



**SOUTH AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS  
SAARP SOCIAL CLUB – GEORGE/  
c/o P O Box 2415, George, 6530**

**NEWSLETTER NO. 357 – FEBRUARY 2019**

Dear Members and Friends



**MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR**

Thank you everyone! Thank you for understanding why there was no newsletter in January and thank you for all the good wishes I received during my most unexpected stay in hospital and frail care! I am so happy to say that I have now recovered sufficiently to be allowed back into my own flat at Groenkloof (the best medicine ever) and hopefully things will return to normality again. I am also delighted to hear that Ronnie Hannabus and Peter Noble are both recuperating from their meeting with the grim reaper and are doing well, Our condolences to the family and friends of Jane Coertzer and Jenny Kaye, both of whom died in January. This has not been a very good start to the new year but now that the worst is over, things can only get better!



**REPORT BACK**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November – Breakfast at Vic Bay Restaurant**

Once again, Michelle, the hostess at Vic Bay, did not fail us! The breakfast spread was wonderful – delicious and filling – and most attractively served. I can foresee that Vic Bay will become our “traditional Christmas venue” for many years to come.1

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Christmas picnic at Emmaus**

We did it! We made SAARP history by holding our Christmas lunch in a picnic style indoors! And what an afternoon it turned out to be! All contributors went overboard and we had some plates of food that had not even been thought of! Dick Cullingworth tried in vain to get us to sing Christmassy songs but everyone was far more interested in consuming wonderful goodies! Thank you everyone who made this such a great success.

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – Breakfast at George Garden Nursery, Airport Road**

Thanks to the combined talents of Peter and Gillian Orlet and under the direction of Caroline Goss, the group met at the lovely venue of George Garden Nursery and enjoyed an excellent breakfast. Well done, everyone!



**FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – general meeting at Emmaus Community Hall – 25:00 for 14:30**

Dick Cullingworth has very kindly agreed to lead a **Beetle Drive** afternoon. Dick’s raconteur skills bring a smile to all faces and a good time can be guaranteed, from past experience! Usual entrance fee of R7.00 remains unchanged. Hope to see lots of you there.



**SALLY’S BREAKFAST GROUP**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 - 09:00 for 09:30**

Peter, Gillian and Caroline have again combined resources and have negotiated an excellent breakfast menu at **The Front Door at Kloppers** at a price of R65.00 per head. If you would like to join the group, please contact Peter and Gillian at 044 873 4780 or Caroline at 044 871 4179. Nice way to celebrate Valentine’s Day, huh!

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 – Wimpy at Garden Route Mall – 09:00 for 09:30**

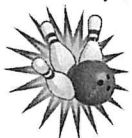
A streaky bacon breakfast (with bacon, eggs, a pork sausage, tomato, chips and tea or coffee) has been offered at R70 per head. This is a little more than normal, but I guess with the increase in prices of EVERYTHING these days, we cannot complain too much. The cost includes the tip.



**P-J’S HIKING GROUP**

I have received the following email from P-J:

The hiking group is doing very well! We have over 40 members, and growing! We had 39 hikers on a walk this week! That is a record! Regards, P-J. For more information, contact P-J by email [basheelight@gmail.com](mailto:basheelight@gmail.com); or phone 044-8714854.



**10 PIN BOWLING GROUP**

This group is almost back to its usual numbers and everyone seems to have become champions over the festive season! I am being informed of scores in the mid- to high 200s, which is remarkable! If you can “gooi and enjoy”, contact person is Gerard Roozendaal at 044 874 4505.



### APPEAL

It is that time of year again! We will be holding an annual general meeting in April and I am appealing for members to volunteer their time (even if for only 1 year) to serve on the committee. Barbara and I cannot continue on our own any longer – both of us have given years to SAARP and now think of passing the baton. This year of 2019 is the year of change and we have decided that if we cannot get members to volunteer, we must seriously consider closing the Club. We have spoken with head office, who agrees that we must have at least five additional committee members who can be trained to take over the reins. And so, if you are computer savvy and think that you could possibly write the newsletter – let's talk! I will also need someone to understudy the position of membership secretary but this is going to take time and even possibly having to change the program. Barbara needs someone to help with the work of treasurer – so if you like figures and a very easy bookkeeping program – again ... let's talk.

### MEMBERSHIP BADGES

Although you are encouraged to wear your name badges at all meetings, outings, events and activities, they are usually obtainable from me at a cost of R20 each, but right now the suppliers of the badges are both having severe health problems and are unable to make the badges. I am working on them to try to perhaps buy the instruments on which the badges are compiled, and will keep you all in the loop!

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