

Southbroom *Kwa Zulu Natal, South Africa*

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2018

Hi Everyone,

The holidays are fast approaching and there are a few events which we would like to bring to your attention to help you plan your holiday calendar as well as some important community matters. We will however be sending out a full Newsletter at the end of November with the full December calendar.

In the letter also: The Land Claim issue has at long last been resolved; see below report by Howard Kelly on a recent meeting, and I'm on a mission over the amount of waste we produce and how it is managed, see below details of an exciting project to help this cause.

Halloween and Guy Fawkes are just around the corner. **PLEASE NO FIREWORKS** or those dangerous **CHINESE LANTERNS**. Animals, both domestic and wild, are petrified of fireworks and the lanterns can land anywhere and start a fire.

LAND CLAIM SETTLED

Report by Eric Annegarn 082 551 0068 eric@cza.co.za

It was announced by Howard Kelly that the long-standing land claim against Southbroom and surrounds has been settled.

Howard Kelly, Chairman of the Lower South Coast Claims Group, announced on 23 October 2018 that he had been advised by Adv. Mbili that 146 land claimants have been compensated approximately R171 000 each. This was in respect of the Masakhane Mphakathi Community claim which included all the land between the Imbezane River in Southbroom and the Impenjathi River in Trafalgar. It included the farms and towns of Southbroom, Marina Beach, San Lameer and Trafalgar. The initial claim was lodged over 14 years ago.

Of the 146 claimants, 142 voted to take the cash, totalling around R25 million. The heads of the families were paid directly without any intermediation of trusts, etc.

Kelly warned that the process is not entirely complete. The claim has to be de-gazetted and the minister has to sign off on the deal. This can take up to 6 months, assuming there are no further problems. Kelly and the LSCCG legal representatives are cautiously optimistic that this will be the end of the matter.

Paul Reynolds of Southbroom Elite Estate Agency says that the settlement will have a positive impact on farm values in the area. However the residential market will remain unaffected as the threat was largely ignored or unknown by buyers and sellers alike.

Kelly promises that if there is some money left over in the legal kitty (currently R14 000) there will be a party!

For further information contact Howard Kelly: 083 265 9583 h.kelly@venturenet.co.za

WASTE MANAGEMENT

We are all extremely fortunate to live or be able to spend time in such a stunning part of the World. South Africa has its problems but in our beautiful and well maintained village we are in danger of taking things a bit for granted. The world is becoming more and more aware of the problem of too many humans, overconsumption and the amount of waste our consumables produce.

Some years ago Southbroom Conservancy initiated a pilot recycling scheme together with Hibiscus Coast Municipality as it was then. The scheme was very successful and was adopted by the whole of HCM and subsequently RNM. Many of you may have noticed however that recently both our recycling and black bag refuse end up tossed together in the regular refuse truck. This is not acceptable and SRA and Conservancy, as well as our local Councillor Dave Watson, are on the case. Please if you see recycling being loaded into the general rubbish truck report it to

services@rnm.gov.za with a copy to admin@southbroom.org. I recently bought a few household items to fit out a holiday home and was shocked at the amount of plastic and paper packaging. I obviously put it all into a clear bag, but have to wonder if it will actually be recycled.

SRA are also trying to ensure that the garden refuse and recycling depot is kept clean and regularly serviced. Please report any issues at the depot in the same way.

OWL RESCUE: There is collection point for all plastic bottles and containers at the Pure2Go/Deli...sh shop in Southbroom, please do make use of this facility, the plastic is recycled to make owl houses.

BICYCLE POWERED COMMUNITY COMPOST SERVICE

We all need to do our bit to cut down on the amount of household waste we produce, as I said before I have been "on a mission" on this issue for some time so I was very excited when Neville Crompton approached me with his plan to recycle all our compostable waste and return it to the community.

Neville has lived on the south coast all his life, he worked as a Professional Lifeguard for 20 years, between St Michaels and Ramsgate, received a Merit Award from the Rotary Club of Uvongo in 1996 for Devoted and Unselfish "Service above Self" to the community. He ran a successful International Backpackers Lodge here in Southbroom for 10 years and is now starting a project that is possibly a first in South Africa. Neville is very passionate about the environment and he sincerely hopes that Southbroomers, who are just as passionate, will help him in this endeavour to make Southbroom a carbon free zone..... this is just the start.

Initially the cost will be R100pm

plus R50 deposit on the bucket but the sooner people buy into it the sooner Neville will be able to reduce the cost.

Photo (by Richard Bridgeford) shows Neville on his collection/delivery bike, inset the compost buckets each household/business will receive.



Southbroom COMPOST

Community Compost
Collection

Southbroom Bicycle Powered Community Compost Collection

Aim

Our aim is to encourage the residents of Southbroom to reduce their food waste and divert their food scraps and other organic compostables away from the landfill, instead they should be processed locally, as close to the source as possible to produce a good quality and nutrient rich compost for the community.

Mission

Our mission is to provide local residents and business with an environmentally sustainable community-based compost collection service that turns your food scraps into compost. Creating a meaningful change in our community.

Vision

We strive to give back to the community, what we take from the community. We will donate a portion of our compost to community garden projects. Compost will be returned twice a year to subscribers for their homes/businesses. Promote the natural food cycle by encouraging residents to grow their own organic vegetables. Ultimately, "closing the loop".

How it Works

- Residential Monthly Subscription/Weekly Pick up - R100
- Sign up.
- First month is free.
- Receive your Starter Kit: 20ltr bucket with bin liner, a leaflet stating what is/what is not compostable.
- You collect your food scraps and other organic compostables and add them into your compost bucket during the week and leave it out on the verge on your scheduled collection day.
- We bike out to your house every week, pick up your organic waste, leave you with a clean bucket, then work hard to turn your waste into compost.
- For Residents and Small Business, one 20ltr bucket should have enough space to hold your compostables for weekly pick up.

We understand that Restaurants and Coffee Shops function differently, so please contact us for a compost consultation where we can determine the best way we can work together to divert your food scraps away from the landfill.

Contact

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E mail: southbroom@venturenet.co.za



COMPOST BINS ON THE SOUTHBROOM GOLF COURSE – READY FOR YOUR ORGANIC WASTE ANNUAL LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

It's that time of the year again - Southbroom Library is organising Christmas Hampers to be raffled to raise funds.

We request that members of the community that support this great volunteer facility please donate luxury non-perishable goods (wine or foodstuffs) or money so that we can make up really special hampers for the festive season.

Being a Private Library this fundraising project helps us maintain and run the library, and enables us to purchase new books.

Please be so kind as to drop your donation off at the library by the 31st October.

Tickets will be available from the library or from a volunteer librarian.

The hamper draws will take place at the Southbroom Conservancy Carols Concert in Eyles Park on Sunday the 23rd December.

Thank you for your kind support.

BOWLING CLUB NEWS

The green is looking very healthy after its spring treatment and the club will reopen in time for the sponsored fours competition on 1 November. The club will be participating in the street party and the coaches will be on hand to introduce newcomers to the game. The club now has two sets of size 00 bowls for use during coaching as well as a range of larger sizes. An introductory coaching clinic will be held during the season – details to follow.

Meanwhile, the members have been playing at neighbouring clubs, and Southbroom residents Cleve and Julie Walker, Marilyn Sheppard and Tony Waters won the Warwick Open Fours competition held at Margate Country Club on 24th October (see photo).



Contact southbroombowls@gmail.com or Julie 083 273 6840 for further information

SOUTHBROOM TENNIS CLUB NEWS

The STC is going strong and ever looking for new members. In a novel approach, it is undertaking a development programme at the nearby Gcilima Primary School. It is being run by resident coach Frank Hall with the assistance of club members and is being sponsored by the club.

Initially, a six-week programme will be run at the Gcilima sports ground, where there are two multifunctional courts. The idea is to involve as many pupils as possible and finally to identify those who show talent and commitment, and then get them to join and play at the STC. The programme is aimed at 10 and 11 year olds, an age at which they are most receptive to learning. A total of 40 pupils, 20 boys and 20 girls, attended the first session.

The Southbroom Tennis Club will be holding its annual Christmas function on Friday December 7 at the clubhouse and a Christmas Round Robin on Sunday December 9. Details have yet to be finalised but there will be entry forms at the clubhouse. The club's past two Round Robins have been well supported and extremely successful.

Once again, the club invites all visitors to make use of the club's facilities. There is an honesty box and the charge is R30 per court.



After party: Some of the participants in the STC's most recent Round Robin

WHAT'S GOING ON IN SOUTHBROOM

SOUTHBROOM STREET PARTY : FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER at 18.00

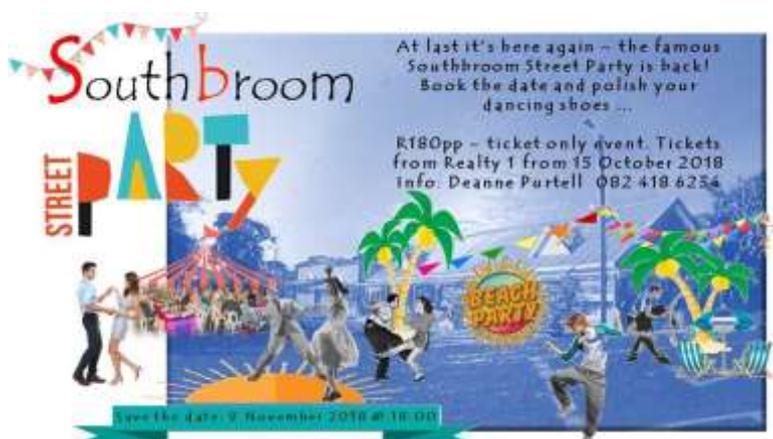
Join us in the street for a **BEACH PARTY** with entertainment by Winston Smile.

Delicious 3-course meal, tables, chairs and utensils provided.

Bring your own drinks and glasses – ice available.

R180pp. Ticket only event

Tickets available from Realty 1, Southbroom.



THE ONE AND ONLY SOUTHBROOM LEGENDS

SOUTHBROOM GOLF CLUB ON FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

TIME 18.00 for 19.00 : after the Friday Club Draw

Dinner and dance the night away to the Legends Rock and Roll

Tickets R150 per head - Max 160 people so don't leave it too late to book with Southbroom Golf club.

SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER – LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE IN EYLES PARK



Lighting of the Christmas Tree

Southbroom Tennis Club invites South Coast residents and visitors to a traditional 1st Advent celebration with coffee and cake, stollen and Christmas cookies for sale on the 2nd December 2018 starting at 16h30 followed by the Lighting of the Christmas Tree at Eyles Park in Southbroom at dusk.

Canasta will be played at the clubhouse in the evening.

Contact Cheryl on 0832405871 to secure your place at the canasta tables. First prize is a turkey!



CONSERVANCY DINNER, CABARET & LIFESTYLE AUCTION

THURSDAY 20 DECEMBER 18.00 - SOUTHBROOM GOLF CLUB

A scintillating evening of wine tasting, dinner and cabaret performance by Tascha

Plus an exciting auction of five lifestyle items.

Ticket only event with limited space – R180pp

Bookings open at golf club on 19 November – don't miss out!

SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Southbroom Ratepayers Association, followed by the AGM of the Southbroom Property owners Association and Community Policing Forum will be held at the Southbroom Golf Club on **SATURDAY DECEMBER 22ND AT 08H45 for 09H00**

We encourage all ratepayers and residents to attend this meeting, make your contribution to the community and bring suggestions as to the way forward.

CONSERVANCY CAROLS CONCERT - EYLES PARK

SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER AT 17.30

Our annual carols concert will once again feature carol singing, Christmas songs by Winston Smile, a surprise visit by Santa and a chance to win the magnificent library hamper.

Bring the whole family, your picnic blanket and/or chairs and refreshments and join in the fun and laughter.

With luck the children will be able to find the fireflies once it gets dark, great fun.

Everyone welcome, no entry fee, donations to Conservancy more than welcome.



ANNUAL NEW YEAR PARTY – SOUTHBROOM MAIN BEACH

The Southbroom Ratepayers Association together with Wozani Africa will again be hosting the New Year party on 31st December. Full details in the December Newsletter.

KEEP OUR PARK CLEAN

Please remember Eyles Park is a public area which is managed by Southbroom Conservancy. It is a fantastic facility for families, visitors, dog training and dog walkers

BUT It has unfortunately been brought to our attention that some dog walkers are not as well trained as their four legged friends. **PLEASE DO TAKE A DOGGY BAG** on your walks and pick up after your furry friend.

PLEASE KEEP OUR PARK CLEAN IN CONSIDERATION OF OTHERS - THANK YOU.

We look forward to welcoming visitors during season. We will publish a newsletter in December with a list of events and suggestions, but meantime if you have any queries or need to know more about what is going on check out the Southbroom News Updates Facebook group, as well as our website where you will find a list of local businesses and contacts for all volunteer groups.

Kind regards

Jackie Pratt - Secretary

SOUTHBROOM RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

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