



Hi Everyone,

What a fantastic place Southbroom is in winter; it is now starting to feel a bit chilly at night but so far this year our days have been amazing. To those of you planning to visit in July, we hope you are able to enjoy some great weather for golf, walking, cycling, trail running, fishing or maybe just chilling out on the beach or your patio with a book and your favourite refreshment.

Granny's Pool (or Hotel Pool as it was originally named) is now famous; the photograph below is a finalist in the 2014 National Geographic Traveller Photo contest. There are so many stunning spots around Southbroom, why not get out your camera, capture your own special interpretation and send it on to us to share with others.



While everybody else is busy packing up at the end of the day, 20-month-old Isabella decides to take one last dip in the tidal pool in Southbroom." Location: Tidal pool, Southbroom, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.

***Photo and caption by Jörn Dannheimer / National Geographic Traveler Photo Contest***

## **CHAIRMANS REPORT by Brian Thompson**

### **Roads**

HCM have a team repairing potholes in Southbroom roads. They have started on College road and will move to Lewin road and then Lagoon road (which was damaged by heavy rains). Please continue to notify [services@hcm.gov.za](mailto:services@hcm.gov.za) of any potholes that you are aware of.

HCM have completed painting road lines and markings in the South entrance road and Outlook road. HCM have also cut the trees and shrubs encroaching on Imbezane drive and Captain Smith road. A budget has been allocated to refurbish Link road after July 2014.

### **Main Beach**

The repairs to the drain and septic tank near the estuary which HCM made in January were not effective. We requested a site visit by HCM and asked that they arrange repairs urgently.

The repairs and improvement to the tidal pool at the main beach have been completed. This has been a long process since we requested a budget of R1.0 million in early 2013, and we are pleased with the result. We plan to have an official opening ceremony in September 2014.

### **Beach Ablutions**

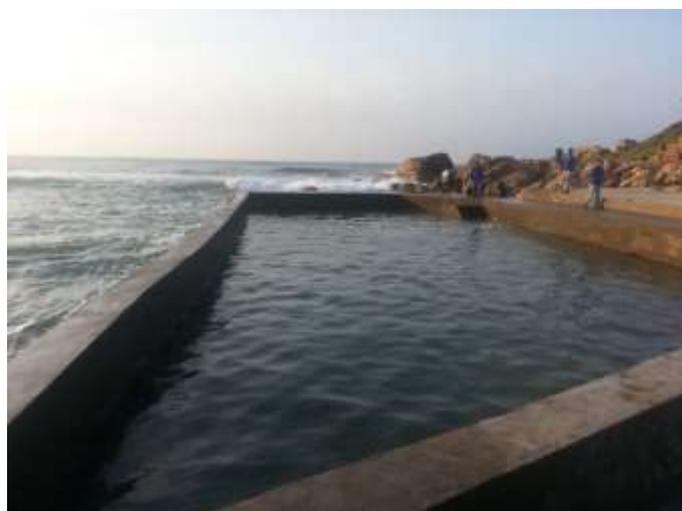
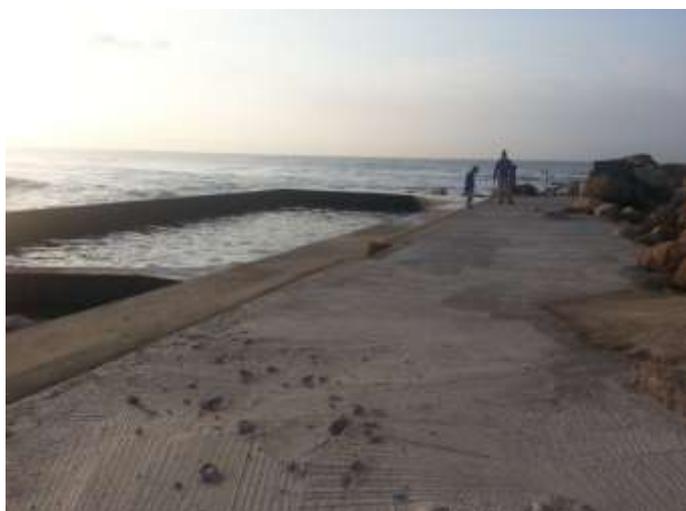
HCM awarded a new contract for the cleaning of beach ablutions in September 2013, but the new service provider does not seem to have the capacity for this work, and has been treating the cleaners terribly. The result is that the ablutions are often locked when the cleaners do not come to work. We have had several meetings with HCM, and have assisted the cleaners where possible. We continue to monitor the situation, but would appreciate any comments. Please send any specific complaints to [services@hcm.gov.za](mailto:services@hcm.gov.za).

### **Speeding on Roads**

We have received complaints about Sewerage tankers speeding on Southbroom roads, which have caused a hazard to vehicles and pedestrians. Please report the details of any such incidents (with the tanker number if possible) to the local police station and [info@ugu.gov.za](mailto:info@ugu.gov.za)

## **MAIN BEACH TIDAL POOL**

The contractor moved on site in May and the structural repair and renovation of the Main Beach Tidal pool is complete. The remainder of work is due to be finished by the end of June.



## COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM by Kingsley du Plessis, Chairman

### 1. Dogs not on leashes

It has come to the committee's attention that folk are walking their dogs in Southbroom not on leashes, be it on the beach or on the various trails. There have been incidents where the dogs have chased buck and killed them. Dogs running loose in Frederika Preserve, Bushbuck Trail and on Umkobi Beach are a big problem.

We request that dog owners keep their dogs on leashes at all times and further ensure their dogs remain on their property.

Should dogs be found on public roads or bush trails not on leashes, then the dogs will be impounded with the SPCA alternatively fines will be issued to owners by the police/protection services. Please note that dogs are NOT allowed on the Frederika Trail and Conservancy are considering banning them from Bushbuck trail in the future.

2. Residents that have decided to build and/or improve their dwellings are kindly requested to contact the Southbroom Police Station. The purpose is for the police to monitor building sites. The statistics show that there is an increase in housebreakings around building sites, in addition to snares being removed from vacant stands.
3. Residents are requested to report any crime to the local Police Station in Southbroom.  
039 316 6760
4. The crime levels for the month of May 2014 were well under control

## CONSERVANCY by Chairman – Peddy Bam

The ramp at Grannies Pool has been extended and is looking good. The beach is now accessible by wheelchair, baby buggy etc., but NO BICYCLES PLEASE. A disability float is available from Conservancy to enable those in wheelchairs to enjoy a dip in the pool. Contact Conservancy to make arrangements.

See above re dogs on the loose under CPF, Conservancy may have to resort to harsh measures if dogs are found running loose, causing a nuisance and threat to wildlife.

Please report any unusual animal sightings, Caracal, Honey badger, Red duiker, with photo if possible, to Peddy Bam 0827713158

Please do not feed monkeys under any circumstances. Large males can be dangerous. It encourages them to come into houses and eat your food which is an unnatural form of nutrition.

Did you hear a strange noise outside your gate the other night, maybe it was not something sinister after all, these guys were recently caught on camera patrolling the streets at night.



## TENNIS CLUB NEWS – by Luise Mohr

The tennis club's financial year ends on June 30, 2014. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 26, 2014 at 1 p. m. at the club house and visitors are welcome. The trophies for the winners and runners-up of this year's Club Championships will be presented at this occasion, followed by some tennis and a bring-a-braai later. Everybody is welcome to join in.

The recently initiated Tuesday mornings ladies' tennis is proving very successful. It is wonderful to see a number of golf ladies playing, and although they claim to be a bit "rusty", they are hitting some really good shots – and they are having a lot of fun! A big thank you to Jacquie Jones for having started a regular ladies-only tennis event!

To all the experienced players as well as tennis enthusiasts come join in either on Tuesday mornings or on club afternoons on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Lots of fun for only R 30! We are also looking forward to membership applications.

## BOWLING CLUB NEWS

After a very interesting talk given by Heather Roberts about bowls at a recent Ladies breakfast, some enthusiastic new bowlers are trying their skills and testing the rinks on a Wednesday morning. Come and join the group, assistance is given, bowls are available and a happy time is had by all.

Southbroom Bowling Club Quiz will be held at the clubhouse on Friday 11 July at 6.00 pm for 6.30. Enjoy a fun evening entertainment with Quizmaster Beryl Lakin. Fish and chips on sale at 6.00pm.

## LADIES DAY:



Below are a few photos taken at the recent Bowlers/Golfers day at the Bowling Club. Great fun was had by all; this was followed by a delicious braai.



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### SPONSOR A SPRIGHTLY SENIOR

The annual Grandparents walk this year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this popular event at St. Mikes. Entry is free and includes breakfast after the walk but if you're unable or don't want to walk you can sponsor a walker at R50. Funds raised go to local Rotary charities.

### EARLY ARRIVALS

If I was an unborn baby at this time of year I think I would stay in my warm and cosy cocoon a while longer but these guys were in a hurry.

Kate Clarence daughter Jo who lives in Cape Town was expecting twins but these guys were anxious to make their presence known at 27 weeks, however after a few rather stressful weeks for both mother and Granny, Jo safely delivered a healthy baby boy and girl last week. Southbroom Mum Talisha Fay was on her way to hospital but baby Mason was in so much of a hurry to get into this world he couldn't wait to get to the hospital; Talisha delivered him in the car. Well done Talisha! Couldn't resist this gorgeous photo.

Congratulations to all the new babies and their families.

Reminder to our up country members, Cemair will be operating daily flights from Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June so if even you are tight for time there is no excuse not to pop down for a weekend. Check their website [www.cemair.co.za](http://www.cemair.co.za) for details.

If you are driving down for the holidays, travel safe and we look forward to seeing you around town.

### SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

With contributions from Southbroom Conservancy, Tennis and Bowling clubs.

**The Southbroom Conservancy presents:**  
**The Concert in the Park**  
in aid of CANSA - **C.vive**

Join us for an afternoon of fun in the sun; bring your picnic lunch, bbq meat, tongs, drinks and chairs, and we will provide a secure setting, the bbq fires ... and great entertainment. Or if you prefer, pre-order a picnic box, a prego roll & salad or soup & a roll-and have your chosen meal awaiting you.

Prizes for the best-dressed picnic spots—classic, casual, quirky, outrageous—so let's see what you can do!

Share in this exciting community event whilst supporting the fight against the dread disease of cancer that has touched the lives of so many of us.

Tickets: R85pp, children free.  
**All proceeds after expenses to be donated to C.vive**

**DATE: Sunday 6th July**      **PLACE: Eyles Park**  
**TIMES: Lunch: 12—14.00 / Concert: 14.00—16.30**

*Please note that this is a ticket-only event so get your tickets early. Tickets available from Elite, and the Pro Shop.*

Jaina de Wit - well-known recording artist, presenting evergreen ballads and popular classics

South Coast favourite Vicky de Vilbers and her laid-back sax will rock the blues

Wiseman Ntombela - international ballone performing contemporary classics

For more information contact Denise Murray on 083-7932171

