

## November 2024 Issue



### Sjoel Competition

On Wednesday afternoon the Society organized a sjoel competition. There were 20 villagers, young and elderly who participated in this fun event. During the afternoon, some spectators walked in. It was a real competition, everyone did their utmost to get as many points as possible. Every table had a team of four candidates and there was a small price per table. Antonia, who



was the organiser, explained in a very clear way the rules of the game and how to play. We had people who had never played and players who may have played years ago. What a fun!!!! After finishing the Game, we were invited to a sausage sizzle, wine was donated by Joop who celebrated his 87th birthday. Congratulations Joop, many more healthy years. The feedback was more than positive. What do you think, should we do this more often? Thank you Antonia and volunteers for putting on a great fun afternoon.



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Deadline for Dorpskrant  
24th of the month.

## **President's Corner**

### **Hi de Hi Villagers**

Another month has rushed by, but life is good in the village. Hope your month was as good as my month. The Gardeners and villagers have been busy pruning and taking away winter growths to make place for spring flowers” we are so blessed with our little paradise.

Time to start cleaning out our wardrobes. Perhaps a bit of spring cleaning for those who are able to. I found my house needed a good clean, so made a start with that.

The empty villas are one by one renovated by Bryce and Missy and other contractors, the village is coming back to life, after the winter hibernation.

The Society Committee has made some changes, by reducing the Happy hours to one a month. We have replaced this time with other activities, more about this further down in the Dorpskrant.

We would like to receive some ideas about what you would like to see happen, what activities would you like to do, where would you like to go for a day trip? If you have an idea, please write it down and put it in my letterbox, of course you can give me a call with your idea too. It's free even if you're connected to my mobile phone when I'm not at home, when you call me. Slowly the thoughts of St. Nicolas and Christmas are creeping back into our minds. The Christmas cards for overseas family and friends have to be written now, to be able to be sent with economy rate stamps. Presents have to be bought and wrapped, perhaps a rhyme for the St. Nicolas presents. As you can see it will be another active month for many of us, life is beautiful!

Margie

## **“ANNOUNCEMENT”**

**Keep these two afternoons free for the following celebrations; 6th December for St. Nicolas party, and 14th December, for 40th Anniversary celebration.**

More in the December Dorpskrant.





## Joyful Youth Orchestra performance

Happy faces all around: what an enjoyable performance by the Joyful Youth Orchestra. Once again the Orchestra surprised us with an outstanding performance. Many pieces they played we could recognize and hum or clap along. My favourite was Mozart's Symphony No 40 1st movement. This time the Orchestra came with 46 students from primary, intermediate and high school. Beside weekly music lessons, every school holiday the students go on camp together to study new music pieces: what a dedication by all those involved. Many villagers made their way to the Paviljoen to enjoy the Orchestra playing, followed by a cuppa and a biscuit. We counted 67, plus students parents and supporters. A big thank you to the staff of the care centre, who made it possible that a number of residents were able to attend. Great to see so much interest in the available activities. Many thanks to all the volunteers and the Committee to make this possible.

## Society Working Bee

Saturday the October 19th , the Society Committee held a working bee to clean and reorganize the stage and storage room. Every surface was cleaned and the cupboards were repaired, so we can use them again. A couple of hours of hard work delivered a very satisfying result.



## About Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball is a Sport in which players use a smooth faced paddle to hit a perforated plastic ball over a net. Equipment is provided. In "Ons Dorp" we play it indoors in the Paviljoen Thursdays 4-5 pm. We invite interested people to come and see and may be even have a try! Contact Petra, Villa12, 0212563361

## Bokhorst Dinner November 15th

It is the time of the year again that we have our yearly Bokhorst dinner. For the new villagers a little background information. Bob Bokhorst was one of the villagers for a long time, until his passing. He left his estate to the Village, to be used for the villagers. The Trust decided at the time, that the social club would receive money to organize activities. Also there would be a yearly dinner for the villagers in the Paviljoen, paid out of the estate. So Bob, thank you very much, we enjoy the dinners and the activities.

When: The dinner will be on Friday 15h November.

Where: The Beatrix Paviljoen

Time: 4.00pm

We will start with some drinks and the dinner will be served around 5.30pm.

Please contact Antonia villa 38, or call her on 0274-804-835.

Please leave your name and villa number on the answer phone, **Villagers Only**, reserve your place for the dinner before Monday 4th of November.



## Staying Safe Refresher for Senior Drivers.

On 22nd of November we will have a workshop for senior drivers, which will bring you up to date with the present rules, in a relaxed and informative session. Please note you will **not be tested!** The session will be around 3.15 hours, with a break in between for tea and a bite. See you in the lounge, it promises to be an interesting session. Start is 10.30, please let Antonia, villa 38 phone 0274-804-835, for catering purposes. We can only accommodate up to 30 people, so first in first served.

## The Village Shop is open every Wednesday morning between 9 and 12pm

The village shop is now selling flags and has a large range of goodies like: kroketten; kersen bonbons; a variety of chocolates; ginger or plain ontbijtkoek; a large selection of different kinds of Dutch biscuits; drop (Liquorice) all sorts; soup (tomato, chicken, vegetable, pea soup) chocolate hail; different spices; red cabbage in a jar; brown beans, kapucijners, appelstroop, biscotti's and.... much, much more! On our monthly market days (the last Friday of the month) both the "Kaas Boer" with his large delicious selection of Dutch cheeses and the "Herring Boer" with Dutch herring, witlof and roll

mops are always popular and busy. Furthermore, there are the knick-knack tables with lots of items for sale!



Raffle winners on market day\*

Friday 30th October

1st prize – Truus Keuning

2nd prize – Corrie Bol (Jack's ticket)!

Next Market Friday 29th November



## The coach trip to the Kauri Museum

It was a long trip of two and a half hours to the Kauri Museum, but absolutely worth it. We took the scenic route in the morning via Helensville, and along the Kaipara harbour to Wellsford. Via Highway 1 we continued our trip to the Kauri Museum in Matakoho. The museum is outstanding. The pillage perpetrated upon the Kauri forests in the 1800s is a fascinating but also a sad story. The museum does an excellent job bringing to life the hardship of the logging and gum digging era. There are HUGE Kauri logs and cross sections, extensive photo displays and an entire room of functioning saws and other contraptions. Very impressive was the display of life-size men, hacking into the trees and literally bleeding them to death to catch the gum. The Kauri gum display in a separate room is both bizarre and beautiful. The wall display, showing the girths of the biggest Kauris ever, is amazing. It's hard to imagine the size of these Giants. In comparison it would make Tane Mahuta look like a baby! Next to the museum you can find the old post office: there is also a little church and behind the museum the old schoolhouse. The classroom looked exactly like I remember my early schooldays, with the small desks and blackboard. After a group photo in front of the museum we boarded the coach again around 3pm. This time we took the faster route via the motorway. In Warkworth the driver made a little detour to the Parri Kauri Park. From the car park he showed us a beautiful specimen of a 600 year old Kauri tree. There is also a small museum run by volunteers and a short loop walk through the bush. Maybe a nice destination for our next trip? Thanks Margie for organising this wonderful outing and for negotiating such a good price for the bus and the entry to the museum.

Antonia Aarts



## Advertising

If any villagers would like to advertise or have a question to place in the Dorpskrant, please contact the editor Margie van Staalduinen, villa 18.

Ph. 974-4713  
or 021-222-6833

## Catholic Mass Service



11.00 am  
at the Care Centre  
Every 3rd Wednesday  
of the Month

## Open Fellowship

A gathering for all who love, or want to know the Lord Jesus

Where: in the Atrium

When: every Friday

Time: 2pm

++ All Welcome++



## Transport

Transport is being offered to those that would like to join activities within "Ons Dorp".

**Please note:** You will need to be able to walk **unaided to and from** the vehicle.

The following people are available to help with transport:

Joop Hageman	09 837 5176
Roelof Siebring	09 838 1017
Simon Hoekstra	09 299 9126
Rein van Staalduinen	09-974 4713

Brian O'Connor would like to share this Parody with you, so here we go!

## My Favourite Things (Parody)

### 1st Verse

Botox and nose drops and needles for knitting,  
Walkers and Handrails and new dental fittings,  
Bundles of magazines tied up with string,  
These are a few of my favourite things.

Cadillac's and cataracts, Hearing aids and glasses,  
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,  
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,  
These are a few of my favourite things.

When the pipes leak, when the bones creak,  
When the knees go bad,  
I simply remember my favourite things,  
And then I don't feel so bad.

### 2nd Verse

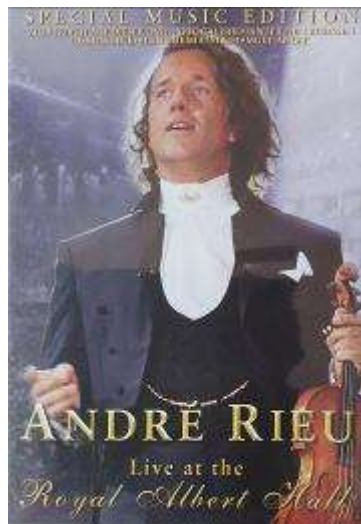
Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,  
No spicy hot food cooked with onions,  
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot food they bring,  
These are a few of my favourite things.

Back pain, confused brains, and no need for sinning",  
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',  
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,  
When we remember our favourite things.

When the joints ache, when the hips break.  
When the eyes grow dim,  
Than I remember the great life I've had,  
And then I don't feel so bad



Happy Hour on  
the 1<sup>st</sup> of Nov.



## Movies showing in September

In the Paviljoen at 2.00 pm

Nov, 17—Andre Rieu

Live at the Albert Hall

Nov, 24—The Bucket List



## Sjoelen



We will have another sjoel afternoon in the pavilion on Thursday 14 November at 1pm. There will be coffee, tea and biscuits during the afternoon and a small gift for the winner in each pool.

If you would like to participate: please contact Antonia villa 38 or call 027 4804835,

There is a maximum of 24 players.



## This month Village outing

Wednesday the 13th ... (Yay it's getting closer to summer) weather permitting, will see us out on the water again. We are off to Half Moon Bay for a great "nosh up" lunch. So we'll meet up at Villa 36 ... 9.45 am ... Walk to the Train Station ... catch the 11.45 Ferry to Half Moon Bay and return 2.15 arriving back in CBD 3pm.

All interested ring Faye 09-838-6952 (leaving VILLA number if she's out) if you are interested in coming.. Faye is overseas from 25th October to 3rd November.

## Organ Music

Koos Brassers, of Villa 17, Will play the organ for you on 8th November in the Paviljoen, at 7pm. **All welcome.**



## Exercise at the Paviljoen

### Monday Balancing Classes

Monday 10-11pm

Every Monday

### Thursday Exercise Classes

Thursday 10-11pm

Every Thursday



Watch "(1 Hr) Lively Chair Yoga Class with Tatis Cervantes-Aiken at Yoga Vista" on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/4eCb3TFHnTg?si=58vW20rXGtKfYeMb>

Also, have a go on the exercise bicycle!!



## Regular Activities in the Paviljoen

### Sunday Coffee Mornings at 10.00 am

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month in the **Atrium**.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month in the **Paviljoen**.



### Monday Afternoon Klaverjassen at 1.00pm

A very relaxed afternoon playing cards, with tea/coffee in the break.

Contact: Margie, 974 4713.

### Monday Evening Indoor Bowling at 7.30 pm

These are very enjoyable social evenings with a cup of tea or coffee at the end of the evening. Therefore, if you enjoy social evenings and want to give it a try, you will not regret it!



### Tuesday Afternoon any games from 1.00 pm until 5 pm

Here again, villagers who enjoy playing games get together to play a social game with a chat and cup of tea or coffee. All villagers are welcome, please bring any games you may have from home if you like.



### Wednesday Morning at 9.30 am

Crafty villagers get together every Wednesday morning, starting at 9:30am to do knitting, needle work, in short anything to do with hand crafts. All villagers welcome.



### Wednesday Afternoon Playing Canasta at 1.00pm

Villagers interested in playing / learning Canasta or Klaverjassen please phone Theresia on 320 0296 or 027-614-3643.



### Thursday Afternoon Billiards or Pool at 1.00 pm

Villagers play pool or French billiards (3 Balls, no pockets)  
Newcomers are welcome.



### Thursday Afternoon Pickle Ball, from 4.00 – 5.00 pm

Paviljoen or Bowling green.

Contact Petra, ph 833-8044 or mob. 021-256-3361



### Housie every 3rd Thursday Evening of the month at 7:00pm

Good prizes, good company. Coffee or tea with biscuits during the evening,  
Contact Guusje Boots, ph. 837 5241 or Roelof Siebring, phone 838 1017

