



NEWSTELLER / NUUSBRIEF - 2011/10

Dear Residents

I would like to start this letter by expressing our condolences to Uschi Triebel and family on the passing of Claus Triebel on 30 August 2011. Claus was instrumental in the establishment of DWRA and chairing it for the first 5 years and we thank him for this great service to the community.

Through the efforts of all committee members, residents' awareness, patrollers and especially the relentless drive by ComSafe and Anton Noeth, Die Wilgers may be considered one of the most crime free areas in Pretoria. Our regular email bulletins with security updates and other residential information attempt to further involve you in matters that concern us all. More than 700 households are now connected in this way. If you have email access but do not receive any from DWRA, please get connected at www.dwra.co.za. While membership is free, a contribution of R150 per house per year is encouraged. The more than 120 contributions received in 2011 have allowed us to build a

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reserve for unforeseen legal actions and to invest in improvements that benefit the community. A big "thank you" to all who have made such contributions.

Best regards

Manfred Scriba

(chair@dwra.co.za)

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Branch: 012445

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Remember,
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We always
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CITY BY-LAWS REGARDING SIDEWALKS

City by-laws can be a sticky issue for many residents. The long and short of the matter is that:

- All sidewalks belong to the City
- Tshwane expects residents to maintain their own sidewalk.
- The placement of obstructions on sidewalks is prohibited.
- Gardening on the sidewalk is subject to the City's policy on landscaping:
 - 3.5 meters from the kerb line must be covered by grass or natural soil
 - According to Act 103 of 1977, part C (5.2) you are allowed to plant flowers and small shrubs on your

sidewalk within 1 meter of your property.

Why these restrictions?

- Sidewalks should enable:
 - People to walk, also with a pram or wheel chair, without moving onto the street to pass obstructions,
 - Occasional parking for visitors, and
 - Motorists to take evasive action.

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Beste Inwoners

Ek wil graag die nuusbrieff begin deun ons medelye teenoor Uschi Triebel en familie the beduig met die dood van Claus Triebel op 30 August 2011. Claus was instrumenteel in die totstandkoming van DWRA en het vir die eerste 5 jaar as voorsitter gedien. On is opreg dankbaar vir sy diens aan die gemeenskap.

Te danke aan die insette van die kommittee, inwoners se waaksaamheid, patroleerders en veral die ontsettende deursettings vermoee van ComSafe en Anton Noeth, kan die Wilgers as een van die mees misdaadvrye woongebiede in Pretoria beskou word. On gereelde epos berigte met sekuriteit en ander inligting poog om u verder betrokke te hou by sake wat ons almal raak. Meer as 700 huishoudings is tans op die manier verbind. As u epos kan ontvang en nog niks van DWRA ontvang het nie, registreer aseblief by www.dwra.co.za. Lidmaatskap is vry maar ons vra vriendelik vir n bydrae van R150 per huishouding. Die meer as 120 bydraes wat ons in die jaar ontvang her

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het on sin staat gestel om n reserwe op te bou wat in onvoorsiene sake soos regsgedinge gebruik kan word en tot die voordeel van die gemeenskap aangewend word. Baie dankie aan almal wat al bydraes gemaak het.

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STADREELS RAKENDE SYPADJIES

Stadsraadsreels kan ongemak vir baie inwoners veroorsaak.

Die belangrikste om te onthou is dat:

- Alle sypadjies aan die stad behoort
- Tshwane verlang dat inwoners self hulle sypadjie versorg
- Die plasing van obstrukties op sypadjies is verbode
- Tuinmaak op die padreserve is onderworpe aan die stad se beleid oor landskapsbeplanning:
 - gras of natuurlike grond moet die eerste 3.5 meters vanaf die padskouer bedek
 - volgens Wet 103 van 1977, deel C (5.2) is dit toegelaat om blomme en klein bosse op die sypadjie te

plant solank dit nie wyer as 1 meter is en direk aan die inwoner se eiendom grens.

Hoekom die beperkings?

Die doel van sypadjies is dat :

- persone daar kan loop, selfs met n stootwaentjie of rolstoel en sonder om in die straat in te loop om obstrukties verby te steek,
- besoekers by geleentheid daar kan parkeer, en
- daar spasie is indien motoriste noodgedwonge moet uitdraai.

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