

## RV NEWS BULLETIN

7 NOVEMBER 2016

### 1. SECURITY UPDATE

We have completed the adjudication of the final three tendering companies, who were selected out of a pool of 7 companies willing to tender for our security contract.

The process was unbiased, with all personal likes, dislikes and emotion removed to obtain the best result for RVHOA.

MD Alarms, Protrack, and GES were selected as the final three companies and were scored according to specific set criteria.

The outcome is that GES were selected and we are now in the process of negotiating the Service Level Agreement with them. More information will follow upon completion of the signed agreement.

### 2. TELKOM FIBRE OPTICS ON THE ESTATE

We have received a proposal from Telkom to upgrade the existing infrastructure on the estate to fibre optic. This would require capital contributions and a long-term commitment to Telkom. We have arranged for an information session to be held where Telkom will present the facts followed by a question and answer session.

Date: 26 November 2016

Time: 10h00

Venue: Black Rhino hall, Rhino convention center.

It would be helpful to know numbers attending – so please let the office know on [rvhoa@mweb.co.za](mailto:rvhoa@mweb.co.za)

### 3. 40A ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT BREAKERS

There are a handful of homes that still need to convert to 40A circuit breakers as we have been unable to gain access to these houses for various reasons. The kiosk breakers have all been changed over to 40A and it now becomes the responsibility of those few remaining homeowners to change the house over to 40A and update the electrical COC. If these houses remain unchanged any electrical trip will occur in the kiosk and not the house and will require a call out to rectify the problem. The homeowner will now be charged for these call outs.

### 4. CONTRACTORS GATE CLOSURE

A reminder that builders break will commence on 15 December 2016.

The contractor's gate will be closed for all building and contractor activity from 15 December 2016 to 9 January 2017. Please take note all contractors' access cards will be deactivated at the closure of the gates.

## 5. WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING

The estate team collects waste every Thursday; and in response to queries about whether we recycle or not - we do, but we do not require you to separate out your recyclables.

Wet waste must please go into black bags and recyclables into coloured bags. There are recycle bags available from the RVHOA office.



## 6. RV RESIDENTS SKILLS DATA BASE

We have received limited response for a Skills database for all the skills available on the Estate. There are often projects ongoing on the estate, and this way we can invite residents, should they wish, to make their knowledge available. If you would like to do so, please forward your details to the office, [rvhoa@mweb.co.za](mailto:rvhoa@mweb.co.za)

## 7. RULE REMINDER OF THE MONTH

The estate rules are sometimes inadvertently disregarded as homeowners or tenants do not always make themselves familiar with all the rules that govern the estate. In an effort to make RV a more harmonious place to live we will extract some rule reminders pertaining to issues that have been raised during the course of the month. We hope this will be helpful to all concerned.

### 8. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

- 8.1 No rubble, waste or refuse of any kind shall be dumped or discarded in any undeveloped areas or stands, public area, open space, road, water feature or stream. All rubble, waste and refuse will be removed according to the policy of the Association from time to time.
- 8.2 Residents using open space for any reason are to leave it in the same state in which it was found.

## 8. GENERAL VALUATION ROLE 2017-2022

Kindly be advised that the General Valuation Roll 2012-2017 expires on the 30 June 2017. The municipality has appointed a new service provider for the compilation of the new General Valuation Roll 2017-2022, and they will be conducting inspections on properties within the Maruleng Municipal jurisdiction. The General Valuation Roll will be implemented on the 1st July 2017.

These inspections will be conducted during the week of 7 November 2016.

The company responsible for these inspections are Mod Hope Properties and the inspectors are: K Modiba, J. Mogasho and T. Ramszuli

All these inspectors will be identifiable with municipal name cards, and they do not require access into your homes.

## 9. DOES IT RAIN GRASS?

Response to Drought, and Long Term Monitoring and Management.

Dr Mike Peel will be hosting a field day and lecture in Hoedspruit at 10:30 am on Friday 11 November 2016. This is an open invitation to anyone who would be interested in joining. The lecture location will be advised as it is subject to the number of responses received. A practical demonstration will be held on Khaya Ndlovu Reserve. Snacks and beverages will follow after the practical at 13:00 pm.

Dr Mike Peel has received an 'Award for Outstanding Achievement in Range and Forage Science' by Grassland Society of Southern Africa and was awarded a PhD 'Towards a predictive understanding of Savannah vegetation dynamics in the eastern lowveld of South Africa: with implications for effective management'.

There is so much debate and general opinion around the subject of culling and farm management that it may be of great benefit for home owners and board members to join this field day presentation and practical demonstration.

For enquiries or further information - contact Cherilynn Van Rensburg on 015 793 0471 or [cherilynn@jordanprops.co.za](mailto:cherilynn@jordanprops.co.za)

## 10. BITES & STINGS

Snake awareness and venomous snake handling course – 12 November 2016

This includes snake awareness, biology and behavior, myths, identification and basic first aid for snakebite and scorpion sting.

Introduction to scorpion course – 13 November 2016

This includes classification and identification, anatomy, behavior, courtship, gestation, reproduction, myths and legends, the importance of research and some practical fieldwork.

Both courses will be held at Southern Cross Schools – contact Ashley on [admin@africansnakebiteinstitute.com](mailto:admin@africansnakebiteinstitute.com) for costs and further information.