



HEBRA NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE HEBRA COMMUNITY

WHAT'S INSIDE...



A note from our HEBRA Chairperson

Dear HEBRA Residents

It's been quite a long time since we last published a newsletter, and that is primarily due to a delay on my side, with life hitting us straight between the eyes. That said, rest assured that the community (and importantly - the security) is still being run to the best expectations and effort, thanks to this great HEBRA community of ours. Regarding Security of the enclosure, we're making two specific improvements:

1. We've finally raised enough funds to begin rolling out our community camera systems, with the first camera being installed at the Hurlyvale Road Boom Gate. The camera system has been designed with our strict budget in mind, and therefore will be modular.



The camera's themselves are IP-based cameras, accessible to those who have access to the camera authorization system. This access will be restricted to the HEBRA Security Sub-committee & our security company - Mamba.

While the system is modular, and budget friendly, they are limited based on budgetary capabilities - namely, they only record activity based on a motion-activated system (thereby only recording events when there is motion detected), and the recording timeline is limited as, ultimately, the recordings have to be stored on a storage system - which is limited due to the budget and, thereby, the amount of storage capacity. However, the system will be upgraded as we move forward - with more storage, more recording capability, and more cameras!

The camera's are available to all community members, as we have formed a partnership with the local distributor.



If a community member would like to sponsor, or purchase a camera (either for themselves, or to form part of our community-based camera network), please reach out to us on hebracommunity@gmail.com. We will be able to expand the camera network based on available funds, as well as any potentially sponsored funds, or cameras. For example - a community member on a corner-stand, or at a street entrance, could purchase a camera and place it in a high-spot on their property.

The feed could be shared with us, allowing us to cover more areas within our enclosure with 24x7x365 surveillance capabilities. The alternative is that more funds could be raised to place more of these cameras throughout critical areas in our enclosure. The priority will be the enclosure perimeter, and gates, first - then spread inward to ultimately try to cover as many areas as possible.

The camera versions are completely self contained - they are solar powered, with a battery backup, and contain a SIM card for connectivity. Of course, there are wifi and traditional-power-connected versions available. However, these self-contained units make the deployment much simpler and allow us to deploy camera's at gates and areas where no power or connectivity is available.

The camera's range between R 3 000.00 and R 7 000.00 depending on the model. If you would like to sponsor a camera, or cost toward a camera, you can make donations into our HEBRA bank account, with the reference being "cameras". We've got a target of 30 cameras to cover the most critical areas in our enclosure.

2. The second security improvement which we're making is by implementing new access stickers throughout the enclosure. These vehicle stickers will be updated annually, with the year being reflected on them, and will only be available to HEBRA Levy payers. This ensures that residents who pay the HEBRA levies are able to access the enclosure, through the booms, without having to wait for their vehicle details to be recorded first. This does NOT mean that we will prevent residents who don't pay the levy from accessing the enclosure, it simply means that those residents will have to have their vehicle details recorded before the guards open the boom. This is as per our security and enclosure mandate, granted to us by the city council.

As you know, we have less than 40% of the HEBRA residents paying their monthly enclosure levy.

While, all 100% of the residents benefit from the enclosure - both from a security aspect, as well as house price and desirability aspect. Houses in security enclosures, such as ours, attract a far higher price and desirability factor than a house outside of the enclosure. We are trying to encourage that all residents pay their security levy, and that we do not have a situation whereby the few fund the many, while the many benefit. The stickers will be implemented over the next few weeks, and the Mamba guards will be trained on their use.

If you are a levy payer, please reach out to us at hebracommunity@gmail.com, or your street captain on your street Whatsapp group, to arrange a sticker for access.

On a non-security related note - we have installed a new Notice board at the Horwood Road Boom Gate, in partnership with Jack Russell Estates who sponsored the manufacture and installation of the notice board. Thank you very much to Kathleen & Sam (at Jack Russell) for arranging it, we know that we started the discussion on the board over a year ago, but glad that it is finally up!

We are selling advertising space on the board, for advert spaces that will be seen and reach over 35 000 vehicles per month.

Advertising spaces are on offer for R350.00 per month for HEBRA community residents who are levy payers, R450.00 per month for non-levy papers and R550 per month for non-residents. Please get hold of us on Facebook, or on hebracommunity@gmail.com to arrange an advertising space! We would like to install a second notice and advertising board, at the Hurlyvale Road Boom Gate.

If any community-based business would like to take part in sponsoring this notice board, please reach out to us as well!

Lastly, we have unfortunately had some churn on the HEBRA committee - a few residents have moved out of our enclosure - and we're looking for volunteers to join the committee, or volunteer for certain aspects, such as the Security, Maintenance or Events sub-committee's. As you all know, our famous events (such as the halloween event) can not run themselves, and require a certain level of participation from members of our community. If you have a few hours per month to spare, please consider joining one of the teams and reach out to us on hebracommunity@gmail.com.

We're looking forward to spring and summer arriving, and seeing our park flourish in green, to cater for our great events this year!

All the best,
Andrew Chester
HEBRA Chairman

Hit and run

It is with great sadness that one of our guards Lester "Smiley" was struck by a white bakkie/car on 17 July 2022 while opening the gate for a vehicle to exit the area. Regarding the offender who drove off - they have been identified, and SAPS interviewed them, and a case has been opened against them. SAPS will be investigating and taking appropriate action. Lester is back at work already and we are all happy to see that big smile again to brighten up our day!

HEBRA levies

The monthly contributions go towards security, maintenance and upkeep of the community.

The R450 levy may be paid by EFT, bank payment, debit order or through the Mamba one-fee system.

If you would prefer a debit order once a month for the HEBRA levy please email hebracommunity@gmail.com or visit the HEBRA website (www.hebra.co.za) to complete the debit order form or please see the bank details below for an EFT to be processed.

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EMPD 24hr - 011 999 5041
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.

If you are not part of a road group, please feel free to contact one of the committee members, or email us at hebracommunity@gmail.com.

St Patrick Road fire

On 5 July 2022 one of the houses in St Patrick Rd caught alight and our community came together to help - from members and builders trying to put out the fire before Mamba and the Fire Station arrived to all those who donated items for the family. The family is so grateful for everything received. Thank you to everyone who helped out in one way or another and a huge thank you to Vicky for everything she did!

Dogs in the park

We understand it is not only residents who walk their dogs in the park but please set the right example and ensure your dogs are on a lead (as per the park rules) and that you clean up after them so that the park can be enjoyed by everyone and also ask other dog walkers to do the same.

Maintenance

A number of the HEBRA fences have been reinforced to ensure the metal near the ground cannot be bent. The HEBRA committee has started arranging for the fences to be repainted after rust converter has been applied. The section by Horwood Street has been finished to date and the next section will be started soon. If anyone wishes to donate paint or rust converter please email hebracommunity@gmail.com.

A huge thank to Tina and Fine & Country Edenvale for assisting us with removing the old unused guard hut at the Gibson Road gate as well as replacing the booms at the St Matthew entrances. Thank you to Mamba for assisting us with arranging printing for the HEBRA signage at the St Matthew Road entrances.

Unfortunately during the Easter Hunt in the Park, someone drove through the Horwood Street fence. Additional guards were on duty while the fence was being replaced by Tina's team (Fine & Country).

Thank you to the Moltrasio Complex Board for arranging the painting of lines near Hurlyvale Primary school including the school's parking lines over the holidays, as well as to Sanjeev Maharaj! Sanjeev sponsored lights for our primary guard huts in St Matthew's road!

He supplies equipment for all lighting requirements - another great example of the HEBRA community and businesses supporting one another.

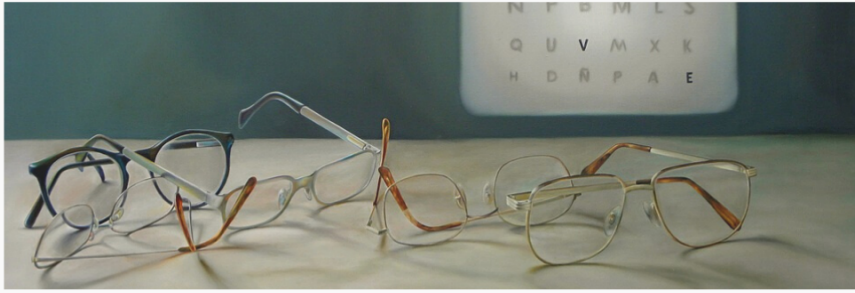
Events

Jacaranda FM chose HEBRA to host the Friday Scenic Straat Braai show on 28 January 2022. A big thank you to Marc from Men with Wood for sponsoring the braai wood for the street braai and to everyone who joined us.

We had our Easter Egg Hunt in the Park on 2 April 2022. A huge thank you to everyone who donated Easter eggs and other treats for the goodie bags! Thank you to Mamba for supporting us as always, providing a jumping castle for the day, donating eggs and taking some stunning photos. Thank you to Vicky, Mamba and Jack Russell Estates for donating amazing raffles and to everyone who helped on the day.

Events to come

Halloween - 29 October 2022
Christmas in the Park - TBC



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