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## VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE TABLED

Three votes of no confidence – or ‘Motions to Remove’ – have been submitted for the agenda of Knysna’s Special Council Meeting set for Monday, 31 January 2022. As a result, Executive Mayor Levael Davis (DA), his Deputy Mark Willemse (KIM), and Council Speaker Julie Lopes (DA) all have their heads on the political block.

It was expected that this would happen eventually. With the Knysna Council seats held by no less than six political parties, there is bound to be some shifting in the seats of power. But Knysna residents could be forgiven for hoping that there might be a little more than fifty-odd days to test the mettle of the current leadership before the first vote of no confidence was tabled.

It seems that of the four smaller parties, whose votes can easily

swing the positions of power, three have declared their allegiances. The motion to remove the Mayor was submitted by PBI Councillor Alberto Marbi and seconded by the PA Councillor Beauty Charlie, whilst the motion to remove the Deputy Mayor was submitted by Councillor Waleed Grootboom (PA) and seconded by Councillor Marbi. The motion to remove Speaker Lopes was also proposed and seconded by councillors from these two parties.

KIM – one of the other two smaller parties – is in coalition with the Democratic Alliance – hence Willemse’s election as Deputy Mayor.

So the ‘swing vote’ lies with EFF Councillor Neil Louw – the ‘king-maker’ who holds the power to either save the current leadership or condemn it to the seats of opposition.

Last year in November, Louw voted with the DA / KIM coalition, adhering to the instruction from the EFF leadership NOT to work with the ANC. But who knows what has been agreed in Knysna’s political corridors since then?

Mayor Davis is incensed and frustrated by this latest political move, clearly believing it has not been done with Knysna’s best interests at heart. “The motion is purely politically driven and has no substance, bearing in mind the amount of time we’ve been in office. In these few short months, we have been providing strategic direction and have already started addressing key service delivery issues throughout Knysna. We are well into achieving our 100-day plan, and key objectives are being addressed to lay a foundation for our town’s progress moving forward,” he said.



Executive Mayor Levael Davis believes that the opposition parties are playing politics to the detriment of Knysna.

## COURT’S ‘CATCH & RELEASE’ POLICY CONFOUNDS

Huge concerns have been raised by various locals that the man arrested for attempted rape earlier this month is no longer in custody after being released by the court on 21 January.

According to the annexures attached to his charge sheet, the man (whose name may not be released pending his court case)

was charged with ‘Attempt to commit a sexual offence’ and ‘Assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm’.

As reported in the last edition of The EDGE, he was caught in the act of these crimes when he attacked a 32-year-old woman at the Sedgefield slipway in the early hours of New Year’s Day. Fortunately, a fisherman heard the cries of the victim and, after pulling her attacker off her and pinning him down, he called for assistance from a local security company. They, in turn, took the perpetrator to the police station.

The accused first appeared in court on 3 January, at which time his case was remanded to 5 January so that he could apply for Legal Aid. Thereafter it was remanded twice more until his formal bail application was finally heard on 21 January.

Of huge concern is that there is no mention in the court paperwork of the petition against his release, which had been initiated by various Sedgefield crime-fighting organisations and signed by a hundred Sedgefield residents. In fact, the annexure from the 21 January bail hearing clearly records that the State did not oppose the release of the accused and that bail could be set on condition that the accused makes no contact with state witnesses.

As a result, the accused was released without any bail amount being set due to the fact that he is unemployed. He has been advised to return to court on 30 March this year.

Says Michael Simon, Chairman of Sedgefield Neighbourhood Watch and member of Community Orientated Policing (COP)

“The suspect is well known to COP, and we are concerned that bail was granted. We are investigating the reasons why and will follow up with a letter to the NPA and SAPS through the CPF. This type of crime and behaviour is not tolerated in our town or anywhere else. We will assist the victim where we can and make every effort to prevent this type of incident happening again.”

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# Notes from T'Ed's Head

Yaaaaaawn.

Excuse me, but I AM very tired.

Apparently, when you are (very slightly) older than forty, like I am, sleep becomes, well, a different kettle of kippers altogether.

Or perhaps it's just me?

Let me try to explain, despite my exhaustion.

Whilst my body (and what is left of my mind) continuously demands that 'Achieving Max Z Count' every night is more compulsory than ever, the outside world has apparently decreed that sleep is now some sort of 'optional extra'.

Something I don't get to experience in the normal way. Sort of a perk, instead of a right....

And definitely not something to be enjoyed whilst lying on my bed....

I... Just... Want... To... Sleep...

On... My... Bed.

Elsewhere? Yes - I can sleep in other places. Indeed I spend my life trying to play 'catch up' - stealing nifty little nap minutes whenever and wherever the opportunity arises.

At my desk. Under my desk. In the car. Under my car (ok - only once - and though it was lovely and shady, I discovered it isn't the best place to wake up - and sit up - suddenly when the dog licks your toe.)

But it's not the same, is it? It's not AT NIGHT, ON MY BED, WHERE I AM SUPPOSED TO SLEEP.



The closest thing to proper bed rest is, of course, snatching the odd snore on the couch in front of the TV, but it is also the most dangerous place of all.

More dangerous than a World War I trench.

Because I will swiftly find myself under enemy fire.

"Are you sleeping? ALREADY? We've only just STARTED the series, and you are ASLEEP? Don't deny it - I SAW YOU SLEEPING, AND IT'S ONLY 7.30!"

Of course, I will deny it wholeheartedly, explaining how I was simply 'resting my eyes' and attempting to recite the last line of dialogue to prove it. Which never, ever works.

But despite the fact that I am sooooo tired that I can fall asleep ANYWHERE (even during an episode of 'Brick-layers Blind Date') when I finally drag myself upstairs, brush the old ivories, and lie myself down for a good solid session of slumber....

Blink....

Blink....

The sleep - She will not come!

Why, oh why?

I've tried so many things. I toss and turn, and wriggle and harrumph and flip my pillow and kick off the sheets. But nothing.

I dare not count sheep because... well... we have a barksy sheepdog. Very barksy, as I may have mentioned before. Barking is her best thing ever because that's what sheepdogs do when they rush around herding stuff - they bark, don't they?

And as we have not been generous enough to provide her with any sheep, or even a small set of matching goats to 'herd', she clearly feels underutilised.

So she lies at the bottom of the stairs, ears a-twitch, waiting in anticipation for a sound, any sound, to set off her nightly barking repertoire.

And it seems the loud clang of my eyelids banging together as I finally find sleep does it for her.

Because that's when the barcophony begins. Bark, bark bark.

Clutching on to the hope that sleep will return if I do not fully open my eyes or turn on a light, I do the zombie walk of the living dead. Arms outstretched to protect myself (Yet still managing to toe-punt every object in my path), I lumber downstairs, open the door, and off the hound goes, either sprinting the entire perimeter of the garden in an attempt to share her barking jubilation with every single neighbour or, on simpler nights, just to the door for three quick yaps, then back to her bed.

I don't know which option gets my goat more, but either way, I am wide awake by the end of it.

And so I return to Mr Mattress to once again attempt the long journey to the Land of Nod.

But it's not only the hapless hound I have to contend with. There are many other factors that keep me awake at night, some of which fall squarely on the rather impressively square shoulders of Mrs Ed herself. You see, she is so very many aeons older than me, not to mention the strong probability of vampire DNA in her genes, which means her sleeping patterns are even more sporadic than mine.

Put simply - she's not getting much sleep either.

And even though we have been co-habiting for so many years (with no likelihood of parole for good behaviour), our 'biorhythms' are about as in sync as a Helen Zille dance routine.

Most nights, when I am lying awake worrying about 'Very Important Things in the World' (the above-mentioned Zille routine is not one of them, I promise), like the pandemic, the mental health (or lack thereof) of whoever happens to be the President of the United States, and whether the beer special will still be on at the end of the month when pay-day happens, - Mrs Ed is snoring at vibration levels that would shatter the glass of most self-respecting Richter scales.

Worse still, waking her when she is in that 'sleep of the dragon' mode is nigh on impossible, and, as I have discovered to my peril

(and that of any neighbours within a 500m radius), not recommended at all.

And of course - when SHE is awake (Mrs Ed, not the neighbour.... or Helen Zille), I am fast asl... Actually, no. When she is awake, I am wide awake too. But only because she wakes me. Normally with an elbow dig in my ribs violent enough to fell a moose bull in rut.

At 3.15am this very morning, after I had finally managed to fall asleep (I had tossed and turned for a long while, wondering if there might be another word for synonym), she elbowed me across the room into the wardrobe, then announced that she couldn't sleep either.

It seemed she was worried about our grandchild.

No. You haven't missed anything. We don't actually HAVE a grandchild. Mrs Ed was just thinking of having one. And then lying awake worrying about him or her. Where he or she would sleep, if our cupboards are baby-proof enough, what might happen if the dog tried to herd him or her into the thorny side of the garden....

I explained to her that this is not how it works; others need to be involved in the Grandchild Production Process and that perhaps THEY were the ones she should be waking up at 3.17am with her concerns, but clearly, she wasn't listening.

"We will need to paint the nursery soon!" she said, "You will have to get rid of all those buckets and pipes and pumps and things tomorrow."

"My micro-brewery?" I gasped. "But... but... the third batch is almost ready. In three wee..."

"Tomorrow." she harrumphed, turned over, and within 30 seconds commenced snoring.

And I was awake.

Totally awake.

And, two and a half hours later, I still am.

Of course, both Mrs Ed and the dog are out for the count, dead to the world, unconscious. They even slept through all the commotion when I carried the buckets and pipes and pumps and things up to our bedroom and set up my micro-brewery in Mrs Ed's wardrobe.

I guess every cloud has a silver lining, eh?

*We'd be mad if it didn't!!*

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## SRRA outgoing Chair

Report by Lilith Seals

**Roy Phillips has been part of our Executive Committee since 2011 and stood down from the Committee at our last AGM held on 18 January 2022.**



He has been on the committee for 11 years, seven of which he was Chairman. He has brought the association through difficult times, and many successes have also been achieved. Regular meetings with the Knysna Mayoral Committee and several with various municipal managers and acting municipal managers ensured that we were kept up to date and could bring our concerns. He has seen the Depot Manager of Sedgefield post being abolished, and Sedgefield managed from Knysna. This has been difficult. He has urged the Municipality to re-consider the appointment or resurrection of this post so that residents can contact someone in authority here in Sedgefield.

Roy has also represented the association on the Ward 2 Committee. Ward 2 covers the village and Karatara. Quarterly meetings are usually held, although these have not been held for the last two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He made a point of meeting weekly with ward councillors at their offices, keeping a finger on the pulse of what was happening and ensuring that items that were being neglected were brought to their attention.

In 2017, the association's name was changed from Sedgefield Ratepayers and Voters Association to Sedgefield Ratepayers and Residents Association to ensure that people who live here but are not Voters or Ratepayers could join. Roy was instrumental in this change. He has always insisted that the association should not be political, and the term "Voters" somehow had political overtones. We are going to miss his guiding hand. I've no doubt that we will be calling on him for help and advice on our workings in the future.

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Welcome to the Grade 1 Class of Laerskool Sedgefield Primary 2022. We wish the children all the best in their school careers, teacher Soné Rossouw, will clearly be kept on her toes by these enthusiastic youngsters.

# SRRA AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Sedgefield Ratepayers and Residents Association was held on Tuesday, 18 January, at the Scarab Red Roof. The meeting attracted a fair crowd of locals, and the venue filled up quickly.

Once Chairman Roy Philips had welcomed everyone and received approval of the minutes of the previous AGM, nominations for the 2022 Committee were announced.

With Roy himself standing down after serving 11 years on the committee, the following members were elected Cliff Elion, Dr Andy Brough, Tertia Rothman, Wendy Ruscoe, Lileth Seals, Nadia Hardnick, Michael Simon (all in the picture) and Devon Basson (absent).



Above L-R: Cliff Elion, Dr Andy Brough, Tertia Rothman, Wendy Ruscoe, Lileth Seals, Nadia Hardnick, Michael Simon (all

Thereafter, the newest Committee member, Dr Andy Brough, gave a very impressive motivational presentation on leadership, which certainly gave those present a lot of food for thought – particularly with regard to our relationship with and expectations of with local government.

Andy, a Leadership Development Specialist with 25 years of experience working in more than 80 countries and the author of Leadership. The Exponential Effect, reminded those present what a gift it is to live in a place like Sedgefield and that each individual should make a point of stepping up to the challenge of looking after it. He said that the SRRA is mandated to “Do everything possible to maintain and protect Sedgefield and its environment and address the express needs and concerns of the community through constant dialogue and negotiation with the relevant authorities for the greatest benefit of all its residents.”

The SRRA’s new committee will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 27 January, where they plan to restructure the Executive Committee to align with the Greater Knysna Municipal Structure.

Cliff Elion explained, “Each Directorate will have an SRRA member to liaise and consult with on behalf of our Ward 1 and 2 members.”

He went on to say that the SRRA is intent on taking up the challenge of exercising residents’ democratic right to hold public servants accountable, a notion that the SRRA believes is often forgotten in modern-day municipal affairs.

“Our municipality advertises an inclusive approach to public affairs, and your elected SRRA committee intend to be fully involved in local

affairs. This starts with active participation in the Ward Committees and the formulation of the Integrated Development Plan, which underpins the budget of Greater Knysna,” Cliff told us.

Sedgefielders are strongly encouraged to increase the strength of the SRRA by joining and becoming active members. The Association can be found on Facebook, or contacted via email on sedgefield.ratepayers@gmail.com

## Free Haircuts & Hair-dos

Congratulations to Donelye Oelf, Thersius Jones and his Patriotic Alliance team for their wonderful community spirit!

On Monday, 17 January, they offered free haircuts and hair-dos for young boys and girls – just in time for the youngsters to go back to school looking cool and clean-cut.

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Dougie Nel grew up in Darnall, a small sugar-cane community on the North Coast of Natal, the youngest of three. He was the product of a single-parent home, but his dad was a wonderful cook and taught Dougie and his two older sisters, with curry being a pretty obvious item on the menu! From all accounts, he was one mischievous imp of a boy! The tales he and his buddy Viv Maybery shared told of a charmed childhood growing up within a small but caring community. He was a surfer boy, as cute as a button, and never short of a belle on his arm!

When Dougie moved to Empangeni, he started an apprenticeship as an auto electrician, and there he met the love of his life! He was 18 and Mandy was 13, and they were at a house party, both

were on their own - his opening pick-up line was to chuck a couch cushion at her, following nonchalantly with "hey man, what's this apartheid scene!" - and their fate as a couple was sealed! In 1974, he went to the army for his nine-month stint at Lenz, and after qualifying as an auto electrician, got married to Mandy in 1977. Their marriage was blessed with two children, Brandon and Cindy-Anne, and whilst there may have been long months and short budgets, there was never ever any shortage of love, respect, and utter support of every endeavour or school activity where the children were involved. A friend once commented that at school concerts, they loved watching Dougie rather than the kids - he was always there, clapping and exuding pride! Sadly Brandon was fatally injured in a motor accident in 2003, and it took many years to get over that loss, but never any regrets for time wasted!

After 20 years spent running his auto electrical business in Empangeni, a heart stent and a gifted holiday at a cottage in Brenton-on-Sea, Dougie and Mandy were led to Sedgefield. In a series of minor miracles, the move to Sedgefield on 24 January 2016 became a reality, and although it was hard to say goodbye to Zululand and their many many friends, the community of Sedgefield opened its arms and charms, and a wonderful "semi-retirement" loomed. Cindy-Anne and her husband Harry pursued a teaching career in China, and Dougie was immensely proud of them both, navigating a very foreign country with aplomb. Covid lockdowns meant that they could unfortunately not make it home, and Dougie gave them his blessing from hospital, verbalising that they could not have loved him more or given him more joy!

When the fishing community of Zululand get together, many tales of Dougie's mischief are regaled. He loved his family, the sea, fishing, darts, being creative in his auto electrical field and solving problems where they seemed insurmountable. His greatest gift was being a people's person, always willing to lend a hand, and even if slighted, he would find it in himself to forgive - forgetting sometimes took longer. He was only human after all:-) His favourite spot was sitting on the verandah at home and waving at passing folk - the people of Sedgefield, thank you! There really is a special kind of magic in Sedgefield! It would be remiss to not thank Doctors Stander and van der Westhuizen of Sedgefield, Dr Johan Viljoen of Knysna, the staff at the Knysna Life Hospital and the ambulance



drivers who drove Dougie to hospital for all they did to try and save Dougie. Briefly and as everybody is asking, Dougie and Mandy both had Covid in December, but Dougie had an underlying lung issue that reared its ugly head and eventually led to him not having sufficient lung tissue to sustain normal life.

Please remember him as the kind and loving and laughing guy, and have a cheers to him when you next gather as his buddies.

**A celebration of the life of Dougie Nel will be held on the grassed area in front of Paradise Island complex (small bridge as you enter the Island coming from the village) at 10:00am Saturday 29th January 2022. Please bring something to sit on.**

## VACANCY: SOCIAL AUXILIARY WORKER KNYSNA ASSOCIATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

### Functions and Responsibilities:

- To provide auxiliary support to the Social Work Services of the Association in a professional and equitable manner.
- To be a facilitator and contact for persons with disabilities on behalf of the Association.
- Demonstrate basic understanding of the South Africa social welfare context, the policy and practice of the developmental social welfare services and the role of the social auxiliary worker within this context.
- Consistently reflect values and principles contained in the Bill of Rights and the social work professions Code of Ethics in service delivery as a social auxiliary worker.
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of human behaviour, relationship systems and social issues; which includes poverty, unemployment, HIV/AIDS, crime, child abuse, domestic violence, drug abuse and housing etc.
- Implement appropriate social auxiliary work methods and techniques to address the social needs of our clients.
- Attending to social auxiliary work via local clinics or visiting clients at their home where necessary.
- Representing the Association and participating in opportunities involving persons with disabilities.
- Keep precise records and compile accurate reports on social needs and social auxiliary work activities and file accordingly.
- Provide an efficient research and administrative support service to the Social Worker.

### Requirements:

- A Social Auxiliary Work qualification and registration with the South African Council for Social Service Professions.
- Min 3-5 years experience
- A valid drivers' licence and willingness to travel.
- Computer literate.
- Ability to work independently as well as in a team.
- Good written and verbal communication skills in at least 2 languages of the Western Cape.

Application Closing Date: 28 January 2022  
Email: knysnaapd@gmail.com

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## VACANCY: SOCIAL WORKER KNYSNA ASSOCIATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

### Objective:

The initiation and rendering of integrated social work services and projects using all methods of Social Work to develop and enable persons with disabilities to function to their maximum potential and share equal opportunities in society.

### Functions and Responsibilities:

- A basic understanding of the South African social welfare context, the policy and practice of developmental social welfare services and the role of the social worker within this context.
- Define and demonstrate an understanding of the purpose of social auxiliary work and the role and functions of a social worker.
- Consistently reflect the values and principles contained in the Bill of Rights and the social work professions Code of Ethics in service delivery as a social worker.
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the South African judicial system and the legislation governing and impacting on social work. Legislation include: Social Services Act, Non Profit Act, the Basic Conditions of Employment Act, Skills Development Act and the Labour Relations Act.
- Demonstrate basic understanding of human behaviour, relationship systems and social issues. Implement appropriate social work methods and techniques to address the social needs of Client Systems 1.
- Use appropriate resources in service delivery to client systems.
- Work effectively with members of multi-sectoral teams in social services delivery.
- Work effectively as a social worker to address needs and problems experienced by focus groups in social welfare.
- Keep precise records and compile accurate reports on social needs and social work activities and file them appropriately.
- Provide efficient research and support service.
- Demonstrate basic knowledge of financial matters related to social work.
- Demonstrate self-awareness regarding personal capacities, attitudes and skills and a willingness to develop them further.
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- Responsible for fieldwork within specifically allocated areas in The Association's service area.
- Engage in all the recognised methods of Social Work to achieve a developmental approach to address the social needs of consumers.

### Requirements:

Social Work degree and registration with South African Council for Social Service Professions.  
Min 3-5 years experience  
Valid drivers' license and willingness to travel.  
Ability to work independently and as part of a team.  
Computer literate, sound knowledge of Microsoft Office.  
Good written and verbal communication skills in at least 2 languages of the Western Cape.  
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## RESURFACING OF ROADS IN THE KNYSNA CBD



Residents and businesses are kindly reminded that our technical team commenced the resurfacing project on Monday, 17 January 2022.

The following streets will be affected: St Georges and Nelson Streets.

### Traffic Impact:

Temporary lane closures will have an impact on traffic congestion. Therefore, we ask motorists to use alternative routes around the specified CBD areas. A more detailed programme will be communicated in due course.

Delivery and emergency vehicles and residents that stay on affected roads will be allowed access. The improved road will be safer, smoother and benefit all road users.

We apologize for any inconvenience and appeal to road users and pedestrians to be patient during the construction period.

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Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 46(3)(a) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, No. 56 of 2003, read together with Section 21(A) of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act, No. 32 of 2000: That it is the intention of the Municipal Council to enter into debt agreements for five (5) and ten (10) years respectively with ABSA Bank Limited to raise external loans of **R 86,902,500** to finance the following 2021/2022 approved capital projects:

- Upgrading of sewerage, water, streets, stormwater and electricity infrastructure;
- Upgrading of sport and recreation facilities;
- Upgrading of community centers and municipal offices; and
- Vehicles and equipment.

Particulars of the external loans to be raised are set out in the table below.

RE-PAYMENT PERIOD	5 YEARS	10 YEARS
FINANCIAL INSTITUTION	ABSA BANK LIMITED	ABSA BANK LIMITED
AMOUNT OF PROPOSED DEBT	R 4,110,000	R 82,792,500
SECURITIES TO BE PROVIDED	NONE (UNSECURED LOAN)	
FIXED INTEREST RATES*	7.75%	8.14%
• BASE RATES*	5.91%	7.03%
• ALL IN MARGIN	1.84%	1.11%
INSTALMENTS	SIX MONTHLY (INTEREST AND REDEMPTION)	
NUMBER SIX MONTHLY INSTALMENTS	10	20
ESTIMATED SIX MONTHLY INSTALMENTS	R 500,945.32	R 6,009,106.15
ESTIMATED INTEREST REPAYMENTS	R 899,453.20	R 37,389,623.00
ESTIMATED REDEMPTIONS REPAYMENTS	R 4,110,000.00	R 82,792,500.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL REPAYMENTS	R 5,009,453.20	R 120,182,123.00

\* The final base & fixed interest rates will be determined on the date of the signing of the debt agreements

After raising the above mentioned loans, the municipality will have a total of long term debt of **R 339.1 million** which will represent **36.9%** of the total operating revenue for the 2021/2022 financial year as at **30 June 2022**.

Comments on the external loans to be raised, if any, must be submitted in writing on or before **Thursday 17 February 2022** to the Office of the Municipal Manager, PO Box 21, Knysna, 6570. Persons who cannot write can visit the office of the Chief Financial Officer (1st Floor, Clyde Street, Knysna) where **Me Landia van Huissteen** will assist such persons in documenting their comments.

**DAVID ADONIS**  
MUNICIPAL MANAGER



# A SAD FAREWELL

by Michael Simon

It was with sad hearts that COP, Sedgefield NHW and Cola/Myoli NHW heard of the passing of Selwyn Lurner in the early hours of the morning on 12 January 2022.

Selwyn was not only a dedicated family man but also a great friend and respected member of COP, Sedgefield NHW, Cola/Myoli NHW and their committee. He was committed to serving and assisting the community in every way possible, even when he was busy.

A drive-by, past the family's house, took place on Friday 14 January 2022 to pay respect to Selwyn and pass on condolences to the family.

Thank you to all emergency services, friends, NHW members and patrollers who joined in. It was appreciated by all, especially the family. Thank you to Pili Pili for providing everyone with coffee afterwards.

We wish to send our condolences to Ruth, Wayne, Warren and the rest of Selwyn's family and friends. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him but never forgotten due to the impact he had on so many lives.



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**13:15pm** Bowls. Tabs in

**Wednesdays**  
**8 for 9am** Golf Day @ The Links. All members welcome.  
**8am - 12.** Midweek Village Market at Mosaic.

**Thursdays**  
**6:30am** Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.  
**8 for 9am** Sedge Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links  
**13:15pm** Bowls. Tabs in

**Thursday 27 January 2022.**  
**Knysna U3A General Meeting** at NG Church, in Swallow Drive, Sedgfield. Doors open at 9am to accommodate COVID-19 protocols, and tea, coffee, and biscuits will be available. The presentation will commence promptly at 10am. All are welcome to attend what is bound to be an inspiring start to the year. For more information contact Judy on 0723906667

**Fridays**  
**8am** Ladies Golf @ Links Course

**Saturdays**  
**6:30am** 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  
**13:15pm** Bowls. Tabs in

**Sundays**  
**7am** Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.

**Sunday 30 January 2022**  
**8am - 12.** GARDENERS MARKET at Steam Whistle Stop. For more info call 072 487 0395

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: 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

## LETTERS TO THE EDGE

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### The Editor Where to Greater Knysna???

About once a month, a group of us "retired old toppers" from Sedgfield meet for coffee to discuss what we feel should be done to sort out South Africa and our area in particular. Usually, it is just talk, but this last week we honed in on the Greater Knysna Municipality and its apparent lack of real direction at the moment.

We have all retired here and stay because we feel that this is one of the best areas in South Africa.

After all, we have a good climate, our pristine beaches are close by & never too crowded, and if you are inclined to play golf or tennis or bowls, there are lots of local opportunities to do so. In addition, we all recognise that Sedgfield still has a "village feel & mentality".

A consensus view was that this part of Knysna has quite a lot going for it at the moment:

- Last October, there was a Local Government election & to date, there has been some evidence that the new Council knows what is good for this area. So hopefully, the local politics remains stable.
- Sedgfield Ratepayers & Residents Association (SR&RA) held their AGM this last week & there are some new faces on the Committee. One of their objectives is to greatly enlarge the SR&RA so that it really reflects the views of all Sedgfield residents.
- A Business Chamber has been re-established in Knysna & is receiving support from the SR&RA. This Chamber has already formed links with key

people in the Municipality. However, despite all these good indicators, we feel that the area needs someone to lead any new ideas, preferably someone in the new Council.

In particular are the aspects of bulk water supply to Knysna & Sedgfield & bulk electricity supply to Greater Knysna. We understand that both Mossel Bay & George are actively looking at ways they can reduce their dependence on Eskom for electrical power.

George Airport has already installed a large number of Solar Voltaic Panels, so they no longer rely on Eskom to keep them functioning.

In regard to electrical power, there are apparently "organisations" that would fund a Solar Voltaic Array on a PPP basis so that Knysna would not have to fund this initiative entirely from their budget. Such an array can be erected off the ground so that the area beneath it can be used for growing stuff, e.g. vegetables.

In regard to water, we understand that PG Bison have a number of operational boreholes. They have offered these to Knysna Municipality. But for KM to take up this offer may take some time. Surely these could be linked to the Sedgfield Water Treatment Works effectively and at a relatively low cost. This would overcome the very real issue Sedgfield has of having no long term water storage facility.

We are in the midst of a very dry spell at present. It was a problem for Sedgfield when, in 2009, the Karatara River stopped flowing, and we had insufficient boreholes. Our current boreholes could manage to keep this area alive but may not be able to meet all of Sedgfield's current water demand.

The responsibility of providing a regional bulk water supply really is that of the Garden Route Municipality. They are aware of this, but we do not think they could meet the demand for the whole of Greater Knysna in the short term.

Some names were raised in regard to identifying a leader, or champion, from the newly elected Council, but this matter needs to be taken further.

*Terry Cockcroft*

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### KNYSNA MUNISIPALITEIT VERORDENING OP RUIMTELIKE BEPLANNING & GRONDGEBRUIKSBESTUUR (2021) VOORGESTELDE ONDERVERDELING & OPHEFFING VAN VOORWAARDES: ERF 1335, SEDGFIELD

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 45 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021) dat die bogenoemde aansoek ontvang is vanaf:

Naam van Aansoeker: Mandy K. Pelsler c/o Mark De Bruyn  
 Kontak besonderhede: [mark@lazyleopard.co.za](mailto:mark@lazyleopard.co.za)  
 Verwysingsnommer: Aansoek nommer 2610  
 Eiendom beskrywing: Erf 1335, Sedgfield  
 Fisiese Adres: De Wetstraat 28, Sedgfield  
 Aard van aansoek:

- Onderverdeling** in Gedeelte A van 600m2 en 'n Restant van 701m2 ingevolge **Artikel 15(2)(d)** van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021); en
- Die **Opheffing van Beperkende Titelakte** voorwaarde D.9 ingevolge **Artikel 15(2)(f)** van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021), soos vervat in Titelakte T23300/2021 van Erf 1335, Sedgfield, om die onverdeling toe te laat.

'n Volledige afskrif van die aansoek is beskikbaar op die munisipale webtuiste:

<https://www.knysna.gov.za/do-business/planning-development/current-land-use-applications/>

Lede van die publiek word uitgenooi om skriftelik kommentaar te lewer, saam met die redes daarvan ingevolge Artikel 50 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021). Kommentaar mag aan die Waarnemende Munisipale Bestuurder gerig word, en per epos ingedien word aan [knysna@knysna.gov.za](mailto:knysna@knysna.gov.za) en [smqhele@knysna.gov.za](mailto:smqhele@knysna.gov.za), op of voor **25 Februarie 2022**, met vermelding van u naam, adres, elektroniese kontak besonderhede en telefoon nommer, belang in die aansoek en redes vir kommentaar. Die munisipaliteit mag weier om kommentaar wat na die sluitingsdatum ontvang is, te aanvaar. Persone wat nie kan skryf nie mag die Stadsbeplanningskantoor per telefoon nader tydens kantoorure, waar die betrokke amptenaar u sal help om u kommentaar op skrif te stel.

Telefoniese navrae kan gedurende kantoorure aan die Stadsbeplanner, Steward Mqhele by 044-302 6339 of per epos [smqhele@knysna.gov.za](mailto:smqhele@knysna.gov.za) gerig word.

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### KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY BY-LAW ON SPATIAL PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT (2021)

#### PROPOSED SUBDIVISION & REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS: ERF 1335, SEDGFIELD

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 45 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021) that the abovementioned application has been received from:

Applicant's Name: Mandy K. Pelsler c/o Mark De Bruyn  
 Contact Details: [mark@lazyleopard.co.za](mailto:mark@lazyleopard.co.za)  
 Reference number: Application number 2610  
 Property Description: Erf 1335, Sedgfield  
 Physical Address: 28 De Wet Street, Sedgfield  
 Nature of application:

- Subdivision** into Portion A of 600m2 and a Remainder of 701m2 in terms of **Section 15(2)(d)** of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021); and
- The **Removal of Restrictive** Title Deed Condition D.9 in terms of **Section 15(2)(f)** of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021), as contained in the Deed of Transfer T23300/2021 of Erf 1335, Sedgfield, to allow the subdivision.

A full copy of the application is available for inspection on the municipal website: <http://www.knysna.gov.za/resident-services/planning/current-land-use-applications/>

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments, together with the reasons therefore in terms of Section 50 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021). Comments must be addressed to the Municipal Manager and submitted via email at [knysna@knysna.gov.za](mailto:knysna@knysna.gov.za) and [smqhele@knysna.gov.za](mailto:smqhele@knysna.gov.za), on or before **25 February 2022**, quoting your name, address, electronic contact details and telephone number, interest in the application and reasons for comment. The municipality may refuse to accept comments received after the closing date. Persons who cannot write may contact the Town Planning Office during office hours, where the responsible official will assist you in putting your comments in writing.

Telephonic enquiries may be made during office hours to the Town Planner, Steward Mqhele, at 044-302 6339 or via email [smqhele@knysna.gov.za](mailto:smqhele@knysna.gov.za)

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## THE HELPLESS HOMELESS SITUATION

Many questions are asked about those living on the streets in the Greater Knysna area and whether anything is being done by the authorities to assist them. Councillor Cleone Vanston of Ward 2 Sedgfield has a special calling to assist the homeless, and long before she entered politics was working hard to help them. Indeed as Chairperson of the Knysna Homeless Forum group, she spent a year working for The Haven night shelter in Cape Town as the Field study worker to gather any data that might assist in the Knysna and Sedgfield homeless situation.

As Chairperson of the NPO Hepzibah Solutions, she also worked with awareness, prevention and aftercare for those involved in substance abuse.

It is certainly a very complex problem, with no 'one-size-fits-all' solution. Currently, Knysna has over 100 homeless persons, of which 14 - 17 are in Sedgfield village. Cleone informs us that a few have chosen to be street people and have very little desire to be in a shelter, whilst others would be grateful for a shelter in Sedgfield - but refuse to go to existing shelters in our neighbouring communities.

"This is a very difficult situation for our town as we have residents who have legal rights according to bylaws that protect them from public nuisance - both in their private property and in and around the village. But then there are also the rights and dignity of the homeless people that have to be taken into account," she explains.

In the spirit of humanity and keeping respect between both parties alive, Cleone intends to create awareness of the local bylaws - particularly regarding residents' rights to call Law Enforcement, SAPS or their Ward Councillor to assist with any request for the removal of vagrants and homeless people in unlawful areas.

Furthermore, she says that even though they are in desperate need of shelter, most of the local homeless are aware of the bylaws prohibiting the erection of any illegal structures in public places.

It seemed there was light at the end of this tragic tunnel last year when the Municipality called for proposals from Non-Profit organisations regarding establishing and operating a shelter for the homeless. 14 Church Street, a council-owned property in the Knysna CBD, had been identified as suitable to be converted into a homeless shelter to accommodate, rehabilitate and reintegrate homeless people with their families and communities. "The shelter will be run on behalf of the Municipality," said Dawid Adonis, Acting Municipal Manager at the time. He explained that Council had resolved to fast-track the establishment of a homeless shelter after many vulnerable citizens had to be housed at Loerie Park during the nationwide lockdown. "We recognised the need for a permanent shelter facility and are now ready to move to the next step in the process - that of appointing an NPO with the relevant experience and competency to establish and run the facility." But even with this sense of urgency, things are far from moving fast. "The property mentioned is a Heritage site and needs to be rezoned," explains Cleone. "Council has approved a budget to appoint a town planner for the project, and the RFQ process went out towards the end of last year. So now we are waiting for this item to come back to the new Council."

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Estate Number: 022514/2021  
Estate Late: Jaroslawa Waclawa Jablonski  
Date of Birth: 1927-07-07  
Identity Number: 2707070036080  
Last Address: 30 Uil Street, Sedgfield, 6573 Western Cape  
Date of death: 2021-07-22

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Estate Late: John Richard Allan  
Date of Birth: 1939-05-29  
Identity Number: 3905295013087  
Last Address: Sedgemoor Park, Sedgfield, 6573 Western Cape  
Date of death: 2021-07-07

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Estate Number: 028927/2021  
Estate Late: Simon Hendrik Greyling  
Date of Birth: 1972-11-20  
Identity Number: 7211205204080  
Last Address: 17 Neddicky St, Sedgfield, 6573 Western Cape  
Date of death: 2021-10-08

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# LIONS NEWS

Unfortunately, due to another house fire in Smutsville, two young children who attend Smutsville Primary lost all their school clothes in the blaze.

Lion Shelley van Eeden is seen here with Auriol.



The Lions heard of their plight and stepped in to assist.

In Karatara, another two children faced desperate times after tragically losing their mother at the end of 2021.



Councillor Cleone handing over a parcel of school clothing donated by Lions to the uncle of the two scholars.

Recently, a laptop was handed over to Auriol Hayes, musician and ambassador for TLC Home for those suffering from Alzheimer's. This was needed for a course that she will be attending. In her letter of thanks, Auriol said this. "I was one of 12 artists, national and international, chosen to spend two weeks in the desert as part of the Tankwa Artscape residency. The residency allows artists the opportunity to work on their selected projects while interacting with other artists and the environment itself."

Thank you to all who continue to support us and thus support the help we are able to give the community.



Above: Lion President Alison Watson hands over new clothes to the learners

## REQUEST FOR DONATION OF OLD LAPTOPS

Do you have an old laptop that you never use because it is too slow or doesn't have sufficient RAM to run (say) Windows 10? Well, we can put it to good use!

Masithandane and Seabridge are launching a Learner Support Programme (LSP) to help Sedgfield students, currently in schools in Smutsville, Knysna and George, succeed in their academic jump from primary to high school. The Learner Support Programme, which is

free for the students, is managed and taught by volunteer teachers; and the use of your old laptop would make all the difference.

An important part of the Learner Support Programme is that learners will be able to engage with Seabridge's Moodle online platform, and, fortunately, old (even 'steam-driven') laptops are quite adequate for the task. The drives of the laptops will be cleared, and Ubuntu (an open-

source operating system) will be loaded onto the machines. In the teaching process, these machines are merely used as browsers that don't have to process large amounts of data.

Should you have an old machine and wish to donate it to the Learner Support Programme, please contact Jeff Fearon at Seabridge, Tel. 071 391 8179 or email [info@seabridge.sedgefield.org](mailto:info@seabridge.sedgefield.org)

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Candidates who meet the above criteria are invited to send their detailed CVs to [sedgmeer@telkomsa.net](mailto:sedgmeer@telkomsa.net) or alternatively these can be dropped off at Sedgmeer marked for the Manager's Attention.

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# The EDGE on Health

On 4 February, the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) will launch a new three-year campaign for World Cancer Day that brings together individuals, organisations and governments around the world in an effort to create awareness and help close the gap in cancer care.

The campaign highlights the significant barriers related to socioeconomic factors, stigma and discrimination that prevent many people around the world from accessing life-saving preventive services, diagnostics, treatment and care. These barriers lead to wide discrepancies in the risks of developing and surviving cancer.

## WORLD CANCER DAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2022

“By 2030, it is estimated that 75% of all premature deaths due to cancer will occur in low- and middle-income countries. Importantly, this care gap is not only between high- and low-resource settings. Disparities exist within most countries among different populations due to discrimination or assumptions that encompass age, cultural contexts, gender norms, sexual orientation, ethnicity, income, education levels and lifestyle issues. These factors potentially reduce a person’s chance of surviving cancer – and they can and must be addressed.”

– Prof. Anil d’Cruz, President of the Union for International Cancer Control, Director of Oncology at Apollo Hospitals, India

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused significant disruptions to cancer services and exacerbated existing health inequities, with a high risk of seeing an increase in cancers diagnosed at a later stage and therefore cancer-related deaths.

The 2022-2024 World Cancer Day campaign is designed to raise awareness about this “cancer care gap” and ask for greater equity. The campaign calls on the cancer community, governments and health care providers to take actions adapted to national needs and resources to reduce inequity and improve access to cancer services:

- Acknowledge and address the social determinants of health that constitute many of the barriers to equitable care within countries.
- Develop person-centred, inclusive public health policies that take into account the specificities and needs of different populations based on ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, disability, geographical location, education and income.
- Implement comprehensive, resource-efficient national cancer control plans integrated into universal health coverage schemes that take a community-based, participatory approach.

- Establish robust data registries that provide public health authorities with a clear picture of a country’s cancer burden and needs.

- Engage in community outreach and provide transportation, accommodation and childcare support to facilitate effective access to health services for rural populations.

- Expand the use of technological innovations (digital health, mobile screening units, self-sampling test kits) and provide the necessary resources (staff, training and support) so that they can be more widely used.

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\*AFTER HOURS\* donations can be dropped off at Sedge Pre-Owned Furniture (next door to Hospice)  
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Business Networking/Boerie Bash and Market Evening  
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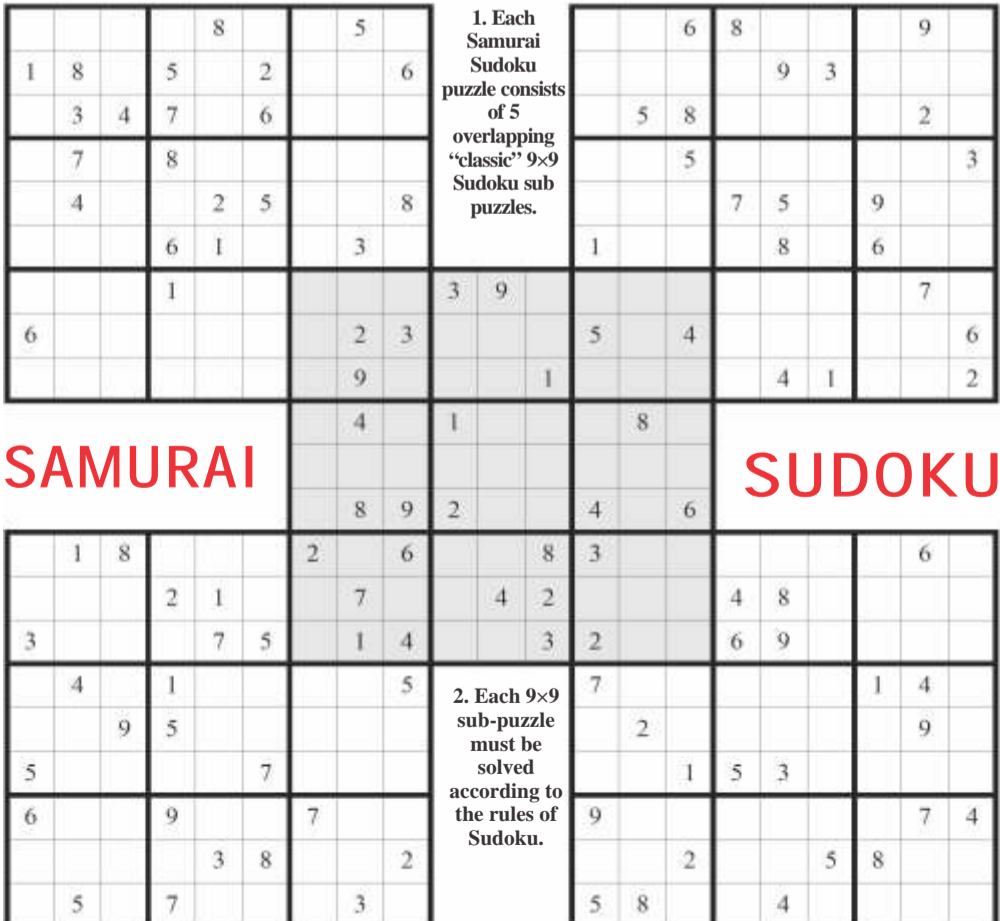
**Across.**  
1. After 1 December, the company will apply in different shades. (6)  
4. Lean towards additional points for one who takes note. (7)  
9. Reasonably anticipating the time she has a bun in the oven. (9)  
10. Cause one with a disease to turn and go. (5)  
11. When your inner frog rescues princes – they'll likely be really ugly. (5)  
12. Once the spy had pay recalculated it was good times! (5,4)  
13. So, Sir Ed rewrote the paperwork. (7)  
15. Recording that Harry initially leaves zero. (6)  
17. Rectifies one way turns that should be basic for all. (6)  
19. One avoiding droppings on the grass. (7)  
22. Would he be the 'purser' on a pirate ship? (9)  
24. To picture some subject. (5)  
26. Somewhat bitter about reaching number one in Rhythm & Blues. (5)  
27. Mad ones are after a treasure trove of out-of-shell delights. (9)  
28. After solar, one end of Banksy Street engaged with Emergency Medical Services. (7)  
29. Not convinced one has them? (6)  
**Down.**  
1. A natural source of pigment that sounds like an Afrikaans instruction to a caddie. (7)  
2. Porridge for the casualty ward is in your hands now! (5)  
3. A bit of hair on the 'commoner' might open doors for him! (9)  
4. Gel for cricket outing? (3,4)  
5. So, before Rolls Royce asked 'Why?', were they apologetic? (5)  
6. Some letters expanded on 'denial' turn-around. (9)  
7. Create a big story about the water disturbance. (6)  
8. One gets surrounded by gas ... or.... (6)  
14. There is no back-up for one who is cowardly. (9)  
16. Could this be the Age of the Bishop? (6-3)  
18. Neatens up the trees. (7)  
19. More steadfast, more company? (6)  
20. Gets more actors who once again throw in a line. (7)  
21. Surrounding Nazi police take new meat selection. (6)  
23. If Di mounted such an antelope she would definitely maim it.  
25. The fruit of the new plan is straight up. (5)

**Across:** 1. Thrash 5. Lamely 8. Corncob 9. Clued Up 11. You've got me there 12. Tier 13. Glaswegian 17. Landowning 18. High 20. A month of Sundays 23. Letters 24. Obesity 25. Credit 26 Extent **Down:** 2. Herculean 3. Archer 4. Hobgoblin 5. Locum 6. Mounties 7. Lodge 8. Crystall ball 10. Pie in the sky 14. Sandstone 15. Imitation 16. Goatherd 19. Invest 21. Outer 22. Onset

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Thur 27	low tides sunrise	04:17 05:45	18:02 sunset	19:38	high tide moonrise	11:02 00:42	moonset	15:06
Fri 28	low tides sunrise	06:10 05:46	19:23 sunset	19:37	high tides moonrise	00:09 01:26	12:29 moonset	16:18
Sat 29	low tides sunrise	07:28 05:47	20:19 sunset	19:37	high tides moonrise	01:29 02:17	3:41 moonset	17:28
Sun 30	low tides sunrise	08:26 05:48	21:06 sunset	19:36	high tides moonrise	02:26 03:19	14:38 moonset	18:31
Mon 31	low tides sunrise	09:15 05:49	21:46 sunset	19:35	high tides moonrise	03:13 04:28	5:26 moonset	19:26
Tue 01	low tides sunrise	09:59 05:50	22:23 sunset	19:35	high tides moonrise	03:55 05:41	16:10 moonset	20:12
Wed 02	low tides sunrise	10:40 05:51	22:57 sunset	19:34	high tides moonrise	04:35 06:52	16:49 moonset	20:50
Thur 03	low tides sunrise	11:18 05:52	23:29 sunset	19:33	high tides moonrise	05:14 08:01	17:26 moonset	21:23
Fri 04	low tides sunrise	11:54 05:53	23:59 sunset	19:32	high tides moonrise	05:51 09:07	17:59 moonset	21:52
Sat 05	low tide sunrise	12:28 05:54	24:28 sunset	19:31	high tides moonrise	06:26 10:09	18:32 moonset	22:20
Sun 06	low tides sunrise	00:28 05:55	13:02 sunset	19:31	high tides moonrise	07:01 11:09	19:02 moonset	22:47
Mon 07	low tides sunrise	00:55 05:56	13:39 sunset	19:30	high tides moonrise	07:37 12:08	19:34 moonset	23:16
Tue 08	low tides sunrise	01:25 05:57	14:22 sunset	19:29	high tides moonrise	08:18 13:06	20:15 moonset	23:46
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**VOORGESTELDE AFWYKING & OPHEFFING VAN VOORWAARDES: ERF 1307, SEDGFIELD**

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 45 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021) dat die bogenoemde aansoek ontvang is vanaf:

Naam van Aansoeker: Helia & Emile van Zyl  
Verwysingsnommer: Aansoek nommer 2609  
Eiendom beskrywing: Erf 1307, Sedgfield  
Fisiese Adres: Lorrainestraat 6, Sedgfield  
Aard van aansoek:

i) **Afwyking** ingevolge **Artikel 15(2)(b)** van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021) vir die verslapping van die straat boulyn vanaf 4,5m tot 3,01m en die syboulyn vanaf 2m tot 1,93m om die voorgestelde tweedewoonenheid toe te laat; en

ii) Die **Opheffing van Beperkende Titelakte** voorwaarde D.8 en die **Wysiging van Beperkende Titelakte** voorwaarde D.7 ingevolge Artikel 15(2)(f) van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021), soos vervat in Titelakte T3913/2021 van Erf 1307, Sedgfield, om 'n tweedewoonenheid toe te laat.

'n Volledige afskrif van die aansoek is beskikbaar op die munisipale webtuiste:  
<https://www.knysna.gov.za/do-business/planning-development/current-land-use-applications/>

Lede van die publiek word uitgenooi om skriftelik kommentaar te lewer, saam met die redes daarvan ingevolge Artikel 50 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021). Kommentaar mag aan die Waarnemende Munisipale Bestuurder gerig word, en per epos ingedien word aan [knysna@knysna.gov.za](mailto:knysna@knysna.gov.za) en [lmniki@knysna.gov.za](mailto:lmniki@knysna.gov.za), op of voor **25 Februarie 2022**, met vermelding van u naam, adres, elektroniese kontak besonderhede en telefoon nommer, belang in die aansoek en redes vir kommentaar. Die munisipaliteit mag weier om kommentaar wat na die sluitingsdatum ontvang is, te aanvaar. Persone wat nie kan skryf nie mag die Stadsbeplanningskantoor per telefoon nader tydens kantoorure, waar die betrokke amptenaar u sal help om u kommentaar op skrif te stel.

Telefoniese navrae kan gedurende kantoorure aan die Stadsbeplanner, Linda Mniki by 044-302 6383 of per epos [lmniki@knysna.gov.za](mailto:lmniki@knysna.gov.za) gerig word.

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**KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY BY-LAW ON SPATIAL PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT (2021)**

**PROPOSED DEPARTURE & REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS: ERF 1307, SEDGFIELD**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 45 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021) that the abovementioned application has been received from:

Applicant's Name: Helia & Emile van Zyl  
Reference number: Application number 2609  
Property Description: Erf 1307, Sedgfield  
Physical Address: 6 Lorraine Street, Sedgfield  
Nature of application:

i) **Departure** in terms of **Section 15(2)(b)** of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021) for the relaxation of the street building line from 4,5m to 3,01m and lateral building line from 2m to 1,93m to allow the proposed second dwelling unit; and

ii) The **Removal of Restrictive** Title Deed Condition D.8 and the Amendment of Restrictive Title Condition D.7 in terms of **Section 15(2)(f)** of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021), as contained in the Deed of Transfer T3913/2021 of Erf 1307, Sedgfield, to allow a second a dwelling.

A full copy of the application is available for inspection on the municipal website:  
<http://www.knysna.gov.za/resident-services/planning/current-land-use-applications/>

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments, together with the reasons therefore in terms of Section 50 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021). Comments must be addressed to the Municipal Manager and submitted via email at [knysna@knysna.gov.za](mailto:knysna@knysna.gov.za) and [lmniki@knysna.gov.za](mailto:lmniki@knysna.gov.za), on or before **25 February 2022**, quoting your name, address, electronic contact details and telephone number, interest in the application and reasons for comment. The municipality may refuse to accept comments received after the closing date. Persons who cannot write may contact the Town Planning Office during office hours, where the responsible official will assist you in putting your comments in writing.

Telephonic enquiries may be made during office hours to the Town Planner, Linda Mniki, at 044-302 6383 or via email [lmniki@knysna.gov.za](mailto:lmniki@knysna.gov.za).

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# THE SPORTS EDGE

## BRONZE BEAUTY LANDED ON MYOLI

A nice catch by local angler and species targeter, Schalk Botha, who landed this Bronze Whaler Shark on Sunday 23 Jan. The impressive specimen was caught on bonito bait while Schalk was angling at high tide in one of the deep gulleys off Myoli Beach. We gather these predators come into the surf zone to feed on Sand sharks, skate and other fish. They are also known as Copper Sharks or 'bronzies' and are notoriously strong fighters giving the angler a good workout and testing tackle to the limit.

This particular fellow, which was released back into the ocean, was described by onlookers as 'fat as a barrel' with one lady commenting that at first, she thought the angler may have caught a dolphin.



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## LADIES' GOLF

**FRIDAY 14th January 2021**

My goodness me, what a day to start our year of golf! Fourteen ladies survived the onslaught of the heat and made their way back to the clubhouse for lovely cold drinks.

Congratulations to Delahvonne Veldtman for winning the day on 38 points.

Daleen Schooling came second with 36; Charlene Blacker was 3rd on a count-out with Sylvia de Moor, Martha Smith, and Almarie Mead. Sylvia and Almarie were joint 4th on a count-out with Martha. Joy and Almarie won the Nearest the Pin prizes on the 2/11 and 8/17.

The following were the first birdies of the year: Linda Evans, Delahvonne Veldtman, Joy Herbst, Charlene Blacker, and Daleen Schooling with one each and Sylvia with two. We missed those of you that were not able to make it.

**FRIDAY 21st January 2022**

Eighteen ladies arrived bright-eyed and bushy-tailed for our early tee-off time of 7.30 for a 3-Ball Alliance, 2- scores to count. Congratulations to the winners of the day on a whopping score of 89: Charlene Blacker, Ronnie Maingard, and Eleanor Sparks.

Nearest the Pin prizes went to Sam Bowen and Elize Mackenzie-Blom.

Thank you so much, Joy Herbst, for donating and making the prizes for today.

The game was followed by our

2021 AGM and grilled chicken burgers at Upstairs at Rosie's.

We thanked the outgoing committee and congratulated Charlene Blacker on becoming our new Captain and Martha Smith, Sam Bowen, Eleanor Sparks and Sylvia du Moor on being elected 2022 committee members. We look forward to a great 2022 with you at the helm.

Thank you, ladies, for a great close to 2021.

## Off the Mat

Sedge Bowling Club News



Not much news this week as "NEAREST THE KITTY" has had a hand operation and has not been at the club. Thanks for all the phone calls; much appreciated.

**EDEN DISTRICT LEAGUE:** The league has been played over the last two Saturdays; unfortunately, the weather did not play ball and was very, very hot. The final will be played on Saturday the

29th, and the results will be published in the next Edge.

**CLUB DRAWN PAIRS:**

Play started on Wednesday the 19th of January, and hopefully, the final will be held on the 9th of February. Come and support the players; there should be some interesting games.

**TABS IN STARTING TIME:** It was agreed that due to the heat, the new starting time on Tuesday/Thursday/Saturday will be 15h00.

**ALL FOR THIS WEEK** (hopefully I will have some interesting news next time)

**NEAREST THE KITTY**

## Sedgefield Gent's Golf

**13/01/22**

On another beautiful day for golf, a number of wonderful events took place. Firstly, Jan Lotter, who has only recently returned from a shoulder injury, scored a hole in one on the 14th. This is truly amazing as before the injury, he had a swing like a drunk trying to find the keyhole after dark. But this achievement serves as an example of what can be achieved through sheer dedication and hard work. Something that Mr Gerard can learn from after having only slightly sprained his knee a year ago. When questioned, he pointed out that it takes hard

work and dedication to follow Dr's orders to the extent that opening a beer or switching on the box could result in further injury, but stated that he will soon be burning up the course.

Another wonderful achievement in this Stableford Alliance competition was the score of 103 achieved by Hans Anema, Ian Wright and Malcolm Goldhill. Not to mention the selection committee in the person of the Captain, as was evidenced in the number of gifts of beer he received from this trio. They were followed by Des Munro, Dave Herbst and Jan Lotter with 98 points with Dave Wright, Len Moul and Mike Hubberstey. Len has recently played some seriously good golf because previously, he would have described golf as a form of

disorderly conduct in which a score is kept.

We were remiss in not mentioning the free round of drinks provided by Quentin Robinson to celebrate his 80th birthday the previous week. The Gentlemen's Club is highly appreciative of his bringing the average age of the club down. Well done youngun

**20/01/22**

The weather could only be likened to that in Mexico; in other words, 'chilli today and hot tamale'. Someone who was particularly hot in the Betterball competition was the recent birthday boy, Quentin Robinson, who scored 44 points out of the total 51 in his partnership with Andre de Wet. To his credit, Andre refused to take his bottle of wine, acknowledging that the

to his playing partner. In second spot were the local AWB representatives Hans Anema and Jan Lotter with 45 points. Taking third, after a count out with Doug Stephen and Paul Spencer, were Henry Crowther and Jan Potgieter.

The Captain reminded all that the following week would not only be the Monthly Mug competition but also the AGM to elect a new committee and review the club's finances.



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