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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday, 31 July 2017: 09h00 for 09h30**

**Die Waenhuis, Jagersbosch, Stilbaai West.**

[Documents are available on [www.u3astilbaai.org](http://www.u3astilbaai.org) (Administration section)]

## **MONTHLY MEETING**

(Immediately after the AGM)

**Jagersbosch Community Care Centre**

**Petra Daneel**

Petra Daneel is the Manager of Jagersbosch Community Care Centre and will tell us about the history, the services provided, and the future plans for Jagersbosch.

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

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

#### **June Monthly Talk.**

Daan Toerien gave a comprehensive explanation of the formal Strategic Environmental Assessment process that studied the impacts of potential shale gas production in the Karoo. He was involved in the Tourism part of the process and used that as an example. The Assessment done under the auspices of the CSIR was the most thorough environmental assessment ever initiated in South Africa, and has set a standard for environmental assessments of similar projects with far-reaching impacts.

#### **Jagersbosch Fund**

The June raffle brought in R308, and the TED talk on 28 June R80; the fund received R24 from the Historic Houses of Stilbaai tour, and a total of R136 from the second and third Historic Passes Outings on 21 June and 12 July. The fund now stands at R3,409.67.

For a full list of contributions to the Fund, view the 'Jagersbosch Fund' page on our website: [www.u3astilbaai.org](http://www.u3astilbaai.org). Our banking details are also on the website if you wish to make a contribution.

#### **Membership**

Membership is now 190; with ten new members joining in June. Welcome to all our new members.

Membership fees for 2017/18 can now be paid – the amount remains R30 per person per year.

#### **Indemnity**

The question of indemnity in case of injuries to participants in U3A activities was recently raised. Section 10 of the U3A Stilbaai constitution makes it clear that, if acting in good faith, U3A Stilbaai, the Committee nor any member can be held liable for any damage, loss or injury incurred by any person participating in U3A activities. Membership of U3A Stilbaai implies acceptance of the provisions of the constitution, it is

thus not necessary for participants in activities to complete indemnity forms. The constitution is on our website: [www.u3astilbaai.org](http://www.u3astilbaai.org).

## **U3A STILBAAI COURSES**

Courses are for members only.

- **Hiking Groups** : The group walks every Friday morning. Contact Cheryl at [cheryl@kmintsa.co.za](mailto:cheryl@kmintsa.co.za).
- **Historical Tours** : There will be no tours of historical Stilbaai for the next few months; Hella will be away for a while, but on her return we will start planning again.
- **Cooking Courses** : For ReINETTE's cooking course contact her at [reinetteanastagi@gmail.com](mailto:reinetteanastagi@gmail.com).
- **Bird watching for beginners** : The current course is nearly finished, the next course in August/September is full. There will be an English course early in 2018, but there are only 2 places still available, contact Johan at [rooyenvanjoan@gmail.com](mailto:rooyenvanjoan@gmail.com).
- **Armchair Travel Group** : The Armchair Travel Group will commence later in the year.
- **Photography Group** : A photography group has been established, anybody interested can contact Lawrence at [barltrop@vodamail.co.za](mailto:barltrop@vodamail.co.za).

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](mailto:info@u3astilbaai.org).

### **TED TALK : CHALLENGE YOURSELF**

**Wednesday, 26 July 2017 at 09h30; Die Waenhuis, Jagersbosch.**

Leon van Wyk has been blind since birth and will be giving a fascinating insight in how a disability does not necessarily become a handicap. The TED Talk shown is by Lotfi Merabet and is entitled "Blindness is just another way of seeing."

Lawrence Barltrop is coordinating TED Talks; please contact him at [barltrop@vodamail.co.za](mailto:barltrop@vodamail.co.za) if you have an interesting topic, or if you want a presentation about a specific subject.

**TED** is a non-partisan non-profit organisation devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short powerful talks. TED began in 1984 as a conference where **T**echnology, **E**ntertainment and **D**esign converged, and today covers almost all topics – from science to business to global issues. More information on [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com).

## **OUTINGS**

The second and third outings to the historic mountain passes in the Langeberg north of Riversdale took place on 21 June and 12 July; to date a total of 46 people have enjoyed these outings. Photos of the outings are on the Gallery in our website. We have bookings for the next outing in August, the date must still be determined, but please email us at [info@u3astilbaai.org](mailto:info@u3astilbaai.org) if you are interested.

## **TALKS TO COME ...**

The programme for monthly talks for the next few months is as follows; please note that this may change due to unforeseen circumstances:

- 28 Aug 2017: Antel van Deventer will talk about social attributes and challenges of learners with autism.
- 25 Sep 2017: Esma Marnewick talks about the ups and downs of travel writing.
- 30 Oct 2017: Anna Hattingh will talk to us about Living Wills.
- 27 Nov 2017: We have two possibilities lined up for November, but will confirm the talk later.

*U3A Stilbaai improves the quality of life of people of mature age, especially retirees, and encourages the maintenance of intellectual capacity through stimulating programmes of learning and teaching and the social contacts derived therefrom.*

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