



The recent **Bokhorst dinner** on **Friday 10 October** was a really happy event!

Over 90 villagers attended, enjoying drinks followed by a tasty dinner supplied by Gloria's Catering, and a cheery atmosphere.

The "Sounds of Europe" duo played for our pleasure, and many folk got up to dance, because sometimes you just need to get your feet on the beat!



"Ons Dorp"

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Dorpskrant Items

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Deadline for Dorpskrant 24th of the month.

Hi de Hi villagers

What a great place "Ons Dorp" is to live in!

The gardens are looking lovely, and it's always a pleasure to walk around the village and see everyone enjoying a chat, tending their flowers, or relaxing on the outdoor seats.

There's a wonderful sense of community here — friendly faces everywhere, helping hands when needed, and plenty of laughter.

Our regular activities continue to bring people together — from happy hours and games to coffee mornings and outings. A big thank-you to all the helpers and organisers who make these events possible.

Let's keep enjoying village life, looking out for one another, and making Ons Dorp the warm, welcoming place we're proud to call home.

Hi de Hi everyone

— and see you around the village!

Margie van Staalduinen















If you have some items of news for the next Dorpskrant, please call Eirene on 027 4590 653 or email to: georgeeirene@gmail.com

NOVEMBER 2025 EVENTS







The Joyful Youth Orchestra are performing in the Pavilion on

Saturday 22 November at 2pm

Don't miss this wonderful performance from these young folk!

Every time they come we have very much enjoyed their playing, so make sure to come along to hear and see these terrific and dedicated young people, Eirene



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Join us for a relaxing day at the Palm Springs Hot Pools on Wednesday, 19th November. We'll leave at 10:00 a.m. from outside Don's place. As usual, we'll stop first at the bakery for morning tea and to buy some lunch before heading to the pools.

Total Cost: \$17.00

\$5.00 for the van & \$12.00 pool access If you'd like to come along, please contact Margie van Staalduinen:

2 021 222 6833 or 09 974 4713

A lovely outing — warm water, good company, and plenty of natter!

Podiatry services for Ons Dorp villagers

Siona comes to the Pavilion every 6 weeks on Saturday mornings, and will make your feet feel so much better after his tender care!

Maybe you would like to mark these upcoming dates for 2025 on your calendar?

8th November • 20th December

\$40 cash per person

This is a very reasonable charge, (most podiatrists charge between \$75-90 per visit, plus you have to drive there!) Siona has regular Saturday clients from 8.30am, but is open for walk in appointments from 10.45 onwards.

NOTICE

About Fruit Trees

Some villagers have fruit trees in their gardens or around their villas.

Please remember that these are private trees, and the fruit belongs to the villager who owns them.

If you would like some fruit, please ask the villager first before picking.

Let's continue to respect each other's gardens and keep our village a friendly and considerate place to live. 📽

Margie van Staalduinen

Raffle winners on Market day Friday October 31

1st prize - Rudi Laterveer (Villager)
2nd prize - Mario (Visitor)

Next Market: Friday November 28

Happy Hour for November

Friday 14 November from 4-6pm



Movies at the Pavilion for November



Sjoelen

We always look forward to the **4th Friday of the month** when we play Sjoelen at the Pavilion. This is such a fun game, no teams, so no pressure to win!





We usually play with different people each month which is a nice way to get to know one another, and we always stop for a cuppa and chat. Some lucky people even win a prize! Thanks Antonia and Frans for organising such a pleasant activity for us to enjoy,

Eirene

Exercise at the Paviljoen

Monday Balancing Classes
Monday 10-11am
Every Monday



Also, have a go on the exercise bicycle!!



Thursday Exercise Classes
Thursday 10-11am
Every Thursday

Watch "(1 Hr) Lively Chair Yoga Class with Tatis Cervantes-Aiken at Yoga Vista" on YouTube https://youtu.be/4eCb3TFHnTg?si=58vW20rXGtkFyeMb



...for Sinterklaas!

Sinterklaas and his Pieten are coming to the Pavilion on Saturday 6 December.... We are combining December Happy Hour with his visit. See who has been naughty and nice in the village!

More in the December Dorpskrant!



Line Dancing

It's fun and most have no problems doing it, even if they have 2 left feet.

LINE DANCING, once a week Tuesdays at 10.30 for 1 hour.

We can fit a couple more onto the floor, so come and give it a go, you won't regret it! *Great teacher, great music, gentle exercise.*

Flora

2025 FINAL DAY: NOVEMBER 18

Classes resume 3 FEBRUARY 2026

John's music mornings

For the past 1.5 years I have played music in the Pavilion on a Wednesday morning. It was something I liked to do and expected that a lot of music lovers would feel the same.

That expectation did not materialise and the turnout was minimal.

To the few regular listeners, I am deeply grateful - but in the end, there were occasions that I played to an empty room as my regular listeners had sometimes family commitments or medical issues to attend.

I have therefore decided that I stop playing music for now...... but if there are any music lovers that can drum up an additional 4 or 5 persons, I am quite willing to play again at a place and time of your choice.

John Van Dolleweerd, Villa 43 Phone 09 834 6250

PLEASE NOTE:

The next Dorpskrant publication will be combined -

December 2025/January 2026

If you wish to send any notices for the December/January Dorpskrant, please send them by **November 24** for that issue.

Note: February 2026 will be the first issue for the Dorpskrant, and notices needs to be sent in by:

January 24, 2026

Ons Dorp Library News

Over the past month many fiction book titles have added to our library, with more to come.

I have been lucky to have been invited by villagers, and friends, to choose books from their collection that are applicable to our village library.

If you have looked in our library for books in the past and could not find exactly what you are looking for, then I suggest you pop in and check the shelves afresh. Be aware that in order to accommodate the several hundred new books, some older, or unread books have been removed.

Gail

To all men:

A group of us meet at the Atrium, Mondays at 10am for a coffee and a chat to get to know each other a little better. We mostly bring our own large mugs to save the cups provided, we finish at 11am, and we love to have others join us. Hope to see you there.

Eric Hefford

IN MEMORIUM

John Jones, villa 15, has passed away on the 10th of October. John was a member of the Book Club Group I joined about 5 years ago before I came to live at Ons Dorp. He was always happy to help others, he enjoyed the company of the book club members, providing chopped wood for their log fires in the winter, and contributing to the reviews of books we had been reading. It was sad to see him struggling with sight problems while living in the village, but he did come out on our trip to the Kauri Museum in 2023.

"A kind soul passed after such a short time in the relaxing atmosphere of his final home". John's many kindnesses will be remembered by those he gave help to over the years. Beryl Bourhill



The shop in the village is open and run by 4 volunteers every Wednesday and the last Friday of the month (Market day) from 9.00 – 12.00.



We sell a large range of Dutch products. Biscuits, Speculaas, Syrup Wafers, Cafe Noir. Licorice, Coins, School Chalk, Double Salt. Vegetables in tins and jars, Sauerkraut, Red Cabbage, Apple Sauce. Soups, Pea Soup, Chicken Soup, Vegetable Soup. Div. Breakfast-, Candy-, Ginger Cake, Cherry Liquor Chocolates, Jam. We like to encourage all villagers to support and buy from our shop because the total profit goes on a monthly basis to the Society to help and fund their activities.

Open Fellow ship

A gathering for all who love, or want

to know the Lord Jesus

Where: in the Atrium

When: every Friday

Time: 2pm

++ All Welcome++

Contact Faye Villa 36 PH. 838-6952

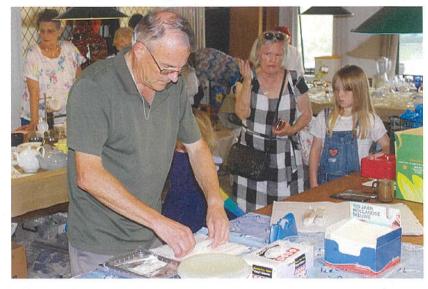
NOTICE

Pavilion kitchen — steriliser use

MUST go through the steriliser to ensure they are completely clean! A clearly worded notice will be placed on the steriliser to refer to, for help in using it. Please always rinse cups etc in hot water only, and then place in the steriliser which contains its own detergent, to wash and rinse the items. Thank you for following these instructions.

Market in the village

The Market in the village has been going for many years, it has been impossible to find out, when the start date was. We do know that it's been going for more than fifteen years. Many villagers and outside Society members visit the Market every last Friday of the month. We would like to see more people, as this Market is for every villager. The proceeds go to the Society. This helps the society



to organize Happy hours, coach trips and dinners throughout the year. So you see it's important to support the Market.

Many thanks to all the volunteers that are there every Market day, to set up, sell and tidy up again, serve coffee, sell tickets, sell in the shop, etc., etc. Too many to name. For the new villagers that have not been able to get to the Market yet, here are some off the goods that are sold. Vegetables in jars and cans, soups, spices, and a great assortment of biscuits. There are tables with knick-knacks, craftwork, with very nice presents for little ones. The cheese man, also the herring man with witlof (chicory) and of course herring (a real Dutch treat for many.) There are freshly deep-fried beef croquettes a real treat. You can test your luck by buying a few tickets in the raffle. To finish this off, coffee or tea are served for free. So come to the Market, have a look, do some shopping, have a cuppa and a chat with the people around you.

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

Simon Hoekstra

09 299 9126

Roelof Siebring

09 838 1017

Rein van Staalduinen 09-974 4713

Please call in advance so pick-up can be organised.



Craft Group

The Ons Dorp weekly Wednesday Craft Group get together for company and great "yarns" both knitting and conversation.

Regular Activities in the Paviljoen

Sjoelen every 4th Friday of the month at 1.30 am





Monday Afternoon Klaverjassen at 1.00pm

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

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 9.00 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 09 320 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 Only.

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, ph. 838 1017



PLEASE NOTE: If there is an event at the Paviljoen, be aware that dates, times, and even cancellations might occur. It's crucial to check your calendar for any updates or changes.