

The NextDoor Neighbour

Richmond Hill Newsletter—Issue 02

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Dear Richmond Hill Residents

We hope that you all have had a wonderful festive season and that 2023 brings peace and joy to you all.

A big thank you to the SRA staff who were on duty throughout December to ensure that Richmond Hill remained clean and looking its best.

We have a year of community meetings coming up, please see further down for dates. We would love to see you there with great ideas on uplifting and beautifying our area.

We hope given the new hands-on attitude by our municipality, that all outstanding issues will be addressed on a more consistent basis.

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

We would like to Introduce Mark Ngoma

Yes you have seen him around our hood, seated in and around the SRA bakkie or walking our streets with that very big smile. He is one of the amazing staff members we have here in Richmond Hill. Over the next couple of issues we will introduce you to all RH SRA staff that make our suburb an awesome place to live and work in.

How long have you worked for RH SRA? **Six Years**

Are you married? **Yes**

Do you have children? **Yes**. How old are they? **25, 23, 21, & 14 years old.**

Also a Grandpa to one Granddaughter

Favourite Food? **Samp and Beans**

Favourite Colour? **Blue**

What has been your best experience? **Planting the trees in the Wildpark and Richmond Park and looking after them for the first 6 months to ensure they took.**

What has been your worst? **Being followed after purchasing a new cellphone and been robbed.**



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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, call 079 905 9009 directly or join the 1ARH WhatsApp group. Send your request to join the group to 082 852 7367.

Loadshedding is a reality and looks like it is here to stay. It has been found that using one of many cost effective solutions to add light to your property will help with keeping the opportunists roaming in the dark at bay.

Problem Buildings, the occupants of these buildings have led up to a host of unsavory dealings that have no place in our community. We have had some great success this month in boarding up two of these buildings. So a big thank you to all the role players in this achievement.

TEAM SRA

Currently our SRA Special projects team is clearing the storm water drains, the unsightly weeds along our pavements and finishing up with priming of the oval wall. Alan and his team are still continuing with the daily upkeep of our suburb ensuring that illegal dumping, unsightly areas are reported and tackled timeously. A big thank you!

Calling all Dog & Cat Owners

There has been a request for the SAVA team to visit RICHMOND HILL to inoculate all domestic animals against Rabies.

For this to happen there needs to be at least 100 dogs and cats that need to be done.

If YOU live in RICHMOND HILL, have any dogs and cats that need their Rabies shots and will have someone at home during the day when the team is there please send a WHATSAPP with the following information to Estelle Timms at 072 959 6201.

1. Your name AND surname.
2. The name of the street you live in.
3. How many dogs you have.
4. How many cats you have.



Library

“A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies . . . The man who never reads lives only one.” - George R.R. Martin

Busy Loading ... a Community library. Please watch this space as to when and where this will be situated and how one can donate and access books.



Recycling

Packa-Ching, Please support this wonderful recycling initiative that has been well supported by our residents. This happens every Wednesday 11am-4pm @ Cnr of

Stanley & Mackay.

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 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.



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Fisheries

Did You Know?

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION (WCTU) CHILDREN'S HOME

The foundation stone of this beautiful Victorian building on the corner of Glen and Stanley Streets was laid on 1 October 1898. The stone was laid by Mayor A. Fettes. The land was donated by the Council. Most of the money for the project came from the WCTU's tea and coffee stalls at sports and agricultural shows. It is now in use by the Department of

THE WATER CRISIS IS DIRE, HERE ARE A FEW WATER SAVING TIPS

- Contact the SRA office to report any leaks that you see in the street or from water meters
- Take shorter showers
- Install water-saving shower heads or flow restrictors
- Turn off the water while brushing your teeth
- Turn off the water while shaving
- Check faucets and pipes for leaks
- Use your automatic dishwasher for full loads only
- Use your automatic washing machine only for full loads
- Don't let the tap run while you clean vegetables / fruit
- If you wash dishes by hand, don't leave the water running for rinsing
- Plant drought-resistant trees and plants
- Use a broom to clean driveways, sidewalks and steps, not your jet washer



Become a force for social good with Discovery Vitality MoveToGive

If your 2023 goal is to exercise more, then there's one commitment strategy you can try to stay accountable. Do it for yourself... and to help MES (Mould. Empower. Serve.) build healthy inner-city communities through Vitality MoveToGive.

How to donate to MES through Vitality MoveToGive

- Activate Vitality Active Rewards in the latest version of the Discovery app.
- Achieve your exercise, drive or money goals to earn a play on the gameboard.
- Pick a tile on the gameboard to reveal Discovery Miles.
- Spend your Discovery Miles on Vitality MoveToGive charity donations. The Discovery Fund will match your donations up to a limit of R500,000.



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Dates to Remember:

Community Meetings: Everyone is most welcome! The location of these meetings might change, so please check your emails or Facebook.

16th February 2023

13th April 2023

15th June 2023

10th August 2023

12th October 2023



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.

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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