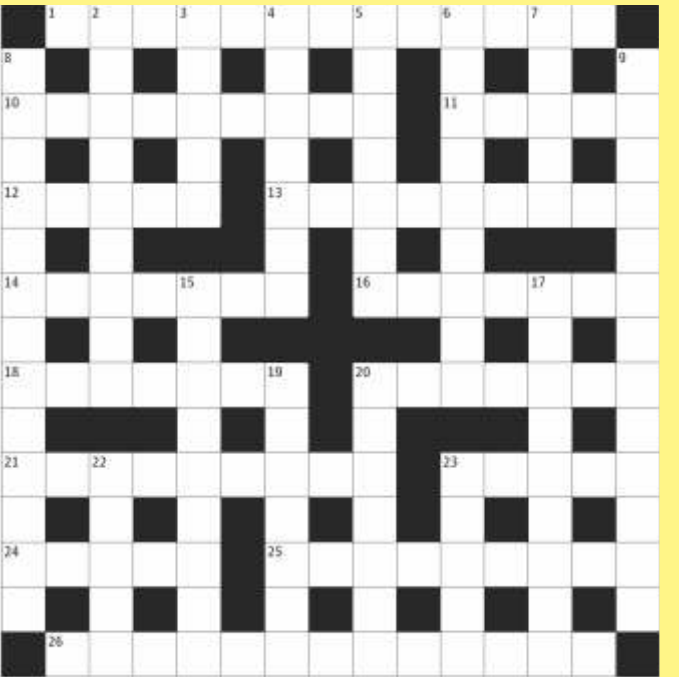
2. Uncouth Ed threatened, but left without any physical attack. (9)

3. Pretext Di's used to conceal. (5)

4. Aim to rent the outside for old, decorative clothing. (7)

5. On a different note – there's a colour a fellow might acquire. (7)

6. I give voice, young girl, about



a variety of gelatin. (9)

7. John, the music student, turned a tiny bit of a tune into quite a few number one hits. (5)

8. Nice rum for someone just like you! (7,6)

9. Pretend to be indifferent and you'll find the script is not forthcoming. (4,4,2,3)

15. One performing at the do that Erin followed, getting a top mark. (9)

17. The real hit he composed made him feel better. (9)

19. The television Doctor's doctor is on the posh list. (4,3)

20. Will head measurement affect the turnover of one who might be go under? (7)

22. Did Tutu do renovations inside the old-style building? (5)

23. It sounds like a rather painful step in assisted vehicular movement. (2,3)

Last issue's solution: Across: 1. Amnesty 5. Trudges 10. Snub 11. Plum tomato 12. Studio 13. Opposite 14. Pragmatic 16. Duvet 17. Tipsy 19. Speedboat 23. Umbrella 24. Insist 26. Ineptitude 27. Ally 28. Dewdrop 29. Feather Down: 2. Monitor 3. Embed 4. Tapioca 6. Retype 7. Damp squib 8. Entitle 9. Bubonic plague 15. Gastropod 18. Immense 20. Evil eye 21. Absolve 22. Albino 25. Scant.

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Understanding invasive plants - Why they're a problem and what we can do about it

by Matthew Koehorst

For our entire history, we've had intimate relationships with plants- they've provided us with energy, timber, food and medicines that have allowed our society to thrive and grow. Evidence suggests that we first domesticated plants 10 000 years ago, but we've been co-evolving with plant species for millennia before that. The fact that humans rely on plants is obvious, but have you considered the reliance of plants on humans? Domestication of plants by people has allowed specific plants that we find useful to travel the world with our assistance. Food crops, timber species, ornamental plants- all have benefitted from our fascination and need for them and have spread globally with our support. We can clearly see the diversity of plants that have made their homes in South Africa, thanks to us. Many of these species grow happily here without causing too much threat or damage to our indigenous vegetation, yet some species are so well suited for our local conditions that they out-compete our local plants, resulting in increased fire risk, reduced biodiversity, reduced water availability and more. These "Invasive Alien Plants" or IAPS can dominate a landscape and are estimated to cost the economy tens of billions of rand in lost agricultural productivity, reduced water availability and resources spent on management annually. The South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) has identified 559 species of plants as being invasive. These are

categorised according to their level of invasiveness- Category 1 being most invasive and Category 3 being the least. Plants in Category 1 must be removed by law, while those in Categories 2 and 3 require permits to grow and propagate. What to do about invasive alien plants? Invasive plants on your property can reduce property values, decrease indigenous biodiversity and increase your legal and fire risk. Tackling IAPS successfully is very dependent on the species, context and scale of the invasion. Some plants are easily dealt with by hand pulling or simple cutting, yet others require herbicides and consistent follow-ups. To successfully manage invasive plants over the long term, it's important to create a plan that matches the scale of the invasion, the plant's ecology, and your resources. The National Environmental Management Act (NEMBA) is the act that regulates the control of IAPS. Failure to remove IAPS can result in hefty fines and potential lawsuits for landowners. The potential cost of inaction can be far greater than the cost of clearing, though clearing is not necessarily a cheap or easy endeavour. Top 5 problem plants in the Garden Route (a subjective list): 1. Black Wattle (*Acacia mearnsii*) was brought from Australia for its tannins used in tanning leather. They spread quickly along river banks and disturbed surrounding areas as well as open fields. They are ecosystem transformers and change local fire patterns as well as reducing run-off and soil moisture.

Controlling Black wattle is dependent on the age and size of the stand but is usually done via thinning, clear-felling, ring barking or hand pulling. 2. Port Jackson (*Acacia saligna*) was also imported for its tannins and its ability to stabilise sand dunes. It will resprout quickly if cut and not poisoned with an appropriate herbicide. Aggressive follow up is required due to the large seed banks deposited by mature plants. 3. Madeira Vine (*Andrader cordifolia*) is a branched climber with succulent leaves from subtropical South America. IT is a relative newcomer on the IAP scene in the area and can rapidly smother indigenous trees. Be very careful when tackling this plant as it's incredibly easy to spread unintentionally- the leaves, stems and tubers can all grow roots. We've even spotted a massive amount of it growing happily in the garden refuse of the Sedgfield green dump- so be careful of the wood chips there! 4. Blackwood (*Acacia melanoxylon*) was imported from Australia for its quality of timber., Blackwood can be a problematic invader that spreads easily from root shoots. Controlling blackwood requires herbicide and consistent follow-ups. 5. Bugweed (*Solanum mauritanum*)- Native to South America, Bugweed is a fast-growing, soft-woody evergreen shrub. Its berries are very popular among indigenous birds, and it's commonly found in forest understories, plantations and along rivers. It is a hairy plant that can

cause skin and respiratory irritation, and its unripe berries are toxic. Small plants can be hand pulled, and larger specimens can be ring-barked or cut and poisoned with registered herbicides.

For more information visit, invasives.org.za, SANBI.org, and sixkingdoms.org



Black Wattle trees

Off the Mat

Sedge Bowling Club News



Wow, what a sigh of relief! We are back on track, both the country and the bowls club (most important). Unfortunately, the new format of playing has not been issued by Bowls South Africa; we will keep you informed in the next issue or via the usual WhatsApp from Pieter Griesel.

CLUB COMPETITIONS:- Nominated Mixed Pairs – Starts on Wednesday 4th August and played every following Wednesday with the final on the 1st September. If you are unable to play, please contact the Competition Secretaries.

EDEN LEAGUE: A list of those chosen to play is on the notice board, or check the WhatsApp from Pieter Griesel if you put your name down for selection.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS. - Playing bowls must be a very healthy sport as once again we are celebrating a 90th Birthday (nonagenarian). Happy 90th birthday to LEN HUTTON - Len & Liz joined the club in 2001; Liz is still a playing member while due to health, Len is a Social Member often seen watching bowls. Len has always been very involved in all aspects of the club; he was part of the committee that drew up our Constitution and laid the A green and various other projects that have made the bowling club what it is today. Unfortunately, due to a fall, he is confined to bed for a few weeks. We, as members, wish you a happy birthday and a speedy recovery.

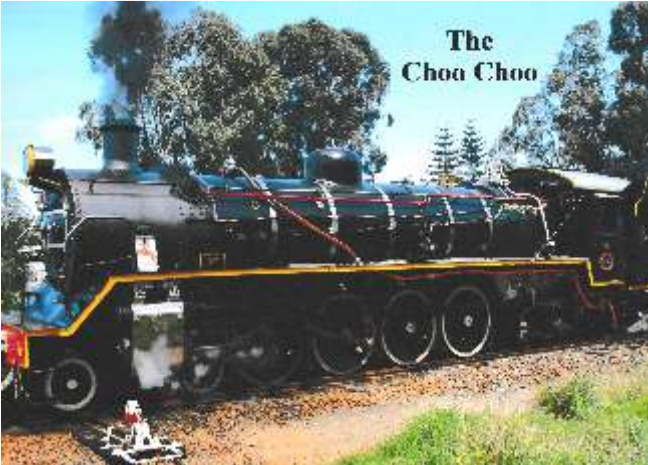
Hopefully, next time there will be more positive news.

Good Bowling and Keep Safe From the Kitty



OUTENIQUA CHOO CHOO

by Mike Young



Last week I was offered an opportunity to attend a small gathering at which Louisa and Joe Groenewald were presented with a copy of a book called "The Choo Choo".

getting more copies at prices that he hopes will make the book an attractive purchase. He has promised to let me know what he plans to do.

Afterwards, I had a chance to page through the book which contains an astonishing collection of photos of steam trains compiled by George Whittall of Port Elizabeth, the photographer who took them. The book is centred on Sedgfield but includes photos taken between Wilderness and Buffalo Bay. Having seen the book and shown it to a few local friends, it became clear to me that it would be one that would be of interest, certainly to train lovers but maybe to the broader community, so I spoke to George Whittall. He told me that, while so far only a handful of copies have been printed, he hopes to find ways of

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Thur 29	low tides sunrise 00:47 07:24	12:44 sunset 17:47	high tides 06:50 19:22	moonrise 23:22	moonset 10:48		
Fri 30	low tides sunrise 01:25 07:23	13:16 sunset 17:48	high tides 07:25 20:03	moonrise 01:15	moonset 11:15		
Sat 31	low tides sunrise 02:08 07:22	13:55 sunset 17:49	high tides 08:05 20:54	moonrise 00:19	moonset 11:42		
Sun 01	low tides sunrise 03:05 07:22	14:56 sunset 17:49	high tides 09:02 22:05	moonrise 01:15	moonset 12:11		
Mon 02	low tides sunrise 04:30 07:21	17:02 sunset 17:50	high tides 10:50 23:35	moonrise 02:12	moonset 12:43		
Tue 03	low tides sunrise 06:12 07:20	18:44 sunset 17:51	high tide 12:45	moonrise 03:09	moonset 13:20		
Wed 04	low tides sunrise 07:16 07:19	19:37 sunset 17:52	high tides 00:47 13:41	moonrise 04:06	moonset 14:02		
Thur 05	low tides sunrise 08:01 07:18	20:16 sunset 17:52	high tides 01:41 14:19	moonrise 05:02	moonset 14:50		
Fri 06	low tides sunrise 08:37 07:17	20:51 sunset 17:53	high tides 02:23 14:52	moonrise 05:55	moonset 15:45		
Sat 07	low tides sunrise 09:10 07:16	21:24 sunset 17:54	high tides 02:59 15:23	moonrise 06:42	moonset 16:43		
Sun 08	low tides sunrise 09:42 07:15	21:58 sunset 17:54	high tides 03:34 15:54	moonrise 07:26	moonset 17:46		
Mon 09	low tides sunrise 10:14 07:14	22:32 sunset 17:55	high tides 04:08 16:26	moonrise 08:04	moonset 18:50		
Tue 10	low tides sunrise 10:46 07:13	23:08 sunset 17:56	high tides 04:43 17:00	moonrise 08:38	moonset 19:55		
Wed 11	low tides sunrise 11:19 07:12	23:45 sunset 17:56	high tides 05:18 17:36	moonrise 09:10	moonset 20:59		

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SURFING SILVER MEDAL

Sedgefield Gentlemen's Golf

15/7/21

The Better Ball Stableford competition kicked off with the temperature gauge indicating two degrees centigrade, but the day developed into a beautiful one for golf. This beauty was reflected in the quality of golf evinced by the winning couple on 43 points, the youthful pairing of Mike Goodwin and John L.B., who showed the rest of the field their heels after playing a type of golf reminiscent of Tiger Woods in his prime. The elderly couple in second place were Willem de Villiers and Trevor Pahl, who lost on a countout also on 43. Then in third spot, after a countout with Malcolm Goldhill and Peter Heath, was Vaughan Smith with a drawn partner and 41 points. If that was luck, it could not compare with the two holes in one, the first by Terry Savage on the 8th and the second by Willem de Villiers on the 11th. Two rounds of drinks are in the fridge. Simultaneously playing with the day's main competition, Ian Wright, Tony Hunter, and Rudy Bosch also qualified to go through to the next round of the knockout and matchplay competition.

22/7/21

As the day's weather forecast was for rain, snow, sleet and gale-force winds, the Captain, Brian Gerard, in a rare show of compassion for his fellow human beings, decided, while lying in the comfort of his bed, to call off the day's play. In fact, the only living being to be seen on the course was a brass monkey who had apparently lost a couple of things. Fortunately, he found one in a hole which, apparently in golf, is quite a feat.

HOSPICE NEWS

Hospice is having a half-price sale on all men's clothing for the week 26th to 31st July. So come and select your bargains!

Hospice has had to cancel so many fund-raising events over the past few past months, but we are inspired by the enthusiasm of our wonderful volunteers and our loyal customers who support our Shop. Thank you to all the volunteers who turn up to work with a cheery smile for everyone. We welcome the new volunteers and hope to see many more new Sedgefield residents come and join in the fun. We are running a Picnic Hamper Raffle packed with delicious goodies. Tickets are R5 and are on sale in the Shop and at Tiffany's.

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Surfers of South Africa, particularly those who ride the waves in the Garden Route, were whooping for joy on Tuesday, 27 July, when news broke that Vic Bay's Bianca Buitendag had won silver in the Olympic Games Woman's Surfing final. This is the first time surfing has been featured in the Olympic Games.

Bianca's silver was SA's second medal, with swimmer Tatjana Schoenmaker having taken silver in the 100m breaststroke

only hours earlier.

In the surfing final, each surfer gets ten waves, which the judges mark out of ten. The two best scores of each surfer are totalled to determine the winner.

After beating Yolanda Hopkins of Portugal in the quarter-finals, twenty-seven-year-old Bianca took on Caroline Marks of the USA in the semis and came out the smiling winner. But the waves weren't so kind to Bianca in the final when she came up against competition favourite

Carissa Moore, also of the US.

Unable to find her top form, the South African's best two waves scored 5,23 and 3,23, whilst the American managed 7,6 and 7,33, making her the Gold Medal winner.

But our surfer girl from Vic Bay has nonetheless put herself, and indeed her country, in the history books by being the first woman ever to win the surfing silver medal in the Olympic Games.

Executive Mayor of George Leon Van Wyk expressed pride in Bianca's achievement. "It is a pure testament to her skills and abilities that she has won this Silver medal. We look forward to welcoming her back to George. She has been an excellent ambassador and will certainly help in placing Victoria Bay, and George on the international surfing map. We certainly need to work towards ensuring that regular surfing events and competitions are held at Victoria Bay, to give it the exposure it deserves."

The George Municipality extended financial assistance to Bianca in a bid to support local sporting talent and to shine a light on Victoria Bay as a premier surfing destination.

Said Tourism Manager Joan Shaw

"We are thrilled that our assistance played a small part in her Olympic success. Bianca faced excellent opponents in her run up to the finals this morning and her skill and determination shone throughout the competition. Thanks Bianca, we can't wait to celebrate when you get back to South Africa and George!"

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