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MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

Monday 26 September 2016, 09h00 for 09h30.

Die Waenhuis, Jagersbosch, Stilbaai West.

Human behavioural ecology eases archaeological interpretation: case studies from the south Cape.

Jan de Vynck.

Jan de Vynck is currently a PhD candidate at Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University. His research is about the productivity and dependability of intertidal resources for humans, in particular the social implications that this may have had with the cognitive development of man during the middle and recent stone ages. He lives in Stilbaai.

In his talk he will discuss how archeologists usually only find pieces of puzzles; they are dependent on multi-disciplinary studies to support their interpretations of these pieces. He uses experiments of modern analogues to show how stone age man survived using subsistence economical strategies.

Guests and non-members are welcome to attend the talk, admittance is free.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Members must please pay their membership fee for 2016/17 (R30 for the year ending 30 June 2017) before or on 30 September 2016. We will assume that members who have not paid by that date want their membership cancelled.

You can pay at the General Meeting on 26 September; or into our bank account: ABSA Business Savings Account – Name: U3A Stilbaai; No: 9321782429; Code: 632005. Please enter your name as the recipient's reference, payments received without your name will be accepted as donations. Please confirm payment by emailing us at bank@u3astilbaai.org immediately after you have made the payment.

THIS AND THAT ...

General Meeting on 29 August

Roberto Anastagi presented his talk and slide show which covered various people-groups, sites and historical facts on Syria from the times of Mesopotamia, through the Crusades to the present day. The audience soon adjusted to Roberto's easy but accented English – through him we have experienced a trip through Syria and through history. We thank Roberto for sharing his intense interest of mankind and all things related to man's history.

U3A Stilbaai Email

We want to clear up possible confusion about our email system. Our info@u3astilbaai.org email goes to several committee members. This means that the committee member responsible for a particular topic will answer the email – e.g. Stefan will respond to emails about courses; Brian will answer membership queries.

Jagersbosch Fund

The Jagersbosch Fund, which we established to purchase a projection screen and data-projector for Die Waenhuis, got off to a good start. On 15 September 2016 the fund stood at R3,259-20, thanks to several donations. The fund was launched with surplus monies from the Favour Stud outing (R98-20), this was supplemented by R401 from the raffle held at the August general meeting, and we also transferred R1,000 of U3A Stilbaai funds to the Jagersbosch Fund.

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged: Eric Kaplan & Rosanne Zuber (R200); Bird watching group (R860); Mike & Louise Steytler (R500); and an anonymous donation of R200.

The projection screen has been purchased for R2,622, and will be installed for our next meeting. Our next objective is a modern data-projector for Jagersbosch. U3A Stilbaai is approaching other similar organisations in Stilbaai who at times also use the facilities at Jagersbosch to also contribute to the Fund. We will again raffle a bottle of wine at the September Meeting to raise money for the Fund. If any member would like to make a donation for this deserving cause, you can make a payment into our bank account [ABSA Business Savings Account:– Name: U3A Stilbaai; No: 9321782429; Code: 632005], please enter “Jagersbosch Fund” as the reference, and email us at bank@u3astilbaai.org to confirm the payment.

U3A STILBAAI COURSES

Courses are for members only. The following courses are offered or being planned:

- **Beginners Art:** Draw or paint in medium of choice. Meet first Thursday of the month. Contact Julie at wilson.julie222@gmail.com.
- **Hiking Groups :** The group walks every Friday morning, contact Cheryl at cheryl@kmintsa.co.za.
- **Stilbaai Historical Houses Tour :** Hella Döckel next tour of some of Stilbaai’s historic old houses will be during the second week of November. Numbers for these tours are limited – please contact Hella at dockel@vodamail.co.za to book a place. The day and time of the tour will be finalised later depending on weather conditions at the time.
- **Italian Cooking :** ReINETTE Anastagi is offering an Italian cooking course; concentrating on dishes that are quick and easy to prepare. Her first course was fully booked; please contact Stefan at info@u3astilbaai.org if you are interested as there will be more courses.
- **Course in isi-Xhosa :** One of our members suggested that we offer a course in isi-Xhosa; but we need to know whether enough people will be interested. Such a course will only have lasting results if participants use isi-Xhosa regularly. A problem is that at this stage we do not know of any local person who could present an isi-Xhosa course. Contact Stefan at info@u3astilbaai.org if you are interested.

Please feel free to give us feedback on any of the courses that you have attended, or proposals for any new courses you would like to see introduced to U3A Stilbaai. Email: info@u3astilbaai.org.

TALKS TO COME ...

We have some interesting speakers and topics for coming general meetings.

- 31 October 2016: Gill Simpson, Klipfontein Nature Reserve: *Wildlife Rehabilitation*.
- 28 November 2016: David Carter: *Fantastic Antarctic*.
- 28 December 2016: Marié Heese will talk about her new book “Maestro” – a novel about the formative years of the 17th century Italian sculptor Gianlorenzo Bernini.
- 3 January 2017: Prof Hermann Giliomee will give us a talk – subject to be revealed later.

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