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A STATEMENT FROM THE EXCO OF THE SEDGEFIELD RATEPAYERS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Over two months ago, on 3 October 2022, the SRRA sent a formal letter to Knysna Municipality detailing key concerns as well as a list of related By-Laws that are being breached with little, or in most cases, no action being taken by the Municipality.

The continued lack of action sets a tone of acceptance which leads to the devaluing of properties in Sedgefield. To date, the SRRA still awaits a formal response to its letter, which tabled reasonable questions as to the responsibilities for ensuring conformance to the related By-Laws and by when the Municipality plans to deal with all the related important development planning aspects.

Many Sedgefield and Smutsville residents have waited patiently for Knysna Municipality to share updated details of the provision of housing projects and the required services. There have been unexplained delays with no real progress being achieved in the provision of housing where it is most needed in the Sedgefield community. Apparently, there are four 'approved in principle' housing projects which could accommodate approximately 300 Sedgefield/Smutsville families. The actual number is dependent on eventual site layout plans. Knysna Municipality has not yet brought these projects to fruition.

After receiving many queries from its members and several other interested parties, the SR&RA investigated why the housing projects appear to be stuck in a permanent hiatus.

Several cycles of the Integrated

Development Plan (IDP) have clearly listed housing as a top and urgent priority; however, nothing tangible has materialised other than various formal documentation of these needs for the community.

These delays have had consequences, including the large growth in informal settlers in the Sedgefield sensitive dune areas. These areas are not appropriately zoned or serviced. Further serious concerns caused by the land occupation are due to the topology, which is not suitable for the economic development of subsidised housing.

Examples of some of these By-Laws and queries are provided

 Municipal Planning Tribunal resolution 29 September 2020 where it was resolved that an amended General Plan (showing the rezoned land, erven 3861, 3865, 3866, 3917, 3918(A), for proposed mixed housing development) to be prepared by a Land Surveyor shall be submitted for approval to the office of the Surveyor General.

Query: Has the General Plan been amended? If so, was this sent to the Surveyor General and if formally approved, by what date was this done?

• Provision of formal Site **Development Plans.**

Query: If not done, who is responsible for this and by when will this work be completed?

 Provision of a Landscaping **Plan** on the land zoned for open space purposes and to the effect of creating a buffer shall be submitted to the satisfaction of

the Director: Community Services.

Query: Who is responsible for this Landscaping Plan, and has it been completed for discussion with and approval of the Director: Community Services? If so, when was this done?

Development shall not be undertaken before the Environmental Impact Assessment authorisation has been obtained.

Query: Who is responsible for obtaining this EIA authorisation, and by what date was this achieved?

High-Density flat type dwellings. Although the SR&RA and other interested and affected public have made known that it doesn't agree that the construction of low-cost higherdensity flats will be suitable anywhere in Sedgefield,

Query: Has consideration been given to this type of development and discussed in public forums? What was the outcome of such consideration?

Public Safety: Veld fire prevention through firebreaks. For any informal settlement area, minimum safety requirements must comply. A safety distance of three metres between informal structures shall be maintained, and any settlement must be divided into blocks of not more than 20 structures, with a minimum distance of six metres between blocks. Additionally, a safety height of four metres from normal ground level free from any overhead obstructions shall be maintained.

Query: Who is responsible for ensuring and enforcing that these compliances are adhered to and when last were the Sedgefield informal dune areas checked that

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On Saturday, 26 November 2022, SWD Rugby held its twentyninth General Meeting at the George Municipality Conference Hall. One of the members of Sedgefield Pick n Pay Eagle Stars Rugby Football Club, Mr Benjamin Brinkhuis, who has been acting as President of the Union after Mr Hennie Baartman was elected as an executive member of SARU, was one of the two nominees for the position of President of the Union.

Mr Ben Brinkhuis, a wellknown and much-loved Sedgefielder, is one of the founding members of the local rugby club and is still a member of Sedgefield Pick n Pay Eagle Stars Club.

With 68 members eligible to vote, the constitution of SWD states that the position



The ever-popular Ben Brinkhuis - the new SWD Rugby President

of president will go to the person with an outright majority, 50% plus 1. The winner was elected as president of the union for four years. There were only two nominees for the position of president; the results were 49 votes for Mr Brinkhuis, 16 for Mr van Wyk and three abstained votes.

It is clear from the total number of votes for Mr Brinkhuis that he has support from all the rugby clubs in the SWD.

Sedgefield Pick n Pay Eagle Stars Rugby Football Club is very proud of Mr Brinkhuis and wishes to assure him that he has the club's support.

these compliances are being maintained? What process will be followed with "excess" structures/dwellings if the mandatory minimum spacing and blocks of informal structures have not been properly implemented?

Guidelines and parameters for buildings within the urban conservation area and critical biodiversity areas. The development or external aesthetic alteration of land or buildings on a scenic ridge line or within a core, buffer or agricultural area of a critical biodiversity area where it will be visible from the N2 National road are to be substantially compliant, to the satisfaction of the Aesthetics and Heritage Committee.

Query: Has Knysna Municipality or Council ever considered any draft plans for the development or the external aesthetic alteration of land or buildings located on this scenic ridge line?

These queries are but a sample of

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Notes from T'Ed's Head

can't wait for this Christmas season. I'm so excited because I have a new surfboard (the old one was getting a bit scratched).

Yes, I can just picture myself heading down to the beach in my wet suit and electric blue Crocs (they're making a come-back, I've heard), new board on my shoulder, and all the other beachgoers looking on in admiration ... it just makes me smile inside.

Then, of course, I stick it firmly in the sand (the surfboard, not the smile) as I sit back to check out the waves, waiting for just the right set so that I can paddle out to the 'back line' (No, that's got nothing to do with the Springboks, it's a term us rad surfers use for the waves a long way from the beach) where I can drop in on a gnarly bomb and hang ten back in, in glorious fashion, probably making all those visiting Vaalies a lighter shade of envy green.

Historically, the right set has never actually appeared. Of course, it hasn't. Because if it did, I wouldn't know what to do with it ...

- because I can't actually surf.

Indeed, if the truth be told, I can't even swim more than a few metres, which, you will probably understand, makes the pastime of surfing so much more challenging.

You see, standing up on the deck of a rather wobbly combination of fibreglass, foam and fins for any length of time, especially when harbouring an intense fear of death by

a) drowning

b) shark consumption

c) Something stingy or

d) embarrassment, is nigh on impossible.

Not that I haven't tried, because I certainly have. But, as Mrs Ed delights in telling anyone who will listen, the most time I have ever managed to remain balanced on my board is seven seconds. And that was on our front lawn while she sprayed me with the hosepipe (it's important that I get the 'wet-hair-toss' just right)



Of course, visitors don't know of my surfing inadequacies. They see what they believe to be a perhaps-slightly-older-than-theothers lean-mean-surfingmachine, sitting on the beach in suave sunglasses 'studying the

And I maintain the illusion by occasionally shaking my head in a disappointed fashion and eventually pretending to give up hope. That's when I stand, loudly mutter about how unstoked I am with the onshore and nonchalantly strip off my wet suit to reveal my Genuine Bay Watch Speedo underneath, settling down on my towel to apply suntan lotion, drink a cold beer, and read my Stephen King

Well, that's how I PLAN it to go.

I must admit that last year's attempts did not go quite so seamlessly.

Have YOU ever tried to remove a wet suit nonchalantly?

It's bad enough trying to put it on, especially when the only assistance near to hand is the heavier-than-heavy-handed Mrs Ed, who has as much compassion (and probably the same morning breath) as Attila the Hun. I cannot fathom why she feels it is necessary to laugh uncontrollably throughout the whole agonising forty-fiveminute process (done, thankfully, in the privacy of our kitchen). Yet, she somehow finds it amusing to smear dollops of petroleum jelly in strategic places and wrench, squeeze and manipulate my ever-suffering body into the contracting rubber enclosure-of-torture, catching everything possible (and a few



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things impossible) in its zips of terror while repeating over and over "I told you you should have ordered the XXL".

As I discovered last year, removing it is not as long a process, but beach sand does add its own special death-of-dignity degree, as do the whoops of surprise and occasional smatterings of applause from nearby onlookers.

Indeed I quickly realised that it doesn't take much to attract a crowd on the beach in Sedgefield's high season. I think it was the writhing around in the sand, trying (perhaps a little too loudly) to nonchalantly reach the zip at the back of the wet suit, that got their attention. And, of course, once a few people are standing around staring at something (or someone) on the beach, it's mere seconds before more interested holiday-makers stroll, then jog, then sprint over to find out what's going on.

So by the time the rather flatulent-sounding squelch of anti-suction' followed by a 'popping' sound as the first limb was released from the captivity of its lubricated neoprene sleeve, the people in the front were taking pictures whilst those at the back shouted out questions, "Is it a seal?" "Do they grow that size?" "Is it in pain? Shouldn't we throw water on it?" "Has anyone alerted SANParks?"

Speaking of which, whilst I have every respect for our local custodians of nature, I do think it was somewhat hasty of them to try and launch me into the shallow waters, especially when I only had one leg, one arm and part of my head free from the ridiculously designed wetsuit at the time ...

But this year, of course, things will be different.

Whilst Mrs Ed still ignorantly insists that if I hadn't bought the second-hand 'Medium to Large' wet suit, things might have been different, I have spent most of this year doing in-depth scientific research on the subject, and do you know what? I have found the perfect solution:- A 'Quick-Release' wetsuit!

Yep. It's designed for triathletes, who apparently don't have 33 minutes to spare in any given race, so they have developed a Super Stretch SCS Coated Yamamoto Neoprene suit, with innovative Breakaway

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I watched an (exceptionally) instructive video on the manufacturer's website, where this lovely lady (a wet suit scientist) explained the state-ofthe-art technology that went into the design of the material (I won't explain the science here as very few of you would understand) and she left me in no doubt whatsoever that it will work for me.

And the best thing yet is that you can calculate the perfect size before placing your order, and a medium will fit me perfectly!

Yes. Look out for me on the beach this season – I will be the one waiting for the perfect set, in my Pursuit Wet suit (with Thermo-Guard technology throughout), for Triathletes between 5'6 (1,7m) and 5'9 (1,75m)...

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many that reference By-Laws and which are itemised in detail in SR&RA's letter to the Acting Municipal Manager sent over two months ago. Not having received any formal reply from the Acting Municipal Manager, the SRRA followed up with another letter dated 28 November 2022 requesting that the Association be advised when the various queries will be answered. It was indicated in the second letter that some delay might be attributable to the change of Municipal managers, with Mr R Butler replacing Mr J Jonkers, who resigned rather suddenly during November. This more recent

letter also indicates that once a formal reply answering their questions has been received, SR&RA Executive Committee representatives are very willing to meet with the AMM and other senior Municipal management for any discussions that may be necessary. Failing a substantive follow-up by KM, the SRRA will contact Province to see if they can assist with the process deadlock.

This issue is not about fingerpointing or blame; it is a simple endeavour to provide solutions for our residents and ratepayers. Sedgefield deserves better!

SCARAB NEWS

A Connection of the Heart



Visitors to our market often look at the crafters and imagine that they are lucky people who only work one day a week. Soooo wrong!

Many crafters have a casual look but are extremely hard working, have raised families and educated them to obtain university degrees.

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D A CHARGES KNYSNA OFFICE BEARERS

the Democratic Alliance laid charges of fraud and perjury against political office bearers of the Knysna Municipality. These include Knysna Mayor, Councillor Ndoda Aubrey Tsengwa and Speaker, Councillor Mncedisi David Skosana for fraud and perjury, as well as charges already laid against Councillor Alberto Riccardo Marbi, Deputy Mayor, acting Municipal Manager, Roland Butler and Acting Director of Corporate Services, Adv Luvuyo Loliwe.

According to a statement issued by the party on the same day, this followed their victory in the Western Cape High Court last week and the scathing report from the desk of presiding Judge Robert Henney.

The DA had approached the court regarding eight appointments made by the ANC/Patriotic Alliance/EFF /PBI coalition in Knysna Council on 16 September, soon after they had ousted the DA-led coalition government. The DA told the court that this had involved changing the municipal organogram, and furthermore, due process had not been followed.

The party had asked the court to stop the salary payments of the eight appointees in the first instance (Part A) and to declare the changes to the organogram and subsequent appointments unconstitutional (Part B).

In his judgement on Part A, Judge Henney stated: "On the



facts before me, given the flagrant conduct of the respondents, and in particular, the mentioned respondent, the Deputy Executive Mayor, who was prepared to commit the fraud on this court. Should this court not grant the relief sought by the applicant, irreparable harm is likely to result if the remedy is not granted. Where they blatantly tried to mislead this court, were furtive in their conduct prior to the institution of the proceedings and where they, after having been made aware of the fact the appointments were unlawful and would result in irregular spending, in a reckless and calculated manner went ahead to have the appointments made and effect payment to the appointees."

He also ruled that: "They did not care whether their conduct would amount to fruitless, wasteful and irregular spending of public money, despite being made aware thereof.'

Part B of the application will be ruled upon in January.

In the statement issued on the day they laid the fraud charges against the office bearers of the Council, Dr Dion George MP, the DA Constituency Head for Knysna, threw down the gauntlet.

'This money was meant to fund temporary employment for unemployed Knysna youth during the high season. The DA will not stand by while the Coalition of Corruption attempts to capture the town and steal the money of the hardworking ratepayers of Knysna," he said.

The statement also claims that disciplinary action will be taken

The DA's Dion George MP discussing the various charges with Lieutenant Colonel Kahn of SAPS.

against Acting Municipal Manager Butler and Acting Director of Corporate Services Loliwe as municipal employees, and code of ethics violation charges will follow for the 11 councillors who voted to pay the salaries, even though they had a legal opinion advising them against payment.



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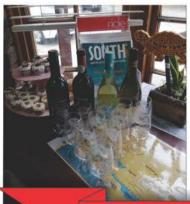
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LEVEL 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS ANNOUNCED FOR GREATER KNYSNA

Due to abnormally poor rainfall during November and the consequent low levels of the rivers in the Knysna area, the Knysna Municipality has announced Level 3 Water Restrictions with immediate effect.

Acting Municipal Manager Mr Roland Butler said the historical rainfall figure for November is around 85mm. "Last year, we had 105mm, and this year only 2mm. As a result, the levels of all the rivers in the Greater Knysna area are low, and we expect an influx of people to the area during the upcoming holiday season. To ensure a continuous supply, we must use water sparingly until we've had sufficient rain to bulk up our water resources."

Level 3 Water Restrictions dictate

- § Municipal potable water is for human consumption only;
- No watering of gardens (not even with a bucket);
- No washing of vehicles or boats;
- § All residents and businesses to restrict their usage to 20 Kl/month:
- § Residents utilizing more than the 20 Kl/month will be identified and notified to install water-restricting devices;

"The daily usage of our residents and businesses could further be



reduced to assist with this crisis. Please use water sparingly and adhere to the restrictions to prevent an increase in restriction levels", Butler concluded.

Residents can report water wastage or broken pipes on (044) 302 6311 or WhatsApp: 060 998

VISITOR DI STRIKES IT LUCKY

Di Cannon, a frequent visitor with a deep love for Sedgies, strikes it lucky twice. First, she catches a beauty of a golden stumpy, then a silver gladiator, a giant elf/shad.

Both were caught in the early morning, fishing off obys, a famous hotspot on our lagoon. Di loves light tackle fishing and is a keen walker, biker and lover of

"Our beaches are wonderful, but so much debris is constantly being washed ashore. Walkers must be encouraged to keep up the good work. I've seen so many proud Sedgefielders picking up shore trash; well done, keep it up!"

Di heads back to the UK soon but will always return "I've always recommended the Garden Route to overseas friends and colleagues, and Sedgefield will always be the gem of my Garden Route".



The Cape Wolf Snake

Lycophidion capensis

by Ludwig Muller

The Cape wolf snake is an inoffensive and harmless species regularly found in the Sedgefield area. It rarely exceeds 40cm in length and is largely nocturnal. Its long back-pointing fangs gave rise to its common name and are very useful to the snake when trying to retain a grip on slippery skinks and lizards. These form the bulk of a Wolf snake's diet and are especially

abundant near the Tjoe-Tjoe train track, which runs through Sedgefield and Wilderness. The Wolf snake kills by constriction,

avoid unnecessary friction. When olive house snake, another captured, this slow-moving species will try to escape rather than defend itself, and consequently, bites from a Wolf snake are extremely rare. The only local snake with which the



swallowing lizards head first to species could be confused is the harmless and useful reptile.

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Is Sedgefield Facing a Water Crisis?

by Terry Cockcroft Pr Eng, BSc The cost of this plant was (Civil Eng)

Last week, there was a Ward 1 IDP meeting at the Bowls Club. We were given a summary by the Councillor of what other sections of Ward 1 felt were the 5 IDP priorities. These were discussed at the meeting & then the inevitable issue of water was raised by a member of Ward 1.

Our Councillor told us that the issue of water had been raised with the Knysna Municipal officials & their response was: "Sedgefield has enough water, so there was nothing to be worried about." This response was only given to our Councillor verbally. There was a spirited discussion about this matter.

I would like to place on record the following:

- Sedgefield gets its water from the Karatara River & a series of boreholes.
- Sedgefield uses about 2,2 megalitres of potable water per day.
- As far as I know, there has been no recent investigation as to how much water is lost in Sedgefield through leaks & nonpayment for water.
- Since June 2022, we have had more than 45% of our water needs from boreholes.
- Eight boreholes were sunk in 2009 when Sedgefield ran out of water & for several days. Water was trucked in from George to enable us to continue. Only five of those boreholes were finally commissioned, and one has been out of action for nearly two years.
- From the information I have gathered, since June 2022 we have had less than 60% of our normal rainfall. To date this year, we have had only about 65% of our normal rainfall.
- This lack of rainfall affects the amount of water that can be abstracted from the Karatara River for Sedgefield to use.
- There is no DWS measuring weir on the lower Karatara River & I was told some years ago that BGCMA do no quantitative check measurements on the water that is abstracted from the Karatara River, upstream of the WTW, despite them issuing Water Abstraction Licences to various land owners along the river. So there is no check on the amount of water actually available for Sedgefield from the Karatara River.
- As part of the provision of various water sources for Sedgefield, a desalination plant was installed in 2009, using seawater as a raw water source

covered by DWS. This plant delivered the first water to Sedgefield in December 2009. When the plant was formally commissioned in mid-2010, a maintenance contract for five years was included in the cost of the plant. While it was accepted that desal water was costly in relation to that from the river & the boreholes, the cost of desal water was reduced by the use of power for the desal plant from Eskom at off-peak times, when the power cost was lower.

- Knysna Municipality took over the running & maintenance of this plant from about 2015. The plant was not maintained adequately by the Municipality. It ceased to operate a few years ago and has not delivered any water for Sedgefield for years.
- During a visit by DWS in March 2015, it was stated by their reps that if any of the Southern Cape Local Authorities

had the facility to supply potable water from more than one source, each source should be used regularly to ensure that there was always potable water available to those users. Knysna Municipality never attended that meeting.

- · Sedgefield has continued to supply water regularly to Buffalo Bay via tanker since Buffalo Bay does not have an adequate water supply of its own. This amount of water is part of the 2,2 Ml/day that Sedgefield uses.
- As mentioned above, on 22 November 2022, at a Ward 1 IDP meeting at the Bowls Club, we were told by our Councillor that Sedgefield did not have any water problems.
- I wonder why on 2 December, Knysna Municipality introduced Level 3 Water Restrictions for the whole of Greater Knysna?
- · Just over a week ago, Sedgefield had no water crisis!

Knysna Municipality responded as follows:

During September, October, and November the municipal area has only received 26, 21, and 9.5mm of rain respectively. This is significantly lower than the historical figures for previous years. The Greater Knysna Municipal area has not had significant rains in the Knysna, Gouna, Karatara, Homtini, and Goukamma catchments resulting in the water flow in the rivers being extremely low.

The water usage in the town is currently higher due to seasonal tourism. We are monitoring the usage trend and will advise on day zero when consumption has stabilised. The short to medium term forecast from the South African Weather Services, and the fact that Knysna does not have water security in terms of storage, means that some of our neighbouring towns have also implemented water restrictions. It is good practice to be proactive in managing water sources.

The Municipality manages all the water sources in its jurisdiction; therefore will distribute water from a practical side, even if that means carting water from neighbouring towns

Please note that six boreholes were sunk in 2009, two were drilled previously, and subsequently ran dry. Out of the six boreholes, one got saline and one is currently faulty. The necessary repairs are underway to ensure that it is operational again.

We had maintenance contracts that specialised in operations and maintenance. However, capital investments were not done to ensure that the de-salination plant runs full-time. Other factors were the hike in electricity and the implementation of continuous



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TOUGH WEEKEND FOR NSRI Sea

NSRI Wilderness Station had their work cut out for them over the weekend of 26 and 27 November, with the crew attending to one emergency after another.

Mike Vonk, NSRI Wilderness station commander, said:

"Police divers are continuing to search for a 16-year-old male from George, missing since Sunday afternoon in the sea at Wilderness Beach. NSRI Wilderness and the WC Government Health EMS rescue squad assisted police divers in

needed, and spares are unavailable.

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be up and running again.

their ongoing search on Monday.

At 10:07, Saturday, 26 November, NSRI Wilderness duty crew were alerted to reports of a drowning in progress at Leentjiesklip. While resources were responding, it was reported that a swimmer who had been in difficulty in the surf was safely out of the water, and no further assistance was required.

Our NSRI Wilderness crew were activated at 18:13, Saturday, 26 November, to respond to a report that a whale calf had beached on

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Myoli Beach. On arrival at the scene, the calf was located in shallow water. Members of the public had attempted to return it to the water, but unfortunately, the newborn Bryde's whale did not survive. Its carcass was moved above the high-water mark, and SANParks are arranging disposal of it.

On Sunday, 27 November, at 11:30, NSRI Wilderness were alerted that a penguin was entangled in fishing gear at Gericke's Point, Sedgefield. The Marine Animal Stranding Network was notified, and the Penguin was disentangled and recovered for rehabilitation by marine personnel.

At noon, Sunday, 27 November, while conducting routine training exercises, our NSRI Wilderness duty crew were alerted that a female had been caught in a rip current at Wilderness Beach. An NSRI lifeguard using a Pink Rescue Buoy, and an NSRI rescue swimmer were deployed into the surf. A member of the public who had also launched into the sea was the first to reach the girl, and he was able to bring her towards the beach, where the lifeguard and the rescue swimmer assisted them safely onto the beach. The girl, a local, was not injured.

At 12:55, Sunday, 27 November, NSRI Wilderness duty crew were activated following reports of a paragliding accident at Swartvlei Beach car park. NSRI EOC (Emergency Operations Centre) and the ARCC (Air Rescue Coordination Centre) were alerted. NSRI medics responded directly to the scene, while our NSRI rescue vehicle with additional medics onboard, ER24 ambulance services and Knysna Fire and Rescue Services responded. On arrival at the scene, a 72-year-old local male, who had crashed into a vehicle in the Swartvlei Beach parking area while paragliding, was treated for suspected serious injuries and transported to hospital in a stable condition by ER24 ambulance. He has since been discharged and is recovering at home.

At 13:09, Sunday, 27 November, NSRI Wilderness, while treating the injured paraglider at Swartvlei car park, were alerted by members of the public to reports of a drowning in progress at Swartvlei Beach.

A female, believed to be aged in her 20s, had been caught in rip currents. A man, believed to be in his 60s, launched into the water to assist, but when he reached the casualty, he also got into difficulties.

The Good Samaritan's son, armed with an NSRI Pink Rescue Buoy, then launched into the water to assist and managed to reach the female and bring her to the shore. An NSRI rescue swimmer reached the 60-yearold male, and together with another member of the public who had also swum out to assist, they brought him safely to the beach. There were no injuries.

When NSRI resources returned to our Wilderness rescue station at 14:03, Sunday, 27 November, NSRI Wilderness duty crew were alerted to a drowning in progress at Wilderness Beach. Two local males, aged 15 and 16, were caught in rip currents. NSRI believe that there were initially five boys in the water, but three got out safely prior to



them arriving on the scene. The NSRI rescue craft Ann Stratford Rescuer was immediately launched while an NSRI rescue swimmer was deployed into the surf. NSRI Rescue Craft Oscar Rescue also joined the search. Frontier Medics ambulance services, WC Government Health EMS ambulance and rescue squad, SAPS, a Police Dive Unit and the EMS/AMS Skymed rescue helicopter also responded. One of the youngsters (15) was located, recovered onto an NSRI rescue craft and brought to shore, where he was treated by paramedics for non-fatal drowning symptoms. Extensive air, sea and shoreline searches continued, including NSRI rescue swimmers being deployed into the surf to conduct free dive sweeping line search efforts to look for the 16-yearold male who remains missing.

During this search, an off-duty lifeguard, who happened to be at the beach at the time, noticed two other people caught in rip currents nearby. He ran down the beach and launched into the surf to assist. NSRI resources and the EMS/AMS Skymed rescue helicopter that were there searching for the missing teenager helped to assist in this rescue operation. Two male teenage casualties were located in the surf impact zone by the EMS/AMS Skymed rescue helicopter. An NSRI rescue swimmer was deployed from the rescue helicopter into the surf, where he secured one of the teenagers who was semiconscious in the water. That



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casualty (16) and the NSRI rescue swimmer were taken onboard NSRI's Oscar Rescue and brought to shore, where paramedics initiated medical treatment to the casualty, who was in a serious condition suffering non-fatal drowning symptoms. The second teenager (15) was located and recovered by NSRI's Ann Stratford rescue craft, and he was brought to shore, where he was attended to by paramedics. The 15-year-old was transported to hospital by

EMS ambulance in a stable condition. The 16-year-old, secured in a specialised stretcher, was transported along the beach on the NSRI rescue vehicle to the EMS/AMS Skymed rescue helicopter, which airlifted him to hospital in a serious but stable condition.

The search for the missing 16year-old male at Wilderness Beach is ongoing, and our thoughts are with his family at this difficult time.



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SOS FROM SAM

Sedgefield Animal Matters is facing a crisis. Our field vehicle,

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We are making do as best we can with our Fiat Strada Bakkie,

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DIARY DATELINE

Every 2nd Monday

2pm Sedgefield Art Society meets at the Catholic Church. New members welcome. Colin Burgess 082 852 2586

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 Course

Saturdays

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 4 December 8am-12 Gardeners & Art Market at Steam Whistle Stop.072 487

Sunday 11 December 8am-12 Car Boot Sale at Steam Whistle Stop.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 The editor has full discretion as to which letters are included or excluded and no argument, badgering, cajoling, bribery or heated conversation will be entered into. Opinions expressed in published letters and articles are not necessarily those of the management and staff of The EDGE Community Newspaper.

Geagte Redakteur

Ontevrede inwoners van Sparrie se plaas wil graag die plasing van n brief wat op 23/11/2022 uitgeruik is, reg te stel.

Nommer een: kry eers jou feite reg. Hier word nie met dwelms handel gedryf nie, hier is nie honde gevegte nie. Drank word nie misbruik nie, nogtans kry n mens darem n geleentheid om jou te geniet, of is dit te veel gevra? Die motorfietsie waarna daar verwys word, kom nie na Sparrie se plaas toe nie, maar na die vullis storting toe, om weg gooi materiaal te kom haal, om ook n bestaan vir hulself te maak, as dit ook nie te veel gevra is nie. Ons is nie almal so welgestand om almal en alles dop te hou en te kla nie. Mense kom gereeld na ure. Los hulle gemors net so voor die vullis storting se hek en dan moet die inwoners van Sparrie se plaas oor hul gemors loop en trap, opad werk toe en terug.

So, bekommerde inwoner. As jy nie jou tyd aan beter dinge kan bestee nie, stel ons voor jy se liewer n pragtige gebed vir diegene in nood, veral die tyd van die jaar.

Ons wens u n geseende Kersfees en n voorspoedige nuwejaar.

Inwoners van Sparrie se plaas.



Imagine.....Imagine..

living in a village where you're cycling home from your exercise class. Big blue exercise ball on your back. And at the circle close to home, a young man on his bicycle, with a bicycle pump slung over his shoulder, cuts the corner and swerves in front of you, calling 'stop, stop...You drove past my shop, your tyres are flat, and I've come to pump them.

Sedgefield is such a village.

Devon from Cycleworx is that young man. In gratitude

Karin Ritchie

Sedgefield:

Dear Ed Re: Proposed multi-use Development of the Perdespruit Erf. 1627

The public has until 10 December to comment on a proposal to develop the 26.62 hectare 'Perdespruit' Erf 1727 Sedgefield: a site of 'critical biodiversity', mostly below the 3m contour; and one of the last remaining open spaces in Sedgefield.

Proposed activities include: General Residential; Business. Agriculture, Tourist facilities & access roads.

The site has previously flooded

in 1996, 2003, 2006, & 2007 when it would have provided a conduit for floodwater towards the estuary. Development as currently proposed could divert flooding to neighbouring properties and the N2.

Flooding may seem a rather remote threat at this time of water rationing but our local authority may not have the capacity to supply additional high income residential properties with water and sewerage disposal requirements.

Regards

Lady Di

Asked for response, the Developer replied:

Please be assured that all comments received will be listed as part of the Basic Assessment Phase. Once the list is completed all the comments will be responded to.

Thank you for your input.
Owner Erf 1627

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SEDGEMEER PARK HOME FOR THE AGED NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Sedgemeer Park Home for the Aged will be held in the dining hall on Wednesday 14 December at 2:30pm.

Minutes of the meeting will be made available to interested parties on request.

SEDGE INFO OPENS!



On Friday 2 December the dynamic Sedge Info duo, Belinda Hobson and Bronwyn Lloyd welcomed locals into their new premises next to Cycleworks.

"It was great to open the shop - the town really came along to show their support - the ratepayers, Masithandane, Sedge Slow Town Meals and a whole lot of others came to visit and wish us well," said Belinda, "It really felt like we had come home!"

With the aim of a coordinated promotion of Sedgefield as a tourism destination (they have already given journalists from Sunday Times a tour of the town!) both ladies are encouraging local business folk to sign up for membership.

They can be contacted on admin@sedgefieldinfo.com or $072\,050$ 9999.

THANKS FROM BONGANI

Bongani Dyani would like to thank the following people whose contributions made the Sedgefield Garden Route Soccer Tournament the success it was.

Turnkey (main sponsor); Harcourts; La Piazza; Pick n Pay Sedgefield; Engen 1Stop; COP; Gavin Campher and Clive Solomons.



R50 CAR GUARD SYSTEM ACTUALLY WORKS

There has been a change in the CBD of Sedgefield, and most locals and visitors will have undoubtedly been impressed by the flashy new uniforms now sported by car guards, especially in the vicinity of the two biggest supermarkets. However, questions have been raised, especially when residents were informed that these guards were being asked to pay a daily rate to ply their trade.

But what may at face value seem like a form of extortion is actually a working system which has been run successfully in other parts of the country and appears to be yielding positive results locally.

Targe Security, a private company, has formed agreements with property owners to put in place and manage a working structure for the informal 'Car Guards' who have been watching vehicles, returning trolleys and directing traffic into parking spots for some years now. This is in an attempt to remove the 'free-for-all' situation that the village had previously been experiencing, where anyone could claim to be a car guard, and even folk who were inebriated or high would attempt to direct vehicles to earn enough for their next fix.

We met with Jacques Cronje, the Manager of Targe Security and asked him to explain how this new structure worked and if it would benefit the car guards themselves.

He first explained that anyone claiming to be a 'guard' should be legally trained and registered with PSIRA, but in Sedgefield's case, his company had been asked to use those already working as car guards, despite not being registered to help with the village's unemployment problem. Hence, locally they are called 'Community Assistants'.

He also said that though there have been teething problems, the system is mostly working, a more formal structure is in place, and the Community Assistants were reaping the benefits. Furthermore, fighting between rival would-be car guards over whose patch was whose is a thing of the past and incidents of residents feeling 'harassed' have dropped substantially.

Each Community Assistant has a designated area to work in and a uniform, which is given to him/her first thing in the morning and handed back at the end of their working day. Furthermore, they are managed to make sure they are in their place at the correct time and fit for work

"They are not employed as such; they are 'entrepreneurs' working within a framework that we provide," he explained. "Yes, they do pay R50 a day for their working area, but this not only covers their



uniform, training and supervision costs but also gives them a sense of ownership of their 'business' spot. Because that's what it is – they are each operating a small business for which they are paying a form of rent. It's like paying for a stall at a market."

Asked if the R50 was a big part of an assistant's daily earnings, he said that if they work a full day, each one will earn at least six times that amount, and quite often substantially more. Especially with each having a designated area which no one else can encroach on. He says the assistants have realised that this works and are happy to be a part of the new system.

"Once again – it is like running their own business. They will only earn less if they abandon their designated spot for any length of time. If they stick to the set hours, they do very well."

Cronje admits the learning curve has been longer in Sedge than in other towns where they have set up similar systems in the past.

"We had people just working an hour or two until they had a few Rands, then heading off. We had to keep informing them that this is not how it's done and actually replace a few of them."

At one stage, he had, in frustration, brought in car guards from other areas, but this was only for a short time. He has since met with Councillor Vanston and a number of the local Community Assistants and given assurances that he will continue to train locals.

"We would like to eventually have as many as possible fully trained and registered with PSIRA," he said, "But that will depend on their own efforts"

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In its fifteenth year of Montessori Matriculants, our Headboy, Zinedine de Nil, achieved not

only academic excellence in obtaining above 80% in every one of his chosen subjects, but also won the book prize for achievement in English, an English Olympiad Certificate and received the Dux, the highest award a school can bestow on a student for overall academic excellence

Zinedine attended Knysna



Headboy Zinedine de Nil awarded Dux for his academic achievements

Montessori from PreSchool. through Junior, Middle and then High School, and was as chosen as Headboy 2022 at the end of last year, not only for his academic abilities, but for his achievements in the social skills he learned alongside his peers from the



Montessori support the Santa Shoebox Drive.

Neonatal Bryde's **RE/MAX** Whale stranding



On Saturday, 26 November, a late afternoon alert regarding a neonatal Bryde's whale circulated on a number of $marine\,stranding\,groups.$

Initial reports were that the stranded whale was alive. Therefore, preparations were made for either a rescue or euthanasia, depending on the condition of the whale.

On arrival at the location, it was evident that the whale was dead, and so it was moved above the high-water mark by the NSRI in preparation for a necropsy the next morning.

Accompanied by volunteers, Dr Minke Tolsma of the Sedgefield Stranding group, an accredited agent for Bayworld in Port Elizabeth, conducted the necropsy to determine the cause of death. After collecting comprehensive

measurements and samples for analysis, the cause of death appears to have been due to drowning.

In the event of a marine mammal being stranded, the local stranding network needs to be notified with a description of the marine mammal, its condition and a GPS pin of its location.

Marine mammals are protected in South Africa and can only be handled and sampled by accredited agents for DFFE.

Stranding networks in the Garden Route:

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Thank you to Kim and Bruce for assisting with the necropsy.

beginning of his Montessori schooling.

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Although one of the most important tasks of our lives, we parents are given very little - if any - training for parenthood, so it is reassuring to know that as we help our children develop their Montessori School, these vitally important skills are being consciously mentored and developed each and every day, alongside the equally important academic skills.

At Knysna Montessori School, we are proud not only of Zinedine, but of our many Middle and High School students who have not only achieved academic excellence in various subjects, but have also developed various strong social skills. They have been the hub of the Santa Shoebox Drive and Food and Clothing Drive providing for flood victims in Kwa Zulu Natal and they have also been a very strong Interact Community Spirit. Additionally at school, they have adhered to our motto of manners, courtesy and grace.

We hope, as Aldous Huxley once commented, to always "carry the spirit of the child into old age, which means never losing enthusiasm", since the Child is our Hope for the Future.

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SEVERAL BEACHES GET 'GREEN LIGHT'

Monitoring and clean-up activities along the Garden Route coastline

Though some have been given the green light, beaches in the Garden Route are being monitored, and any necessary cleanup operations are continuing after oil droplets were discovered last week right along the coast. This was reportedly the result of a leaking oil pipe near the Mossel Bay coastline.

According to the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM), feedback received during a multi-agency response session on 2 December regarding the stranded hydrocarbon, low-sulphur oil droplets indicated that it was nearing the end of the incident. Windy conditions and high-impact swells yielded little to no new oil droplets along Garden Route beaches.

Gerhard Otto, GRDM Manager: Disaster Management, said that by Monday, 5 December, several of the affected beaches had been classified as 'green,' i.e. safe for swimming, and a priority was to finalise cleaning busier beaches, including 'Blue Flag' ones as the holiday season moves closer.

"We are also meeting less frequently now as beaches return to normal. We will only meet again at 14:00 on Thursday," he said.

There have been no reports of the spill affecting humans, birds, or marine life. According to Dr Nina Viljoen, Head of Environmental Management at GRDM, no estuaries along the Garden Route were contaminated. Nevertheless, continuous assessments were conducted, responders were placed on standby, and monitoring for any further evidence of oil contamination continued. In the multi-agency response engagement, it was stressed that monitoring of birds would be extended if the response was scaled down since it is difficult to catch flying birds.



Sedgefield local Gabriel Le Roux recently found oil at the River Mouth.

If any members of the public notice small black pellets on any beach along the Garden Route, please report this to the Emergency Call Centre,

The Garden Route District Municipality Multi-Agency Command Centre (MACC) includes the following stakeholders: Garden Route District Municipality, Bitou, Knysna, George, Mossel Bay and Hessequa Municipalities, Provincial Disaster Management Centre, South African Maritime Safety Authority, DFFE: Oceans-to-Coast, Transnet, CapeNature, PetroSA, South African National Parks (SANParks) and the Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB).

THE CAPE'S BEST DORPIE IS **READY FOR FESTIVE SEASON**

The Greater Knysna area is of the colour-coded refuse bag ready to welcome an influx of visitors, and according to Acting Municipal Manager Roland Butler, the Municipality is ready to ensure that locals and holidaymakers will enjoy uninterrupted services.

"But we're not content with simply delivering services throughout the seasonal period," said Butler. "Our Integrated Seasonal Readiness Plan, or ISRP, promotes a safe environment for residents and visitors. The plan will be in place until 31 January and defines clear responsibilities of relevant municipal sections for this period."

"A heavier traffic flow can cause frustration," he said. "Twenty temporary point duty officers will be deployed to relieve traffic congestion, and zero tolerance will be shown to traffic offenders. An additional twenty temporary officers will assist our Law Enforcement Officers in their regular duties. These officers will also patrol our public recreational areas. ensuring everyone enjoys a safe and secure summer.

"Everyone is looking forward to enjoying our beautiful parks and beaches," he said. "To keep us safe, lifeguards will be on duty at the Buffalo Bay and Brenton 1st beaches from 1 December until 31 January and at other beaches from 15 December to 15 January. We are in the process of finalising repairs and maintenance to all braai and recreational facilities, and a maintenance team will inspect and repair all defects on our boardwalks and playparks on a weekly basis."

Refuse will be removed as scheduled, and residents and visitors are reminded to make use

There has been much

conjecture on social media

regarding dogs being allowed

in and around restaurants,

with many dog lovers calling

for local authorities to relax

Knysna Municipality has issued

the following statement on the

"National law prohibits

animals where food is handled.

The law that governs where and

when animals are allowed to join

their owners – especially with

subject.

system: Transparent bags are for clean, dry, recyclable materials; blue bags are for garden waste only; up to two bags will be collected every week; black bags are for other 'wet' waste.

"Our cemeteries will remain open for visits but will close at noon during the week between Christmas and New Year," Butler confirmed. "The gate in Vigilance Drive must be used for grave visits and unveilings during funerals on Saturdays, and the small gate in Vigilance Dr and the gate in Marlin Dr will be open for grave visits and unveilings after funerals. Please note that our cemeteries will be closed on 16, 25 and 26 December."

"We remind everyone that the setting off of fireworks is illegal and will not be tolerated," he said. "Our by-laws have been written with your comfort and safety in mind and to protect our beautiful area. We have adopted a zero-tolerance approach to any transgressions of our by-laws, with a particular focus on the Road and Traffic By-law, Public Amenities By-law and the Bylaw for the Prevention of Public Nuisances. Any transgressors may face fines of up to R1 000 or imprisonment."

"We have, unfortunately, had to impose level 3 water restrictions," said Butler. "Our area received abnormally low rainfall during November, with only 2mm recorded against a historical average of approximately 85mm. Our rivers are running very low, and we ask all residents and visitors to use water sparingly and to adhere to the necessary restrictions."

Municipal potable water is strictly for human consumption under level 3 water restrictions.

No watering of gardens or washing of vehicles or boats, even using a bucket, is allowed. Businesses and households are to restrict municipal water usage to 20Kl per month.

"Rather cool off in our beautiful rivers, lakes, estuaries or the ocean," Butler concluded. "There are so many things to see, do and experience in the greater Knysna area this summer season. Get active on land and on or in the water, satisfy your foodie cravings and discover new delights, discover our local culture and art, shop 'til you drop - or just relax. Welcome to our paradise."

Residents can report water wastage or broken pipes on (044) 302 6311 or via WhatsApp at 060 998 7000.

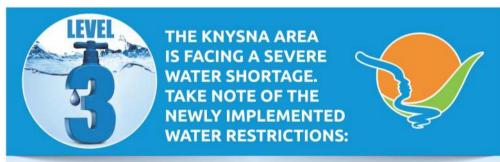
Report traffic issues on 060 998 6847, and contact Law Enforcement on 060 998 7111 (after hours: 044 302 6300). Find all municipal by-laws at knysna.gov.za/government/imp ortant-documents/bylaws/.

For more information regarding the collection of refuse, please contact the Waste Management Office during office hours on 044 302 6405 or after hours on 044 302 8911. Report illegal dumping on 060 998 7073.

For more information on funerals and burials, please contact Ms Dorothy Potts at dpotts@knysna.gov.za or 060 998 7008

Share your favourite experiences and holiday snaps and tag your posts with #freetobesouthafrica, #knysna, #visitknysna and @visitknysna.

For more information on things to do in the area, visit visitknysna.co.za.



Dear Resident.

Level 3 Water Restrictions have been implemented with immediate effect:

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- · Absolutely NO watering of gardens (not even with a bucket) or washing of vehicles and/or boats
- · Heavy fines will be issued to transgressors
- · All residents and businesses to restrict their usage to 20 Kl/month
- · Water recycling systems to be implemented
- · Artificial water features must use recycled water only
- All residents are requested to install water-efficient devices

REPORT WATER **LEAKS & ABUSE TO** 044 302 6331 (o/h) **OR WHATSAPP** 060 998 7000

Vlak 3-Waterbeperkings is met onmiddellike omvang van krag:

- · Munisipale drinkwater is slegs vir menslike verbruik
- · Tuin natmaak (selfs met 'n emmer) en was van motors en/of bote is streng verbode
- Swaar boetes sal geld vir oortreders
- Alle huishoudelike en besigheidsverbruik is beperk tot 20 Kl/maand
- Herwinbare waterstelses moet geïnstalleer word
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- · AKUVUMELEKANGA ukuhlamba iimoto okanye izikhephe

Knysna

- · Bonke abahlali noosomashishini bamele basebenzise umlinganiselo wamanzi ayi-20 Kl ngenyanga
- · Xa kufunyaniswa ukuba abahlali basebenzisa ngaphezu kwe 20 Kl ngenyanga kuza kucelwa bafake izinto zokunciphisa ukuchithwa kwamanzi ngoko nangoko.
- Inkqubo yokuphinda kusetyenziswe amanzi asebenzileyo iza kusetyenziswa
- · Izihombiso ezisebenzisa amanzi abalekayo zifanele zingasebenzisi amanzi amatsha zimele ziphinde zisebenzise kwala manzi manye
- · Bonke abahlali bacelwa ukuba basebenzise izixhobo ezonga amanzi

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regard to restaurants and markets – is a law promulgated by the National government. "Prohibiting animals from places where food is handled is not a local municipal by-law," explained Knysna Acting Municipal Manager Roland Butler. "It is a regulation of a national law that is enforced throughout the country."

The Foodstuffs, Cosmetics and Disinfectants Act, Act 54 of 1972, describes the regulations governing general hygiene requirements for food premises, as well as the transport of food and other related matters. Section 10 (10) specifically states that: "A person in charge of food premises must ensure that an animal, subject to the provisions of any law, is not kept or permitted in a room or area where food is handled". In terms of the Act, the word handle(d) "includes manufacture, process, produce, pack, prepare, keep, offer, store, transport or display for sale or for serving, and 'handling' has a corresponding meaning".

DOGS, RESTAURANTS AND THE LAW

"This, unfortunately, means that no pets are allowed at restaurants or coffee shops," said Butler. "The only exceptions allowed by this national law are guide or service dogs accompanying a person with a disability and fish, molluses or crustaceans that are kept alive until prepared for consumption."

At craft or food markets, the market managers or organisers must ensure that the areas where pets are allowed are clearly demarcated and signposted. Unless otherwise prohibited by market organisers, animals are technically allowed in all areas other than those where food is handled, and their presence does not contravene any other laws.

Any business that fails to comply with this national regulation may be subject to a fine, be prohibited from using the premises for the handling of food or any related activities, and risks having its business license revoked.

"The issue is not about how wellbehaved a pet may or may not be," Butler said. "It is about the health and safety of all patrons. Even animals that are well-cared

for may harbour an undetected illness that could be passed on to humans. Pet owners must also respect that many individuals who do not own pets may not want to share their meal - which they are paying for - with an animal. The reality is that this is not a new law, and any 'petfriendly' restaurant trades illegally.'

"While this is a national law, it can only be enforced on a district and local level. Environmental Health Practitioners check that establishments comply with all provisions of the relevant regulations and provide an invaluable service in ensuring that all guests can visit any place where food is handled, safe in the knowledge that the premises comply with all health regulations," Butler continued. "I ask that business owners and members of the public take cognisance of this fact and appreciate that your safety is their concern.'

"We are all hoping for a bumper season this year," Butler concluded. "To make sure that our visitors, and all of our locals, enjoy their time and come back to support us again in the future, we must comply with all national health regulations. We want our businesses to be successful, but you have to comply with all the laws in order to do business. And that includes this national law.'

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GARDEN ROUTE LIFESTYLE PROPERTY OPENS IN SEDGE

Garden Route Lifestyle Property is proud to announce the opening of their Sedgefield office at Mosaic Village. Their new premises are on the first floor above Mosaic Table, opposite Slow Roasted.

While their office is new, the GRLP Team boasts a long history in the local property game. "Collectively, we have 44 years of professional experience in real estate!" Says principal agent Mandy Pelser

Mandy has been in the property game in Knysna, Sedgefield, Wilderness and George for 17 years. Marco Zampieri has seven years of experience in Johannesburg, Wilderness, Hoekwil and George, and Lindi Joubert has six years of experience in the Garden Route.

Also on the team are Mia

Lintvelt, who focuses on longterm rentals and, more recently, Laurell Pelser, who will be handling property sales in George after years of running her own business in the sales industry.

hotel industry, where she worked for 20 years, specialising in 5-star establishments where service is a priority. She believes this has contributed to her successful career as a sales and rental agent. She started her real estate career

The GRLP family are delighted to have Angela Page on board to expand their business through the new Sedgefield office.

"Angela is back in Sedgefield after spending some months widening her knowledge of the area in Wilderness, Hoekwil and George," explains Mandy, "She is such a stalwart in Sedgefield, with over 14 years in real estate here. Having grown up here and attended Sedgefield Primary with her four siblings, very few know the town as well as she does!"

Angela's career began in the

for 20 years, specialising in 5-star establishments where service is a priority. She believes this has contributed to her successful career as a sales and rental agent. She started her real estate career in Knysna in 2008, working for Sotheby's International Realty as a long-term and holiday rental agent, whereafter she joined Sedgefield Sotheby's with her sister, Mandy Pelser in 2009.

"She has worked hard over the last 14 years and has won numerous sales awards, of which the most recent were awards for top agent across the country in 2020, and 2nd place in 2021 for total number of properties sold," Mandy told us.

Angela recently decided to broaden her horizons and says she chose to join Mandy again at Garden Route Lifestyle Property

> because of their excellent track record and the personal care afforded to their agents.

> The sisters' history in Sedgefield dates back to the 'Good old days' when, as some Sedgefielders will remember, there were very few houses and no N2 running through the middle of town.

"My grandparents Antoni and Erica Jablonski owned the "the Lido" which is now known as Montecello Restaurant," reminisces Mandy, "In those days, there were only two dust roads running on either side of a big field where the N2 now runs. The only bottle store was at Lake Pleasant Hotel outside of town, and the only shop was "Stop & Stay", owned by Gerry Stavros. As children, we walked to school at Sedgefield Primary, and our mother worked at the Post Office. We have a great love for Sedgefield and the people who live in it, with many fond memories of the town as it has evolved over the years. We come from a family of five girls who moved away and somehow, over the years, have found our way back to this special town."

Mandy started Garden Route Lifestyle Property in August 2021 and began focussing on building a team to service their network. She believes they have been successful in this endeavour and have the right recipe for success in the property market. "We are like-minded individuals, sharing the same work ethic and level of professionalism, upholding the ethos of the company," she says.

"We have always seen what we do more as a calling than a job. We are connectors and facilitators, helping tie people together and helping them to find their way home. Integrity, professionalism, knowledge and guidance form key principles in our company.

"We have always believed you can achieve anything you set

your mind to. This focus, and the valuable relationships formed with our clients, who have become friends, have been the driving force behind our excellent sales track record and will continue to be the reason for Garden Route Lifestyle's future success.

"We work as a team to service our clients as efficiently as possible and currently cover the Sedgefield, Rondevlei, Hoekwil, Wilderness and George areas for property sales and long-term rentals.

"Please pop in and visit us at our new Mosaic Village offices, or give us a call on 074 149 1634 or 084 555 7248"



Keeping property in the family! Sisters Angela and Mandy at their new Sedgefield premises.





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Sedgefield Clinic's Santa's Grotto

by Melanie Baumeister

'Tis the Season of Giving, and the Sedgefield Clinic continues with its excellent service to the community by doing just that. Friday, 2 **December, younger patients** were treated to a 'Santa's Grotto' experience.

With gifts galore, fairy lights, sweeties and festive cheer, the smiles were a sure indication that there is always more than enough happiness to share.

Well done, Sedgefield Clinic! Thank You for brightening the lives of these children and their families!



KNYSNA MUNI RENEWS KAWS LEASE

Knysna's Council intends to renew the lease on the property from which the Knysna Animal Welfare Society (KAWS) is currently operating for nine years and 11 months, with the option for the society to renew for a further five years.

"KAWS has been leasing these premises, where their offices and kennels are housed, since 1 July 2006," said Acting Municipal Manager Roland Butler. "The last short-term lease agreement ended on 31 December 2021. The Municipality has, at this stage, no intended future use for this property other than what it is currently used for. It just makes sense to offer KAWS a lease to the section from which they are already doing their important

This organisation assists the Municipality in our function to confiscate and impound stray animals," he explained. "But they do so much more. They truly care for those under their stewardship and have saved the

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being heard by Council again.

can be submitted to the Municipality's properties department nmndebela@knysna.gov.za by 9 December 2022.

"We recognise the critical work KAWS does and appreciate the invaluable contribution they make to our society. Thank you to all KAWS employees and volunteers for your selfless dedication to the welfare of our

KAWS is a non-profit, selffunded public benefit organisation largely dependent on donations from the public. For information on how you can get involved, make a donation or adopt a pet, please visit

lives of countless animals. They clean, feed and provide medical attention when required and work tirelessly to rehome animals with families that will care for them. It is in the Municipality and the community's best interests to offer KAWS this long-term lease

The intention to lease a portion of erf 1390 in Marlin Street to KAWS will be advertised for public comment. Once this compulsory procedure has been concluded, the matter will be resubmitted to the Finance and Governance Committee before

agreement."

Comments on the proposed lease

animals", Butler concluded

knysnaanimalwelfare.co.za

Watch out for our tortoises!

Locals that have observed tortoises in action will have noticed that they can move at a reasonable pace when they wish to. Sedgefield, South Africa's only Slow Town, is exhibiting a corresponding increase in pace with the onset of the holiday season and influx of Holiday Makers – a pace which will become frenetic over the next month or so.

Our passive perambulators wander all over Sedgefield, oblivious to speeding traffic. Unfortunately, many don't make it across the road coming to an end under the wheels of speeding cars.

SAMS receives regular requests to rescue tortoises in dire straits, and our volunteers provide aid where applicable. Although they once rescued a tortoise from a crowd that wanted to catch it and take it home to eat - most of their rescues involve relocating a tortoise to a safer part of Sedgefield.

There are several different tortoise species, and most have a unique habitat and diet that corresponds with their ecosystem. In a recent incident, a tortoise was relocated from the Karoo to the George area, where it was not only out of its element but posed a threat to local tortoises because of the parasites it harboured - which, if left unchecked, could run rampant, and devastate the local tortoise population.



Captivity can also be a death sentence for tortoises, particularly those with specialised diet or habitat requirements. They can also become accustomed to captivity and, when released, can no longer fend for themselves.

All tortoises in the Western Cape are protected by the Nature Conservation Ordinance (Ord. no 19 of 1974). Accordingly, no tortoise or part thereof (i.e. the shell) or tortoise eggs may be collected, transported, sold, received as a gift, kept in captivity, possessed, and imported or exported.

The following tips will help our tortoises:

1. Tortoises generally know what they are doing and where they want to be - unless there is immediate danger, leave them to move on - if in your garden, allow an opening for them to

2. Tortoises can survive on the

beach and do not need to be relocated.

3. If it is essential to move a tortoise, ensure that it is kept level at all times; tilting it sideways or upright can cause it to lose stored body fluids which may result in dehydration & death.

4. Drive carefully – please be aware that tortoises may appear on the road in front of your car wheels.

Contact number for assistance with tortoise issues:

Sedgefield Island Conservancy: Mary Hunter 082 900 8680, Email: Sedgefieldislandconservancy @gmail.com.

Cola Conservancy: Adrienne Bartlett: 083 781 3040, Email: Colaconservancy@gmail.com **Cape Nature Conservation:** (044) 802 5300 / (087) 087

Sedgefield Animal Matters:



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Tender Notice ERRATUM - T 31/2022/23:

Knysna Central Business District (CBD): Replacement & Rehabilitation of Existing Water Network, Phase 3

Notice is hereby given of the amendment with regards to the above mentioned tenders, previously advertised.

The tender closing date has been extended to close on 18 January 2023.

Mr Roland Butler Acting Municipal Manager Clyde Street KNYSNA 6570

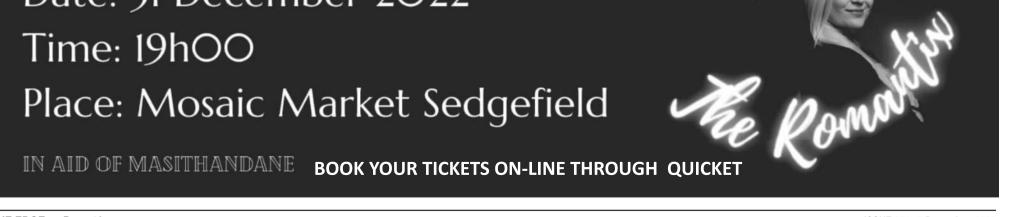






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Date: 31 December 2022



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NSRI APPEAL FOR WATER SAFETY

NSRI are appealing to all recreational water users, our fellow South Africans and tourists visiting our country from abroad to have a safetyconscious mindset in and around water.

Rip currents remain the greatest cause of drowning accidents along the coast.

Coastal bathers should only swim at beaches protected by lifeguards.

Boaters, paddlers and sailors should download and use the NSRI RSA Safetrx Smart Phone Application and carry and know how to use your safety equipment.

Anglers fishing along our shores should keep a safe distance from the water.

Everyone should be aware of the two daily high tides and two low tides, and the Spring Tide that happens during the full moon and new moon phases.

Inland water users on lakes, rivers, lagoons, swimming pools or on any body of water should approach these recreational activities with safety in mind.

Children must always be To report a water rescue

supervised by responsible adults when they are swimming.

One of the hardest tasks for NSRI, in cooperation with SAPS and the emergency services, is telling a family that their loved one will not be coming home.

Our thoughts remain with all those families with whom we have shared such terrible tragedies over the years.

NSRI and the emergency services are well-rested, ready and prepared to respond to emergencies this summer.



emergency contact, 112 or 087 0949774.

With all of this in mind, our focus, in cooperation with the public at large, is to prevent drowning and water-related accidents this summer.

We, therefore, once again appeal to everyone making use of water for recreational purposes to keep safety at the forefront of their minds



FURNITURE: single & double beds & mattresses, small lounge suites, small kitchen tables & chairs, steel & wood cupboards. TV sets (working condition), any other furniture items in good condition

KITCHEN: pots, pans, cutlery, crockery, clean Tupperware, kettles, toasters, microwaves, baking equipment. (all electrical equipment must please be in working order. We don't have the facilities to repair electrical equipment).

LINEN: sheets (all sizes), pillow cases, pillows, comforters, duvets, blankets

CLOTHING MEN'S: pants, shirts (long & short sleeve), tees, socks, shoes, CLOTHING LADIES: dresses, skirts, blouses, tees, shoes.

BOOKS: fiction & non-fiction.

ORNAMENTS: all those "dust gatherers" you have had for years, crockery & metal goods, lamps & lamp shades, picture frames (not broken), bric-a-brac that is cluttering your space

COLLECTION: we can collect in the Sedgefield area Call 044 343 1722. Ask for Michele & we'll arrange collection from your premises.

DELIVERY OF DONATIONS: can be done at the Sedge Shop on Mon to Thurs 10am to 2pm, Fri 10am to 4pm, Sat 9:30am to 12:30pm.





SEDGEIFIELD ALL STYLE KICKBOXING

Sedgefield All Style Kickboxing, new to Sedgefield, held its first grading ceremony and year-end function, at Montecello, on Friday, 2 December, at 17:30.

Shihan Schalk Labuschagne and Sensei Joshua Labuschagne are very proud of their team, which includes kickboxers from age seven

For info on how to join the team, feel free to contact Shihan Schalk on 071 607 5344

IS YOUR BUSINESS LICENSED?

Municipality, Businesses should be reminded that they may require a licence from the local authority to trade within the Greater Knysna municipal area.

"The Business Act 71 of 1991 identifies those types of businesses that may not trade without first obtaining a licence from the municipality," said Knysna Acting Municipal Manager Roland Butler. "If your business provides foodstuff or services, you need to obtain a licence separate from the trading permits issued by our Local Economic Department."

Examples of businesses that sell or supply meals, takeaways or perishable foodstuff fit for human consumption on or off the premises include, but are not limited to, a home or mobile shop; food retailers; restaurants and takeaway shops; caterers; wedding venues; and school tuck shops. Hawkers selling food or meals that are taken from one place to another, on a public road or at any other place accessible to the public, or from a movable structure or stationary vehicle are also required to obtain a licence.

Butler explained that certain businesses in the health and entertainment sector also need to obtain a licence from the municipality. "These include premises that offer Turkish baths, saunas or other types of baths; massages and/or infrared treatment; escort services; premises with three or more mechanical, electronic or electrical devices like coinoperated gaming machines; those with three or more snooker or billiard tables; night-clubs or discotheques; and cinemas or theatres," he said. "Conducting

According to Knysna an adult premise in terms of business, as well as a copy of section 24 of the Films and Publications Act, 1996, also requires a licence."

> Different types of businesses may also need to comply with additional requirements. A business may need a Land Use Clearance Certificate, a Population and Clearance Certificate, and a copy of an approved building plan or layout of the interior of the premises and refuse removal area. A Certificate of Occupancy and a Certificate of Acceptability might be needed. Adult film business operations must include a certificate or clearance issued by the Film and Publications

> 'We know how important it is to do business successfully," said Butler. "We aim to make the application process an easy procedure and encourage prospective operators to follow these steps.

§ Complete the L1 business licence application form available from the Solid Waste Office in Clyde Street, Knysna. You can request a digital version from nsalmons@knysna.gov.za. § Pay the application fee at the Customer Care Centre in Main Road, Knysna.

§ Submit your completed L1 form and proof of payment along with the following documents:

1. a copy of the ID/passport of the person whose name will be on the business licence;

a copy of your municipal account (proof of business address); and 3. your postal address (if it is

not the same as the business address). § If you rent the premises or

property, you need to include a letter from the owner confirming that they are aware of your

their municipal account.

§ Specify if the premises have a wheelie bin and the frequency of collection.

§ Adult entertainment premises applications must include the clearance issued by the Film & Publication Board.

§ Businesses selling alcohol must include a copy of their liquor licence.

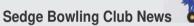
You must supply a plan showing how waste will be dealt with daily.

"Our licensing officials will guide you throughout the process," Butler continued. Applications are circulated amongst relevant departments for comments and recommendations. Applicants will be notified of any other requirements that may need to be

"Businesses do not have to apply for a new licence every year," he confirmed. "New licences must be obtained if your business moves to a different location. Licences are not transferable upon the sale of a business, so if you have bought an existing business, you must apply for a new licence. It is a serious criminal offence to operate a business without the necessary licence, and the owner could be liable for a fine of R1000, three months in prison – or both.'

"We appreciate the importance of our private business sector and its contribution to our local economy," Butler concluded. "We also know how important it is for entrepreneurs to succeed. But, to do so, you need to comply with this national legislation. We are committed to assisting you to succeed and to building a successful, inclusive, innovative, inspired Knysna."

Off the Mat



With so many interesting events going on, it's difficult to know where to start!

CLUB STUFF:- PRIZE GIVING & **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The club rocked on Friday night with lots of excitement. A big thank you to Kris and her decorating team (thank goodness the crinkle paper has gone), the table decorators, and everyone involved; the clubhouse looked stunning. Mary Bosch did a wonderful job with her quiz of guess who ?? young to old (gee, some grew to be seriously good-looking adults); it was

MAIN EVENT-PRIZEGIVING

Congratulations to all the winners and runnersup. The most prestigious competition is the





CLUB SINGLES CHAMPION and this year's

LADIES CHAMPION (3rd time) - ROSALIE HORNING

MEN'S CHAMPION - DANIEL METTER. Congratulations.

BAREFOOTBOWLS

The final evening was a great success – thanks to all the club members that helped each Friday, the organisers, and the players. Everyone that participated thoroughly enjoyed themselves. THANK YOU, SEDGEFIELD.

The Island vs The Village competition and braai will be held on 16th December - our last fun competition of the year.

The Club President Charles and his committee would like to wish all members a Happy Christmas and New Year. Enjoy the festive season. Be careful COVID has not gone on holiday.

That's all from the kitty "stay safe", and remember the club is open over the holidays.

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1. Rental

60m2 SHOP TO LET in REMAX Building, Main Road, Sedgefield. Email bashewa1@hotmail.com for more information or Whatsapp 082 858 0424

3. Accommodation Holiday

Bird Cottage on the Island. Quality accommodation. Low rates. Spacious, DSTV, w/machine. Also stop over option in Guinea Room Suite. 044 3431261 www.birdcottage.co.za

4. Announcements

ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS Sedgefield Acorn Group. Call 079 323 2085 for

BOOKS & COFFEE Delicious home baked eats & treats. Coffees, lattes & milkshakes. Good quality 2nd hand books for sale (we also buy books). WiFi. printing, scanning & emailing - generator during load-shedding. Pop in to Deo Gratia, next to Pick n Pay. 082 9020 649

BUBBLY FESTIVAL Friday 23 Dec 15 Cape Classique Wine Tastings 4pm to 9pm Mosaic Village Market. R190 per person Food - Fashion - Live Music. Tickets R190 each. 073 334 4592

Garden refuse removal... your affordable solution in Sedge, Knysna & Plett. Dial a Drum ... 082 808 5984

Jeta Consulting. Lead generation. Real Estate lead generation. Digital marketing. Virtual assistant. Call Ese 073 885 0945

Sedgefield Mosaic Tours Masithandane hosts mosaic art tours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You can hear the stories that inspired the pieces that make up a magical outdoor gallery alongside a water wonderland. Come meet the talented mosaic team, learn



082 874 6245 044 343 2991

Based in Sedgefield Deliver between Mosselbay and Plett

about the town's history, people and 'slow town' character. Please call or WhatsApp Jacky 0824142133 to book your place

TRANSPORT available in Sedgefield and various areas around the Garden Route - Airports, schools, shops, clinics. Contact Barry - 072 507 5407

WANTED: Sedgefield Hospice Shoppe need your second hand goods. Have a clean out and help others with your unwanted items! Please give them a call 044 343 1722

Whistle Stop Station now open on Saturdays between 9 and 1pm.

5. Boats & Accessories

PEDALO Excel cond, stainless steel pedals. R7500onco. Cell 082 467 3232

6. Building & Related Services

All DIY Hardware and Tools available @ Sedgefield Hardware. Tel 044 343

Architectural Draughting Services.

Phone Tracy 082 695 3119 / 044 343 BUILDERS... We source the best local

products at the cheapest possible price. CX Tippers & Diggers - your one stop aggregate supplier. Tel 044 382 1645

BUILDING MANAGEMENT Mike Austin 083 261 0543

Craftsman Homes - Quality building in Brick & Timbers. 082 812 1820

CXTIPPERS & DIGGERS - Quality products & service at your doorstep. Tel 044 382 1645

SOLID PAVING - Renaldo 071 760 1752

5. Boats & Accessories

Pedalo excel cond. Stainless steel pedals. R7500onco. Cell 082 467 3232

7. Businesses

Don't Forget to send in your Christmas & New Year messages. Contact Joy on 082 389 2024 / 044 343 2415 by Friday 9th December 2022. Please note our last Edition for the year is next week on the 14th December. Our first Edition for 2023 will be on the 11th

PASTEL SALES, setup and training. Call C A Mather Accounting, 044 343 2202 or 083 779 7934

9. Clothing

Children's Clothes - Hooligan Range. Hooligan clothes 0/3m - 6/7 years still available at 30% off on price. Mariana

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tel: 044 343 2202 cell: 083 779 7934 email: cathy@camather.co.za address: 14 Swallow Drive, Sedgefield

11. Crafts & Home Industry

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12. Education & Tuition

MUSIC LESSONS - On line lessons also offered .- Piano, music theory and clarinet. From beginners to advanced, for all ages. Please contact Ann Carroll on 083 275 7576, adrcarrol@gmail.com. www.touchwoodmusic.co.za

SINGING LESSONS from classical to contemporary, and musical theatre. All welcome. Contact Lynne Brown. 083 660 4749

13. Electrical

Electrical Hardware @ Sedgefield

HANDS ON ELECTRICAL For service and repairs, installations, fridges, washing machines, dishwashers, microwaves, stoves, TV & audio. Quality workmanship. Reg on 083 297 1929

HEUNIS Plumbing, Electrical and PV Solar. All Maintenance & Construction Qualified in both trades COC Certificates. Call 082 972 3911 manie.heunis @gmail.com

14. Employment Offered

Seabridge School, Sedgefield, is looking for a part-time English teacher. Teaching Cambridge AS & A-Level English. Contact time approximately 6 hours per week. Candidates must have an appropriate degree, PGCE, SACE registration and police clearance. Please contact Jeff@seabridgesedgefield.org or 071 391 8179. Closing date 16th Dec.

15. Employment Wanted

Cyntha - Excellent Qualified Trainer Carer. Has cared for the same patient for the last 6 years. Available from mid October. Please call Peter on 082 567 6947 for reference

House Sitter available for season. Call Sanchia on 079 110 7989

William available - Gardening Mon/Fri with refs. 062 399 7158

Wilson available - Gardening Tues/Fri with refs. 078 108 4566

Ellen for Domestic work, Experienced Please call 081 000 5038

Domestic

Falless - 074 307 0062 Flora - 065 716 2528 Grace - 083 343 1742 Lincey - 078 494 3118 Ref Loyce - 083 996 5404 Mary - 073 118 0420 Mery - 073 339 5041 Memory - 078 522 8540 Mercy - 083 686 0379 Merry - 074 485 2082 Milliam - 072 523 4261 Thadiwe - 078 768 5426 Cooks

Gardening Aaron - 063 485 8419

Alex - 083 774 0992 Karim - 083 774 0992

17. Food & Wine

Breakfast Special during November & December @ Station.

Food - Fashion Live Music Bubbly Festival @ Mosaic Village Market. 15 Cape ClassiqueWine Tastings: R190 pp. Friday 23 Dec, 4pm -9pm. 073 344 4592

German Lane Christmas Range of Raith Gourmet Cooked deboned Gammon @ R179 per kg, gammon ±3 kg. Whole Ducks and Argentinian Prawns also on special. Call Ralf @ German Lane ro book your order by 10 December. 079 135 9188

Mosaic Food Fare - Food stalls, Wine/Craft Beer/Coffee and more EVERY Wednesday, 4pm-8pm at Mosaic Market.

18. For Sale

Light weight Dome tent. 3 person. R750. Camping table R200 Tel 071 194

Rust Stain Remover Fabric. Various sizes available from Edge offices. Enq. Verity 076 619 3659

19. Home & Garden

AQUAMAN POOL CARE Service Maintenance. Pump Repairs. Call 044 343 3237 / 072 704 2872

BEKARU TREE SERVICE. 072 239 9067 Insured.

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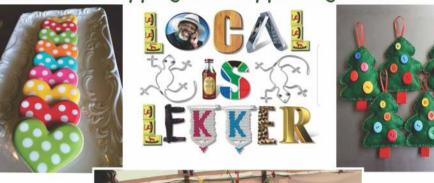


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Laughter really is the best medicine ...

being locked down in isolation due to COVID-19, it probably doesn't come as a surprise that individual well-being is now firmly on top of the mental health agenda.

Taking care of the human mind as well as the body not only helps maintain good health but also keeps us happy, makes us feel in control and ensures we have the tools and support to successfully overcome difficulties and achieve what we want out of life.

Larry Soffer, the leading Mentalist in Africa, explains that during the recent pandemic, both resources and options were few. Many people were forced to take things into their own hands, finding new ways to entertain themselves, especially after the lure of Netflix wore off. "I saw so many of my friends and family start baking banana bread, take up gardening, or start a new hobby like making jewellery or creating pottery. A few have since turned these side hustles into profitable businesses, which is just amazing," he laughs.

unmasked, and things are open and almost back to normal, Larry and many like him hope people go back to being entertained in ways they know and love. Even at a time when many South Africans are tightening their financial purse strings due to the escalating cost of living crisis, the important role the entertainment industry can play in helping improve and support mental health and well-being cannot be overlooked.

"It really is a game-changer. After all, they say that laughter is the best medicine, and you can see why. Entertainment, especially live entertainment, is the ultimate feel-good factor and the perfect way of escaping from our everyday routines. It is also about sharing elements of fun and lightness and emotional connection with a room full of others," he adds.

Here are Larry's five reasons why entertainment is so important to mental health and well-being:

1. We just can't help ourselves We can trace entertainment back to the first and second centuries, where hand puppets, storytelling, music and dance were very much a part of the social fabric of society. Entertainment has always been a part of who we are as humans. Larry says it is because we desire

2. We are wired to seek out things that bring us joy

fun and laughter in our lives.

And being entertained delivers this in truckloads! You only need to look at a young infant to see what I mean. They get so much joy from simply watching a cartoon on TV, playing peek-aboo with an adult or even seeing their reflection in the mirror. It's all entertainment for them and can bring them hours of fun and laughter.

3. We always need a break from reality

We get so consumed by everyday stress that we long for those small moments or activities that relieve us from that. For some, it helps to spend time in the gym, while others might want to be outside at one with nature. Entertainment is different, as it

has the possibility to transport us out of our everyday mundane lives and into a world where we can experience magic and mystery and believe in the impossible.

4. Entertainment works around you

From comedians, singers and ventriloquists to dancers, musicians, and magicians, almost all artists had some form of online offering during lockdown. Some performed in their living rooms, others on balconies or in gardens, but all happened because, as entertainers, we understand the need to spread joy and positivity during tough times.

This is the determined spirit of an artist - they simply cannot be stopped and will always find a way to express their craft. I know I absolutely loved entertaining during the lockdown, seeing packed living rooms full of family and friends, all desperate for some respite from the worry and doom.

5. As humans, we naturally gravitate to positivity and desire to be uplifted

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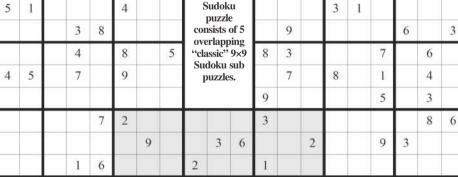
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4. Plagued by something

9. Such beasts freeze brass

10. Because of being lazy, I

had slightly deformed

11. Pork delicacies should

be covered to keep warm.

13. After showering, the

be exactly like that. (4,2)

glowing in your bed? (8)

Across

inside? (6)

lenses. (8)

(4,2,8)

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If It's Laughter You're After



by Melanie Baumeister

In June this year, Nkosinathi Maki beat out some stiff competition at the Jive Comedy Awards in Cape Town's Baxter Theatre. Of the 65 entrants, the comedian felt, 'everyone was so talented, I didn't stand a chance!' But after 11 years of hard work, perseverance and a lot of rejection, this funny man hit a sweet spot and hit it out of the park, winning the award 'Jive Comedian of the Year'. This title has been held by many other great names in the industry, and now Nkosinathi Maki too!

On the first night of the competition, he brought the house down, and the rest, as they say, is history. Now, six months later, this stand-up comedian is taking his show on the road and has kicked loose an opportunity for one night only at the little hole-in-the-wall theatre in Sedgefield, Studio 42.

Performing to a mixed-bag audience of loyal local theatre patrons on Wednesday the 14th of December, Mr Maki looks set to have us rolling in the aisles and quite possibly out onto the stoep! Described as versatile, adaptable and family-friendly, this comedian is set for great things, not only on South African stages. As comedians seem to be one of this country's greatest exports, maybe this will be our last chance to see him on local boards before the international scene snaps him

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Caption: On the left, Sensei Angelo Prins, the Sensei of the Sedgefield OGR Karate Dojo, alongside Sensei Masanari Kikugawa, the world's head Sensei of Karate.



chimney-man beats everyone! (5,5) 14 & 16. Prepared simply using cheese that is on the turn and not really hard 21 enough. (4,4) 18. "Rewrite!" the editor begs, "There's almost nothing taking place in Asia!"(4,6) 21. Storage for catering decision-makers. (7,7) 23. One calculation faces those who believe they are the best Is that what the buzz is about? (8)

24. Regularly repeated by passengers on the Kuruman Train. (6)

25. High flyer I heard keeps one open for detail. (5,3) 26. Money to support sales

person was given back. (6) Down

1. Yes, sleep with 'all that music'. (4)

2. Lower than citrus but still absolutely wonderful. (7)

3. The last offering is for the birds. (4,4)

5. Bit of earth Al turned over to the first lady in that old movie. (2,5,4)

6. Almost fully agree on two That's where vou'll points?

find the holes! (6)

7. That's where our country is, girl.

8. These changes sit under Donald 17. Scene in which the alien is Trump, having consumed America caught up in a sting. (7) - would one keep out the 19. When Cele turned out to be unwanted? (4,5)

12. After getting 'baked' for ³/₄ of ancient Greeks. (7) the year, one pops out for the initial 20. "Make sure your electronic family meeting. (3,4,4)

13. The American asks the the Sergeant on the front-line. (6) Australian for the bill, declaring 22. Music to listen to on the run? victory across the board. (9)

15. The doctor normally had dinner before he would hand out drugs. (8)

trans she lost points with the

equipment has power!" shouts

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LOCAL MAN NEW SWD REF

Whilst there's no doubt about the abundance of rugby talent in Sedgefield, Nico van Rooyen may well have made history for the village by qualifying as an SWD Referee.

Having played rugby since the age of ten, club rugby at sixteen, and clocking up nine years for the hugely successful Sedge Eagle Stars, Nico's career as a player came to an end in 2021 as a result of a knee injury. But at 39, he felt he still had more to give to the game.

"The sport has always been my source of encouragement, and I knew that one day when I stopped playing, I would become a referee," he told

It took a while to get his 'foot in the door'. But with the assistance of SWD Referee trainer Abie Steenberg, after completing three months of online courses with 'World Rugby', Nico became certified as a match official and was presented with his SWD refereeing kit on 19 November – minutes before officiating his first match between Busy Boys RFC and Red Army RFC in the Knysna Mayoral Rugby Tournament.

At first, he found officiating on the field quite daunting, but as his self-confidence grew, it became a very rewarding experience. Now with four matches under his belt, he is exceptionally grateful for the new role he plays in his favourite sport.

"I want to thank God for this opportunity, and my wife, Carmen - who I call my 'second coach'," he says.

Nico also wanted to note his appreciation for the encouragement he received from Phillip Bosch and Garin August of the Eastern Cape and Clive Solomons of Sedgefield.





TLC ANNUAL GOLF DAY

The Living Cornerstone hosted its annual Golf day on 27 November 2022 at the Knysna Golf club.

We were able to give out 14 team prizes, two lucky prizes, four auction items, one raffle prize and 11 individual prizes.

On arrival, participants each received a "goodie bag" and a welcome drink and were given a boerie roll on completion of their game.

Participants were told the history of The Living

Cornerstone, and our vision for the immediate future was explained.

The day was enjoyed by all, and we will keep the memories made close to our hearts.

Thank you to all the sponsors, the Knysna Golf Club and staff members of TLC.

We have started to plan the next golf day already.

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SEDGE GENTS' GOLF

Peter Heath embodies all the attributes of a typical Gentlemen's club member – a love of golf, camaraderie, wine, and arithmetic skills which is not always reflected in returned golf scorecards. His desire is to raise his golf from a corporeal to a spiritual level. Unfortunately, this is where his only weakness makes its appearance because the only spirit he achieves is the Monthly Mug bottle of sherry awarded for being the worst player of the day. His wife loves a glass of wine, so you can imagine the reception he receives when he arrives home with the wrong tipple.

The Monthly Mug competition was held in beautiful weather, and the A division returned some great scores. Topping the list was the Scot Bill Craig, whose favourite soccer team is not playing in the World Cup soccer tournament, with a net 56, followed by Theo Pelser on 56, Dave Herbst on 58 and Trevor Pahl on 59. The B division, playing Stableford, was won by Terry Savage with 36 points. He maintains that

this proves that he should play in the A group and insists that the Captain corrects this anomaly. He also took nearest the pin on the 13th hole to underline his demands. In second spot was Martin Gilchrist with 33, followed by Jan Potgieter with 31 after a count-out with Tony Hunter. The other nearest the pin went to Neville Large on the 16th.

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After the prizegiving, Peter Heath received a beautiful gesture from the Captain in the form of a lovely Get Well card. Not because he is ill but because the Captain feels his golf can improve. 1/12/22

The first of December introduced itself with beautiful weather, particularly for golf. It was cloudy and warm with little or no wind; perfect weather for the first round of the annual Sedge Gentlemen's club championships, which will be completed after the second round is played on the 8th. This will be followed by the prizegiving and Xmas lunch. A couple of players asked the Captain what time in the evening this was to be, so he explained, very slowly, that as it is a lunch, it will take place at midday, at 13h30 to be precise.

SEDGE LADIES' GOLF

25/11/22

Even though the numbers were low, 11 ladies enjoyed a quick game. The greens were rather slow, but that didn't stop some great scores.

The day's game was Stableford, but only the ODD-numbered holes counted towards the prizes.

Our winners were as follows: 1st Martha Smith on 19 points

from a count out. 2nd Elize Mackenzie-Blom on 19 points.

3rd Sylvia de Moor on 18 from a count out to Daleen Schooling.

Two excellent Nearest the Pin tee shots by Sylvia on the 5th and Eleanor Sparks on the 4th.

Birdies were on the low side; maybe they were scared away by our new course cat!

Elize Mackenzie-Blom 11 and

Sylvia de Moor 15 Sam Bowen 3 Joclyn Fearon Marshall 12



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