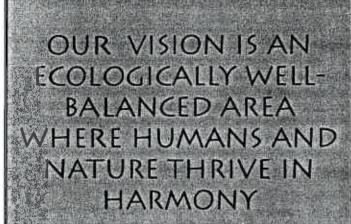
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RERA 30 YEARS! REBV 30 JAAR!

I was delighted to read a column in the Cape Argus recently, in which reporter Jen Crocker wrote about her visit to Rooiels during the holidays. She was surprised to find that after an absence of many years, Rooiels had somehow not lost any of that special magic of her youth.

Rooiels is not any ordinary village by any stretch of the imagination. It is a place of extremes; it is both rugged and fragile, a place of gentle tranquility and wild storms. And over the years this extra-ordinary place has attracted some rather extra-ordinary people - people who love this place for its own sake with a passion as fierce as the wind.

It is to these people that we are indebted that Rooiels has remained the way it is and hasn't turned into another Strand or Gordon's Bay. These are the people who initiated the hacks, fought against subdivisions and ensured the protection of the smallholdings and the coastline by having the main road to Kleinmond follow Clarence Drive, instead of along Porter Drive.

RERA celebrates its 30th year of existence this year. In this time it drew up the Rooiels Vision as an ideal for living in harmony with our surroundings, had the old school site proclaimed as nature reserve and the whole coastal strip zoned as nature reserve. It ensured that our slipway is managed by the Rooiels community through the Boat Club. RERA initiated the first steps in sustainable living with the introduction of the recycling igloos. The entrance to Rooiels was transformed from a eye-sore, littered with rubbish and alien vegetation to an area which is now neat and aesthetically pleasing, in which the natural environment and indigenous fynbos occupies the place of honour.

We pay tribute to the Rooielsers who have achieved all this. Over the years many of them have either stepped down from public office, moved or even passed away, but their spirit remains alive on the wind. Caring for Rooiels is a relay race. When one person falls or grows tired there are fresh generations of Rooielsers ready and waiting to take the baton and run.

We will run swiftly, but tread carefully. We have not inherited Rooiels, we have borrowed it from our children.

ESTELLE RAYMOND CHAIRPERSON: RERA

BRING-YOUR-OWN-CHAIR AGM 2001

Our RERA "Bring-your-own-chair" AGM was held on 27 December. Ruida Pool of Cape Nature Conservation was our guest speaker on "Living in the Biosphere". Louis van Heerden informed the meeting on the IDP process (see article elsewhere). The outgoing committee reported on activities that varied from mundane house-keeping to the more complex issues of protecting the unique character of Rooiels.

THE CHALLENGE TO PROTECT THE UNIQUE CHARACTER OF ROOIELS

ROADS:

The issue of parking, road widening and insensitive removal of vegetation along the verges was addressed with the local manager and officials. They have assured us that no deviation from the present policy will occur without community input and submission to Council. This policy is set out in Craig Spencer's report ("Greater Access to RE Nature Reserve areas") - our coastal belt and dunes are zoned Nature Reserve. It will be one of the tasks of the new committee to monitor developments in this regard.

SLIPWAY:

Improving access, inter alia to the slipway for non-residents, has also been the focus of our attention. We have expressed the view to the Municipality, the Boat Club and other stake holders that we are not in favour of commercialisation of the slipway, but understand and support the need for other people from outside Rooiels, being allowed to become members of the Rooiels Boat Club as determined by the policy of the Boat Club's executive.

SECURITY:

Research involving 2 independent security companies was completed and circulars were sent to all Rooielsers. However, at this stage there was not the required support (75% plus) from Rooielsers for the project which entailed surveillance cameras and ongoing security support.

COMMUNICATION WITH OUR MEMBERS

Being a volunteer body, we have placed emphasis on projects aimed at improving communication with all Rooiels Ratepayers. Three issues of the RERA Breeze were distributed to all Rooielsers.

A website for Rooiels has also been established - www.rooiels.org.za. You can communicate directly via e-mail with the portfolio holder about roads, security, the Breeze, etc. The website also contains items of community news and Exco reports including our submission to the consultants for the Scoping Report on Erf 324.

UPGRADING OUR ENTRANCE

The entrance to our village is of importance to all of us. Property owners feel a lift of their spirits as they drive past the little shops and restaurants en route to their homes.

A project to provide more acceptable central signage near the entrance (replacing the proliferation of signage) has been approved by the Community and Council.

However, due to lack of budgetary provision, the completion of this project has been delayed. We have made new budgetary proposals to Council together with the Rooiels Inhabitants Association, which we hope will lead to the completion of our efforts to upgrade the entrance.

INVESTIGATION INTO THE BENEFITS OF A CONSERVANCY FOR ROOIELS

The concept of a Conservancy for Rooiels was explored. A conservancy is a self-managed Nature Reserve managed by the property owners with stake holders such as the Municipality and Cape Nature Conservation.

Cape Nature Conservation supports the initiative as a natural development within an International Biosphere. The process and contract has a sound legal basis. The process for establishing conservancies over farm land is the same as for a village (the whole village of Yzerfontein has already been proclaimed a conservancy). The Municipality must be part of the contract; the extent of control can vary from aesthetics to security, nature reserve management and plant policies. The concept is already being developed within a series of small-holdings between Betty's Bay and Hangklip.

The Federation of Ratepayers, after investigating this also for Betty's Bay & Pringle Bay, felt that this concept did not address its primary concerns such as security and would instead result in an additional burden on local residents. It is our view that this option should be explored further for Rooiels, particularly as the environmental protection offered by the etablishment of our International Biosphere is weakened by lack of resources from the Municipality and Cape Nature Conservation. This may represent a viable predecessor to a Community Improvement District, and will be explored by the new Committee.

STAANDE OVASIE VIR JULIA AALBERS

Tydens die vergadering het Gerard Scholtz ons vorige raadslid, Julia Aalbers, bedank vir haar harde werk in belang van Rooiels. 'n Oorkonde met huldeblyke van Rooielsers is aan haar oorhandig.



GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

The refuse railer opposite the business district has been improved both aesthetically and functionally. Baboon-proofing is now successful after a great deal of trial and error. The surrounding protective wooden frame should improve the visible impact from homes above Rooiels. We encourage all Rooielsers to leave their rubbish in the trailer rather than in bins that are vulnerable to baboons. The owner of the adjoining property has now lodged a complaint with the municipality regardin ding the situation of the recycling bins and trailer next to her property and has demanded that it be moved elsewhere. We are liaising with the municipality in an attempt to retain what has become a very valuable improvement for Rooiels.

RELIVE YOUR YOUTH

Perhaps you can relive your youth, although in a different body. There is a theory that you can never go back to the places of your past and find them still there. After I went back to Rooiels with my children on Saturday I am no longer sure that that is true.

Throughout my teen years I spent a good portion of the Christmas holidays with my family at a family friend's holiday house. It was a magical time. We roamed the roads as a pack of teens late into the night. We thought we were pretty daring, but our worst demeanours were sloping off to hide behind the sand dunes and smoke. There was only one shop in the township then where we hung out, sneaking the odd beer that we thought our parents did not notice. It was a peaceful time when the biggest question was whether or not the wind would drop enough to ensure a good day at the beach.

I had not been back to Rooiels for at least 10 years, so I was surprised to find that while the road is greatly improved I still know every curve, including the parts where it rises steeply above the sea and my fingers clench on the steering wheel. As the friend we were visiting and I walked down to the beach with our children dragging bags and boogie boards, I was surprised to find that it felt exactly the same as it had before. When we hit the beach at the slipway and had to negotiate our way over the rocks towards the beach I was amazed to find that my feet remembered exactly where they had stepped before.

The Rooiels River was running swiftly and the tide was in and we had to ferry small people over it. The children were in their element boogie boarding on the waves and then spending several hours in the river. I watched Alex forge his way up to the rock that stands halfway up the beach and looked up to the houses which look pretty much the same, but have different inhabitants, and I was a teenager again. Sadly, when I looked down, my teen body had not joined me. The only similarity I could find was that I was still wearing a black costume, but the shape had changed dramatically.

Later we watched the sun going down and it looked the same, as I suppose it has for ever. On the way home the little girls fell asleep, but Alex stayed awake asking questions and commenting on the day and the beach. Suddenly I realised that he is not that much younger than I was the first time I saw Rooiels, and I realised that he is at the stage where memories will be recalled for the rest of his life, that he has entered the age of collecting stories that will inform the adult he will one day become. Driving through the darkness on the way home, it occurred to me that while in the past life seemed simpler when it might have been more complex, it was conversely true that what seems complex now, may in fact be as simple as a day on the beach.

JENNIFER CROCKER
ASSISTANT EDITOR NEWS: CAPE TIMES

SEAWATCH/SEEWAG 2002 - "SUSTAINABLE USE OF MARINE RESOURCES"

Penny Palmer is co-ordinator of SEAWATCH and manages the Coast Care project for the Hangklip zone. Coast Care is an RDP program that employs previously disadvantaged women. They clean and maintain our beaches and coastal facilities and they receive literacy classes and life skills training as well.

"Sea Watch has been appointed the Implementing Agent for the Palmiet Coast Care Project. This means an awesome amount of work, added to the Sea Watch administration, but well worth the effort.

"The Hangklip Coast Care people, teachers and learners, have done us all proud, in that they have scored the highest marks in the country - well done and congratulations to you all.

"SEAWATCH is furthering sustainable coastal education via the Coast Care and Kogelberg Biosphere Company structures, and is working closely with the Overstrand Municipality and Marine and Coastal Management to provide effective monitoring of this Hangklip stretch of coast."

SEAWATCH WILL BE HOLDING ITS AGM ON 6 APRIL. NOTICES WILL BE SENT OUT NEARER THE TIME. WE HOPE TO HAVE A LARGE TURNOUT AND MANY VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR NEW COMMITTEE

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BENCHES IN NATURE RESERVE AREAS

Some Rooielsers have expressed the wish to donate benches to be placed in nature reserve areas. The municipality was approached to supply guidelines in this regard. While these wishes are certainly welcomed, the following must be kept in mind:

- Dept of Nature Conservation has the final say concerning the position of the bench.
- If there are already too many benches in any one area, no further benches will be permitted in that area.
- Benches must always be placed as close as possible to existing access paths/routes.
- The purchase and erection of the bench is the responsibility of the applicant.
- The applicant is responsible for maintenance of the bench.
- No cement may be mixed in the area where the bench is to be placed.

For any further information, please contact Darelle Snyman at (028) 271-8108 during office hours.

TOENADERING

At their respective AGM's last December, RERA and REIA passed the following mandates in respect of "toenadering" between the organisations:

RERA: "That in the interests of the community, the incoming committee pursue co-operation and "toenadering" with REIA so as to provide a united front and strategy for the betterment and survival of our community interests and lifestyle."

REIA: "REIA will continue to seek co-operation with RERA which might develop into amalgamation through an evolutionary process sometime in the future."

RERA EXCO is therefore committed to fostering a closer and more co-operative spirit in Rooiels through future collaboration and the removal of past misconceptions. RERA and REIA have already made a joint submission on the municipal budget and it is our intention to involve the REIA executive on other important issues. Our Excominutes are also being made available to REIA. In this way it is our sincere hope that 2002 will bring trust and co-operation between our organisations.

While healthy differences of opinion will always exist in any dynamic society, we need to pull together when it really matters, especially where the preservation of lifestyle and the orderly development of Rooiels is at stake. These goals are far more precious than any individual or differences of opinion.

ONS VIER 30 JAAR SAAM!

As deel van die herdenking van die 30-jarige bestaan van RERA, beplan ons 'n foto-uitstalling rondom die tema: "Tower-oomblikke en Tye op Rooiels/Magic Moments & Memories at Rooiels". Die doel hiervan is om saam die lekker van almal se "happy snaps" oor die jare te deel. Daar sal ook 'n kategorie vir kunsfoto's wees vir die fundi's.

Please dust off those "happy snaps" of Rooiels taken over the years and polish your lenses to capture the magic moments of Rooiels.



GIRLS WITH SECRET WEAPONS AGAINST ROOIKRANS (CIRCA 2002)

BIRD HIDE

Plans for a bird hide on the banks of the Rooiels River are well advanced. The position of the hide which offers good views over the water and estuary, was determined following recommendations from Alison Ayres in cooperation with Prof. Rob Martins, environmentalist and well-known ornithologist.

The area has also been inspected by members of the RENR Advisory Board and the municipality. Plans and quotations will be available shortly. A number of financial contributions have already been pledged. If you wish to contribute to this project, please contact any member of the RERA EXCO or the RENR Advisory Board.

A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING PROCESS (IDP)

In the past the municipality and its councillors identified the needs of the community and took decisions on how to address these needs. Government legislation now forces municipalities to address the needs of the community in an Integrated Development Plan (IDP) (Geïntegreerde Ontwikkelingsplan - GOP). The legislation, by its very nature, is long and complex so a few extracts which may help readers to understand the intention and complexity of the process, are quoted below:

In terms of Section 19 of the Municipal Structures Act, the Council is responsible for carrying out this process.

Section 16(1) of the Municipal Systems Act

A municipality must develop a culture of municipal governance that compliments formal representative government with a system of participatory

Governance, and must for this purpose encourage, and create conditions for, the local community to participate in the affairs of the municipality, including the presentation, implementation and review of its integrated development plan in terms of Chapter 5, the establishment, implementation and review of the performance management system in terms of chapter 6, the monitoring and review of its performance, including the outcomes and impact of such performance: the preparation of its budget: and Strategic decisions relating to the provision of municipal services in Chapter 8.

The above sets out the basis for the IDP. All organizations in the municipal area, i.e. Ratepayers,

residents, environmental clubs, trade unions, health, education, police, chambers of business, religious groups, farmers' groups, squatter groups, etc, have been invited to participate in the process. In all over 200 community organizations in the Hangklip-Kleinmond area have registered to participate and have submitted lists of what they would like the Municipality to make provision for in the Capital Works Budget for the 2002/03 year.

The participating groups from the Hangklip-Kleinmond area have nominated four representatives to represent them in the next stage of the process, which entails the consolidation, and prioritization of all of the capital works items for the greater Overstrand area.

IAN CUSHNY PRINGLE BAY RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION

"A generation goes, and a generation comes, but the earth remains for ever.

The sun rises and the sun goes down, and hastens to the place where it rises.

The wind blows to the south, and goes round to the north; round and round goes the wind, and on its circuits the wind returns.

All streams run to the sea, but the sea is not full; to the place where the streams flow, there they flow again."

MEMBERSHIP OR DONATIONS

RERA Banking Account Number/ REBV Bankrekeningnommer: ABSA 29-0016-6152
Please send details for membership to: The Secretary, RERA, PO Box 89, Betty's Bay, 7141.
Please let us have your name, erf no, postal address, e-mail address, language preference and an indication as to whether you are interested in hacks.

GESLAAGDE UITSTAPPIES

Geslaagde uitstappies is gedurende die Desembervakansie deur Rooielsers onderneem as deel van die vakansieprogram wat deur die REBV georganiseer is. Talle Rooielsers was teleurgesteld omdat hulle nie die uitstappies na die grotte langs die Rooielsrivier kon meemaak nie omdat daar 'n beperking van 12 persone per keer is en toestemming van die betrokke owerheid is vir slegs twee uitstappies verkry. Rita Blake, die skryfster van Rooiels, die Storie van Waaigatbaai, het die eerste grotbesoek met interessante stories toegelig.

'n Ander gewilde uitstappie was die wandelpad langs die Palmietrivier in die kern van die Kogelberg Biosfeerreservaat waar bykans 30 Rooielsers hulle aan die kombinasie van die berge, rivier en plantegroei verkyk het. Die warm dag is deur 'n swem in die Palmietrivier afgerond.

Die nuwe wandelpad oor die Brodie-link na Koppie-alleen by Pringlebaai is deur 'n entoesiastiese groep aangedurf. Die pad bied 'n asemrowende uitsig oor Bettysbaai en Pringlebaai.



'N BESOEK AAN DIE ROOIELS- GROT VOER JOU TERUG NA DIE PRE-HISTORIESE TYE.

VACANCY/VAKATURE

ROOIELS NATUURRESERVAAT SKAKELKOMITEE/ROOIELS NATURE RESERVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

Na die uittrede van Prof. Tony Hall as voorsitter van die Rooiels Natuurtuin Skakelkomitee het daar 'n vakature op die komitee ontstaan. Belangstellendes kan voor 30 April aansoek doen by: Die Voorsitter, RENR, Posbus 89, Bettysbaai 7141.

Die huidige Skakelkomitee is in 1996 deur die premier van die Wes-Kaap aangestel en bestaan uit die volgende persone: Eldie Brink, Evette Weyers, Gerard Scholtz, Frank Raymond, Craig Spencer (Munisipale Natuurbewaringsbeampte) en Mark Johns (Bestuurder: Kogelberg Biosfeerreservaat, Wes-Kaap Natuurbewaring).

'Die algemene beheer van die Rooiels Natuurreservaat staan onder Overstrand Munisipaliteit. Die inwoners, deur middel van die Rooiels Belastingbetalersvereniging (REBV) en die RENR Skakelkomitee, in samewerking met die munisipalitiet, sal uitvoerende besluite neem.'

-STRUKTUURPLAN VIR DIE RENR-

A MAJOR PROJECT FOR ROOIELS!

RERA and the Rooiels Nature Reserve Advisory Board have embarked on the major project of compiling a comprehensive Field Guide for Rooiels.

This publication will cover topics such as Alien plant control, Coastal gardening, What to plant at Rooiels, Bird life, Mammals, Reptiles, Marine life, Geography and Archeology, Climate and a guide to the different bio-zones of Rooiels. Lists of plant and animal species, with short descriptions and photos or sketches will help with identification of species.

Gerard Scholtz and André Wagener are in the process of compiling a mock-edition which will be used to obtain sponsorship for the project. No format or target dates have yet been established.

If you have make a contribution to make, either by helping to compile information or in the form of art work, editing, graphic designs and layout, or by sponsoring the project, please contact Gerard or André.

UITFINDELIK! - DIE GROTER ROOIELS NATUURRESERVAAT

Na 6 jaar se onderhandelinge is dit aangenaam om aan te kondig dat die volgende erwe binnekort by die Rooiels Natuurreservaat ingelyf gaan word. Volgens mnr. Flippie Bezuidenhoudt van die Overstrand Munisipaliteit is die prosesse byna afgehandel en word nou gewag op die Wes-Kaapse Natuurbewaringsraad om die finale goedkeuring te verwerk om onderstaande erwe by die bestaande Natuurreservaat in te sluit:

- Erf 320 : Die kusstrook vanaf erf 52 tot by die kuslyn van erf 324
- Erf 326: Die oewer en kusstrook voor erf 47 51
- Erf 321: Die rivieroewer aan weerskante van Clarencerylaan, en die kloof
- Erf 199 : Die koppie oorkant die besigheidsdistrik
- Die RENR-adviesraad is besig met onderhandelinge vir 'n formele bestuursooreenkoms met Wes-Kaap Natuurbewaring dat erf 1 as 'n integrale deel van die Rooiels Natuurreservaat bestuur sal word.

Usage of erf 1:

- it will form the next link in the chain of reserves in Rooiels
- a footpath along the slopes is being planned in conjunction with Municipal Nature Conservation Division/Munisipale Natuurbewaringsafdeling
- construction of a small bird hide. Prof Rob Martins, environmentalist and a well- known ortnithologist, in conjunction with Alison Ayres, are acting as consultants.
- creation of a lookout point on the mountain slope

Gebruik van erf 199 (Die koppie)

 die bou van 'n voetpad na die kruin, waar 'n bankie geplaas sal word.

Om al die reservate met mekaar te verbind, word 'n wandelpad beplan. Dit sal aansluit by die bestaande wandelpaaie, die koppie insluit, asook erf 1 met die res verbind. Natuurbewaring staan ons by met hierdie projek.

22 YEARS OF HACKING! NUWE BLOED, NUWE BESEM EN NUWE REËLINGS!!!

Hettie Claassens, sameroeper van die hack-groep het die volgende breë doelstellings vir 2002 uitgespel:

- Ondersteun die uitgangspunt van die RENR dat die flora van Rooiels holisties gesien moet word
- Die verwydering van indringerplante, en die bewusmaking en herkenning van inheemse plante
- Die maandelikse e-nuusbrief beoog om interessante inligting oor inheemse plantegroei oor te dra.
- Om meer inwoners gemotiveer te kry om hulle indringerplante te verwyder
- Volledige samewerking met die betrokke owerhede
- Indien moontlik sal die eienaars van eiendomme in die besigheidsdistrik betrek word by die verfraaiing en instandhouding van die omliggende tuine
- Om die PROTEA-projek te ondersteun en vergaderings by te woon

Hettie se spesifieke doelstellings sluit die volgende in:

- Identifisering van besmette areas sal in samewerking met die Natuurbewaringsbeampte geskied en besmette areas sal op 'n kaart aangedui word.
- Die betrokke munisipale departement sal op die Maandag na elke hack in kennis gestel word waar takke opgelaai moet word
- Instandhouding en bestuur van besproeiingstelsel in die tuine oorkant die besigheidsdistrik te organiseer
- Deel hack-groep in drie:
 - Skoonmakers van tuine rondom besigheidsdistriken oorlaaistasie
 - Saailing-uittrekkers
 - Boom-afsaers en hul helpers
- Alle hacks begin en eindig by Blennaweg 179
- Hou by die bestaande reëling: die eerste Saterdag van elke maand sal gehack word
- Die petrolsae moet gereeld gediens en toerusting nagegaan word

 Stoor alle toerusting by portefeulje-houer en alle toerusting moet in 'n register in - en uitgeteken word

The above mentioned aims are only a guideline to streamline the actual work of the hackers. We also need the support of plot owners to either independently or support the hack group to try to eradicate the invasive plants.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT ALL HACKS IN FUTURE WILL START AND FINISH AT ERF 179, BLENNA ROAD, (HOME OF HETTIE CLAASSENS) HETTIE WILL STORE ALL EQUIPMENT AT HER HOUSE WHICH WILL FACILITATE THE LOGISTICS OF SIGNING IN AND OUT OF EQUIPMENT.



DIE AMAZING KLARA CLAASSENS, EEN VAN ONS YWERIGSTE HACKERS, SPEEL KLAAR MET ROOIKRANS

WAAROOR DIE BOHAA!!?

Metrosideros excelsa

a.k.a. Nieu-Zeelandse perdestert/Nieu-Zeelandse kersboom

Hierdie boom, familie Myrtaceae, word soos volg beskryf in Leslie Henderson se nuutse uitgawe van "Alien weeds and Invasive plants - A complete guide to declared weeds and invaders in South Africa":

Immergroen, wyd-verspreidende boom wat na aan die grond vertak, gewoonlik 3 m hoog.

Gekultiveer vir gebruik as: Omamentasie, skaduwee, skuiling, heuningbron.

Dring in: Kussone Fynbos in klam, kleierige grond

Herkoms: Nieu-Zeeland

Verklaarde indringerstatus: Kategorie 3

Waaroor die groot bohaai? Dis 'n kategorie 3 plant, wat net in kleierige, klam grond voorkom! Verkeerd.

Hierdie boom is deur die jare in groot gedeeltes van Hangklip-Kleinmond aangeplant, spesifiek omdat hy so uitstekend as heining groei. Vandaar het hy stelselmatig begin versprei en het tot verskillende grondtipes aangepas. Dit is kommerwekkend dat daar met geen sekerheid tussen die verskillende liggings waar die boom voorkom, vasgestel kan word watter dosis gifstof teen hierdie boom benodig word nie.

Hierdie boom se indringerstatus is Potensiële Vervormerdus plante wat reeds indring op natuurlike of seminatuurlike habitatte. Hulle het ook die potensiaal om 'n plantegroeilaag te domineer, "maar het tans nie 'n merkbare effek nie". Hulle het of reeds iewers in die wêreld reeds vervorm, of hulle het die moontlikheid in suider-Afrika getoon.

Die PROTEA-projek het 'n gifstof eksperiment in Sunny Seas gedoen om vas te stel watter konsentrasie van watter gifstof, en met watter applikasiemetodes die beste sal werk teen hierdie indringer. Die groot probleem is dat hierdie boom na afloop van afsaag en sterk gifkonsentrasie aanwending, steeds baie aggressiewe stamlote vorm. Die netwerkwortels, sowel as die diepte waar hierdie wortels aangetref word, is ook uiters aggressief.

Die P.R.O.T.E.A. Werk vir Water Projek, sowel as die Kogelbergtak van die Botaniese Vereniging en ander plaaslike organisasies en persone wat bekommerd is oor die verspreiding van hierdie spesie, het vertoë gerig aan die Departement van Landbou, om die klassifisering van hierdie boom te verander vanaf kategorie 3 na kategorie 1 indringerplant. Die REBV het ook hulle stem by hierdie vertoës gerig.

Wat sal hierdie herklassifikasie behels?

Kategorie 3 plante:

- Geen verdere aanplanting word toegelaat nie, behalwe waar spesiale vergunning verleen is.
- Hierdie plante mag nie meer verkoop word nie.
- Bestaande plante mag bly maar die verspreiding van sulke plante moet voorkom word.
- Ontoelaatbaar binne 30 meter van die 1:50 jaar vloedlyn van enige waterloop of vleilande, of soos besluit deur die uitvoerende beampte.

Kategorie 2 plante:

- Word slegs in afgebakende gebiede en onder beheerde toestande voorkom.
- Invoer van voortplantingsmateriaal en verhandel slegs toelaatbaar aan permithouers.
- Buite afgebakende areas, moet die plant uitgeroei word waar moontlik, of beheer word, (buiten afgebakende areas).
- Ontoelaatbaar binne 30 meter vanaf die 1:50 jaar vloedlyn van enige waterloop of vleilande, tensy toestemming verkry is.

Kategorie 1 plante:

Ontoelaatbaar op enige grond of water oppervlak in Suid-Afrika

Moet beheer of uitgeroei word waar moontlik, (behalwe in biologiese kontrole reserwes).

WE WISH TO THANK DARELLE SNYMAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY'S DEPT OF NATURE CONSERVATION FOR HER PROMPT REACTION TO A REQUEST FROM THE NATURE RESERVE LIAISON COMMITTEE TO CLEAR SOME OF THE ACCESS ROUTES TO PUBLIC AREAS. THE POPULAR LOVER'S LANE ROUTE TO THE SEA WAS THE FIRST TO BE CLEARED AND UPGRADED. INSPECTIONS WITH AN EYE TO UPGRADING OTHER ROUTES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN SHORTLY.

KLOP AAN VIR HULP!

POVERTY RELIEF THROUGH THE ORGANISED TREATMENT AND ERADICATION OF ALIENS

Hierdie projek het 'n realiteit geword na Craig Spencer se tienjaarplan vir die skoonmaak van die gebied tussen Rooiels and Kleinmond geïmplimenteer is. Die Dept. van Waterwese en Bosbou is genader vir die befondsing van 'n Werk vir Water Projek en 'n driejaar kontrak is aangegaan. Die Projek werk op die grondslag van die 'ontwikkelende kontrakteur stelsel', waarmee geprobeer word dat die kontrakteur (en sy span) na afloop van gereelde opleiding en onder- vinding sy eie mikrobesigheid kan onderhou.

Volgens toepaslilke wetgewing moet indringerplante uitgeroeiword. Daarvolgens kan grondeienaars in

aanraking kom met die PROTEA-projek wat finansieël voordelig kan wees deurdat die residensiële eienaar op 'n rand- vir- rand-stelsel bygestaan word. Tans werk die projek eerstens in wateropvangsgebiede; kleinhoewes, staats- en munisipale gronde, en daarna op residensiële erwe. Indien mense intussen self indringerplante op hul erwe wil uitroei, kan hulle aanklop by die projek vir gifstowwe wat kosteloos beskikbaar gestel sal word.

Rooiels se inwoners en hackgroep het met volgehoue ywer gesorg dat in die Kleinmond-Hangklip gebied dit die dorp is wat die minste besmet is.

HIER IS HULLE! ONTWIKKELENDE KONTRAKTEURS EN HUL SPANNE

Al die PROTEA-spanne ontvang intensiewe opleiding in die veilige hantering van kragtoerusting en gifstowwe, sowel as basiese onderhoud van masjinerie en bergingvereistes vir gifstowwe. 'n Uitstekende plantidentifikasieprogram wat spesiaal ontwerp is deur die Harold Porter Botaniese Tuine, word aangebied waar geleer word om uitheemse indringerplante te identifiseer, sowel as die inheemse plante wat moontlik verwar kan word met indringers. Basiese eerstehulp sertifikate word met die suksesvolle voltooiing van die kursus verwerf. Sosiale en gesondheidsaspekte word ook aangeraak, met werkswinkels oor HIV/Vigs, TB, en Geletterdheid. Alle spanne ontvang ook opleiding in die hantering van beheerde brande in die fynbosgebied.

U kan dus gerus voel om een van die volgende entrepreneurs te ondersteun met die uitroei van indringerplante op residensiële erwe:

Mnr Danie Theunissen en/of mnr Spencer Arendse (D&S Natuurreservaat)

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 Mnr Koos Wiltshire (KRJ Wiltshire)

072 143 4890

Mnr Ivan Afrika (I Afrika Onkruiddoders)

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THE DAY OF THE SANDCASTLES



HOW TO AVOID A R10 000 FINE OR TWO YEARS IN JAIL!

THESE FINES APPLY TO THE NEW LEGISLATION ON INVASIVE PLANTS. BUT, THERE IS A PERIOD OF GRACE OF TWO YEARS BEFORE RESIDENTIAL ERVEN ARE TARGETED BY THE AUTHORITIES.

If you find it necessary to keep any of the following invasive plants on your plot temporarily for shade or privacy or a hedge/windbreak, may we suggest that you start planting indigenous replacements now so that they are established before you are obliged to remove the alien plants. It would

be advisable to be pro-active in this regard. Once legislation is enforced, there will be no opportunity to replace plants timeously. A list of suitable trees and shrubs will be posted on the community notice board or a copy could be posted to you on request.

THE FOLLOWING INVASIVE PLANTS ARE CURRENTLY GROWING IN ROOIELS:

Lepto spernum laevigatum (Australian Myrtle)

Nerium oleander (Oleander/Selonsroos)

Acasia cyclops (Rooikrans)

Acasia saligna (Port Jackson)

All Eucalyptus species (Gum trees)

Agave sisalana (Sisal/Sisalhemp/Garingboom)

Casuarina

Metrosideros excelsa (Nieu Zeeland Christmas tree)

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could arrange for labour, and supply poison, saws, clippers or chain saws. If the job is too big for the hack group, please contact the Developing Contractors (see P.R.O.T.E.A article).

WORKSHOPS

Chris Burlock (with the help of Koos Smit as the baboon) gave a "baboon education and awareness" workshop in which she taught kids how to respond to baboons. Kids should drop any food they have in their hands when a baboon approaches them. They rehearsed this and the kids loved the role play Chris also presented 2 Biosphere Treasure Hunt workshops where kids were taught how to recognise animal tracks and had to search for "treasures" in teams. This was GREAT fun!

Evette gave 2 Sea Workshops The weather played along both occasions and adults and kids got to know the sea creatures a bit better!

RERA ORGANIZED 20 ACTIVITIES FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON. THEY WERE INFORMATIVE, WELL-SUPPORTED AND GREAT FUN



There are a 1000 more reasons why you should join RERA - it's not only for the fun. We are there to help create, and strive to maintain, an ecologically well-balanced Rooiels in which indigenous flora, fauna, marine life and humans can co-exist and thrive in harmony. It was with this is mind that we initiated the Rooiels Nature Reserve Liaison Committee, the Rooiels Boat Club and monthly hacks. We also liaise regularly with the authorities about town planning and development, our roads and parking areas, basic services and other matters.

19% OF ROOIELSERS ARE QUALIFIED SKIPPERS

The Rooiels Boat Club has a membership of 55 Rooiels property owners. This means that 19% of Rooiels ratepayers are qualified skippers. Not many coastal settlements in the world can better that. If these were Viking times, we would be a significant naval power!

In the period leading up to the early nineties, Rooiels turned into a nightmare on weekends, public holidays and the Christmas period. Everything and everyone from all over converged on the slipway, together with the attendant social evils. For many years the Rooiels community pleaded with the municipality to control the situation. The municipality finally limited parking along the roads converging on the slipway by placing boulders along the verges, and installing a boom by means of which they controlled access to the slipway. The task soon proved too much for them and they requested the Rooiels community to take over. Thus the REBC was formed in 1995 and Rooiels has had 7 years of bliss since then, during which the REBC can rightfully claim to have indirectly contributed to your property values. For some post-1995 settlers and fading memories in Rooiels, it is difficult to imagine the chaos that reigned. Some have

been agitating for more parking space by removing the boulders, moving the boom, and allowing general access

and commercial fishermen.

Rob Fryer was the founding chairman of the REBC, and none other than Prof Denis Cowan sewed up the Legalities. Diarmuid Baigrie then steered the REBC for five years during which it has become an exemplary institution in the Overstrand region.

Sadly we lost the best mariner of them all with the recent passing away of Chris Gilmour, and over the years I have seen the skippers getting older and the boats "becoming heavier". Sitting at the slipway watching the ingenious methods and systems of launching and retrieving boats is good entertainment. Try it sometime.

Our Crayfish Competition Day and Open Day have now become an important event on the Rooiels calendar. The goodwill thus generated in the community is enduring and makes Rooiels a pleasure to live in, until someone stuffs up again! We have noticed that international visitors are making use of our Open Boat Club day. Who knows, we might be contributing to the Overstrand tourism drive! Maybe we should have an annual Viking night, form a flotilla and raid Simon's Town across the bay for starters. They don't have much to defend it with in any case.

The REBC wishes you a happy and prosperous new year and thanks you for your support over the years.

ANDRÉ J. WAGENER

LIGVOETS IN DIE PARADYS

Terwyl die planeet voller en voller raak van mense, woon ons hier in 'n paradys van fynbos, steenbokkies, ruimte en stiltes. Selfs hier in die paradys voel ons egter die druk wat die wêreldwye bevolkings ontploffing op die wildernis gebiede het. Kleinmond se plakkerskamp bars uit sy nate en onlangs het plakkers aangedring op huise in die hart van die Kogelberg biosfeer.

Die National Geograhic tydskrif sê Kenia is die land met die snelste bevolkingsaanwas, maar sê ook dat die impak op die omgewing deur een Amerikaner (Westelinge) gelykstaande is aan die van 50 Keniane. (Net om die kroom op ons krane en karre te kry het alleen 'n groot impak.) Ek verstaan skielik hoekom die Bybel sê die armes gaan die wêreld be-erwe (want hulle verniel haar sekerlik die minste.) My argitek vriend wat ekovriendelike lae-koste behuising in S.A. probeer bou het vir die armes, vertel egter dat die armes reeds deel wil word van die verbruikerskultuur. Pleks van eko-vriendelike behuising wil hulle liewer spoeltoilette en baksteenhuise hê, yskaste en karre, soos op TV.

Ek hou egter vas aan my beeld van hoe ligvoets een Keniaan op die aarde trap en ek mik om mintens dadelik af te gaan na 'n persoonlike impak-vlak van 20 Keniane. Ek stof my Pick en Pay herbenuttingsakkies af en besluit om my lewe as 'n verbruiker drasties te snoei tot net die nodigste. Toe voel ek sommer beter. En toe tref dit my. Die kwaggastrepe wat ek op my bakkie laat plak het tel seker vir nog 'n hele halwe Keniaan.



EVETTE WEYERS EN HAAR KWAGGA WAT DIE HELE DORP SO OP HOL GEHAD HET.

THANK YOU

- DINE FOR PLANTS, STONES AND DRIFTWOOD AT THE SMALL CIRCLE
- ANUTA FOR WEEDING AND WATERING THE CBD-AREA

EVETTE WEYERS

IN ROOIELS WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING INVASIVE PLANTS:

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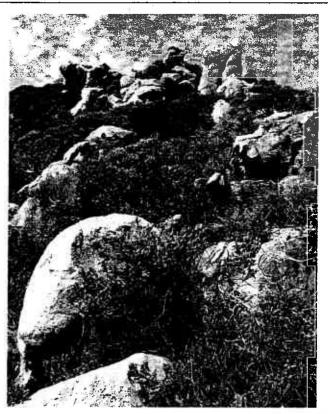
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Acasia cyclops (Rooikrans)
Acasia saligna (Port Jackson)
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Casuarina

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DIE KOPPIE WAT SOWAT 30 JAAR LAAS GEBRAND HET, GAAN MOONTLIK IN MEI ONDER BEHEERDE TOESTANDE GEBRAND WORD

CONTROLLED BURN OF THE KOPPIE

The Nature Conservation Department of the municipality, in co-operation with all role-players, are planning a controlled burn of the Koppie during May this year. After a recent RENR Advisory Body meeting, Craig Spencer told the Breeze that all procedures contained in the Fire Management Plan will be strictly followed.

The plan states that 'where it is necessary to initiate controlled fires on municipal erven, it is important to note that the vegetation must not be burned before it has reached 10 years of age, also, the vegetation should not exceed 15 years'. The last koppie fire occurred about 30 years ago.

Certain safety measures will be put in place, like the clearing of road verges and the creating of tracer belts. Other procedures include the division of labour and delegation of authority and responsibility, communications, follow-up operations and debriefing. The preparation and planning is going to be of utmost importance to ensure that all parties are familiar with the standard procedures laid out in the Fire Management Plan.

All adjacent erf and house owners will be informed of the possible dates and procedures to be followed. Craig stresses that residents will not form part of the fire fighting teams, they must keep clear of the area to be burned and refrain from using their vehicles so as to ensure the free flow of fire fighting vehicles.

RERA and the RENR Advisory Body will supply the fire fighting teams with cooldrinks after the fire.

ROOIELS - A DOG-FRIENDLY TOWN?

Rooiels is a animal-friendly town. Some years back, at an AGM, we all agreed that dogs must be under their owners' control at all times. Dogs that roam freely are not under control and often hunt or cause damage to wild creatures, especially if two or more dogs roam together. Craig Spencer once rescued a small otter with bleeding paws. The otter could not keep up with its parents while fleeing from pursuing dogs. (Craig tried to rear the young otter but it died.) Dogs at Betty's Bay were reported continually chasing Black Oyster Catchers, the most endangered coastal bird, and thus preventing them from breeding successfully. Dogs recently ripped a young baboon apart.

These incidents are not acceptable, especially in a biosphere reserve.

I am sure you would not like your dog to be responsible for any similar destructive behaviour. Please keep your dogs under control and don't let them roam on their own at any time. When you take them to the beach please clean up after them to avoid setting booby traps for someone else. Enjoy Rooiels with your dogs but don't let them diminish Rooiels by killing or harming its wild creatures.

EVETTE WEYERS

BABOON FACT FILE

SEPTEMBER 2001: Rooiels Survivor Game launched a fun way to out-think, out-smart and outwit the baboons and keep them outside our houses! Margaret Henson and her team have faithfully recorded the 'survivor' data over the past 5 months. Now we are able to systematically keep track of baboon visits to the village and the number of successful raids or 'hits'. The figures confirm a long held suspicion that more baboon visits occur during the holiday season. The reason? Pickings are easy! In December, 21/24 (88%) of visits to the village resulted in successful 'hits' and January was almost as bad (77%). Compare this with out-of-season September, where only half (9/18) the baboon visits were rewarded (see graph).

A series of recent "happenings" has once again highlighted the issue of how to reconcile an ethic of conservation with the baboons.

8 OCTOBER 2001: a young male baboon found dead on the roof of a house. Post mortem findings show cause of death due to 'acute heart failure induced by suspected poisoning.'

18 OCTOBER 2001: 3 dogs in the village fatally savage a young male baboon.

19 JANUARY 2002: the same dogs isolate 2 baboons on the roof of a house. Neighbours call conservation officer on duty, who is attacked by one of the dogs while investigating the complaint. The dog is subsequently shot and the two baboons make good their escape.

28 JANUARY 2002: The body of a large male baboon placed in our garden under cover of darkness.

FEBRUARY 2002: Received reports that some Rooielsers are shooting the baboons with pellet guns.

Before you do this, please remember that pellets can blind a baboon and if they penetrate the skin, infection can set in, causing a painful and debilitating abscess. Stick to catapults which are notoriously inaccurate, and will seldom discharge stones/marbles with sufficient velocity to penetrate a baboon's skin. Yet, baboons still scatter at the site of a cattie!

It is known that baboons can communicate with each other, yet, however much the troop may have been upset at the time of the October/January incidents, they were, in each case, back in the village the following day. Our records show that there was no reduction in visits to the village during the months that the baboons experienced trauma at the hands of residents and their pets. Unlike humans, they seem to bear us no grudges. They did, however, leave us from 26 January to 12 February. When they returned, we were relieved to see that there are still lots of babies in the troop. This suggests that the dead male found in our garden was probably NOT the alpha male, since new males taking over a troop will often kill all the babies and then set about making babies of their own to perpetuate their genes.

What does all this have to do with conservation? Simply this. Conservation is not only about preserving human privilege. It is about saving things we like, but also

saving the things we don't like. It is about taking responsibility for keeping baboons out of our houses and out of our rubbish. It is about taking responsibility for our domestic animals. It is about tolerance and compassion. But most of all it is about finding ways to coexist in harmony with the wildlife on our doorstep.

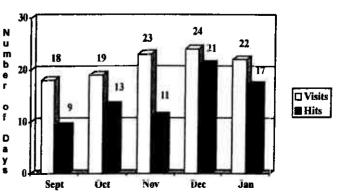
Jenny Stark



VAARWEL BLONDIE

Ons gaan jou blonde maanhare mis wat so op en af gewip het as jy aangedraf kom. Om te dink jy gaan nooit weer onverwags inloer en jouself aan ons middagetes help nie. Nooit weer met 'n wyfie of twee 'n draai kom gooi nie. Nooit weer met 'n paar kwaaijongens ons huise stroop nie. Jou treurige ogies wat so deur die venster loer as ons eet, of daai swart handjie wat jy deur die tralies steek om kos te steel, sal ons vir ewig mis. 'n Era is verby.

ROOI ELS 'SURVIVOR' GAME Baboon visits and successful 'hits'



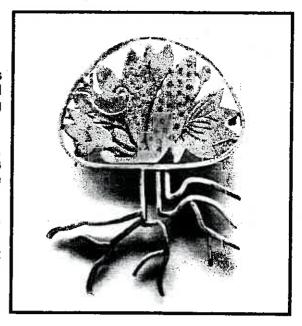
CUNONIA CAPENSIS UITSTALLING

'n Klein uitstalling deur 7 vroue van Rooies is net voor Kersfees gehou rondom die tema van die Rooielsboom. Dit is goed bygewoon en 20% van die inkomste is vir natuurbewaring ingesamel.

Daar was skilderye (Chris Burlock en Clarissa Venter), beeldhouwerk (Evette Weyeres) haiku digkuns en blommekuns (Debbie de Vries), houtkerfwerk (Drika Wilkens), fotografie (Estelle Raymond) en juwele (Louise du Toit).

This was the first exhibition with Nature as the theme of hopefully many to come. We are already working on the next exhibition. Thank you for your inspiring comments. Look out for the flyers next Christmas!

(Louise du Toit)



WINDBORNE IN WAAIGATBAAI

Living in WAAIGATBAAI, one learns to live with wind. But there is wind, and then there is **WIND!** Here, "Where the Southeaster was Born", the weather spawns the occasional "twister" or "dwarrelwind" of significant proportions.

I sometimes join Anuta Scholtz on an early morning jaunt. On Friday 9th November the South Easter was pumping away (as usual!) when we started off. The usual gusts buffeted us along Porter Drive nothing out of the ordinary really, until suddenly a somewhat stronger gust shoved us forward. We leaned backward to counter the thrust, expecting it to abate. But it did not! The 'gust' continued to increase in strength, until we found ourselves involuntarily running faster and faster before the increasing wind.

What fun! - until we realised this was more than just a gust; we were now running as fast as our legs could carry us, but not fast enough. A giant hand was propelling us inexorably faster and faster! We must have covered 50 meters or so in those fleeting seconds. Being lighter than me, Anuta was now a few meters ahead and to my horror I saw her literally fly through the air and crash heavily back to earth, skidding sickeningly along the rough surface Mary Poppins sans umbrella!

I dived and did a long-forgotten karate roll down that dusty road! Cushioned by my jacket, I was shaken but unharmed. Deeply shocked and disorientated, Anuta also had a badly-gashed elbow and other cuts and abrasions. We crabbed across to a sheltering bush at the roadside. Confused and bleeding, she fought against accepting the comforting warmth of my jacket.

I stumbled the 500 meters back home and breatlessly tried to tell Gerard and Lynn what had happened. He got his car out and we arrived where Anuta cowered, shivering in shock, despite the jacket draped across her shoulders. We rushed her to Vergelegen Hospital in Somerset West where she was treated for low blood-pressure and shock. Twenty-one stitches were needed to repair her elbow.

If ever you should have the misfortune to get caught up in such a situation, don't try and 'coast' with the wind hoping that it will abate. Lie down and 'bite the dust'!!

WE REMEMBER CHRIS GILMOUR

CHRIS WILL BE MISSED BY MANY - FOR AS MANY DIFFERENT REASONS. GENEROUS WITH HIS POSSESSIONS AND TIME, NOTHING WAS EVER TOO MUCH TROUBLE FOR THIS TRUE FRIEND. THE 'GREAT HACKER', 'GALJOEN KING' AND 'MAN OF THE SEA', HAS NOW GONE TO CAST A LINE ELSEWHERE. CHRIS, WE SALUTE YOU.

FINANSIES

Die 2001 staat van Inkomstes en Uitgawes van die REBV is deur TFD Accounting ge-oudit.

Inkomstes: Uitgawes Balans R21 163.80 R12 219.11 R8 944.69

Baie dankie aan al die REBV-lede wat so ruim met donasies bygedra het. Die grootste uitgawe was om die Bries by alle Rooielsers te kry en het R5 891.22 beloop. Die herdruk van die Geskiedenis van Rooiels het R2 800.00 gekos en die Webtuiste R1 720.00

SEWERAGE AVAILABILITY FEES

Ratepayers of Rooiels, Pringle Bay and Betty's Bay were dismayed to see a new rates item on their September 2001 account from the Overstrand Municipality- a sewerage availability fee noted as "Riool-uitvalwerke."

To many ratepayers, this tax seemed opportunistic and unlinked to any improvements done in Rooiels with regard to the sewerage system over the past 20 years or any planned expenditure in the immediate future with regard to this service.

We objected to this taxation and have received the following reply -we quote relevant passages:

"The new enlarged municipality is being compelled by legislation to levy rates and service charges in an equitable manner and it is inevitable in this transition phase that some communities which previously enjoyed more favourable tariffs will face greater increases or find themselves paying service fees which formerly were not levied at all.

"The Municipal System Act, 2000 (Act no 21 of 2000) provided in Section 74(2) that "Tariff must reflect the costs reasonably associated with rendering the service, including capital, operating, maintenance, administration and replacement costs, and interest charges."

"The provision of a sewerage scheme includes not only the laying of sewer pipes, but the construction of sewerage works, at huge expense. Whilst certain areas may not yet be connected to the network, they still make use of the sewerage works for the disposal of the contents of septic and conservancy tanks. It is for this reason that the Council regarded the imposition of the levy as reasonable under the circumstances."

We will advise you of further developments as this matter is also being taken up by the Federation of Ratepayers.



ELDIE SKRYF...

HET U GEWEET....

dat Rooiels in die laat tagtigerjare die eerste Plaaslike Gebied was om munisipale status as Plaaslike Oorgangsraad te verkry? Daarmee was Rooiels al die kusdorpe in die groot gebied van die vorige Caledon-Bredasdorp Afdelingsraad (vandag Overberg Streeksdiensteraad) voor. Die eerste Raad het bestaan uit die bestuur van die Rooiels Belastingbetalersvereniging.

Die wysheid van eie seggenskap het gou daarna geblyk toe die Buffelsrivieropvanggebied, wat by dorpstigting deur die ontwikkelaar aan Rooiels, Pringlebaai en 'n kleiner gedeelte van Bettiesbaai begunstig is, deur die Streeksdiensteraad vir R500 aan 'n wapenvervaardiger verkoop is. Die sukses wat die Rooiels Plaaslike Oorgangsraad in hierdie verbandet, is geskiedenissoos uin die Geskiedenis van Rooiels kan lees.

DIT LAAT MENS DINK!,

of dit nie nou weer tyd geword het dat Rooiels seggenskap oor sy eie sake moet kry as 'n Stadsverbeteringsdistrik nie.

Op hierdie manier kan die meerderheid Rooielsers demokraties besluit oor die karakter en toekoms van ons dorp, gegewe die oënskynlike onvermoë van die Overstrand Munisipaliteit om die stituasie binne die huidige munisipale verteenwoordigingsraamwerk te hanteer. Verder is daar die risiko's geskep deur die toeloop van stopers en swaar ontwikkelingsdruk.

Die konsep van Stadverbeteringsdistrikte is deur die Regering daargestel om gemeenskappe op demokratiese wyse in staat te stel om met hul munisipaliteit te kontrakteer oor sake waaroor hulle eie seggenskap wil hê. Die demokratiese poging tot 'n Stadsverbeteringsdistrik waarmee begin is, behoort die steun van die hele Rooiels gemeenskap te kry, sodat ons weer sterk kan staan.

ELDIE BRINK

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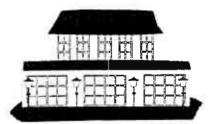


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