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Vorna Valley Residents Association

Newsletter



August 2018

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Dear Vorna Valley Residents

Spring has finally arrived and hopefully the cold spells will come to an end bringing with it warmer weather, rain, flowers and a green environment again.

We would like to thank all the residents that made the effort to attend our AGM this year and a special thanks to our guest speaker, Kristin Kallelsen of GEKCO.



Our committee remains unchanged, as there were no nominations or show of hands for new committee members. If you want to get more involved with what the VVRA is doing for our suburb, please feel free to send an email to secretary@vvra.co.za. Any assistance, no matter how small, is most welcome.

The year that was: On YouTube
"Once you figure out what respect tastes like, it tastes better than attention." – Pink

Crime

At the last Complex Forum Meeting, brigadier Tsotsotso explained that Complexes should not stop SAPS officials from entering a complex if they are busy with an investigation regarding a crime or if chasing a criminal that entered a complex, SAPS must be given right to enter. Crime has increased in complexes and complexes need to re look at their security.

Noordwyk, Halfway House, Vorna Valley, Kyalami and Glen Austin have been affected by: Theft of motor vehicles, common assault (domestic Violence) sexual assault, business and residential burglaries.

House robberies and car high jacking increased as well as theft out of motor vehicles.

We would like to remind resident to be vigilant at all times as the criminals are watching and waiting.



VICTIM EMPOWERMENT
076 445 2451

The Victim Empowerment Centre, comprises of volunteer counsellors who assist victims with debriefing and trauma counselling. If you need counselling after a traumatic violent crime, please contact the VEC (Sue Klingenberg) on 076 445 2451 to set up an appointment. All counselling is confidential and no charge!

Contact details for Sector 2:

Sector Commander - Sergeant Nkatingi
082 888 7731 (Office Hours)

Sector 2 Vehicle
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Areas: Vorna Valley, Waterfall Park, Carlswald, Halfway Gardens, Kyalami Hills.

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Several power boxes were reported open and City Power came to attend to these issues.
 16 Aug 2018 - Power outage in several parts of Vorna Valley
 27 Aug 2018 - Power outage in several parts of Vorna Valley
 28 Aug 2018 - Power outage in several parts of Vorna Valley



Several blocked sewerage pipes and several pipe bursts were reported. Some areas were again affected by low water pressure.

Watering of gardens is not allowed between 6am and 6pm in summer months (1 Sept to 31 March) and furthermore, it is not allowed to wash paved areas and driveway using hose pipes



Rudi Neitz still have major damage to part of the road due to underground water push up the tar mac. JRA and JWater went to inspect but the hole in the road still remains.

JWater dug up half the road on Moerdyk to fix a major water leak and the huge hole still remains a month later.



City Park pruned trees in several street in Vorna Valley.

Several residents have requested City Parks to supply them with trees for they pavements, for which the residents need to dig the holes and tend to watering them. If anyone still wants to receive trees from City Parks, please send an email to info@vvra.co.za so that we can make the necessary arrangements for you.

JMPD fail to remove reclaimers, who have been damaging and littering in our wetland off le Roux, permanently, and they have once again built shacks, chopped down trees, make fires and dump their rubbish in the river.



Several cases of theft have taken place at the homes along the wetland.

These reclaimers all live in a nearby township, yet they do not get removed, even while they are breaking several laws and by laws.



We live in a world full of clutter, of things that we once thought we needed but no longer have a purpose. Let's work together as a community and find a new home for those things that no longer Spark Joy in our lives, but could bring countless Joy to someone else.

During the Spring season, we're going door-to-door collecting boxes of unwanted things such as clothes, toys, books, sports equipment and anything else you may want to donate. Are you in? Email spring clean@platinum.co.za when you're ready for us to collect your box and we'll make sure it goes to a good home! You can also call Steven McLaren on 083 233 8888 or their office on 011 805 8888



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Vorna Valley, Midrand*

Midrand public CPF meeting

We once again attended this public meeting where crime stats are discussed, yet we are not allowed to share it with the public.

Very little feedback was given as to the illegal use of the Anton Hartman Park, a while back, for a soccer tournament.

The meeting was well attended but due to the outburst of a security company's CEO, a bitter taste was left in our mouths. Neither the Chairman nor the Brigadier could stop him shouting his mouth off until an elderly gentleman from the residents present, asked him if he had absolutely no respect for the Brigadier. Only then did he stop ranting.



ILLEGAL DUMPERS BEWARE

"LARGE residents to take clear photos showing the culprit, the vehicle with registration number and the waste dumped and send the photos with the date, time and location."

Residents are encouraged to send their tip offs via:
Whatsapp or SMS - 082 779 1361

All tip-offs remain anonymous. "Together with you residents' help, we are certain that we can put illegal dumping in the City to an end."

City: Michael Sam
MMC for Public Safety - @CityofJohannesburg_ZA

JMPD 24-hour Traffic Hotline

Report accidents, broken down vehicles, areas where traffic lights are down or areas where traffic is gridlocked.

080 872 3342



Midrand Police Station awards some of their officers with certificates for a job well done in a murder case.

Job well done gets awarded

Welisa Nene
welisan@caxton.co.za

Midrand police officers have been awarded certificates for a job well done following the arrest of two suspects for the murder of two men who were shot dead in a Kyalami restaurant on 12 August.

The case was investigated by 23 officers who were all awarded certificates by the Midrand Police Station Commander Brigadier David Tsotsosto for their role in the arrests.

According to police, an argument broke out between the two suspects and the two victims in the restaurant. One of the suspects allegedly pulled out a gun, shot the two men and then fled.

Good detective work saw one suspect being arrested on the day of the crime while the second

suspect handed himself in the next day.

"The suspects appeared in the Midrand Magistrates' Court on 14 August but the case was postponed therefore no bail was granted," said Midrand police spokesperson Sergeant Matome Tlamela.

"Both suspects are currently detained at the Johannesburg Central Prison."

The men appeared in court again on 23 August for their bail application. Only the suspect who handed himself over to police received bail. The other suspect remains in custody and currently has five other pending cases against him including two for murder, attempted murder, suspected possession of a stolen motor vehicle and pointing of a firearm.

Details: Midrand Police Station 011 347 1626.

City Power urges customers to report any suspicious individuals or vehicles to City Power 0860 56 28 74 or Risk Control Unit 011 490 7911/00.

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We would like to let residents know that the **The Courier Restaurant** at the Swiss Country Club on Moerdyk Street is not just for members. Anyone can go there for a good meal. They support the VVRA and it would be wonderful if residents supported them.

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Cell: 082 561 0063 (Wolfgang)

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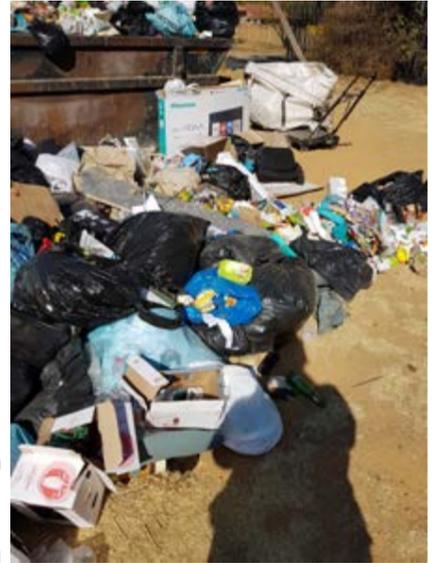
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SUPERSPAR



23 Aug 2018 job seekers disrupted the collection of waste and leave Pikitup on lock down. Pikitup buildings get burnt and vehicles are vandalised. Pikitup workers are threatened and this is still ongoing.

The VVRA arrange for skips to be place in Vorna Valley for resident to dump their waste in. Sadly several people misused this and dump garden refuse and recycling bags filled with waste. They were eager to use recycling bags they receive for free to dump their waste in the skips, but to lazy to join the recycling project from Phambili Services who collect recycling once a week.



An old broken door and a lot of salon ads and brochures were also dumped with confidential paper work from Sorbet Man Village View.

People just continued to dump furniture, mattresses, carpets, chairs you name it and **Ruby's** in the red van dumped off cuts of leather and materials. Shame on you **Ruby's**. You are lucky we can't find you on Google.



This gentleman in his bakkie, if one can call him that, who lives in Kyalami, dumped his rubbish in the already over full bins of Shamroc complex.



And this gentleman even brought his workers with to come fill the skip with garden refuse.



A big thank you goes to Daniella and her gardener, who helped to pick up the over flow waste and put it into the empty skip. Several guys sitting in the park came to help as well. THANK YOU.



And this chop parked next to my car in Anton Hartman on the wrong side of the road, wanting to dump his garden refuse in the skip we had filled to the brim already. I wasn't very polite with him, and told him I would get him fined if he even tried to take it out of his truck. I started dialing JMPD and I think he realised I wasn't joking, so he got in his truck and left.

Thank you to all the residents that kept to only dumping their household waste neatly in the skip. To those of you who dumped everything but the kitchen sink in and around the skips, SHAME ON YOU!!!

And to those of you who used the blue recycling bags, given by Phambili Services for recycling, for everything but recycling, you should be ashamed for yourselves.

A SAFER LIFE IN THE VALLEY

While theft and crime is sometimes an unfortunate reality of an otherwise rewarding lifestyle here in Vorna Valley, a little know-how can go a long way towards keeping you safe.

Stay safe with these tips from the Vorna Valley Residents Association, in partnership with Fidelity ADT:



Make sure you lock your garage, doors and windows.

It's often easy to forget, especially after feeding the dogs or going out for a smoke.



Don't let your mail pile up.

An overflowing mailbox signals an easy target, so ask a friend or neighbour to take care of your mail.



Be mindful of tricks working against you.

Leaving the lights on at 2pm is a dead giveaway that you're not home.



Take stock of easy to access areas.

An easily accessible backyard is usually the most convenient way for thieves to enter your premises.



Don't advertise your valuables.

Limit the visibility of your valuables and make it hard for them to be seen from the outside.



Invest in an alarm system.

Alarm systems are a major deterrent to any would-be burglars.



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WHERE TO LOG SERVICES DELIVERY CALLS

Level 1 water restrictions will be enforced by fines to consumers who contravened the Water Services By-law and consumers are urged to report non-compliance by phoning the JMPD 24/7 hotline on 011 758 9650

Report illegal dumping with an accurate address and where possible a photo on whatsapp to 082-779-1361

Report faulty traffic lights on whatsapp to 082-827-8250

JMPD 24 - hour Traffic Hotline 080-872-3342

SECTOR 2*	Vorna Valley, Waterfall Park, Carlswald, Halfway Gardens, Kyalami Hills, Kyalami Glen	Sergeant Nkatingi 082 888 7731 (office hours)	Sector Vehicle 071 675 6110		
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 Johannesburg Water	<u>Johannesburg Water</u>		 PIKITUP	<u>Pikitup</u>	
011-375-5555 customer@jwater.co.za SMS 082-653-2143 Anonymous tip-offs 0800-00-25-87 sms charged at R1.50 anticorruption@tip-offs.com	Water Burst	48 Hours	0860 56 28 74 011-375-5555 info@pikitup.co.za www.pikitup.co.za joburgconnect@joburg.org.za	New/additional bin request	7 days
	No Water	1 day		Animal Carcass removal	24 hours
	Sewer	24 Hours		Cleaning of an Illegal Dumping site	7 days
	Meter Leak	7 Working days			
	Fire Hydrant Leak	2 days			
Bees in meter box	3 days				

 Joburg City Power	<u>City Power</u>		 City Parks	<u>City Parks</u>	
011-375-5555 0860 56 28 74 http://citypower.mobi www.citypower.co.za and click "Fault Reporting"	No Power to area/property	4 Hours	0860 56 28 74 011-712-6600 10177	Grass cutting in open spaces	Up to 30 days
	Illegal Connection	24 Hours		Grass cutting of parks	Dependent on status of park
	Dangerous Situation	Immediate		Grass cutting in cemeteries	7 days
	Street Light not working	2 working days		Fallen Tree/branches	24 hours
	Meter Conversions	5 working days		Pruning of Tree	30 days
Faulty Meter	7 working days				

 JRA	<u>Johannesburg Road Agency</u>		 South African Police Service	<u>South African Police Service</u>	
0860 56 28 74 011-298-5001 hotline@jra.org.za	Potholes	3 working days	011-347-1600 Sector 2 SAPS 071-675-6110 Sector 2 SAPS 071-675-6111 Police Emergency - 10111 Capt Chetty - 076 419 1049		
	Manhole Cover missing	3 days			
	Blocked kerb inlet	3 days			
	Road trenches	3 days			
	Road Collapse/Dangerous Situation	Immediate to make road safe			
Stop/traffic signs damaged/missing	7 days				
Traffic Signals All Out	24 Hours				
Traffic Signal Flashing	24 Hours				

 Fire Department and Ambulance	<u>Fire Department and Ambulance</u>		 Johannesburg Metro Police Department	<u>Johannesburg Metro Police Department</u>	
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