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## BULLETIN

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### MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, 28 January 2019: 09h00 for 09h30

Die Waenhuis, Jagersbosch, Stilbaai West.

#### **An Introduction to amateur Astronomy.**

**Deon Begemann**

Dr Deon Begemann was an entomologist in the citrus industry for 33 years, and is now retired in Stilbaai. For the past 15 years he and his wife Ronelle have practiced astronomy as a hobby.

The presentation is *inter alia* about the field of study and the philosophy behind it, astronomy clubs and of course the best way to view stars. Telescopes will also be on show.

If there is enough interest, U3A Stilbaai will establish an Astronomy Group – after the talk those interested can provide their names on a list.

#### **'n Inleiding tot amateur Sterrekunde.**

**Deon Begemann**

Dr Deon Begemann was 'n entomoloog in die sitrus bedryf vir 33 jaar, en is nou op Stilbaai afgetree. Vir die afgelope 15 jaar beoefen hy en sy vrou Ronelle sterrekunde as 'n stokperdjie.

Die voorlegging handel oor o.a. die studieveld en filosofie daaragter, sterrekunde klubs en natuurlik die beste maniere om sterre te besigtig. Teleskope sal ook uitgestal word.

As daar genoeg belangstelling is, sal U3A Stilbaai 'n Astronomie Groep tot stand bring – na die lesing kan belangstellendes hul name op 'n lys plaas.

Guests and non-members are welcome to attend; admission is free.

The talk is in Afrikaans, but the PowerPoint presentation is in English and there should be no problem for English speaking members to follow the talk.

### **THIS AND THAT...**

Towards the end of 2018 we heard that Prof Chris Henshilwood will be continuing excavations at Blombos Cave this year. We planned to ask him to speak at one of our monthly meetings, but the Hessequa Archaeological Society got in there first – Professor Henshilwood and several of his colleagues will be talking about the Blombos cave on Friday 8 February at 17h00 in the Community Hall.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Members who do not have their grey 2018/2019 name tags must please collect them at the monthly meeting – look out for the table under the “Name Tags” sign. If you cannot attend the monthly meeting but participate in a group activity, please ask the group convenor to collect your name tag for when the group meets again. Hang on to your plastic name tag holder as you'll need it for the new card.

### **U3A STILBAAI KURSUSSE**

- **Voël identifikasie vir beginners** : Al drie kursusse in 2019 is reeds vol bespreek, dié wat nog belangstel sal jul naam op die waglys vir 2020 moet plaas. Kontak vir Johan op [rooyenvanjohan@gmail.com](mailto:rooyenvanjohan@gmail.com).

## U3A STILBAAI GROUPS

The following group activities are taking place:

- **Hiking Groups** : The group hikes every Friday morning; contact Andre at [andre@andrebez.co.za](mailto:andre@andrebez.co.za).
- **Strolling Group** : The Stilbaai Strollers are no longer strolling. For personal reasons Debra can no longer convene the group. If anybody wishes to convene the group, contact us at [info@u3astilbaai.org](mailto:info@u3astilbaai.org) and we will get you strolling again.
- **Bird Group** : The group meets every quarter with an interesting programme, but also offers regular bird-watching outings. Contact Pieter at [soetpiet2@gmail.com](mailto:soetpiet2@gmail.com) if you want to join the outing. There is more information about the group on [www.u3astilbaai.org/birdgroup](http://www.u3astilbaai.org/birdgroup).
- **Photography Group** : The group meets every second Monday of the month at 18h00 in Die Waenhuis. Any member interested can contact Lawrence at [barltrop@vodamail.co.za](mailto:barltrop@vodamail.co.za).
- **Share Group** : Contact Christo at [christoprins208@gmail.com](mailto:christoprins208@gmail.com).
- **Neuroscience Group** : The Neuroscience Group meets the third Wednesday of each month at 14h00 in Die Waenhuis. Please contact Jenni at [jennisharkey@gmail.com](mailto:jennisharkey@gmail.com) for more information.

## KOMENDE PRAATJIES ...

Die program vir ons volgende maandelikse vergaderings is hieronder; neem asseblief kennis dat sprekers en die onderwerp op kort kennisgewing mag verander as gevolg van onvoorsiene omstandighede.

- 25 Februarie 2019: Mike Steytler praat oor Malaria en Muskiete.
- 25 Maart 2019: Prof Fanie Olivier: *Poolshoogtes – Suid-Afrikaans in Pole*.
- 29 April 2019: Belinda Gordon oor die Vrouens van die Anglo-Boere Oorlog.

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