# The NextDoor Neighbour



Richmond Hill Newsletter—Issue 01

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Dear Richmond Hill Residents

We received a request to put together a newsletter with some of the happenings around the hood. It has certainly been a busy year for Richmond Hill!

A highlight was the return of the Alliance Francaise Street Music Festival which was such a great success and really showcased the beauty of Richmond Hill. It is amazing what can be achieved when there is collaboration between community and various stakeholders working together. We have a new Ward 5 councillor, Terri Stander, who together with her team have been putting a significant amount of effort in getting service delivery back on track for our ward.

A big thank you to the SRA staff for the amazing job that they do. From Sharon in the office liaising daily with our residents, staff and the ward office. To Alan, Mark & Thandabanthu in ensuring our "Hill" remains clean at all times and then to Willem, Ivan and Anton our newest additions who have certainly made a significant impact on RH.

We have had a year of community meetings which have been held with residents adding their voice.

Due to the lack of political stability for the past while the SRA has tried its utmost in keeping all the balls in the air and addressing the areas where certain municipal departments have not been able to provide the necessary services.

In closing, a thank you to all the residents who play their part in looking out for their neighbours, ensuring that their homes are well maintained, reporting incidents that require our assistance, more importantly, love our hood as much as we do.

We would like to take this opportunity in wishing all the residents of Richmond Hill a peaceful festive season.



Did You Know?

The first Masonic Lodge of the Scottish
Constitution to be opened in Port
Elizabeth was consecrated and named
Lodge Caledonia at 22 Lansdowne Place.



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## **Security Matters**

Your safety is important to us. New to the area? We have our own dedicated outsourced patrol vehicle manned by HRG that one can contact for assistance, 079 905 9009 directly or join the 1ARH WhatsApp group. Send your request to 082 852 7367. It is our responsibility to ensure that we secure our own properties with security alarms, exterior lighting and fencing, it all helps.

## **Special Projects**

To our "Special Projects" team that has been hard at work cleaning up unsightly areas of Richmond Hill. A big thank you. Tackling the Wild Park has been the major one. Please take some time out and go down and check out the amazing transformation. Pic are always welcome.

### BlockWatch on Remote

John has taken on the onerous task of setting up a Blockwatch but with a twist, no actual walking required. For more information how you can be a part of this initiative, please mail

the SRA office and Sharon will put John in contact with you.

## Recycling

Packa-Ching, Initiated by Mariska and which has proved to be a great success. Richmond Hill has its own recycling initiative that has been well



supported by our residents. This happens every Wednesday 11am-4pm @ Cnr of Stanley & Mackay.

### The Oval

Watch this space ....

## Everyone Can Help

If you would like to head up a project that will add value to Richmond Hill, please get in touch with the office or one of the directors and let us see where we can assist you. Whether it be manpower or other resources, we would love more of our community members running with individual projects that add to the overall benefit of Richmond Hill.

# MES Mould Empower Serve (Changing the Heart of the City)

Yes we have a homeless problem, just like everywhere else in Port Elizabeth and globally. MES is a great organization that is trying to mitigate change as best they can with the limited resources available. MES offers a voucher system, R30.00 per voucher that can be given to those in need, this will allow them a night at the shelter, a meal and a shower. This removes the "cash" element from the transaction. These are available at the SRA office if you would like to support this great cause.



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### Dates to Remember:

AGM: 8th December 2022

**Community Meetings:** are usually scheduled for every second Thursday of every second month at 6pm. Everyone is most welcome! The location of these meetings might change, so please check your emails or Facebook. We will be kicking these off again in the new year.

### **Waste Management & Refuse Removal Days**

#### **MONDAYS**

Russell Road, up to and including Stanley Street

#### **TUESDAYS**

Stanley Street, up to Albany Road (excl. Stanley Street) as well as for registered businesses and apartment buildings.

### **FRIDAYS**

A second weekly refuse removal for registered businesses & apartment buildings only.

### **APARTMENT BUILDINGS:**

Arrangements for refuse removal must be made with the Municipality by the Bodies Corporate of apartment buildings –please contact 060 540 5247 or 041 506 2018 to arrange for this.

### **BUSINESSES:**

A trade waste contract with the Municipality or private contractor is required for waste removal from trade premises - please contact 060 540 5247 or 041 506 2018 to arrange this.

# **Important Numbers:**

South African Police Service: 10111

SRA / HGR Security Crime Line: 079 905 9009

Humewood Police Station: 041 504 5000 / 041 504 5057

Municipality Call Centre: 0800 20 50 50

Fire Department: 041 585 1555

Ambulance: 041 403 7000

Animal Welfare: 041 366 1660

Life Line Crisis Number: 041 373 8882

Illegal Dumping: 041 506 2833



We would love to hear from you, please send your inputs to the SRA office:

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