

Newsletter August 2011

We have been advised by the municipality that Eskom will be working on the main electricity supply to George on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th August. No outages are planned, but there is a high risk of electrical trips.

Although it seems that Wilderness Heights has become the new target for criminal activity, of the 12 known incidents, we believe only 4 were formally reported to the police for allocation of case numbers. We understand that it is difficult for our officers to cover all the Wilderness suburbs as well as Heights, Kleinkrantz and Touwsranten with only one vehicle, but it is essential that all criminal activity be reported to enable SAPS to analyze the full pattern.

Several members have experienced an aggravating situation with the Fairy Knowe Backpackers who reportedly organize noisy "Rock Concerts", which keep the neighbourhood and surrounds awake after 2am. Late-night activities seem to indicate that drugs are also involved. We have once more brought this to the attention of SAPS, and requested them to enforce the 11p.m. noise curfew.

Councillor Leon van Wyk has circulated his first newsletter which outlines the opportunities and challenges facing our newly elected council. We look forward to working closely with Leon to convert council's aspirations into practical realities.

With the approach (already!) of our financial year-end on 30th September, we are searching for nominations for the 2012 committee. Three of our present committee members may be leaving our area early next year which will leave a gap in our resources that needs to be filled. Our Treasurer has also indicated that he will be stepping down after several years' service to our community. If you are interested in serving your community, or know anyone else who might be willing to come on board, please contact us. We need to ensure a continuing strong presence into the future on this, our 40th anniversary.