



Lakefield Social Club

SOUTH AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

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WHAT'S THE PLAN?

TUESDAY, 5 JANUARY 2021 - CANCELLED

This date should have been the Club's first meeting of 2021. HOWEVER, due to rise in the number of COVID cases and the President calling on people not to arrange gatherings, the Committee has decided not to hold a meeting on the 5th and to adopt a "Wait and See Approach". We will re-assess the situation in the New Year.

IN THE MEANTIME THE PLAN IS –

TUESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 2021

All being well the monthly social will take place. The topic will be confirmed. Regarding the monthly outing club members have been invited to visit the Javett Art Centre at the University of Pretoria.

TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 2021

We are happy to announce that **Sibusiso Vilane** will be our speaker. Sibusiso on 26 May 2003 Sibusiso stood on the summit of Mount Everest becoming the first black person in the world to achieve this feat. He walked down the mountain a changed man. From there on he never looked back. He did it again in 2005 by climbing the same mountain from the North side. He has climbed all the seven summits and a number of known Peaks in the Alps. He has walked to both North and South Poles. The committee is also planning a WINE TASTING during the month of March. More details will be given closer to the time.



TUESDAY, 6 APRIL 2021 – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – ONE YEAR LATER

This will be the Club's 6th Annual General Meeting and an opportunity for members to express your opinion on club matters and examine the club's finances. HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP? People who paid in full at the beginning of 2020 will be asked to pay half the club fee (R60) for 2021. Others will pay the full amount of R120 single and R200 a couple. Payment can be made by EFT. The entrance fee will remain at R10. After the formalities we will play BINGO. Excellent prizes to be won. Remember to bring a pen

MAKING PAYMENT BY EFT –

REMEMBER TO USE NEW BANKING DETAILS:

SAARPLAKEFIELD
FNB, Branch Code 250112
Account No. 62832673661
Reference: Your Surname & Event
It is imperative to send proof of payment by
e-mail pamh1008@gmail.com or to
0824573947

CRAZY, BUT TRUE

If you go into the bank and pay at a teller the club is charged R50 per transaction.

CLUB'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER 2020

Such an enjoyable event with excellent food and drink and most important of all
excellent company



MEMBERS JOINED IN THE FUN AND PLAYED GAMES



FATHER CHRISTMAS ARRIVED WITH A GIFT FOR EVERYONE

Anyone wanting to learn how to play bowls a morning clinic can be arranged in late January at the Northmead Bowls Club. David Langley is the contact person.
082 565 2272

TRANSPORT - It is the responsibility of an individual to arrange transport and not the responsibility of the committee. However, if requested the committee will endeavour to help arrange a lift
CHANGE OF PERSONAL DETAILS – Please complete a form (available at the entrance)
PLEASE REPLY – From time to time e-mails are sent to specific groups usually as reminders or to give directions. In order for us to know if the e-mail has been received please reply. A simple reply of “Thank you” or “Received” will do.

SAARP Head Office in Cape Town is a non-profitable NGO-company and derives its funding from commissions and advertising. Membership to SAARP is, therefore, free. However, social clubs charge an annual subscription fee to cover running costs. Lakefield Social Club has a low annual fee of R120 per person or R200 per couple. An entrance fee of R10 per person at the monthly socials is also charged. R20 for visitors. Socials are held on the **FIRST TUESDAY** of every month at the Wesley Hall, Northfield Methodist Church, cnr Webb and Aerodrome Roads, Northmead, Benoni. Socials start at 11h00 sharp. [If you require further information contact Pam Harvey 082 457 3947](mailto:pam.harvey@saarp.co.za)

*The committee wishes Members a joyous Christmas season.
Keep safe and we look forward to seeing you later in the New Year.*

T'was a month before Christmas, and all through the town,
People wore masks, that covered their frown.
The frown had begun way back in the Spring.
When a global pandemic changed everything.
They called it corona, but unlike the beer.
It didn't bring good times, it didn't bring cheer.
Aeroplanes were grounded, travel was banned.
Borders were closed across air, sea and land.
As the world entered lockdown to flatten the curve.
The economy halted, and folks lost their nerve.
From March to July we rode the first wave.
People stayed home, they tried to behave.
When summer emerged the lockdown was lifted.
But away from caution, many folks drifted.
Now it's December and cases are spiking,
Wave two has arrived, much to our disliking.
It's true that this year has had sadness aplenty.
We'll never forget the year 2020.
And just 'round the corner the holiday season.
But why be merry? Is there even one reason?
To decorate the house and put up the tree.
Who will see it, no one but me.
But outside my window the rain gently falls.
And I think to myself, let's deck the halls!
So, I gather the ribbon, the garland and bows.
As I play those old carols, my happiness grows.
Christmas is not cancelled and neither is hope.
If we lean on each other, I know we can cope ❤️👊