

HEBRA NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE HEBRA COMMUNITY

WHAT'S INSIDE...



A note from our HEBRA Chairs

Dear HEBRA Community

Wow, what an interesting past few months we have gone through in South Africa! While we are all recovering from lockdown, and trying to get used to this “new normal” of social distancing, mask wearing and working from home (as much as possible), we as the HEBRA committee are doubling down to ensure that our community stays as safe, secure and relaxed as possible.

Our events committee has planned a wonderful sandwich making day in the park, as part of our Mandela Day initiative.

Our security committee is adapting to the times and building a few initiatives to ensure that the rising crime rates in the country, coming from the tough economic situation which everyone is going through, don't adversely affect us and our surrounding communities as much as possible.

On that point, we have unfortunately had to place our CCTV and connectivity projects on the back burner at this stage due to the national lockdown and the financial situation which we see ourselves in. Our current levy payer percentages have dropped to roughly 38% during this period, and that has left us at a very dire break-even point.

We would like to thank everyone who have continued, and still continue to pay their enclosure levies each and every month. Without you, we would be in a far worse situation than what we are in right now, so a **BIG THANK YOU** to you! We understand that not everyone is able to continue paying levy's during this time, however we encourage everyone in the HEBRA area to contribute in any way possible - be it financially, or by dedicating some time to our community efforts.

During lockdown, we have made several improvements to our fences and gates, including repairing and re-enforcing several gates and fencing sections - such as Duke Road, and Gibson Road.

As you'll notice, we have limited the times which our (secondary) entrance gates are opened and closed. This is done to ensure that we maintain the security in our enclosure. For everyone's convenience, we have placed notice boards with the times at all of these gates. Our St Matthew's gates remain the primary entrances, and are open 24/7, with the boom guards in place at night.

The remainder of the gate operating times are as follows:

- On weekdays, the gates are open between 06h00 and 08h30, and again from 12h00 until 15h30.
- On weekends the gates remain closed
- This does not include pedestrian gates, which remain open 06h00 to 18h00 during the day (both weekdays and weekends)

We have been approached by AfriForum's Neighbourhood Watch in Edenvale, to establish a greater neighbourhood security presence not only in our HEBRA enclosure, but generally throughout Edenvale as well. At this time, every bit of effort counts and we need to rely on each other to keep our enclosure, and the Greater Edenvale safe and secure. If anyone in the community would be interested in getting involved in or volunteering in this security initiative, please contact hebracommunity@gmail.com and we will put you in touch with the relevant people.

We're looking forward to our Mandela Day initiative in the next few weeks, having the opportunity to give back to those less fortunate, and we hope that as many of you who can join us for this great event! We hear that coffee and hot chocolate may be on offer for those helping out. Look out for more information on the various HEBRA groups or contact us for more information.

For any questions, please contact your road captain or us on our email address.

Thank you for being such a great community, we're all in this together, so let's keep supporting one another through this tough time!

All the best!

Caryn Myers & Andrew Chester
HEBRA Committee Co-Chairs.

Local is lekker!

We encourage all business owners within the HEBRA enclosure to advertise their business on the HEBRA website during this difficult time.

Please email hebracommunity@gmail.com if you wish to place an advert on <http://hebra.co.za/local-businesses/>

All online adverts will be free until the end of July 2020.

If you require help with a design please let us know also.

Bank details

Hurlyvale East & Buurendal Residents Association (or HEBRA)
Standard Bank
Bedford Gardens
Branch Code: 018305
Account Number: 201 379 864
Ref: House number and Street name

If you would prefer a debit order once a month please email hebracommunity@gmail.com or visit the HEBRA website (www.hebra.co.za) to complete the debit order form.

Emergency numbers

Police - 10111
Ambulance - 10177
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Emergency - 112
Mamba - 011 609 0227
Ekurhuleni call centre (water and lights) - 086 054 3000
EMPD 24hr - 011 999 5041
SA Corona Virus emergency hotline - 0800 029 999
WhatsApp support line: 0600-123456

To quickly access these numbers go to any HEBRA WhatsApp group, go to group info and these numbers will be under the description.

WhatsApp groups

Whatsapp street groups have been set up to share news and to create community awareness and togetherness.

If you are not currently on any group please email hebracommunity@gmail.co.za to be added your street group.

Help to jumpstart your car, look for your lost pet or even borrowing a cup of sugar will only be a message away.

Events

Due to the lockdown there haven't been many events but we were able to sneak in a fantastic family touch rugby and soccer day in the park on 7 March 2020 which was thoroughly enjoyed by all ages. Thank you to everyone who joined us!

It's very unfortunate that our Easter Egg Hunt in the Park was cancelled but an Easter colouring in competition was held which was won by Tiffani Buyskes. Tiffani won an Easter hamper much to her delight.

The Mother's Day Market and Father's Day potjie had to be cancelled also due to the Covid-19 pandemic but these should be hosted next year depending on the situation at the time.

The Mandela Day Sandwich Day will be on Friday, 17 July 2020. Please join us in making as many sandwiches as possible as a community. Bread and spread donations are also welcome. Please WhatsApp Leigh on 0828640096 if you would like to drop off any donations towards this.

We will have dropoff points on Friday morning for ready-made sandwiches also if you are working on Friday and would prefer to make sandwiches on Thursday night.

What can I do?

There are lots of ways the Community can contribute to the enclosure. Not only through the monthly payments, but helping out with maintenance, sitting on the Committee, giving time and supporting our fundraising events. If you'd like to assist with any of the above, kindly contact one of the Committee Members directly or through the Whatsapp Street Groups or email hebracommunity@gmail.com.

Every bit of support goes such a long way to bettering the HEBRA Community.

Bringing smiles to Hurlyvale

HEBRA has its very own superheroes!

Hayley Smith shared her story. "A good friend challenged my husband, Brian to dress as a superhero and bring smiles to those in our community. Both my son, Jarod and my daughter, Ashlee also wanted to be a part of it when they got to hear of the challenge. So off they went on Sunday morning with me in close proximity taking pictures. Exactly that was achieved, smiles everywhere. Not just with the children but also the adults. It was a great challenge bringing joy to all those that saw us, a little light especially during these negative times."



Advertisements

To support the community projects we will be selling advertising slots in the newsletter at R150 per advert.

We will also be placing adverts (A2 sized) on the new advertising board in the park.

The pricing is as follows:

R600 per advert for non-residents

R500 for residents that are non levy payers

R400 for residents that are levy payers

This will include a free 4-month internet advert on the HEBRA website (www.hebra.co.za).

Please email hebracommunity@gmail.com if you wish to place an advert on the website, advertising board or in the newsletter.



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