

MOURNING THE TRAGIC LOSS OF 3 VERY SPECIAL LADIES



Helen Spengler



Jean Melvill



Emily Bothma

On the afternoon of Sunday, 19 November 2023, news broke of a terrible head-on collision on the N2, which led to the death of three local women. As names were released, many in Sedgefield's community were left reeling when they heard that three well-known and much-loved ladies, Helen Spengler (76), Jean Melvill (77) and Emily Bothma (80), had tragically lost their lives. Their close friend, Sylvia Johnson, who had been travelling with them - was being treated in hospital for multiple serious injuries.

The sole occupant of the other vehicle involved - a female driver reportedly from Calitzdorp - was also hospitalised. At time of going to press, her name was not available.

The accident occurred near the Timberlake turn-off at about 13:45, soon after the four friends had enjoyed Sunday lunch together and decided to head to Hoekwil on a quest for dessert. They were travelling in a Ford EcoSport belonging to Helen.

An eyewitness later contacted a member of Jean Melvill's family and described what he had seen. He had been driving in front of the Ford, heading in the same direction, when he realised an oncoming Mercedes was veering over onto his side of the road. He swerved, managing to avoid it, but witnessed, a split second later, in his rearview mirror, the horrific carnage as it collided with the Ford.

It is not known who called emergency services. Two ER Advanced Life ambulances swiftly arrived on the scene - one from George and the other from Knysna, followed a short while later by Frontier Medics and Metro ambulances.

SAPS Traffic members also rushed to the scene and took control of the area, halting the flow of vehicles on the busy highway whilst medics attended to the victims of the accident.

According to a police report issued later on the day, two of the ladies involved in the accident sustained multiple injuries and were declared deceased by paramedics on the scene. The three others were all taken to hospital for medical care, where the third passenger of the Ford, unfortunately, succumbed to her injuries a short while later.

Enquiries with medical personnel have since revealed that both Sylvia and the driver of the Mercedes are making a steady recovery.

According to Sylvia's son, she sustained many injuries to her upper torso with fractured and badly broken bones. Her legs are bruised but not broken. After initial treatment at George Mediclinic she has been moved to Groenkloof step down.

"The doctor has said she's a strong lady," he said, adding that she is utterly heartbroken over the loss of her three dear friends.

Obituaries submitted by Helen, Jean and Emily's loved ones appear on pages 4 and 5 of this edition.

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NSRI SALUTES RESCUE HEROES

The crew of NSRI Wilderness Station 23 is singing the praises of four bystanders for their heroic efforts towards saving the life of a drowning man. Brooklyn Boesak (13) Daniel Armoed (41), Louis Lombard (31) and Piet Van Rooyen (48) all played vital roles in the rescue which took place at the rivermouth in Sedgefield in the afternoon of Sunday 26 November 2023.

It was the turning of a high tide rushing out to sea and the current was strong around the estuary. A unidentified male ended up in trouble when swimming about 150m upriver from the mouth. Brooklyn, at the beach with family, noticed the man frantically waving his arms and calling for help. The courageous youngster swam over to try and assist.

But despite great effort, he could not bear the weight of the large man in the water - estimated to have been at least two to three metres deep. As the man sunk again Brooklyn started signaling for help, attracting the attention of Daniel further up the shore.

Daniel realised something serious was up and made his way along the rocky shoreline to the river's edge as fast as he could on bare feet.

"Waar is hy? Waar is hy?" he asked the exhausted Brooklyn, and dove in as soon as the lad pointed to the spot.

Swimming down he found the man below the surface and tried to pull him out, but he too battled due to the dead weight. Holding his breath, Daniel planted his feet firmly in the riverbed, grabbed the back of the man's shorts and pushed him up to the surface. From there on he was able to surface himself then, with assistance of Brooklyn begin swimming the man to shore.

Meanwhile, Louis Lombard, a young athlete on holiday from Pretoria, noticed the commotion from further up the beach, and when he heard that someone was potentially drowning he said to himself "I can swim - so maybe I can help!" and sprinted along the river side to the scene.

As he got there, Daniel and Brooklyn were just managing to drag the man to the edge of the water. Piet van Rooyen had also headed down to help, and between the four of them they managed to heave the unconscious figure out of the water and onto the rocks.

But the struggle certainly wasn't over, because there wasn't the slightest sign of life in the man. Amazingly, though Daniel hadn't ever had first aid training, he drew from memory of what he'd seen on TV and went into CPR action. He checked for a pulse and, finding nothing, began pumping the man's chest, stopping every minute or so to administer mouth to mouth.

Daniel, Brooklyn, Piet and Louis meeting up a day after they saved a life!

Louis said they all watched in increasing anguish as Daniel continued for about five to eight minutes, checking for a pulse as and when they could.

Suddenly a whole lot of water gushed out the guy's mouth, and when Daniel felt the man's neck again he was delighted to feel the faint glimmer of a pulse.

"Hey, there's something going on here!" he exclaimed happily.

This was when NSRI medics arrived on the scene and took over the resuscitation until the patient was stable. The medics then requested a spinal board so that they, the four rescuers and other members of the public who assisted could carry the man over the very rocky terrain to the stairs and up to the car park to await the Er24 ambulance. When it arrived minutes later, ER24 paramedics stabilised the man further before transporting him to hospital. He arrived in a serious but stable condition and has since made good recovery.

NSRI Station Commander Mike Vonk met up with the four rescuers at the scene the following evening to offer his appreciation "What an amazing team effort. You guys certainly saved his life!"

(Note from Editor: At time of going to press we were unable to contact the rescued gentleman to acquire permission to publish his name.)

Notes from T'Ed's Head

Welcome, welcome, WELCOME!!!

It's so very nice to see you ... how long has it been? Twenty-seven years? My goodness, that's ... Oops! Mind the gate!... Oh, so sorry – is your foot ok? Yes, it does tend to go ... er ... off the rails, you might say, like WE used to do every weekend in Harare, hey? Ha ha ... good times indeed ... Oh yes, I agree, of course ... in the past and all that. Anyway ... yes ... I HAVE tried fixing the gate, but ... Oh, I see ... Wow... as simple as that, eh? Thank you! My goodness! You've only been here a second or two, and you've already sorted the gate out! Mrs Ed will tell you she's been asking me to get it fixed for years ... you remember how she loves to exaggerate.

Anyway, come in, COME IN, my old mate!

Park here, next to that pile of bricks ... careful ... especially of the rusted drum. Oops! Sorry, so glad it's a rental. Yes, our pesky builder left quite a mess. I have been meaning to get him to remove it, but you know how they are ...

Renovations? No ... why do you ask? OH ... I see – no, the rubble is actually from when we originally built ... 22 years ago ... I think ...?

My goodness – where are my manners? This must be your lovely wife. Ahhh, it's so nice to meet you. We never thought old Vom-Viv would ever land a lass who would ... Vom? ... Oh, that



was from back in our Harare days when he used to dri ... OUCH!! That's quite some suitcase you have there, mate. Almost took my knee off! Anyway, I was just telling your good wife here about your V ... OUCH!

Oh ... yes, I understand ... in the past and all that.

Mrs Ed's been dying to see you Vom ... sorry, Viv, and of course to meet your good wife er ... Elizabeth wasn't it? Yes – but we'll call you Liz, or do you prefer Lizzie, like Thin Lizzie, the rock ban ...? I see, Elizabeth it is then. Yes, I'm sure that IS what your parents intended.

Anyway, as I was saying, er Elizabeth, and er ... Viv, ... oh ... Vivian? Really? That's HILARIOUS! No... no... don't mind me; I am fine with both.

Right, er ... Vivian and Elizabeth, let's get you inside ... I'll have to open the door for you from the inside – give me a second while I ... Oh? The window? Ah yes, I have to climb in this way because the door jams a bit in this weather, so it needs a bit of help from the shoulder to open it ... from the inside.

No. There's no need to follow me through; give me three seconds while I just ... STAND BY!

Oh, I AM so sorry, Liz ... abeth, I had no idea you were quite so close. Yes, of course. How were you to know it would burst open like that? Let me help you up ... Oh, how unfortunate ... my son's dog visited yesterday, and I guess that's one we didn't pick up!

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Anyway, as I was saying, Mrs Ed – and no, that's not short for Edward – can't wait to meet you Lizzie, but she's just popped out to get some supplies. Talking of which, Vom, are you still a Black Label Bru? I remember when you put back so ... OUCH!... um... several... every OUCH!

Oh ... You don't do beer now? At all? So it's just the brandy and coke, then? Mind you, didn't that used to make you quite voess? I remember the time you got into it with those five guys from ... OUCH! Oh ... Yes... I understand – in the past and all that.

Oh ... Tee Total? My goodness! And how about you ... umm ... Beth ... a Liz? Mrs Ed said she would get a nice bottle of Chardonnay.

Yes, we do have tea ... though I'm not sure about the chamomile ... I'd better call her quickly ... Stand by.

So, let me show you guys to your room. Here you are – you can put your suitcases on the bed; let me just get the dogs off. You're right – it is a bit dark in here. Yes, we can put the light on, but not that light switch; that's for the veranda. Yes, we do have a veranda ... we just don't use it much because it's ... well, a bit full. That's why you don't get any light through that window, because of the stacked boxes and the old piano. And the dresser.

The light switch for THIS room is in the cupboard ... NO, NOT THAT ONE! PLEASE DON'T OPEN... Oh my goodness, BETH, I'm SO sorry! That must have really hurt – I hope there's no blood. It's our daughter's guitar. No, she doesn't play, but she says she wants to learn after she's mastered the piano. In fact, all of that stuff that fell out the cupboard is hers ... and No, she doesn't still live with us – she moved out years ago. But she doesn't want us to get rid of any of her Important Stuff.

No, apparently, they don't have room.

Where were we? Oh yes – The light switch for YOUR bedroom is here, across the passage in the cupboard under the stairs. Oh? I don't know why. It's just always been like that. And please be careful when you reach in to turn off the light because of the craft-brew kit. Yes, I suppose that does explain the yeasty smell, Betty, but I have to say it's better than it was – it's normally set up in the spare bathroom, but Mrs Ed insisted I pack it away for some reason.

Speaking of which – this is your bathroom. Yes, it DOES have a door somewhere. I just haven't got around to putting it back after moving the brewing equipment. I'll hang a sheet up for the time being. Oh, Liza, please try not to move that bucket – I don't want to disturb it because it's almost ready – a lovely brown ale indeed. I thought in a couple of days Vom and I could ... no, of course not.

Now, please be sure not to er ... ablate whilst the washing machine is running – that's it in the shower – because it tends to bounce about a bit and can cause nasty bruises on the knees, especially if you are sitting down at the time. The light switch? Of course we have a light switch for the bathroom. Why wouldn't we? It is at the far end of the lounge – normally, you can yell, and someone will turn it on for you.

Smoke? Burning plastic? OH MY GOODNESS! Mrs Ed asked me to keep an eye on the dinner. Let me ... OH MY BURNING BLAZES! Open the windows, someone! No, the kitchen ones don't work. Sorry about that ... I agree, she really should have taken the chicken out of the polystyrene carton, but she is a bit absent-minded. Of course it's fine; normally, I just run it under the cold tap, then pull off the melted bits, and it's as right as ...

Vom? Where's Betty-Boo rushing off to? Oh! ... well I don't know if there will be anything available in Knysna at this late notice. But hey, if you do find something ...

Can I come with you?

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Willie had lived in Sedgefield for 35 years and was known for his vibrant personality. He was the heart of any gathering, spreading warmth and joy among friends and family. As a dedicated sales representative, he went above and beyond to assist others, earning a reputation for his unwavering support and respect for everyone he encountered.

His zest for life was contagious, and he lived each day to the fullest, cherishing moments spent with friends at his favourite local spot, Mingles Pub. His generous spirit and willingness to lend a helping hand will forever be remembered and deeply missed by all whose lives he touched.



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OTHER MUNICIPALITIES STEP IN TO ASSIST KNYSNA

Knysna Municipality is, it seems, facing an increasing battle in providing at least some of the basic services it is mandated to perform, so the assistance from neighbouring municipalities is gratefully received.

Whilst Sedgefielders have regularly complained about the refuse piling up at the old recycling depot, it seems that Knysna central has an even bigger problem. Social media has been abuzz with complaints about a potential health disaster as heaps of waste have been left rotting at the waste transfer depot adjacent to the railway station.

Thus there was at least some relief when three compactor trucks from the George Municipality arrived in Knysna at six on Saturday morning to begin cleaning up.

A press release from Knysna Municipality announced that the Western Cape Government had facilitated this intervention. "The support provided by George Municipality in cleaning up the waste dump demonstrates the value of inter-governmental collaboration in meeting community needs. There has already been a noticeable reduction in the quantity of refuse on site. George Municipality committed to remove all the current waste. The municipality of Greater Knysna is grateful for the support."

DAConstituency Head Dion George is less upbeat about the situation.

"The mounting refuse collection crisis not only threatens the health of Knysna residents but also interferes with what should be a peaceful and relaxing holiday season environment," he said in a

scathing press release.

He puts the problem down to only 5 of Knysna's 11 refuse removal trucks being in operation, claiming that the other six require repairs that the Municipality is unable to pay for.

"The result is a growing pile of rubbish threatening to submerge the Town," he states.

Hot on the heels of this dilemma has been a rather sudden water crisis as a number of areas in greater Knysna have suddenly needed emergency supplies trucked in.

This was once again due to failing infrastructure where waterpumps were in need of repair. Sedgefield residents were alerted that the storage reservoir was very low and water had to be trucked in to provide several parts of Smutsville with drinking water. Other reservoirs in similarly precarious situations were Sunridge, Bigia, Knotzie, Dam-se-Bos, Khayhaletu, Pezula, Sparrebosch, Eastford New, Entabeni, Old Place, and Leisure Island.

Yesterday Anton Bredell, the Provincial Minister for Local Government, paid a visit to Knysna, ahead of a diagnostic evaluation that the Municipality will be going through next week.

The crucial issues that will be examined in the assessment are the municipality's current water, refuse collection, sewerage and financial position.

In a press release issued by the municipality they said that this proactive approach suggests a commitment to addressing and understanding the challenges faced by the municipality in these key areas.

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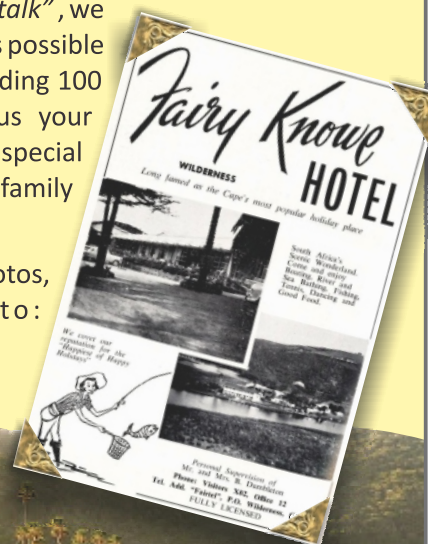
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MUNICIPAL MANAGER INVITES TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION AND SPECIALIST INPUT

In an effort to promote transparent governance and foster trust, Knysna Municipal Manager Ombali Sebola invited residents to enter into constructive communication with the municipality.

“Recent public participation meetings held regarding our Integrated Development Plan, ward meetings and other public interactions have provided invaluable insight into the needs, opinions and frustrations of our community members,” said Sebola. “Your involvement in local government is vital to ensuring that we deliver the services you need.”

“It is equally important that we play open cards with our residents

so that you are aware of the challenges we face and the limitations we are often forced to operate within,” he continued. “A clear understanding between residents and the administration can only lead to improved service delivery, constructive infrastructure development and supportive social development.”

He urged residents to continue attending public meetings and taking part in the public participation phases of municipal projects. The various private and non-governmental sectors serving the community of Greater Knysna are also invited to engage in ongoing communication with the municipality.

“The greater Knysna municipal

area is a popular destination for retirees,” he said. “It would be invaluable if we could tap into your experience for advice, know-how and finding solutions to some of our problems. Retired engineers, environmental experts and other specialists who are interested in making their expertise available to us on a voluntary basis can contact my office at mm@knysna.gov.za.”

“The word ‘democracy’ is derived from the Greek word ‘demokratia’, which is understood as ‘government by the people’,” Sebola concluded. “Democracy and effective governance are dependent on the involvement of the people. Speak with us, find out how you can get involved and make a real contribution to an inclusive, innovative, inspired Knysna.”

SEdge RATEPAYERS RESPOND TO MM

Mr Sebola, your press release entitled, “Municipal Manager invites two-way communication and specialist input”, dated Wednesday, 22 November 2023, refers.

We fully agree and support the notion of transparent governance. You are correct that fostering trust is critical. Trust is derived from stakeholders through taking the public into your confidence, doing what you say you will do and ensuring service delivery is competently and professionally provided. It also helps when the financial affairs of the municipality are managed with care and due diligence.

The problem is that talking about governance and trust and demonstrating governance and earning trust are worlds apart.

You invited residents to enter into constructive communication with the municipality. Communication is a two-way dialogue. Time and time again, we have sought feedback on various issues. We have numerous records of submissions and COLLAB numbers that still need to be answered and resolved.

You mention the recent public participation meetings held regarding our Integrated Development Plan and comment that “ward meetings and other public interactions have provided invaluable insight into the needs, opinions and frustrations of our community members.”

As a member of the Ward 1 committee and several of my SR&RA executives serving on the Ward 2 committee, I can confirm that it is frustrating when directors do not attend public meetings with no apologies, and then meetings must be reconvened. It is frustrating to raise COLLABS on all the potholes in

our town only to be told there is no money.

It is frustrating when priority items have no budget allocation.

It is frustrating when people are made promises year after year about housing and basic services, and there is no progress.

It is frustrating to see the illegal developments on our dunes despite a court interdict.

It is frustrating when we submit comprehensive analysis and feedback on the IDP document and receive no feedback.

It is frustrating to deal with non-existent law enforcement.

It is frustrating to read your comment to us as Knysna Residents that, “Your involvement in local government is vital to ensuring that we deliver the services you need”... particularly when so many residents volunteer time, energy and expertise, and their inputs are entirely ignored. What is vital from a municipal point of view is staffing your team with competent, qualified professionals who are there to serve our town.

You say, “It is equally important that we play open cards with our residents so that you are aware of the challenges we face and the limitations we are often forced to operate within.”

Mr Sebola, we have records going back over 12 months where we have raised issues with your municipality. We are fully aware of the challenges and the limitations.

You then say, “A clear understanding between residents and the administration can only lead to improved service delivery, constructive infrastructure development and supportive social development.” Mr Sebola, an “understanding” requires a meeting of the minds, honesty, responding to emails, answering

telephones, and delivering on the project milestones. The infrastructure development and social development requirements for Greater Knysna are huge, but your ratepayers and residents (particularly in Sedgefield) are still looking for meaningful progress.

You then urged residents to “continue attending public meetings and take part in the public participation phases of municipal projects” and make the point that “the various private and non-governmental sectors serving the community of Greater Knysna are also invited to engage in ongoing communication with the municipality.” As the SR&RA, we thank you for that offer, and once again, we will continue to support you and your entire team and engage in the public participation process.

For example, we have asked for an integrated Housing Task team to be set up as a subcommittee of Ward 1.

Concerning your comment that “it would be invaluable if we could tap into your experience for advice, know-how and finding solutions to some of our problems,” we have several people who would welcome the opportunity to discuss the strategic plan for Knysna with you and your team and ensure water, safety and security, infrastructure and housing are in place for the long term.

You end your letter talking about democracy. The timing of your communication as we move into an election cycle may be coincidental; I don’t know. Nevertheless, we appreciate the opportunity to engage with you and your directors, particularly our newly appointed Area Manager.

Yours faithfully
Dr AJ Brough
Chairperson SR&RA



SAVE OUR TORTOISES AND WILDLIFE

The Sedgefield Island conservancy is extremely concerned about the recent needless killing of our tortoises by road users. Whist we believe no responsible person would deliberately run over a tortoise, we send a serious appeal to residents, contractors, couriers and municipal trucks to PLEASE SLOWDOWN.

Despite speed limit signs, and countless signs warning of tortoises and wildlife crossing the road, the casualties continue. Many of our leafy roads provide dappled shade which does make it difficult at times

to spot a tortoise – which is all the more reason for NOT speeding. Until law enforcement is present and dishing out fines on our island, this will continue. Blatant disregard for stop streets and speed limits is an unwelcome practice here in our slow town. Guinea fowl chicks and Egyptian geese goslings are all hatching, and run the risk of being run over. The Dikkops are busy breeding and as these are crepuscular (active after twilight), motorists also need to be aware of them.

If you are expecting visitors during the upcoming holiday season,

please make them aware of the speed limits on our roads. If you own a guest house or have a BnB it would really help to remind them they are in a Slow Town!

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A HEARTBREAKING LOSS

The following Obituaries were submitted by the loved ones of Emily Bothma, Helen Spengler and Jean Melvill.

Emily Patricia Bothma

Emily was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1943. She was one of 5 children. She lost her parents at a very young age, and she and one of her sisters had to move to Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) with her uncle and aunt. This is also where they finished school.

Emily met her husband, Manus, in Rhodesia and later moved to South Africa, where they farmed sheep and cattle in the Northern Cape. The couple had four children: Frank, Leslie, Marie and Christine.

Unfortunately, Emily lost her husband when she was only 40 years old and sadly, seventeen years later, she also lost her eldest daughter, Marie, in a motor vehicle accident. Her daughter Marie left behind two infant children, aged 1 and 3 years. Emily stopped working and moved in with her son-in-law to care for her two grandchildren for the next five years. A task she took up wholeheartedly and felt privileged to do.

Emily then moved to Kimberley for a couple of years. After visiting Sedgefield a few times, she decided in 2010 that the village would become her forever home. A decision she never regretted. She loved the area, its climate, the friendly people and being in a safe slow town.

Emily was an avid bowler and represented Sedgefield Bowling Club for many years. She also took up golf and quickly integrated into Sedgefield’s golfing community. The friends she made as a bowler and golfer were really like an extended family to her. Emily was also part of a Sedgefield dinner group; she called them “The Old Ducks”. Their outings were always a highlight for her, and she cherished the friends she made.

She loved the outdoors and often took walks along the beautiful Sedgefield lakes and beaches. She knew the best spots to take children and grandchildren (like Jubilee Creek) when they came visiting from afar. As a mother, Emily was one of the strongest women I have ever known, always putting her children’s needs above her own. With her generosity with her time, energy, advice and, most of all, her love, she provided unparalleled support to our family, for which we will be forever grateful.

Emily leaves behind eleven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Emily will be missed but always in our hearts with great memories that we will always cherish.

Helen Spengler

In 2011, Helen Spengler arrived in Sedgefield from Cape Town to embrace retired life within the community. She subsequently

spent the next twelve years busier and happier than ever before. A gregarious, caring lady, always wanting to get involved and serve others, Helen lived and loved life to the full. While keeping in constant contact with her family and friends in Cape Town and frequently hosting them on visits to Sedgefield, she made a wonderful circle of new friends within the Sedgefield community. Helen embraced her happy life with the church, the bowls club, the book clubs and her supper clubs. She assisted with local outreach programmes and gave her time and many skills willingly and happily. Her feisty temperament and loving nature enthused others to walk beside her and be her friend. Her fanatical support for all sports, especially rugby, cricket and tennis, and her very decided views on winners and losers ensured that no family or friend could ever interrupt her for a friendly chat during a Stormers, Springboks or Proteas game or when any major tennis tournament was happening. Helen was otherwise engaged at that time - usually pacing the passage and shouting at the players on the TV!

While her culinary skills will no doubt be talked about for years to come, Helen’s greatest gift was her ability to make friends so easily and then to serve those friends wherever she could, always putting them first. The dinners, luncheons and teas she hosted in her home are legendary

the decks we were in for a fabulous evening of fun, laughter and a lot of dancing - a lot! Once again, our sponsors were amazing and we had so many prizes to give out to the 130 guests it was wonderful! Just between us, we will be holding another dance for Valentines on February 17th – don’t miss out, keep your eye out for ticket sales mid-January 2024.

As much as it sounds like we like having fun, we also like working hard! Our newest project has just been completed at the cnr of Egret/Makou Streets. With a magnitude of plants donated by Gina from Garden Roots Nursery, a newly laid pathway sponsored by Cobble Paving Sedgefield and a huge pot and cement bench sponsored by Ornamental Concrete this corner will soon be a cheerful welcome into Sedgefield from the Knysna side. Newcomers to Sedgefield, Beauty Aesthetics have opted to “adopt the area” and will be 100% responsible for maintaining it and ensuring that it is kept looking beautiful at all times (one area less for us to worry about).

Talking about “adopt an area” this is one of our latest projects where we are trying to encourage local businesses to “do their bit” and take responsibility for a particular area that Revive have “revived”. In return they will get to share their logo on one of our boards. By scratching each other’s backs in this way, they get the advertising, and our volunteers are freed up to work on other projects!

The Police Station is now in phase two of our project (phase one was the garden). A new front fence has just been installed and painting/ renovating the outside of the roof and building is due to commence in the next couple of weeks. Soon we will have the

best-looking Police Station in the Garden Route!

By now I am sure you would have heard of “Rockie” the rock snake who moved into Kingfisher Drive and is slowly slithering along towards the slipway. He has reached 56 metres already with over 400 beautifully decorated rocks being set in concrete on his first day! We continue to invite everyone to join in the fun and help him grow. Keep an eye out for details about special themed rocks! We ask that all rocks be dropped off at the Sedgefield Art Hub, in Swallow Street for safe keeping until we can cement them in.

Lokal Lekka TV production is collaborating with us to make a short film in and around the village and showcasing the areas that Revive have worked on. The motivation for the film is to reflect Revive Sedgefield as being community driven for the community, a personal approach to hopefully encourage more volunteers to want to join us.



(especially the special coronation luncheon where she served coronation chicken!). She took great pride in her home and proved to be the perfect hostess on numerous occasions.

Helen's deep faith sustained her throughout her life, just as her fierce love and loyalty to all her family and friends will sustain us during this sad time. Rest in peace, dear Helen, and may angels lead you into paradise.

Jean Melvill

Jean Elaine Wright was born in Kimberley on the 14th of November 1946. After matriculating, she joined the De Beers Diamond Trading Company in the admin department. She excelled at her job, and by the time she left to have her family, she was in a

leadership role and much depended on by the company. Jean and her late husband, Dudley Melvill, had two children: a son Dene and a daughter Carolyn. The apple of her eye was her only grandchild, Cullen. After the birth of her children, she worked for the Griqualand West Horse Racing Club as Secretary. She did everything there except ride the horses. Unfortunately, in 1999, Dudley died suddenly from a heart attack, possibly destroying the idea of having a house at the coast on a plot they had bought, known as 8 Nemesia Street, Sedgefield. True to form, Jean set about realising that dream and went ahead and built a home on the plot they had bought and relocated to Sedgefield with her three dogs. As a family, we were worried about the move to Sedgefield as we thought she would be lonely,

leaving behind a city she had lived and worked in her entire life and her dear friends and family. We needn't have worried. We could not keep up with the activities she got involved in to ensure that loneliness was not entertained. Tai chi, line dancing, bridge, book club, painting, golf, bowls, walking groups and her faith, kept her busy. She thoroughly enjoyed her bowls and the activities that accompanied it. She has probably been to every restaurant in the vicinity and savoured most items on the menu. She certainly knew where to get the best cream scones. Her move down to Sedgefield was the best thing she ever did. She met so many people and made so many friends. She was very happy. For this, as a family, we must thank all of you for befriending her and making her retirement enjoyable. The family is somewhat consoled by the outpouring of grief and love, assuring us that she was

liked, loved and a good friend to many.

Jean spent her last birthday with some friends, eating oxtail at the Fairie Knowe Hotel and had a lovely day. Last Sunday, she was excited about the day. After church she was going out with friends to lunch. She enjoyed the lunch and the company. We are hoping she was chatting away merrily in the back of the car on Sunday when she lost her life in the tragic accident, three days after her 77th birthday. The family wishes to thank everybody for the condolences expressed, acts of kindness and general goodwill received. We also want to express our sincere condolences to the families and friends of the other victims who sadly lost their lives. Our thoughts are with Sylvia for a speedy recovery.

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Expect to listen to and dance the night away with beautiful songs and upbeat music - a mix of contemporary covers from the 60s to the 2000s, Country Charm, Rock n Roll Rebellion, a bit of Blues, Reggae, as well as Sing-along Singles and Dance Floor Favourites. Tickets can be bought online at

www.quicket.co.za - R130 pp for adults and R80 for children U12. The most wonderful New Year's Eve range of food at reasonable prices will be available from the Gourmet Burger, House of Natal Curries, Slow Schwarma, Yegusha Spit Braai Company, Kapé, and Waffle Gelato Stalls. A fully licensed bar will be open with a good variety of beer, wine and cold drinks as well as coffee. This event, starting at 6:30 for 7pm, is a fundraiser for Masithandane. No need to bring anything but



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Every Monday
1:30pm Duplicate Bridge at Catholic Church hall. Enquiries (Whatsapp) to Toni 0722465024.

Wednesdays
8 for 9am Golf Day @ The Links. All members welcome.
4 - 8pm Mosaic Food Fare
5:30pm Sedgefield Striders Walking / Running time trials on road adjacent to Bowls Club. Beginners welcome.

Thursdays
6:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.
8 for 9am Sedgefield Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links
12:30pm Social Bridge School at St Anthony's Catholic Church hall. All levels welcome. Lessons 12:30, Play from 13:45.
 Enquiries: Gail 0834577647.
13:15pm Bowls. Tabs in

Fridays
8am Ladies Golf @ Links Course

Saturdays
6:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.
8am-12 Wild Oats Community Farmers' Market
8 for 9am Saturday Competition Golf @ Links Course
8am-2pm Mosaic Market
8am-2pm Scarab Craft Market
13:15pm Bowls. Tabs in.

Every 4th Saturday
3 or 4pm Garden Route Centre of the Astronomical Society of Southern Africa. At Catholic Church, Cnr Sysie & Flamingo St. Visitors welcome. Peter 083 445 4634 for more info.

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

Friday 1 December
4pm Art Society to exhibit at Roy Viera Forté Studio Gallery.

Sunday 3 December
8am-12 Gardeners and Crafters Market at Steam Whistle Stop. 072 487 0395

Sunday 10 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!

LETTERS TO THE EDGE



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I've learned ...

That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.

by Andy Rooney

Dear Sir

I refer to the letter from Mr. Cockcroft in your Issue No. 678, of 15 November, 2023, regarding the traffic on the N2 to and from Cape Town, and environs.

In fairness to the drivers of the heavy vehicles that earn their living going to and from Cape Town, and the traffic police whose job it is to keep the traffic moving, help those in difficulty, and enforce the law, I have to say that they are doing a damned good job. We and others of our family have travelled it a number of times each year since 2002, when the stretch between Caledon and Riviersonderend was worse than the roads in the Free State that Olive Schreiner wrote about. Since then there has been a steady improvement. Our most recent trip was down on Tuesday 14th November and back on Friday. We can plan on it taking 5 hours, except for those days when holidays overwhelm the resources on the roads. There is a regular provincial traffic presence at several spots, and we

noticed many more cruising the road or parked and ready to respond. There are also quite frequent speed traps. The net effect of all that is that the traffic is generally well behaved and most hairy moments come when drivers pull over into the yellow line reserve to allow others to pass. They are breaking a rule that is impossible to enforce.

It is most bewildering for visitors from overseas to see our national roads marked as freeways. The essence of a free way that for all traffic joining there is a long on ramp that gives them the opportunity to get up to the speed of the traffic so that they can meld into it. Between Somerset West and Cape Town there are some examples of it, as there is on the Mossel Bay and George bypasses. When Mr. Cockcroft can see no reason for speed limits he shows that he is ignorant of the fact that they are not so much for those on the main road, but to make it less difficult for traffic on the minor roads to join the main road. The

best illustration of this is between Riviersonderend and Swellendam where a dirt road joins the main road on a blind rise at the crest of a steep hill where there is a 60kmph limit to allow tractors and other slow moving farm traffic to join the main road with a reasonable degree of safety.

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The film aims to change our perception of sharks, shed light on their rapidly declining population, and to advocate

for a shift in government policies. We're pushing for the replacement of shark culling nets with alternative technologies that can safeguard both sharks and humans. It's a pressing issue, especially considering the global white shark population hovers between 3,000 and 5,000. The time for action is now.

We extend a warm invitation for you to join us for this free screening. After the film, you'll have the opportunity to engage in a meaningful conversation with the director and producer of the documentary. It's a chance to



learn more about this crucial topic and discuss the significance of sharks in our ecosystem. "

Brushstrokes

by Patsy Scanes

The Sedgefield Art Society invited Liz Hutton to give a Pastel drawing workshop, this was received enthusiastically, and much was learned by all present. This was a hands-on workshop and members displayed their artwork at the end of the meeting.

The Turner and or Van Gogh paintings were also displayed and congratulations to Corrie du Plooy for his excellent copy of Turner's Slave Ship.

At present there is an art exhibition on land and seascapes taking place at Remax, once again members



have done themselves proud with the standard of work. If you haven't been to see this exhibition, please feel free to pop in during office hours – you will be most welcome.

The Art Society has also been invited to exhibit at Roy Viera Forté Studio Gallery. The opening of this exhibition will be on the 1st December at 16h00. Dear reader we would love to see you there!

Collecting Stationery for School kids

Garden Route Lifestyle Property is collecting items for impoverished schools again this year and are calling for help from the community!

"Whilst we have been fortunate to be able to assist many individuals and schools during this period, we have come across a school located in a rural community in the Garden Route that is in desperate need," says General Manager Kandy Grieve, "We have already begun collecting and purchasing but we

would greatly appreciate any help – whether it's only one or two items or an entire pack or two, we would be most grateful."

They aim to put together 41 sets of the following items Jumbo HB pencils, Scissors, Pritt, 2 x hole pencil sharpeners, Twist crayons (12's), Fingerlift ruler, Jumbo colour pencil, Jumbo wax crayons triangular, Flip file (50pp), A5 envelope stud, A4 envelope Velcro, Toothbrush & toothpaste, soap & face cloth, Nik naks & sweetie, tennis ball

for play & big sharpener for the class.

"We also require assistance with a high school for the following supplies: 5 x Scientific calculators & 15 x Maths sets," she adds. "If you are able to donate it would make the world of difference to these children!"

Donations may be dropped at any of the Garden Route Lifestyle offices in Sedgefield, George and Hoekwil.

"If you'd like to contribute please let us know - the deadline for drop off is the first week of December and we are imploring businesses and individuals in the Garden Route to help," says Kandy "Thank you to those fantastic friends, family, clients & companies who have already pledged to help."

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Additional information can be obtained from Miss Nonhlanhla Mndebela at telephone number **044 302 6476** or e-mail nmndebela@knysna.gov.za during normal business hours.

Any comments or objections regarding the proposed disposals must be submitted by email to the Municipal Manager, at knysna@knysna.gov.za by no later than **12:00 on 22 December 2023**.

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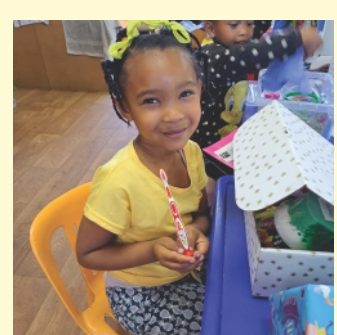
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Another successful Santa Shoebox

'Another very successful and joyful handover of the Santa ShoeBoxes for this year. This is an incredibly rewarding project to be part of, and this is Lions 5th year of participating.' Says Lion Debbie Olivier, adding "A big thank you must go to our friend, Eva Davidson, who gave of her time and energy and just cheerfully got along with things, much appreciated Eva!"



Each year the Santa Shoebox Project collects and distributes personalised gifts of essential items and treats for underprivileged children throughout South Africa and Namibia. In 17 years, the generosity of it's donors has reached 1 152 587 children.

HOLMES

Local artist 'Holmes' has found himself in the middle of an historic British story — which may well result in some invaluable exposure for his talent. This after he was commissioned to do a seemingly strange painting....



Kay Morris-Robertson (a Sedgefield local from Australia) explained the background to the story, which started in the 1950s and 1960s when British personnel took part in the testing of atomic and hydrogen bombs in the Pacific. Her father John Morris was one of these personnel, and witnessed three bombs detonated while he was working in the laundry on Christmas Island in 1956.

This was at a time when very little was known about the adverse effects of exposure to radiation, and thousands of veterans and their families who were in proximity to these nuclear tests inadvertently suffered dire consequences including cancer and premature death. There were also long-term health problems for their children. Of the 22,000 men and women who served, around 2,000 are believed to be still alive.

For decades the veterans and their families have been campaigning for official recognition of their plight, and earlier this year this was finally achieved. The UK

Government agreed to awarding The Nuclear Test Medal, just in time for UK Remembrance Sunday on 11 November. The medals were to be presented by King Charles. Up until then, the UK had been the only nuclear super power not to have recognized the service of such military personnel.

But how does this involve Sedgefield's up and coming artist, Houghmorden Jansen, aka Holmes? On a family holiday to Sedgefield a few years ago John became aware of the young artist, and felt he recognized in Holmes' work the struggles that many go through in life. He had bought a few of his artworks already, but when news of the medal broke he wanted to recognize all the hard work his granddaughter Laura had done on the campaign and decided to commission a picture for her.

Laura recently visited Sedgefield to see the picture for the first time as it was presented to her by Holmes at the local market.

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9. Clothing

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10. Computers

Computers Desktop, Laptop, Network & Internet support. Call Ken Hampson 072 111 7791

12. Education & Tuition

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attending the school of life, but without the textbooks! We'll reveal the secrets (yes there is more than one) where wealth meets wisdom, igniting a light bulb moment just as you put your head down on your pillow thinking it's lights out! We promise your homework is more laughter than labour.

Finally, and with open arms, collaborate with us and be the cherry on the cake! Our facility is available for third-party professionals to share your expertise while adding to our community's wellness journey, whether you are a Water Fitness instructor, Hydro therapist, Physiotherapist, Biokineticist, Personal Trainer or Swimming instructor even a ringmaster – we have space for you.

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All interested persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds Room 1216, 12th floor, 90 Plein Street, Cape Town within two weeks from the date of publication of this notice.

Dated at BELLVILLE this 28th Day of November 2023.

Applicant: SYMINGTON DE KOK ATTORNEYS
Address: The Vineyards Office Estate, 99 Jip de Jager Drive, Tyger Valley, Bellville.
E-mail address: janine@symok.co.za
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Dated at GEORGE this 29th Day of November 2023.

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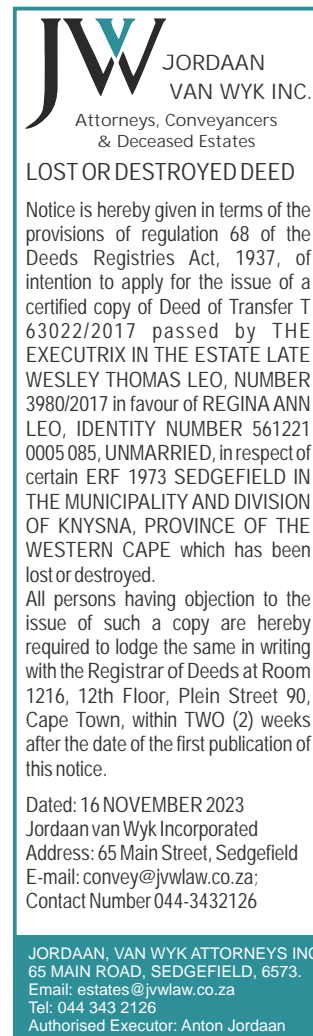
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Contact Number 044-3432126
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Authorised Executor: Anton Jordaan

DONATIONS FOR CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY NEEDED

Every year the Ladies' Committee of Karatara give of their time and take on the huge task of hosting a Christmas party for the children of Karatara. The event is a highlight for the children and couldn't be held without the generosity of the Sedgfield and Karatara residents.

This year the function will be on the 23 December at 2pm at the Karatara Community Hall and about 350 children are expected to attend. The ladies are appealing for donations in the form of cash or vouchers to enable them to buy cooldrinks (cordials such as Oros or Drink-O-Pop), and make up

small gift packs normally containing, sweets, small packets of chips/nik naks, lollipops or any other goodies.

Donations can be dropped off at The EDGE building, 63 Main Road, Sedgfield, before 13 December or contact Joan Oelf on 073 724 8552.



Many thanks to all our Sunday school friends who participated in the fashion parade that took place on November 4, 2023. Also, thanks to the Karatara community, Farleigh, Francois, and the students of the Lighthouse - your support is appreciated.

A big thank you to our two judges, Charmenta Hartzenberg and BARNEDITT Witbooi, for the phenomenal job done. Everyone who supported us in making this fashion parade a success - your help and efforts are much appreciated.

Our winners:

Miss Personality: Deunely de Preez
Miss Out Of the Bin: Wilnecia Willeman
2nd Princess: Sherell Ann Pietersen
1st Princess: Chelsea du Plessis
Miss Sunday School: Shansonique Hartzenberg

MISS SUNDAY SCHOOL '23



We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2024
Joan and Lucrisha

On 19 November almost ALL the residents of Raven Road (only two

STREET PARTY

were missing) held a 'street party' with an 'Around the World' theme. The party wasn't held on the street itself, three different homes served different courses.

"We started in Japan with sushi, springrolls, rice balls and a bit of karate. Main course was a Spanish theme served with Sangria, and pudding and coffee was served on 'a visit to Wonderland', said Rina Jones, one of the eager participants, "It was great fun and we are so looking forward to the next one."

She explained that the residents get together twice annually, usually with a theme to make it interesting. "It's the perfect way to create some 'gees' on the street. I can really recommend it," she said.



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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TOWARDS FURTHER STUDIES 2024

Applications are invited from students who are currently studying at tertiary or TVET institutions, as well as Grade 12 learners, for financial assistance towards further studies for the 2024 academic year. The award is restricted to full-time study and attendance at SAQA accredited tertiary or TVET institutions and is eligible to South African citizens who are residents of the Greater Knysna Municipal Area.

Application forms are available at the Municipal Offices in Clyde Street or Youth Offices during normal office hours. Application forms are also available on the municipality's website at www.knysna.gov.za/government/mayors-office/

The following documentation must be attached to the application form: A detailed Curriculum Vitae and cover letter; latest Grade 12 results; letter of acceptance from tertiary institution for the 2024 academic year; banking details of tertiary institution on bank letterhead, latest examinations results of students currently enrolled at tertiary institutions; certified copy of ID; affidavit of parents' combined income.

Only correct and fully completed applications will be considered. No late applications will be accepted.

Enquiries: Contact Ms Buziwe Mjamba at bmjamba@knysna.gov.za or tel. 044 302 6386.

Due to the large number of applications, only successful candidates will be notified. Should candidates not be contacted within two months of the closing date, they may accept their application was unsuccessful.

CLOSING DATE: 12:00 ON FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2024

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TENDER NO: T 25 of 2023/24: PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS

Knysna Local Municipality hereby invites tenders for the Provision of Security Services for a period of three years

Tender documents can be downloaded from the Knysna Municipality website: www.knysna.gov.za at no cost. Website navigation is as follow: Do Business – Bidding Opportunities - Tenders – Current Tenders.

Technical enquiries relating to the tender documents may be addressed via email to: Richard Meyer rmeyer@knysna.gov.za and Supply Chain related queries may be addressed to: Mzwanele Mato, e-mail mmato@knysna.gov.za.

The closing time for submission of bids is **12:00 on Friday, 19 January 2024**. Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above and placed in the **bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna**, on or before the mentioned time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, e-mail, and late bids will not be accepted. Bids must remain valid for a period of **180 days** after the closing date of the bid. Notwithstanding the period of validity of bids as set out in the bid documents, the Municipality reserve the right to request validity extension.

Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Section at 12:05. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued. The evaluation of this bid will be subjected to functionality scoring. Tenderers must achieve a minimum functionality score of **70 out of 100 points** for functionality in order to be evaluated further. The functionality criteria and weighting are set out in the tender document.

Bids will be evaluated according to the **80/20 or 90/10** preference points system. The bids are subject to the Council Supply Chain Management Policy, Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000, and the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022

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

NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE AS DEFINED IN THE MUNICIPAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS (GOVERNMENT GAZETTE NO 40553 DATED 20 JANUARY 2017).

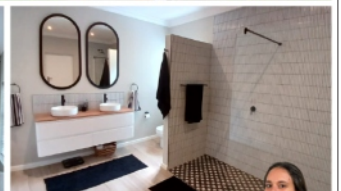
Further requirements for sealing, addressing, delivery, opening, and assessment of bids are stated in the Tender Document.

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1. Use sunscreen every day, even if it's cloudy.

Choose the right type of sunscreen. For day-to-day use, pick a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30.

2. Apply at least one ounce of sunscreen (enough to fill a shot glass) at least 15 to 30 minutes before going outside. Also use a lip balm or lipstick that contains sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 30.

3. Choose a broad spectrum sunscreen that protects against both UVA and UVB radiation.

Make sure it is water resistant and has a SPF of 30 or higher. Other sunscreens may help keep

you from getting sunburned, but they won't protect against skin cancer.

If you spend time outdoors, choose a product with SPF 60 or greater. In reality, most people do not use as much sunscreen as they should, and this higher SPF helps compensate for the reduced application.

4. Reapply sunscreen every two hours. Reapply every hour if you are swimming or sweating.

5. Be extra careful around water and sand. These surfaces reflect the damaging rays of the sun, which can increase your chance of getting a sunburn.

6. Keep babies younger than 6 months old completely covered and in the shade.

7. Limit the amount of time you're in the sun. This is when the sun's rays are the most intense. Seek shade when the sun is at its strongest, during peak hours... generally 11.00 am to 3.00pm.

You can reduce your risk of sun damage and skin cancer by staying in the shade under an umbrella, tree, or other shelter. Practice the shadow rule: if your shadow is shorter than you, the sun's rays are at their strongest, and you should find shade.

8. If possible, wear a long-sleeved shirt and long pants. Dark clothing with tightly woven fabric blocks more sun than white or loosely woven fabrics. For additional protection, look

for clothes made with special sun-protective materials.

9. Accessorize with a hat that shades your face, neck, and ears and a pair of sunglasses. Sunglasses with lenses that have 99% to 100% UV absorption provide optimal protection for the eyes and the surrounding skin.

10. Be even more cautious if you are taking medications that may make you more sensitive to the sun. These include specific types of antibiotics, anti-inflammatories, antifungals, blood pressure medications, and chemotherapies.

Source: cancer.net

TLC GOLF DAY

On Sunday 19 November 2023 The Living Cornerstone (TLC) hosted their 3rd annual golf day at the Knysna Golf Club and were blessed with perfect weather for the event.

First Place went to William and Anneke Ferreira on 53 points,

whilst Jason Landman and Tony Klopper were runners up on 51 points. Third were Ryan Brits and Izak van der Merwe on 50 points.

"What made the day even more amazing is that we were surrounded by participants who showed their appreciation for our efforts," said Marietjie Digue, facility manager of the TLC home for those suffering from Alzheimers. She offered her heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated, and to her 'A Team' for once again going the extra mile to ensure a top class event took place.



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Spec-Savers Audiology Revolutionising Hearing Health Through Accessibility

Advertorial

Spec-Savers Audiology has rapidly emerged as a leader in South Africa's audiology landscape, prioritizing accessibility and affordability without compromising on quality. Established just two years ago in Centurion, the network, now spanning 47 stores nationwide, is dedicated to making audiology services accessible to all, ensuring top-notch ear-care without compromise.

With a commitment to redefining hearing health in Africa, Spec-Savers Audiology delivers affordable ear-care without compromise. This dedication is more than a slogan; it's a guiding principle that permeates every aspect of our services, breaking down barriers to ensure everyone can benefit from essential audiological care.

Our recent community engagement at the Spar coffee shop in Sedgefield on November 16th was designed to create awareness and foster a sense of community. Sedgefield residents were treated to coffee and indulgent lemon meringue, creating an inviting atmosphere for individuals to learn more about the importance of hearing health. This community-oriented approach reflects our core values and dedication to making a positive impact beyond our clinics.

But what truly sets Spec-Savers Audiology apart is our commitment to state-of-the-art services. Our diagnostic assessments, conducted by experienced professionals, Michelle Ash and Chézne Dowd, go beyond merely identifying changes in hearing. We use cutting-edge technology to unveil the nuances of your hearing health, providing valuable insights into potential issues that may have otherwise gone unnoticed.

One simple, 60-min assessment at Spec-Savers Audiology has the power to be a transformative step towards better hearing health. Our comprehensive diagnostic assessments can save



years of frustration and improve overall quality of life. We recognize the subtle progression of hearing loss, and that's why we go the extra mile by offering free in-store hearing screenings. These screenings serve as a crucial indicator of whether further testing is necessary.

At Spec-Savers Audiology, our commitment to not just identifying issues but actively addressing them sets us apart. We invite you to experience our state-of-the-art services, where cutting-edge technology meets compassionate care. Visit us behind the Sedgefield Postnet in the Spar centre, in collaboration with our optometric partners.

Contact us at 044 312 0974/5 or sedgefield@ss-audiology.co.za. Join us at Spec-Savers Audiology for a transformative hearing health experience. Your journey to better hearing starts here.

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1. Each Samurai Sudoku puzzle consists of 5 overlapping "classic" 9x9 Sudoku sub-puzzles.

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Carols by Candlelight

14 December @ 19:00
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Carols by Candlelight

The Lions carols night will be held on
21 December at 6.30pm at The Lions
Clubhouse. Candles will be available for
a donation. Braai and cupcakes will
be on sale.

UPCOMING SHOWS AT STUDIO 42



SEDGFIELD CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Like all Sedgfieldians and similar
seaside villagers all over the world,
we are privileged to share our
space with family and friends over
the festive season. Mostly for the
sun, sea and sand aspect, but more
and more for our lifestyle and the
great vibe we cultivate all year
round.

We also have an incredible family,
Eddy & Shurlea Lloyd, that live in
Sedgfield and every year dedicate
themselves to the decoration and
lighting up of their property, to such
an extent that the national news

channel on local television
features them almost every
year! How many of us hop
in our cars, take a stroll or
cycle to 'The Lighthouse'
and share this phenomenon
with our visitors?

And it seems that some
other home-owners are
also planning on doing
their bit to add some
Christmas cheer to
Sedgfield's streets.
Which is why The Edge
Team thought a suggestion
made by eager volunteer
and ideas man, Brendon
Wilbraham, was such a
great idea. In our Christmas edition
(13 December) we will be including
a simple map showing where
residents and visitors may find these
decorated homes. The adventure of
hopping into a car with kids, cousins,
aunts and uncles and following a
map (being careful to avoid the
festive potholes) will surely just add
to the magic of the holidays!

If you are decorating the outside of
your house or business, please let us
know at:



sedge.xmaslights@gmail.com and
we'll add you to the route for our
locals and guests to enjoy. All you
need to do is send your address, no
need for name, rank and pedigree.

Remember The Lighthouse is
switched on from 1 December - 1
January between 8pm and 10pm
every evening, and there are rumors
that Father Christmas makes time in
his schedule to be there to collect the
letters and share some sweets too!

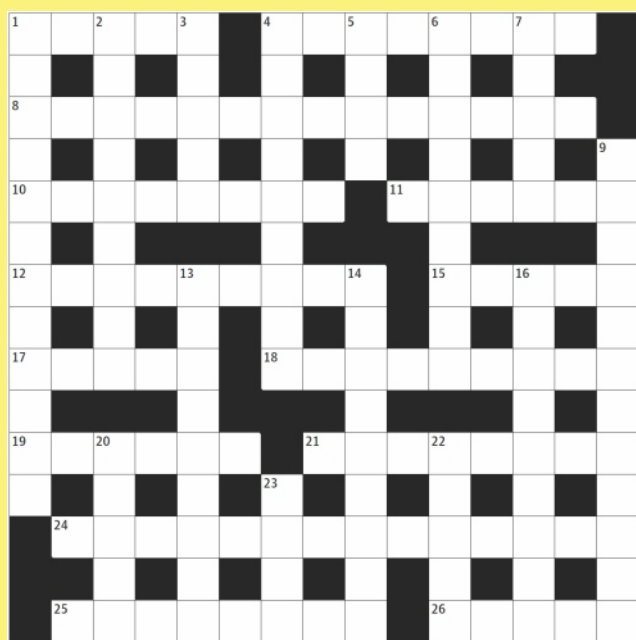
TED'S BRAIN CRUNCHER

Across

1. Kind of song I had shortened
for quick delivery. (5)
4. Average girl from Scotland
can perform - she's an
impressive person! (5,3)
8. Cells a cesarean reproduced
for discount retailing. (9,5)
10. Kind of song I had shortened
for quick delivery. (5)
4. Average girl from Scotland
can perform - she's an
impressive person! (5,3)
8. Cells a cesarean reproduced
for discount retailing. (9,5)
10. You are talking nonsense
from the bottom, my rotund
fellow. (8)
11. Catch a pelican in the little
church! (6)
12. Measure a zero mistake
rating for the state of order.
(4,2,3)
15. That is to say how to move
the car behind you. (3,2)
17. Checked out Africa's
education. (5)
18. During my jail time I gain
the ability to experience
feelings. (9)
19. Sodium Lucy consumes in
her madness. (6)
21. One under the blade was
returning for a tippie at the
hospital. (8)
24. Corrupt BEE opportunism
initiated for someone's
counterpart! (8,6)
25. Silly Sally caught one
learning the subject course-
work. (8)
26. "There's nine or eleven
ingredients in this pie!" said the
mischievous little thing. (5)

Down

1. Wealthy a little terrified by
the size of this disaster
calculator. (7,5)
2. Introductions given before
walks? (9)



3. Law and order bylaws limited
for the friendly match. (5)
4. Cuddles when someone of
zero personality meets his match
in romantic light. (9)
5. Cuts those giving sex a turn.
(4)
6. Starch for those old western
actors. (9)
7. Average pile of stuff not costly
at all. (5)
9. Puts an outfit on his ride after
it has hung to dry. (7,5)
13. Traditional collection of
aging dolphins? (3,6)

Across: 1. Session 5. Verbose 10. Maze 11. Abundantly 12. Blotto 13. Chancery 14. Credulity 16. Jived 17. Stump 19. Emaciated 23. Particle 24. Uppity 26. Compliment 27. Loud 28. Amusing 29. Engaged
Down: 2. Enblazer 3. Sweat 4. On a roll 6. Endear 7. Bone china 8. Splurge 9. Quick tempered 15. Demo tapes 18. Tearoom 20. Count on 21. Extrude 22. Action 25. Palma

14. Ambitious youngsters were,
at first, over Anna's fixation
with honey manufacturers. (9)
16. Fight in full view over the
raised flower bed. (6,3)
20. Application centre in New
York to deal with damp
reduction in the youth sector. (5)
22. One who plays the politics
card. (5)
23. It's a risk going out on one.
(4)

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CALENDAR 2023

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

December
14/12 St Francis Carols by
Candlelight
16/12 Rocking the 70's & 80's.
21/12 Lions Carols by Candlelight
31/12 Mosaic New Year's Party
31/12 Scarab Cloud 9 New Years

THE SPORTS EDGE

Off the Mat

Sedge Bowling Club News



The President, Committee and Bowlers wish to convey their deepest sympathy and condolences to the family and friends of Jean Melvill, Helen Spengler and Emily Bothma who died tragically in an accident on Sunday.

Here is a short synopsis of their lives in Sedgefield.

Firstly, they were great sports people, top bowling skips, taking teams to various competitions and keeping our flag flying.

Jean took an active part in bowls, golf, tai chi, walking, book club and most importantly, she was a member of the "Ladies' Dinner Club".

Emily decided some years ago (in her 70's) to take up golf and became an ardent golfer.

Apart from her bowling

commitments, coaching bowls on a weekly basis and other social activities, she was also a member of the "Ladies' Dinner Club".

Helen took her bowls very seriously, winning a bronze medal in a district competition, coming 6th in the recent Protea Competition.

She was a fantastic chef and loved entertaining in her home. Helen loved dogs, adopted Silvia's dog and recently adopted a new dog.

(All have since found homes) Most importantly, she was also a member of the "Ladies' Dinner Club".

Jean, Emily and Helen took a very active part in the lives of all that knew them. It is heartbreaking to think that you will no longer be here to chat and laugh with us at the end of a game.

Adios our friends – till we meet again.

BOWLS – Barefoot Bowls Final will be held on Friday 1st December 2023.

NEAREST THE KITTY

Sedgefield Soccer Derby

On Saturday 25 November Sedge United faced Young Boys at the Smutsville sports field.

It was a great game to watch, both teams showing great spirit hence the field was packed with football supporters.

Sedge United won 3-0 though Young Boys tried their best in the last minutes of the game.



I believe that supporters enjoyed the game!!

Our striker Leornad Chirwa(Kwasa) scored two goals assisted by Chumani Sobhuza(Chusta) with a goal.

I am very happy with how my players played and they did their best (Dankoo majita!!!!bayoze mavume!!!)

I would also like to thank our management and coaches for their support!!

Our supporters! Wow, I don't know what to say? I was so happy with their presence at the field.

"A child in sport is a child out of court"

Caption: - Sedge United players From left to right Siphamandla Ntutha (Sphaa), Chumani Sobhuza (Chusta) and Mawande Goqweni (Paulo)

SEdge GENTLEMEN'S GOLF

16/11/23

With all the political shenanigans clouding the world today, it is sometimes difficult to concentrate on golf. To assist with this conundrum we would like to offer an understanding of a politician: when in charge ponder; when in trouble delegate and when in doubt mumble. Now, with that behind us we can concentrate on the next problem which is how to explain the day's competition which was multiplication stableford. What this means is that if your partner scores four points and you nothing, the pair has a nought for the hole because obviously four noughts are nought. The scorer of four points has to keep his opinion to himself.

The pairs were selected by the Captain to even out the handicaps, and the following low handicappers were the happiest with their high handicapping partners. Firstly, Theo Pelsner, who, with Rudy Bosch scored a total of 72 points. Hot on Theo's heels was Dave Herbst, who was fortunate to have John L.B. as a partner, scored 65 points. Mike Hubberstey together with Tony Hunter scored a distant 64 and Malcolm Goldhill was assisted by Mike Goodwin to a total of 62 points. A deathly silence existed between the other pairings.

The Captain reminded all that the 30th would not only be the Monthly Mug but also the first round of the Annual Club Championship.

23/11/23

Another delightful day for golf introduced the day's competition which was individual stableford. Glen Mauchline ran away with the first prize with a magnificent 40 points. He was followed by Terry Savage, who hadn't played golf for a few weeks, with 36. In third spot was a man who has been on a roll lately, Brian Stewart, after a countout with Bill Craig, both with 34 points.

The Gentlemen's club members are well known for their thoughtfulness towards their fellow members. A perfect example of this is Len Moul. As he is aware that the average age of the members is sixty plus and concomitant with this is memory loss, he has undertaken to wear his name on his golf shirt so that anybody speaking to him will not suffer the embarrassment of forgetting his name. However, there are some who reckon he does this to help himself rather than anybody else. You always get the non-believer.

A struggling B division player, John L.B. told the Captain that when he was choosing partners he preferred to play with people who are worse than himself. Brian Gerard replied that unfortunately that player had not yet joined the club.

All are reminded to wear their sponsored blue shirts for the Monthly Mug competition

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My passie vir my werk strew na integriteit het my kliente se vertroue oorjare gewen.

Ek sien uit daarna om jou te ontmoet en te help om jou eiendoms doelwitte te bereik. Kom drink n koffie en ontmoet die span.

Joan du Plessis

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29 Nov - 12 Dec 2023

Wed Nov 29 2023

low tides 10:24 22:50
high tides 04:33 16:42
sunrise 05:11 sunset 19:24
moonrise 21:52 moonset 06:26

Thu Nov 30 2023

low tides 10:59 23:23
high tides 05:07 17:18
sunrise 05:11 sunset 19:25
moonrise 22:42 moonset 07:23

Fri Dec 01 2023

low tides 11:36 23:58
high tides 05:42 17:54
sunrise 05:11 sunset 19:25
moonrise 23:25 moonset 08:23

Sat Dec 02 2023

low tide 12:17
high tides 06:19 18:32
sunrise 05:11 sunset 19:26
moonrise 00:00 moonset 09:24

Sun Dec 03 2023

low tides 00:36 13:07
high tides 07:02 19:17
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:27
moonrise - moonset 10:23

Mon Dec 04 2023

low tides 01:20 14:17
high tides 08:01 20:19
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:28
moonrise 00:30 moonset 11:22

Tue Dec 05 2023

low tides 02:19 16:02
high tides 09:27 21:48
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:29
moonrise 00:56 moonset 12:18

Wed Dec 06 2023

low tides 03:48 17:32
high tides 10:56 23:19
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:30
moonrise 01:21 moonset 13:14

Thu Dec 07 2023

low tides 05:19 18:28
high tide 11:56
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:31
moonrise 01:44 moonset 14:09

Fri Dec 08 2023

low tides 06:19 19:10
high tides 00:24 12:39
sunrise 05:10 sunset 19:31
moonrise 02:08 moonset 15:07

Sat Dec 09 2023

low tides 07:03 19:46
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Sun Dec 10 2023

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● Full Moon 27 December 2023

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SMUTS UNITED GET SCOUTED

The top team of Sedgefield was delighted to host Daniel Russell, a scout from one UK's top teams - Liverpool FC - on Thursday 23 November, especially when he showed interest in three of their promising young players.

The visit happened thanks to Kay Rob, a cousin of Daniel's who has a home in Sedgefield.

"Daniel was here for a training session with us - and it was a great experience and an amazing opportunity for the players," Club Secretary Samuel Hartzenberg told us, "He watched a game we played on Saturday and told me he was looking at three men in particular. He will pass their names on to colleagues who will be coming to Cape Town, so our three will have to go down there for trials. If they qualify, who knows what promising soccer careers they might have!"

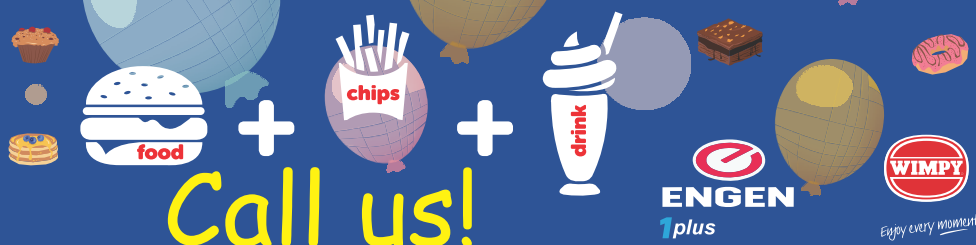


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