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ODRAMA KICKS OFF

.... and thousands of rands roll in for Sedgefield charities



Melodrama 2022 kicked off with a bang, with the most money was raised!" the first and second shows sold out.

Producer Margie Van Rensburg reports:

"Backstage, with five minutes to curtain open, the atmosphere was absolutely electric. After a oneweek delay, we were literally champing at the bit to get going.

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And the proof was in the pudding - On the first night, the American Auction raised the amazing total of R10 325.00, setting the bar for the rest of the shows. The second night's audience rose to the challenge, seemingly determined to beat the previous night's contributions. Their auction bids raised R18 773.00!

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Though we are not accepting IOUs this year, we do have a card machine on stand-by so you'll be able to ensure your favourite song is performed as one of the three encores

Tickets are limited for the final two shows, but we are more than prepared to squeeze in additional tables for anyone not wanting to miss this year's production. Whether it is just one extra seat required at a table or an entirely new table, the ticket sales ladies at Café Vienna will assist as best they

We have some great news this year for those wanting to share the Sedgefield Melodrama with loved ones near and far. Our video production will be available this year on a pay-to-download website. Details will be released in due time.

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ACTING MM RESIGNS AS COURT PAPERS ARE SERVED

Knysna Executive Mayor Aubrey Tsengwa has confirmed that, at close of business on Monday,24 October, he received a letter of resignation from Acting Municipal Manager Johannes Jonkers.

Though Mr. Jonkers did not cite any reasons for his resignation except that it is with immediate effect, it was handed in on the same day that he and others in the Municipality were served court papers by the Knysna Sheriff.

Others served papers by the Sheriff were the Executive Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Speaker of the Knysna Municipality, as well as the Council as a whole and those filling the seven new 'political appointments' that had been controversially approved by Knysna Council on 16 September.

The official court documents were served as a result of the Democratic Alliance approaching the Western Cape High Court on Friday, 21 October for urgent relief to

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Notes from T'Ed's Head

ave (British) Passport – will travel.

Dear Charles.

I hope this finds you well and not buckling under the pressure of your new position or, indeed, the weight of the crown.

I also hope you received the condolence card I sent after the passing of your dear mom. I haven't received an official 'thank you' letter yet, but I imagine one will be despatched when your plate is not quite so full with sorting out your current government crisis.

Which you will be happy to hear, brings me to the reason for this letter.

It has come to my notice that the Prime Minister position is open again, and I feel it is my patriotic duty to make myself available if the.... er... price is right, of course.

I am fully qualified, having a valid British passport (though regretfully, it is one of those dreadful 'European Union' red ones, but hey-ho, what can one do?) and no police record, in Britain at least. (I won't go into detail except to say that here in SA, we don't have to be quite so careful, as such a record does not prevent one from entering the realm of politics).

I also have several O levels, including English Language, so I would easily cope with any speech-making that might be necessary. Indeed, when compared to the last two PMs, I would probably be considered a refreshing change when it comes to addressing the adoring members of the public, especially once I delve into my extensive repertoire of hilarious 'British Subject Living Abroad' anecdotes (see exercise book enclosed).

My (Zimbabwean) driver's license is valid, too, though I can't remember ever seeing a carport or garage at No 10, so that might be inconsequential. Is there a company car that goes with the position? Or perhaps, on

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second thoughts, we should go with the full cavalcade of motorbikes and police vehicles – far more impressive for the PM to be seen chauffeur-driven with an entourage than reversing out in his own faded blue Hyundai Getz, I suppose.

As for any other qualifications you may be concerned about, I tried Googling 'certificates needed to be Prime Minister of Britain' and, to be honest, there's very little information out there. Perhaps that's something to consider working on? It may be why you have had such a bad run of contenders over the last year or so? (As you can see, I'm already thinking like a true leader.)

But that being said, I still believe I am exceptionally wellqualified for the post. I am sure your mother (bless her heart) will have mentioned to you at those regular family get-togethers in Balmoral that she and I frequently exchanged correspondence and shared ideas about how that little mud island that is your kingdom should be governed. Obviously, being Queen and the leader of the Commonwealth, she had to be quite careful how she answered my missives, but I do have a drawer full of officially stamped letters clearly stating that 'Her Royal Highness thanks you (me!) for the correspondence.

Such a pity it wasn't considered correct Royal Etiquette for her to hold on to the photographs I sent (I know how she loved dogs), but I'm sure she studied them intently before sending them back by return of post.

Come to think of it, something that she was remiss in returning was the A1-sized map with

details of how, with some careful strategising, Britain could regain its leadership over the rest of the world powers and, after getting rid of that nasty little Putin fellow, annex Russia as its latest colony.

I imagine your mom may have popped that over to the War Office for Field Marshal Lord Inge to study at his leisure.

Perhaps you could check if he still has it? Being King and all that, I'm sure he will take your call.

If he hasn't still got it, don't worry, I'll bring a copy with me and, once I am ensconced in the PM position, will happily sit with him and go through any of the finer details of the 'World Dominance Campaign' he may not have fully grasped.

But look at me getting ahead of myself! Before I throw my hat into the PM ring, as it were, I feel that I should get a bit of information up front just so that we are all on the same page. As I'm sure you will agree, there's nothing worse than starting a job and finding out that the 'perks' aren't quite what one expected.

My biggest concern is the salary. From my understanding, the monthly income for a British Prime Minister is 13 450 Great British Pounds. Whilst this is indeed generous, especially if there's a chance of a thirteenth cheque (?), if I may be blunt (we are both men of the world), I would like to know if this amount is bribe-inclusive. It's just that, from what I have seen recently, there is no guarantee of long-term job security in that particular position, so one would have to build up a sizeable fortune as swiftly as possible, just in case you end up 'out on your ear' sooner than expected.

I gather the norm is to invest it all offshore to avoid paying any tax.

Secondly, I am a little worried about the 'First Lady' position. Whilst Mrs Ed (photo enclosed) is indeed sturdy, can lift heavy things, and may well be just the ticket to scare the living daylights out of Mr Putin, I'll be the first to admit that she is no Melania Trump, and so might play havoc with the more friendly international relations.

As a sign of good faith, I am willing to make the sacrifice and leave her behind in South Africa, even if it does mean a slight reduction in her salary. Perhaps we can call it 'working remotely'?

Of course, there will be occasions when a PM needs to have an impressive-looking 'partner' on his arm – you know – dinners at the palace, award ceremonies, that sort of thing – so I have enclosed a list of suitable candidates I believe would fit perfectly.

Indeed, perhaps you might be so kind as to check in advance that the top one, Ms Katie Melua, might make herself available to accompany me to your

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egistered as a Security Service Provider by the Private ecurity Industry Regulatory Authority, Reg. No. 765528 coronation early next year. Considering what being seen in the 'right company' will probably mean for her record sales, I'm sure she will jump at the chance.

Incidentally, if she agrees, please ask if she would consider wearing that lovely leather outfit from her 'Closest Thing to Crazy' video ...

She'd be mad if she didn't









Claire's Creations

After two brutal pandemic years, Knysna Nursing Sister Claire Vegter decided to take a break and turn her love for art into the 'Stormpebbles Design Studio.'

Combining wood, epoxy art, decoupage and natural beach-themed materials, she created a range of dazzling objets d'art, from striking mixed-media paintings on wood, to elegant candle holders and gorgeous epoxy art coasters.

She found true enjoyment and freedom not only in the art itself, but also in finding and working the wood for her projects, and mastering the complex chemistry of the high-quality epoxy, inks and paints she employs in her art.

Come and visit Claire on Saturdays at Scarab Market







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ACTING MM RESIGNS

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overturn this council decision and terminate the employment contracts which they deemed illegal.

"The additional posts were created without any consideration of whether they were required or affordable, rendering the process unlawful. When the cadres were employed, no due process was followed. No advertisements for the "vacancies" were published, and no shortlisting of multiple candidates occurred. The Coalition of Corruption didn't even try to hide the blatant nepotism in employing their cronies, "said Dion George, DA Constituency Head for Knysna.

As reported in our last edition of The EDGE, before the DA proceeded to court, they had written to the Acting Municipal Manager to demand that the illegal contracts be terminated.

"He replied that he had taken legal advice and had informed the political office bearers. He did not commit to terminating the contracts, and the DA proceeded to court," said George, adding that despite his resignation, Jonkers would still be held to account.

"The money earmarked to pay for the illegal appointments was to be sourced from the temporary employment budget, which should pay for the employment of unemployed Knysna youth during the high season," George stated.

Asked for comment about the serving of papers, Municipal spokesperson Christopher Bezuidenhoudt confirmed they had officially received a notice of motion from the Democratic Alliance on Monday, 24 October.

"Matters of litigation are dealt with under delegated authority. In the absence of an acting Municipal Manager, we cannot, at this point in

time, respond to what actions the Council will take. An ordinary meeting of the Council is scheduled for Thursday, 27 October, whereafter more information may be come e available."

Acting Municipal Manager Johannes Jonkers tendered his resignation on Monday this week.



SRRA WEIGHS IN ON MUNICIPAL MAYHEM

The Committee of Sedgefield Ratepayers & Residents Association issued the following statement on the current goings on in Knysna Municipality's upper echelons.

The SR&RA is deeply concerned by the news of Monday's resignation of the Acting Municipal Manager, coming shortly after the announcement of pending legal action against the Knysna Municipality.

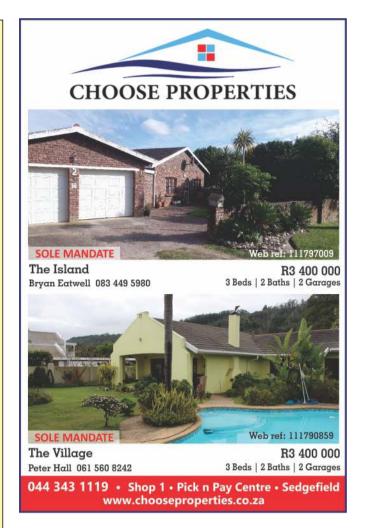
Decisions Knysna Municipality took in creating and filling seven new posts strongly suggest abuse of power on the part of the council. Although the SR&RA was initially assured that the need to change the organogram and the process followed was compliant, it now seems that it will be up to a high court judge to rule on the entire saga.

What is apparent is that no corresponding value-added service to the Sedgefield and Greater Knysna communities has been identified through the addition of these posts. This is despite an associated cost of approximately R3 million for zero additional service delivery to residents. These costs need to be viewed in light of the current financial year's deficit and the municipality's already stressed cash position. This is an extremely wasteful use of ratepayers' and residents' funds. Given the current Garden Route economic situation, the Knysna Municipality should be doing everything in its power to defer all unnecessary costs and create efficiencies that will directly support service delivery.

The SR&RA is dismayed at the flagrant attitude displayed by Knysna Municipality and the lack of transparency and respect for mandated procedures. Without a doubt, such behaviour flies in the face of the Municipality's work ethic of being: *Inclusive, Innovative, and Inspired* for all its residents and ratepayers. The SR&RA intends to raise these serious concerns with the Knysna Municipality.

We expect SERVICE DELIVERY to be at the forefront of municipal decision-making, and the direct and indirect effects on these services should always guide the process.

Council should conduct business transparently and participatively, with all views considered and evaluated. SR&RA expects Knysna Municipality to act in the best interest of all Greater Knysna's citizens.







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The owners and management of Pick n Pay Sedgefield are so glad to hear that the 2022 MELODRAMA is going so well, and raising so much money for local charities. With two performances done and another two to go the cast and crew have expressed how very grateful they are to the supermarket for sponsoring their meals on show-nights.

Pick n Pay also sponsored the printing of the programs for each night. Well done to everyone involved and we wish you well for Thursday and Friday.

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WHEELS OF FIRE - AN INCREDIBLE LIFESTORY

by Pixie Emslie

Ari Seirlis, who recently moved to Sedgefield, has spent nearly two-thirds of his life in a wheelchair as a quadriplegic. He tells his story in his autobiography, Wheels of Fire. It is a story of courage, triumph over adversity and civil action.

Ari recounts his life as a schoolboy, then as a university student, and later as a soldier fighting in the Angolan war. His life changed in a second when he broke his neck after diving down a waterslide for a film shoot in Durban. Describing his long period of clinical rehabilitation, he reveals how he came to terms with his situation. A key turning point was when he embraced the Disability Rights Movement locally and internationally. He led the QuadPara Association of South Africa (QASA) for years, making it an extremely successful organisation, helping hundreds of people.

In this intensely moving book, he takes readers through the wonderful highs and desperate lows of his life, which he describes with great honesty, humour, and self-reflection.



The book is available direct from Ari. Simply email him at aris@iafrica.com or send him an SMS or Whatsapp 082 901 4150.

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MOBILE FREEZER TRANSFORMS A GOOD IDEA INTO A BRILLIANT ONE

Garden Route lake of tons of alien fish was a good idea. Providing the fish to feed nearby disadvantaged communities made it a great idea, and now a trailer-mounted freezer will exponentially increase its impact.

As many will know, Johnny Snyman and his

tireless compadres on the Invasive Fish Species Management (IFSM) team have been 'harvesting' the invasive carp from Groenvlei for some years now, using a combination of bow-hunting and gill nets. More recently, thanks to the assistance of the Gift of the Givers NGO, the 'catch' has been distributed to needy communities in and around Sedgefield.

But of course, logistics have always limited delivery, especially considering the strict health criteria for transporting fish, which is why the new mobile freezer unit is sure to be a game-changer.

It was presented to the IFSM team and Gift of the Givers on the banks of Groenvlei on Friday, 30 September, by Zodwa Velleman on behalf of the Oceana Group, Africa's largest fishing company and one of the most empowered food companies on the JSE. Indeed, on the day of the ceremonial hand-over, an impressive 1,1 tons of carp could be delivered to local soup kitchens.

However, the story goes back much further. During the first COVID lockdown in April 2020, this innovative

Snyman approached Barend le Roux of Cape Nature with a community feeding concept. At the time, there was a desperate need for assistance in poorer communities, and a number of local soup kitchen initiatives were being rolled out.

Under lockdown regulations, IFSM's carp management activities had been halted, and as with any alien invasive species left unmanaged, the carp population had proliferated.

"I placed the concept across the table whereby the harvested invasive carp could be provided to communities," said Snyman, adding that Cape Nature had already done this on a much smaller level during their gillnetting attempts.

"The concept could serve both conservation aspects and at the same time provide much-needed food security during the lockdown," reasoned Snyman.

Le Roux ran the concept past his superiors, and approval was granted.

"Knowing that a large-scale community feeding program would require much more than just logistics, I contacted Pam Booth of CX Municipality and shared the logistical challenges with her. We looked at various possibilities for processing and

collaboration began after packaging carp, especially considering the various health regulation aspects in the cold storage and handling of fish - a highly perishable commodity.

> The CX Municipality wasn't geared for the above. It was eventually decided that whole carp could be provided to communities, on condition that it first had to be chilled in cold storage to 4 degrees Celsius before being handed out to communities.

> With the above logistics in place, Snyman then contacted the regional manager of Gift of the Givers, Mario Ferreira, and asked whether they would be able to run with the collection of the carp, the cold storage, and the distribution.

> "As a humanitarian NGO, Gift of the Givers jumped at the opportunity and accepted, and on 22 May 2020, the first trials of the Groenvlei Carp Community Feeding Program kicked off."

And the win-win situation of managing the invasive species in Groenvlei and feeding those in need has continued at an impressive rate. Between 22 May 2020 and 30 September 2022, IFSM captured a total of 7856 kg of carp, which they have provided to the GOTG for distribution.

The Painted Reed Frog

by Ludwig Muller

The painted reed frog that occurs in the Garden Route belongs to the subspecies verrucosus, meaning warty.

The name is something of a misnomer, as they are hardly more warty than the other subspecies and hardly warty at all when compared to toads or sand frogs. This species is, without doubt, more common than any other frog in the Garden Route. During winter, they creep into tiny cracks, crevices, slits and aloe leaves.

In spring, they emerge and start calling, often even before leaving their hibernation quarters. Despite the frog's small size (<4cm), its call is piercingly loud at close range, a high-pitched "piep" that leaves the ears ringing.

Although males call mainly from waterside positions at night, it is not unusual to hear their call coming from trees and buildings during the day. This frog is unusual among our local frogs in that it can change colour, sometimes in very striking ways.

In summer, they are often found hiding in Arum lilies, but they should not be confused with the similar and closely related arum lily frog (Hyperolius horstockii), which is much rarer in this area. The two species are very difficult to separate, but the painted reed frog has a slightly pear-shaped body and a small hump on

the lower back. Their calls are very different. To hear the call of this colourful species, visit



frogbook.co.za/frogcalls.php





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TOURISM OFFICE TO OPEN

SOON

November will see the opening of an independent tourism office - 'Sedgefield Info' - by the dynamic duo Belinda Hobson and Bronwyn Lloyd. The two well-known locals will operate this welcome addition to Sedgefield's CBD from a newly created shop on the main service road between Blue **Bottle Liquors and Cycleworx** Sedgefield.

"We want to make the info office the central hub of the village as it used to be," said Belinda, who many will remember as 'the face of local tourism' when she ran the Sedgefield branch of Knysna Tourism from 2014 to 2018.

Belinda is very excited to be getting behind the marketing of her home town again. She is reconnecting with all her old contacts who work in tourism around the Garden Route and beyond and forming new relationships with role-players in the industry.

"With Sedgefield being a central point, it's the ideal base from which to explore the Garden Route, so it's important that we have information on nearby attractions at our fingertips," she explained.

But of course, the main aim of 'Sedgefield Info' will be to promote Sedgefield, in person, in print, via a website and on social

"It's not only about getting visitors here, but also about keeping them entertained whilst they are here, showing them what our village has to offer, and making sure they feel welcome enough to want to come back!" both ladies enthused.

To this end, they are calling on all tourism-related businesses to register with them.

"Our offices will cover the area from Timberlake to Rheenendal. including Rheenendal and the Seven Passes area," said

The Info office will fill a void that



Tourism duo Bronwyn and Belinda (back) celebrating plans for Sedgefield's new tourism office, along with councillors Levael Davis (Ward 1 - Sedgefield), Hilton Stroebel (Ward 5 - Rheenendal) and Cleone Vanston (Ward 2 - Sedgefield).

has been open far too long in Sedgefield, particularly as a large part of the village's economy is income brought in by visitors. The previous office was closed in 2018 when it was under the management of 'Visit Knysna', the destination marketing organisation for the Greater Knysna area funded by Knysna Municipality through WESGRO (the official tourism, trade and investment promotion agency for the Western Cape).

When it closed, there was a furore amongst Sedgefield residents and businesses. Local entrepreneurs attempted to keep it open in the hope that WESGRO would agree to cover a reasonable amount of the running costs. But in the end, only a small budget was allocated, and Sedgefield Tourism was reduced to a brochure stand in a coffee shop.

Earlier this year, Knysna Municipality discontinued its service level agreement with WESGRO, and Council decided to handle tourism in-house. But hopes of this bringing any tourism funding to Sedgefield are yet to be realised.

"We are having ongoing meetings with Knysna Municipality but have as yet received no solid commitment regarding funding," Belinda explained.

Asked for comment Knysna Deputy Mayor and Portfolio Chairperson for Tourism Alberto Marbi said, "I would like to commend Ms Hobson and Ms Lloyd for their initiative. The tourism industry has long been the driving force of our local economy. It brings value to multiple industry sectors and is the cornerstone of socioeconomic development within the Greater Knysna municipal area."

He said the Constitution of South Africa identifies local tourism as a municipal competency but also as a concurrent responsibility between national and provincial

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governments. A recent council workshop looked at the municipality's main function in terms of local tourism, and a review of our tourism destination strategy, outsourcing certain functions and the establishment of a municipal tourism unit were discussed.

"Local industry buy-in is vital, and further engagement by local role-players will take place in due course,' Marbi added, "Of course, we cannot pledge any monetary support to Sedgefield Information since it would be against supply chain procedures, but they do have our moral support. Our commitment to the further development of tourism will present unmatched opportunities for investment and the economic development of our area."

Belinda and Bronwyn are convinced, however, that with the community's support, the office will not only survive but grow from strength to strength. They believe that it will be in the interest of every Sedgefield business to take up membership and become part of the growth of local tourism. This, along with commission on bookings, brochure management, and lightbox advertising, will cover a large part of the running costs of Sedgefield Info.

And it seems that they are already receiving assistance in kind from members of the local business community – they have their office space rent-free for three months, thanks to Cycleworx Sedgefield, a promotional video compliments of LekkaLocal TV, their website and logo design by Marius Britz and all their shop-fitting materials were donated by Lloyd's Maintenance.

The 'B & B' duo have worked together before in organising the highly acclaimed Knysna Wine Festival and several Urban X

sporting events. Their skills in event management will certainly come to the fore in organising local festivals.

"We are keen to relaunch the Beach Festival in December and will be looking at a larger event sometime next year," Bronwyn enthused.

Whilst the exact opening date of Sedgefield Info is still to be finalised, they are looking forward to welcoming locals and visitors and receiving input on how they can best serve Sedgefield's tourism industry.

"Please pop in for a chat," they say, "It's all about combining our efforts to promote our favourite

Meanwhile, the Dynamic (Tourism) Duo may be contacted e m a i l admin@sedgefieldinfo.com or on Bronwyn's cell number, 082 3060 509.

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The event, organised by a group of volunteers, aims to provide opportunities for local charities to participate and raise funds to benefit the wider Knysna community and to provide local crafters and small businesses with a marketplace for their high-quality products. Once again, special efforts will be made to provide local

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Please like our Facebook page, Leisure Isle Festival, and follow us on Instagram @leisure isle festival for more information. We look forward to celebrating with all of you!"

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DIARY DATELINE

Every 2nd Monday

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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 outride departs Cycle Worx. All welcome. 8 for 9am Sedge Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links 13:15pm Bowls. Tabs in

Fridays

8am Ladies Golf @ Links

Saturdays

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

Sunday 6 November 8am - 12 Gardeners & Art Market at Steam Whistle Stop.044 343

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Dear Editor

Knysna traffic fines show – an example of municipal strategic municipality failure.

Traffic fines are a compliance and enforcement tool meant to stop motorists from speeding. South Africa's high road death toll has largely been attributed to speeding. We should therefore welcome attempts to enforce reasonable speed limits. Not So? One cannot travel on the N2 without noticing the everpresent and intimidating number of plate recognition equipment designed to alert enforcement officers of your outstanding traffic fines. In addition to this, and if you do have outstanding fines, I am sure you have received a call from the municipality asking you to pay these without delay. This unprecedented emphasis being placed on recovering traffic fines by the Knysna Municipality prompted me to have a closer look. I found the following interesting bits of information.

"The Knysna Municipality's budget reflects its key policy decisions and priorities ...' Extract from the Knysna Municipality budget and related documents. Digging deeper, I found that Knysna expects about 10% or R 105 000 000 of its revenue for the Annual Budget 2022/2023 to come from speeding fines. It also expects this revenue to increase by 4,5% every year. (Ref: Annual 2022/2023 MTREF Budget Report MAY 2022). In the variance report of actual revenue vs budget revenue, a negative 99,8% variance is noted. In other words, no one is paying speeding fines. (Ref: Annexure D - Annual 2022_2023 MTREF Budget Report). And then, in the monthly budget statement in June 2022 and repeated in July 2022, it is noted that the fine collection rate has been steadily decreasing from 16% in 2017 to 10% in 2021. The statement goes on to say that the collection rate will increase to 20% over the next two years. How, I wonder? It also notes that "additional cameras have been installed" as a means of rectifying the poor collection rate. "The definition of 'insanity' is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results."

This reliance on speeding fines as a major source of revenue tells me that Knysna municipality has no interest in reducing speeding and thereby making our roads safer. After all, imagine if everyone stopped speeding. Ten percent of the revenue, or shall I say budgeted revenue, would disappear. This is further confirmed by the municipality budgeting an increase in speeding fine revenue. This behaviour backs up my belief that the municipality chooses speed restrictions and camera positions strategically to increase speeding fines and in so doing, increasing municipal revenue. It follows that a strategy to increase speeding fines must surely result in more drivers speeding, reducing road safety. A clear "key policy and priority" of the municipality?

Installing additional cameras will, presumably, increase the number of fines issued, increasing the number of fines not paid, increase apathy towards paying fines, and reduce the collection rate. Exactly the opposite outcome to that intended. Add to this the increased cost of issuing additional traffic fines, and the



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result is increasing the budget deficit rather than reducing it. This just gets worse.

Being a scholar of systems thinking and phenomenology, I am left wondering why this clearly deficient strategy continues to be implemented. Is relying on revenue from fuel gauge in our car to regulate speeding just one of the phenomena that shows up when municipal priorities focus on the wrong things and that these things ultimately lead them to fail? Or is it simply a result of poor skills? Or is it a result of a greater systemic problem coming from, say, big business or central government? The need to collect as much revenue to ensure salaries are paid, especially for those in power, while not caring about the people they are supposed to serve.

If I were to see the non-alignment of strategic imperatives, key focus areas and metrics in any of the businesses I assist. I would question the integrity and sincerity of its leaders. On one occasion, while being marched off to the caravan, I spoke to a woman cowering behind her car, crying for fear of being arrested. A man was so nervous, shaking uncontrollably, that he dropped his wallet. Intimidation, or bullying, is one of the lowest forms of persuasion a leader can adopt. It creates an us and them environment, an environment of conflict, an environment of defiance, a passive-aggressive environment where no one complies, and no one pays their speeding fines. Bullying, a lack of integrity and the resultant absence of trust, from my experience, are some of the major causes of poor performance and failure of an organisation. Steinhoff anyone? If we really want to fix the speeding and road safety in the different and counterintuitive approach needs to be taken. This

would involve ensuring that leaders are united, that they are aligned with the stated goals, that correct focus areas are identified, and that appropriate metrics are put in place to ensure improvement in performance. We, after all, don't look at the our speed. Work of this nature would have a knock-on effect on improving other areas in the municipality and even show the way to repairing parastatals such as Eskom. It starts, however, with us appointing integrous leaders who share the desired goals of the organisation. Something coalition governments, the way they are currently structured, cannot achieve.

I am left wondering how we can help our municipality rather than continually bitch about them. Any thoughts?

Lastly, I am in no way suggesting anyone should break the law, exceed the speed limit, or not pay their speeding fines.

Ant Page

Business Transformation and Improvement Specialist

Response to traffic camera letter

We welcome the reader's letter it is fortunate that it arrives just as the Council commences with its IDP review process.

The purpose of traffic fines is first and foremost to ensure road regulations are adhered to. Too many lives are lost on South African roads due to speeding. The Council must make provision for traffic fine income in its annual budget; however, it is not a primary source of income nor used to balance the budget. It accounts to less than 10% of its annual revenue budget.

municipality, a completely The state of local government across South Africa is

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concerning. The finances of many local governments (including Knysna) are under stress due to increased community needs, decline in economic growth and lower debt collection due to socioeconomic challenges.

We have always welcomed the knowledge and input of experts living in our area and considering the writer's closing statement of "I am left wondering how we can help our municipality rather than continually bitch about them", we would most certainly welcome her input during this IDP process in suggesting ways to sustainably improve local government finances. Input can be submitted in writing to idp@knysna.gov.za

Dear Editor

We are first-ime visitors to your beautiful towns, stunning countryside, and pristine coastlines. But then we did the Goukamma Nature Reserve buffalo hiking trail! The notice on the self-pull ferry - 4 passengers allowed - mandates life jackets for the trip. Only one was available. Crossing the lagoon, we found we were unable to follow hiking signposts as there were few (two I think) to guide us - for the whole hike - and the map is insufficient and misleading in that it mentions you journey partly through forest! Parks Board is not guilty of this one, but we each had picked up about 20 ticks by the time we reached the beach.

I have seldom seen a beach -and a nature reserve- so littered with plastic and debris as I did on the long walk to the lagoon. Not finding any hiking signs coming off the beach we walked along the main road back to the Goukamma parking area.

It seems the exception to your beautiful coast line - a little blemish on a beautiful area. Just saying.

Regards

MOBILE MEALS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

September 2022

Another year has passed and thanks to the generosity of the people of Sedgefield, we are still preparing and delivering approximately 1 500 meals a month to people less fortunate than ourselves. I seem to have used this opening line in my last eight Chairman's Reports, but it is always uppermost in my mind when I give my annual feedback.

Funding is essential to enable us to "provide & deliver meals to the aged, frail and disabled or needy people, regardless of race, colour or creed". Our income comes from three main sources, our regular committed monthly supporters, donations from charity organisations, including various churches, and fund-raising activities such as raffles, Boerie Bashes and can collections at Wild Oats. We are also grateful for the contributions of a variety of food and vegetables received, sometimes anonymously, at the kitchen in the Municipal offices.

Our charity is mainly run by volunteers, and there is no "management charge" reducing our income. The majority of all donations go to the purchase of supplies used to prepare meals. We have two paid employees working in the kitchen who assist us in serving meals to those living in Sedgefield and the immediate surrounds.

Our two "man" kitchen team consists of our cook Melissa and support guy Duane. They produce great meals, receive many compliments on the final product and are always looking to change the menu to avoid "oh, it's Wednesday - it must be...." Always adapting to change, we are now operating a "soup kitchen" to cater for the many homeless who are attracted to our

Then there is the prep team that assists on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, preparing food, vegetables etc, ready for the cooking process. Once the food is prepared, 150 meals are handled by the serving team, who take care of the dishing up and packing according to two delivery lists.

The delivery team consists of about 40 people who collect the food from the kitchen and deliver it to our "clients" three times a week. Many have been with us for a number of years, and although there is a "staff"



turnover, we have others ready to step in and fill any vacancies. Last but not least, we have our Committee, who help to ensure that our charity is run as smoothly as possible. My grateful thanks go to these members who have enthusiastically adopted their portfolios and do sterling work. . We have a Non-Profit Organisation number, 150-516NPO and a Public Benefit Organisation number, PBO 930056344, enabling us to issue donation receipts in terms of section 18A of the Income Tax Act 1962. Any requests for this document may be sent to the writer.

We are making a difference in the lives of the less fortunate in Sedgefield, and with your help, we will be able to continue with this worthy cause.

Jim Mitchell

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LESSER-KNOWN STORIES OF THE KNYSNA INDIGENOUS FORESTS

On Thursday, 27 October Georg von dem Bussche will enthral you with stories you might have imagined while wandering in the magnificent indigenous forests surrounding

Georg trained in Germany and emigrated to South Africa in 1967. He has been with the Department of Forestry in the Knysna Indigenous Forest, Commercial forest plantations and Conservation Forestry. Georg has an intimate knowledge of these forests which have been his stamping ground for many years.

His talk will deal with the origin of all these trees and some of the characters involved in their care and future. He will also give us an

insight into the impact we have on these forests and advise us about how we can play our part in ensuring their future despite climate change and over population!!

Georg is now a Forestry & Environmental Consultant: and does Tree management and identification, Environmental audits, Ecological & Silvicultural aspects of indigenous forests and commercial forestry plantations and environmental walks in the

His hobbies include trees, forest walks and history.

This talk is the penultimate presentation to the Knysna U3A for 2022 and will take



place in the Dutch Reform Church Hall in Knysna in Fichat Street on 27 October at **10am**, the doors opening at 9am to serve tea, coffee and biscuits. There is an entrance fee of R20 for U3A members and R30 for visitors. For more information contact Judy Dixon 0723906667

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around good food, something to

drink, and enjoy some live

music!" she continues.

Mosaic Cafe will be open for all your beverage requirements, from coffee brewed from the famous locally roasted Slow Roasted Coffee beans to the equally renowned Sedge Craft Brewery beers and ales, an array of fine South African wines, and everything else in between.

And, as every good meal deserves to be accompanied by equally good music, guest artists will entertain us with live music every week. It's fantastic to be able to provide talented Garden Route musos with another opportunity for a gig. Besides receiving a small fee, they will be busking, so please place your donations into their hat/case/etc. to show your appreciation and support.

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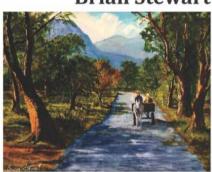
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The medium I prefer is oil on canvas. I mainly do landscapes, drawing my inspiration from current and historic South African Masters such as Tinus and Gabriel de Jongh and others. I am particularly fond of painting landscapes and living in picturesque Sedgefield on the South African Garden Route, surrounded by beautiful mountains, lakes, rivers, nature, and seascapes; my inspiration is endless. Once I start a picture, I become totally immersed in the subject, and nothing else enters my mind.

Many of my ideas are derived from simply observing the subject. I do no plein air painting. Other sources of subject matter comprise photographs or recollections of scenes, some of which are imagined. Gabriel told me that an artist's objective "should be to capture light and colour."

Finally, I would like to conclude this statement by reiterating that I am a landscape artist choosing oil on canvas as my preferred medium to depict the surrounding beautiful countryside in which I

STEPHEN LANGLANDS

RETIRES

One of Knysna Municipality's longestserving employees, Stephen Langlands, is retiring. Mr Langlands joined the Municipality as a Senior Environmental **Health Officer on 1 April** 1989 and leaves it as **Manager of Public Safety** at the end of October 2022.

His career in civil service began as a health inspector at the Paarl Division Council and has spanned 40 years, 33 of which were spent at Knysna Municipality. During his tenure in Knysna, he also held the position of Deputy Chief of Health and Housing.

Well-known for the valuable contributions he has made during his career, Langlands and his teams can be credited with establishing a municipal law enforcement section, a 24-hour operational fire department in both Knysna and Sedgefield and the completion of the White Location Multipurpose Centre.

Some of the difficulties he faced included dealing with irate communities regarding housing issues and ensuring that contractors remained on-site and continued with work, "The

ability of various communities to work together has, however, left a great impression on me," he

Acting Municipal Manager Johannes Jonkers thanked Langlands for his long-time service. "An exemplary employee who has shown

himself time and again to be a

leader with exceptional qualities, Stephen Langlands deserves our recognition and gratitude for the value he has brought to this organisation." Executive Mayor Aubrey

Tsengwa congratulated Langlands on his impressive career. "Stephen has been a consistent contributor to this institution." he said. "His tenure has seen changes in the national and local political landscape, but he has never wavered in serving his community with a sense of duty and dedication. We wish him well in his future endeavours.

His parting advice to his successor and members of his department underlines the values that guided Langlands' work at Knysna Municipality. "Deal with all members of the political leadership in the same manner," he said. "Continue to grow the department and carry on improving on service delivery to all members of the community."

Although visits to his children in our northern provinces and his sisters in the United Kingdom are on the cards, Langlands plans on staying in Knysna.

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Estate no 005845/2022 The First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Accounts in the Deceased Estate:

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will be open for inspection at the office of the Master, Cape Town, and the Magistrate's Court Knysna, for a period of 23 days from the date of the publication of this advertisement.

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INK WALK for Breast Cancer



October month is Breast cancer awareness month around the world and it was no different right here in Sedgefield!

On Saturday morning over 200 amazing ladies, husbands, sons boyfriends and children came together at the Wild Oats market in support of this wonderful

I'm sure for many of us there has been someone you know affected by Breast cancer and this walk was in support of those who didn't make the fight, those who are still going through the battle and those that are standing victorious today!

It was a very festive and colourful 4.5km walk around the Island and gave the Island an day...

extra shot of pink to brighten it up even more!?

Thank you to every person that came to support that special lady in their life who is battling breast

This day would not have been possible if it wasn't for some incredible people...

Firstly, Adele van Zyl... Adele has been through the breast cancer journey herself and every year she walks 300km in the month of October to raise awareness. The Pink Walk is her brain child, which we hope you will come and support every year as it gets bigger and better!

We also want to say a huge thank you to all the sponsors on the Sedgefield Wimpy for the coffee vouchers, Herotel for making the halfway

mark amazing, Oasis Water for keeping

everyone hydrated, Sweet Mama for the yummy biscuits,

The Cake Boutique for the

delicious cake at the end, The Zumba Ladies for all your

help and support setting up the venue and helping throughout, Wild Oats Market for providing our start and finish point and Tuchten Agencies Sedgefield... thank you for all the support- we appreciate it so much?







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High School on 14th October 2022.



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- Cathy's Park

A limited number of trade sites are available at each of these areas and applications will be considered based on the merit of each individual application in line with the Municipality's By-law on Informal Trade. Seasonal Trade Permits cost R420 in accordance with Knysna Municipality's Tariff Policy.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE MARKED:

"APPLICATION FOR 2022 SEASONAL INFORMAL TRADING PERMIT 2022"

CLOSING DATE: 11 November 2022 CLOSING TIME: 13h30

The successful applicants will be required to enter into a written contract and sign a code of conduct with the Municipality.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE APPLICATION BOX SITUATED AT:

Knysna Municipality Economic Development Department 2nd Floor 3 Church Street Main Road Knysna 6570

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER

Applicants should ensure that applications are delivered timeously to the correct address. No late submissions will be considered. The application box is open from 07h30 to 16h30 during weekdays Monday to Thursday and 07h30-13h30 on Fridays.

Application forms and maps with the Council approved trade bays at each of the areas can be obtained from the Economic Development Department at 3 Church Street or via e-mail to spieterse@knysna.gov.za

Applicants and members of the public are advised to peruse the Council's By-law on Informal Trade, which is accessible on the Municipal Website at

https://www.knysna.gov.za/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Informal-Trading-By-law-8-Dec-2017.pdf before submitting applications.

Applicants are at liberty, at any time during office hours, to obtain further details with regard to the procedure and Conditions for Application from the office of Mrs Sherylene Boonzaaier at 044 302 6360 or email spieterse@knysna.gov.za

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HOW TO SPEED UP YOUR METABOLISM

There are several easy and effective ways to increase your metabolism, many of which involve making simple changes to your diet and lifestyle.

How does metabolism affect your health?

Metabolism is a term that describes all the chemical reactions in your body that keep your body alive and functioning. Your metabolism is also responsible for converting nutrients from the foods you eat into fuel, providing your body with the energy it needs to breathe, move, digest food, circulate blood, and repair damaged tissues and cells.

However, the word "metabolism" is often used to describe your basal metabolic rate or the number of calories you burn at rest.

The higher your metabolic rate, the more calories you burn at rest. Many factors can affect your metabolism, including age, diet, sex, body size, and health status.

Several evidence-based strategies can help increase your metabolism to support weight management and overall health.

Nine easy ways to increase your metabolism.

1. Eat plenty of protein at every meal.

Eating food can temporarily increase your metabolism for a few hours. The thermic effect of food (TEF) is caused by the extra calories required to digest, absorb, and process the nutrients in your meal.

Protein causes the largest rise in TEF. This is because dietary protein requires that 20 to 30 per cent of its usable energy is expended for metabolism,

carbs and 0 to 3 per cent for fats. Eating protein has also been shown to give a greater sense of fullness and prevent overeating. Eating more protein can also reduce the drop in metabolism often associated with losing fat because protein helps prevent muscle loss, a common side effect of dieting.

2. Drink more water

People who drink water instead of sugary drinks are often more successful at losing weight and keeping it off because sugary drinks contain calories, so replacing them with water automatically reduces your calorie intake.

However, drinking water may also temporarily speed up your metabolism. Water can also help fill you up if you want to lose weight. Studies show that drinking water half an hour before eating can help you to eat

3. Do a high-intensity workout

High-intensity interval training (HIIT) involves quick and very intense bursts of activity.

If this type of exercise is safe for you, it can help you burn fat by increasing your metabolic rate, even after you've finished your workout.

To get started, choose a modality that you are already familiar with, such as biking or running.

4. Lift heavy things

Muscle is more metabolically active than fat. So, building muscle can help increase your metabolism to help you burn more calories each day, even at

Lifting weights can also help you

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compared to 5 to 10 per cent for retain muscle and counter the drop in metabolism that can occur during weight loss.

5. Stand up more

Sitting too much can negatively affect your health, partly because long periods of sitting burn fewer calories leading to weight gain.

If you have a desk job, try standing up for short periods to break up the length of time you spend sitting down. Try going for walks during the day or invest in a standing desk.

6. Drink Green Tea or **Oolong Tea**

Green Tea and Oolong Tea have been shown to increase metabolism and fat burning. These teas help convert some of the fat stored in your body into free fatty acids, which may increase fat burning when combined with exercise.

As they are low in calories, drinking these teas may be good for both weight loss and weight maintenance. It's thought their metabolism-boosting properties may help prevent a weight loss plateau in people who are losing weight that occurs due to a decrease in metabolism.

7. Eat spicy foods

Peppers contain capsaicin, a compound that can boost your metabolism.

Alone, the effects of adding spices to your food may be quite small, but it may give a slight advantage when combined with other metabolism-boosting strategies.

8. Get a good night's sleep

Lack of sleep is linked to a major increase in the risk of obesity, partly caused by the negative effects of sleep deprivation on

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Lack of sleep has also been linked to increased blood sugar levels and insulin resistance, both of which can lead to a higher risk of developing Type 2 Diabetes.

It's also been shown to affect levels of ghrelin, the hunger hormone, and leptin, a hormone that controls fullness (satiety) which may explain why many sleep-deprived people feel hungry and may have difficulty losing weight when weight loss is their goal.

9. Drink coffee

Studies have shown that the caffeine in coffee can help temporarily boost metabolism. Like Green Tea, it may also promote fat burning.

If your goal is weight loss, several studies have found that coffee's effects on metabolism and fat burning may contribute to successful weight loss and maintenance.

Does dieting affect metabolism?

Moderate weight loss can lower your metabolism and decrease the number of calories you burn at rest.

Resistance training and eating an adequate amount of protein can help preserve lean body mass during weight loss, which may be beneficial for maintaining your metabolism

How long does it take to speed up metabolism?

The amount of time it takes to speed up your metabolism can vary based on many factors, including your diet, activity level and health status.

While it's not possible to "reset" your metabolism, there are plenty of ways you can increase your metabolic rate naturally.

Following a nutritious, wellrounded eating plan and getting plenty of physical activity is the best way to support a metabolism with health-promoting benefits. Other tips listed above may also be beneficial, such as staying hydrated, enjoying coffee or tea in moderation, and getting plenty of sleep.

Having a higher metabolism can help you lose weight and keep it off, if that is your goal, while also giving you more energy.

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AGS Lighuis Kontak: Kerkkantoor 044 382 6551 Sekretaresse 072 189 0215

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> **Church of Christ** Lynn van der Walt Tel: 076 068 2900

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Petronella Buis 084 252 1698 Priest: Rev : Charlton Daries 082 387 7149 / 044 343 1491

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Deo Gloria Past Danie & Karin de Bruyn 044 343 1301 or 084 714 7023

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Sedgefield: 08.45am Karatara: 10.30am Ds. Marius Coetzee 079 873 3832 Kerkkantoor (044) 343 2033

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Sedgefield Christian Church Sunday services @ 09h00 Kairos Jnr & Snr Youth Fri 6pm-8pm Pastor Juan & Tammy Pienaar 081 749 2534 info@sedgefieldchurch.co.za

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GOLDEN MOVEMENT SERVICE CENTRE

The Golden Movement Service Centre is a Karatara-based NGO geared towards helping the vulnerable in that community.

It started way back in 2006 when, through the Golden Games sports event for senior citizens, the Department of Social Development (DSD) gave young people the opportunity to work with elderly members of the Karatara Community. When Sandalina Africa realised this needed to be an ongoing effort, she created the Golden Movement Service Centre.

Since then, the organisation's vision has been to focus on the needs of the elderly and disabled and to assist with the creation of a safe and healthy environment for older and disabled persons. "Our mission is to promote the rights of the elderly so that they can, as far as possible, live an independent life, making informed decisions regarding their welfare and function for as long as possible within their community," says Sandalina.

In the beginning, she and other young people involved in Golden Movement had been given an intern contract for a year by the DSD, but when this contract ended, Sandalina decided to continue working with the elderly.

"For me, it was a calling from God. Not about making money, but about making a difference for the most vulnerable people in our community," she told us.

Sandalina says one of the key purposes of the service centre is to keep elderly people in the community busy. "DSD's vision is for the elderly not to have to go to retirement homes when they



are still capable of doing something for themselves," she explains, adding that thanks to the DSD, she had received the necessary training to become a leader and manager, with all the qualifications needed to run an NGO.

"I am a qualified early learning teacher, too," she enthuses.

And now, under the guidance of a full board, Golden Movement is taking its community involvement to another level, adding other vulnerable groups to the elderly they are already caring for.

"We are working to

Sandalina dishing up meals for the elderly.

accommodate everyone in need," Sandalina said. This includes providing food security and social activities for senior citizens, an Early Childhood Development program, counselling, testing and care for those infected and affected by HIV and TB, working with the disabled, and disaster management for the poorer

The organisation already has a registered preschool, 'Fairyland', and provides three

meals a day to a number of elderly folk.

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cream. (6,3) 26 & 10. Close to being criminally stupid? (5,2,7) 27. Revolutionary returned to despise an African hunter. (7) 28. Sheila's Agnes cuts out carb-loaded food. (7)

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1. Where Europeans had a postbattle vision. (6)

2. Lord Vadar is to cut membership of the elite. (6) 3. Zippy sort of bird wings it in baseball. (10)

4. Burn or turn onto a street. (5) 5. Justification behind the control of beer-flow. (9) 6. Note cheeky response from

the one holding the paper. (4)

7. Take nothing from the avocado Rolls Royce. If I can't start it recipe at after dinner drinks. (8) 8. Chance upon the lady's secret 17 (see 15) identity. (8)

13. Terrible sales count against orchestra. (6) international offices. (10) 15 & 17. Prefer an old military negative audience response. (6)

desire! (4,1,4,2,1,5) 16. Have a bit of a laugh over a 24. Five established in clothing.

that's terrible. (8)

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SEDGE LADIES' GOLF

Friday 14th October

Seventeen eager ladies arrived at Sedge Links to play a format we call played using the normal individual Stableford point system but only counting the "even" numbered holes for the final score (holes 2,4,6,8 etc). -

1st Joclyn Fearon Marshall (23 points) 2nd Eda Greenway (22 points)

3rd Elize Mackenzie-Blom Nearest the pin 0-16 handicaps - Wendy Mack

17-23 handicaps - Clare Garner Birdies - Eda Greenway (5) Elize Mackenzie-Blom (6) Clare Garner (2) Daleen Schooling (11) Eleanor Sparks (14,15) Wendy Mack (11) Charlene Blacker (5)



Marina van der Westhuizen (12)

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SEDGEFIELD COMMUNITY **CHARITY EVENTS CALENDAR 2022**

Venues and times will be published closer to the event date.

November

03/11 RLC Boerie Bash 17/11 Sedgefield Island Consv. Soup & Sherry Evening

December

15/12 LIONS' Christmas Market

16/12 LIONS' Christmas Market LIONS 70/80's Rock

Party 26/12 Masithandane Amazing Race

31/12 Masithandane New Year's Eve Party

31/12 SAM New Year's Eve Party

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PLEASE NOTE OUR DEADLINES (Careful, they tend to fly by VERY quickly)

DISPLAY ADS: Email to editor@edgenews.co.za by 3 November 2022 SSIFIEDS: (stuff for sale, jobs, get-rich-quick schemes, secret treasure hints)
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KINDLY NOTE: Due to the epic craziness of life as we currently know it, The EDGE offices may not <u>always</u> be open. Please call 072 516 4701 if you would like to a) make sure we are here, or b) wake the guard-crocodile.

Off the Mat Sedge Bowling **Club News**

We have good and bad news it's been a very eventful two weeks. Let's start with the good news.

We have two new Singles Champions.

Winner Dan and Men runner-up Doug.

Ladies - Winner Rosalie and runner-up Sue.

Congratulations and well bowled to all four of you; it was fantastic to watch, and the spectators had a great time.

And the bad news, oh dear! The Ryder Cup - Sedgefield & Plett played against Knysna & Leisure Isle (I must say it was a loaded side). The final score was 20/32.

Congratulations and well bowled to the winning sides (no sour grapes!)

EDEN COMPETITIONS

The district fours is on the notice board; please enter your teams, closing date 2



OTHER STUFF

A big thanks to Jan and Tim for our super new solid wood tables for outside our braai area; they look great and the members will certainly enjoy using them - no more rickety plastic table.

PROTEA CUP-10 November -Still looking for teams; the list is on the notice board.

WILDERNESS BOWLING **CLUB VISIT**

Jerry has organised a visit from them on Sunday, starting time 9:00 for a 15-end game followed by a bring and braai. It's a long time since we had visitors - so please support the

All for this week - stay safe -Covid is still around.

Nearest the kitty

LOCAL LAD EXCELS AT SOCCER TRIALS

Sedgefield was buzzing earlier this month, especially the fans and players of the Two for Joy Football Club. This when their up-andcoming soccer star Ayanda "Ronaldo" Mbem, zoomed off to Johannesburg to attend soccer trials which were part of an FNB Tournament. He was one of four youngsters selected to represent the Southern Cape in the tournament.

Ayanda's talents were further recognised when he was made team captain of the Eden Boys, and he certainly didn't disappoint. His team beat Thohoyandou Boys 3-1, then Maritzburg Boys 4-0. Overall they won four games and lost only two.

Though they lost to Kimberly in the semi-finals, Ayanda was the tournament's top goal scorer, his penetrating shots found the back of the net three times, and he was instrumental in the scoring of a further three goals.

Reports say that most of the scouts present made a point of chatting to Ayanda and making a note of his details. They told him that they were very impressed with h i s performance and would be communicating with him in the near future through his team management.

Results from the trials will be officially posted at the end of November 2022 as the organisers want to give participants a chance to concentrate on their school

"This is such a glorious opportunity for Ayanda and the other local boys," said Maka Bukho, Development Secretary of Two For Joy FC. "They enjoyed themselves and gave their best performances." Two For Joy Management wishes to send a warm word of

men's and ladies doubles.

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LOCAL TENNIS NEWS

Play will commence at 10.00am on Saturday 29 October,

with men's and ladies singles finals, followed by the

SEDGEFIELD TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mens Singles: William Rhodes vs. Hennie Louw

After a short lunch break the mixed doubles will commence.

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Ladies Singles: Carol Elion vs. Anita Flockhart

to be a fun day of tennis of the highest standard



13/10/22

It's amazing to see how a change in the colour of a golf ball can dramatically change the behaviour of golfers on a course. The day's competition was a pink ball alliance, with the pink ball counting double points. Usually, when a player has hit a bad shot and cannot immediately find his ball, his playing partners will sidle up and make a perfunctory attempt at helping him find it. Not so in this competition. If the pink ball goes missing, there is a frantic team effort to relocate it for fear of the team missing out during the wine allocation at the end of the day's play. This, however, does not always take place. For instance, nobody went to Steve Blom's aid when he was waistdeep in water, feeling for the ball with his feet or when Len Moult climbed through the fence and caused a traffic jam on the N2 as he went in search of his errant strike. And then there was Ian Wright castigating his playing partners for not playing as well as he did, even though the pink ball was handed in after the day's

For interest' sake, the winners were Mike Hubberstey, Trevor Pahl and Wynand du Preez, with a total of 129 points. They were followed by Jan Potgieter, Koot Viljoen and Malcolm Goldhill with 127.

20/10/22

It is rumoured that the dinosaur replicas at the western entrance to Sedgefield are symbolic of an average fourball from the Gentlemens' Club. This is hotly disputed as no dinosaur could be as slow as some fourballs in this group, and many are certainly better looking.

It was beautiful weather for the day's Individual Stableford competition, and the winning dinosaur, sorry, golfer, was Bill Craig, who, happily, has improved his putting ability, with 39 points. He was followed by Terry Savage, who admitted that his handicap needs to be cut by at least four, with 38. The third person to happily collect wine was Des Munro, with 36. This after his attempt, which narrowly failed two weeks previously, to play the most shots on a hole. A great recovery. Hans Anema and Koot Viljoen closely followed with 35 points each.

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