

Bryanston East Community Forum

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Dear members and residents

It is autumn and the grassy plains turn yellow and brown and the trees shed their leaves. The changeover from summer to autumn is rather abrupt, making the autumn season feel relatively short. Traditionally the weather is mild and it does not rain much but over the last few years the weather patterns have changed substantially. The last few weeks we have had a lot of unseasonal rain.

For a number of months we have been struggling to get assistance from JRA to fix potholes. BECF has launched a new project and, if all goes well, we will start fixing potholes in Bryanston East, Klevehill Park, Petervale and Riverclub before the end of May.

We have also purchased an industrial lawnmower and one of the cleaners will start cutting the grass as soon as the weather clears up. The aim is to cut grass on the inside and outside of the Hans Crescent Bird Sanctuary, cut grass along sidewalks and paths in the green belt areas and to keep sidewalks outside vacant properties tidy.

In our last newsletter there was a plan and short description of the proposed park development along the Braamfontein Spruit. We have received some feedback from residents, most of which was positive. At the moment we are waiting for the results of the Environmental Impact Study. Once this is done, one of the first things that will happen is the fixing of the intersection at Bryanston Drive and The River Road. From there the fence and security will be sorted out. Please contact the BECF office if you would like to get involved in this project.

All members and residents are invited to join Warrant Officer Ramdiyal for the Sector Meeting scheduled for the first Thursday of every month. The meeting is held at the St Michael Church (cnr Mount Street and Bryanston Drive) and starts at 18:30.

Please forward suggestions and comments to admin@becf.co.za.

Elfrieda Loubser



Protea Coin guards and ARO's have assisted with the arrest of numerous suspects in the Bryanston area. The guards involved are paid rewards and every month BECF also rewards a guard and ARO that "shined" through the month.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- **Metro Emergencies, Ambulances, Accidents** - 011 375 5911
- **Police** - 10111
- **Fire** - 10177
- **Sandton Police Station** - 011 722 4200/4355
- **Victim Support** - 082 774 7564
- **Inspector Lee Ramdiyal** - 083 775 4674
- **Joburg Connect** - 011 375 5555
- **Electricity Eskom** - 086 003 7566
- **Water** (24 hour helpline) - 011 688 1500

- **ER24** - 084 124
- **Coin Control Room** - 086 180 7000
- **Coin Vehicle N12** - 082 053 3547
- **Coin Vehicle N17** - 082 825 3763
- **Coin Vehicle N18** - 082 461 5054
- **Coin Vehicle N19** - 076 629 0902
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PROTEA COIN Update

The domestic watch is going well and the ex-convict is making a huge impact on the domestics. If you have not heard him talk, please try and attend one of the sessions and learn more about how our homes get targeted.

Who can believe that the world cup is just around the corner? An event that most of us are looking forward to and, I think, are a little apprehensive about. We believe that with a stronger and more vigilant police and security force, the crime won't be as bad as many are predicting.

We had the privilege of joining the street braai that was hosted in Hamilton Village. Thank you Kees and Willie for the invitation and we look forward to attending the next get together.

It is our aim to get past the high walls in the Bryanston area and get to know our residents on a more personal basis. This is only possible when we are allowed at events that are held in the community, please don't hesitate to approach us for that extra security at the events. We would certainly participate where we can.

Regards
Tanya Beattie

DOMESTIC WATCH

The BECF Domestic Watch project has grown substantially in the last few years. An estimated 570 domestics and gardeners were addressed in the first session which ran from 19 January to 16 March 2010. At the moment there is a special speaker addressing the domestics and gardeners at these meetings.

The speaker is an ex convict who was arrested in Bryanston and sentenced 15 years imprisonment for armed robbery, carjacking and housebreaking. He served 7 years and was released about six months ago.

In his address he shares information on how victims are chosen and the modus operandi leading up to a crime being committed. He also talks about how he got involved in crime and why he has chosen to change his life. His address has been well received by the domestics and gardeners and not a day goes by that he is not bombarded with questions.

In the next session, starting on 13 July 2010, ER24 will, once again, get involved. They will address issues like basic first aid and will also be available to answer any medical questions the domestics and gardeners might have.

The fourth and final session for 2010 is scheduled to start on 28 September.

For more information please contact the BECF office. Please support this initiative. Being aware and fighting crime is the responsibility of the whole community.

Elfrieda Loubser



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