



## SAARP SOCIAL SERVICES GROOTE SCHUUR

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### Newsletter – January 2019

Dear fellow members,

We hope 2019 will be a good one for you – it certainly promises to bring a number of changes and challenges. With the General Elections due in May we should be prepared for “robust” political encounters. “Robust” seems to be the word used for slanging matches and even violence. So, brace yourselves!

South Africa has come through many testing times and we pray that this year will show the same resilience. May wisdom and tolerance prevail. There is so much to lose if we ignore Nelson Mandela’s plea for unity and working together for a better future.

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The Christmas Lunch at the Cattle Baron in Pinelands was a happy event and well attended. Thanks to Mercy Boy and her helpers for all the arrangements. One negative comment was the lack of space – there was very little elbow-room! The committee is prepared to consider a different venue for 2019 if this is the consensus. One advantage at the Cattle Baron is the secure parking. You may recall that two members had their cars tampered with at the Pinelands Bowling Club, a previous venue.

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Day outings will resume next month and we hope to have a few “new” destinations. Your suggestions are always welcome. But please bear in mind that spending within budget has become more challenging with the ever-increasing cost of petrol, which rules out some of those more distant places we used to visit, such as Worcester and Tulbagh.

We’ll also go back to some places we visited some years ago. For many of our present members these will be new experiences. We have also had requests to include Simonsvlei as a lunch venue when we are in the Paarl area.

#### **The 3-day Mini-break**

There are still places in the SUV for the SAARP-Fairview trip to Calitzdorp (4-6 April). This is one of those interesting little towns in the Oudtshoorn area, and is the “Port Capital” of SA. It promises to be as enjoyable as all the other trips Eric Palmer has arranged for us over many years. He comes to fetch you at your home and will bring you back on Day 3. Please contact him at 021 701 7131 if you are interested in joining the group. You can also reach him on your cell – [Fairview@iafrica.com](mailto:Fairview@iafrica.com)  
Tour price: R3950pp (Single supplement – R500). Accommodation at a B&B.  
Dinners included.

### FOR YOUR DIARY

This month's General Meeting: Monday 21 January. Venue: Rosebank Methodist Church Hall. Doors open at 09h15. Speaker: Francis Slabber on the work of audiologists (hearing clinic).

Next month's General Meeting: Monday <sup>18</sup>21 February. Venue and times as above. Speaker: Brian Treweek on House-sitting (employment opportunity for seniors)

### BEST WISHES

Congratulations and Best wishes to those who will be celebrating birthdays & anniversaries. Our condolences to those who have lost loved ones. To those in hospital or ill at home, we wish you well. Our thoughts are with Miss Hellenberg, who is unable to attend meetings for the present, following an assault.

### THEATRES (Info supplied by Gaby Saurma-Jeltsch)

**Artscape** (Phone 021 421 7695 to book)

Community Gala with the CT Philharmonic Orchestra – Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 6pm  
R100/R150

Chicago (Musical) – coming in March R200 to R500

**Maynardville** (Phone as above – 021 421 7695)

Swingtime (Ballet) 23/27 January R110

Jester in the Park (Comedy) with Rob van Vuuren R100/150

Richard the Third - Alan Committee (satire) from 6 February to 9 March

(Note: More info on a website – maynardvilleparkevents )

**Fugard Theatre** (Ph 021 461 4554)

Langarm (David Kramer's new Musical) until 30 January. Ask for special discount on Sundays 3pm

**City Hall:** Rehearsals - from 24 January to 14<sup>th</sup> Feb at 11am R50

### OUTINGS

**Tuesday 19 February:** Cape Point Ostrich Farm R140pp Bus leaves at 09h30 from opp the Church on the Main Rd. Lunch at the restaurant or Spur Fish Hoek, depending on the cost.

**Tuesday 19 March:** To be discussed at this month's General Meeting

### INTO OUR KITTY (November 2018)

Bring & Buy R132.00 ; Tea monies R60.00 ; Lucky draw R40.00

### GENERAL:

Please support our Bring & Buy table. Special request for cookies, etc.

Donations of clothing items, wool, materials etc are gratefully accepted. Collection bag at the attendance table. ToCH distributes to the needy.

**WELCOME** to NEW MEMBER Mrs EM Gibbin. We hope you will enjoy the good fellowship we have to offer.

### SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER

Please use one of the following methods of paying subscriptions:

- CASH at monthly meetings (50.00 per member annually)
- EFT to ABSA Account – Number 9172732609 , Branch Code 632005, providing your full name and membership number.
- CHEQUE – payable to SAARP Social Services Groote Schuur , but add R25.00 to cover bank charges. Submit to Membership Secretary.

**PLEASE :** No cheques to be deposited at Banks due to increased bank fees.

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**PAYMENTS FOR OUTINGS :** CASH only at meetings.