



AFTERALL Newsletter

What is the Chamber worth to me?

Welcome to the fourth
edition of this Newsletter for 2009

**NEWS
LETTER**

Keep In Touch, Stay On Top

From an article by Margaret Harris published in the
Careers section of Sunday Times 3 May 2009.

Networking can make all the difference to your career or business. Meeting, interacting and developing co-operative relationships can make work less arduous and more enjoyable.

Use the following tips, from Deloitte Consulting:

Look for a reason to phone a client, a friend that you have not spoken to recently - every day. (But not the same person every day.) It only takes a few minutes and it delivers great results. Make a point of not having a particular agenda when you call; just say you were thinking about the person and you wanted to know how he or she was. People appreciate this and will remember you when opportunities arise.

A successful businessman once said: "Never underestimate the power of a cup of tea." If you are in a powerful position, with an assistant who acts as your gatekeeper, carefully review your position. Remember Decca Records, which concluded "guitar groups are on their way out" when auditioning the Beatles. Allow yourself to meet new people every now and again. Don't restrict your diary to those you know... Take a few risks - who knows, they might bring your next killer business idea.

Understand and appreciate the new dynamic of social networks. Facebook, Twitter and other social networks are becoming the de facto means of keeping your networks going. But remember you only get what you put in. You must make time to work your networks; establish and maintain relationships.

Remember your friends on your way up... you may need them on your way down...

*Die geheim van om 'n besigheid te bedryf, is om iets
te weet wat niemand anders weet nie.*

~ Aristotle Onassis

Meeste vroue-hoërs ter wêreld by SA firmas.

Uit Rapport 19 April 2009

Meer private maatskappye in Suid-Afrika stel vroue in senior bestuursposisies aan as die wêreldwye gemiddeld, maar die situasie het agteruitgegaan teenoor twee jaar gelede. 'n Internasionale jaarlikse sakeverslag wys dat 73% van ondernemings in private besit in Suid-Afrika vroue as senior bestuurders aanstel teenoor die wêreldwye gemiddeld van 63%.

Die kwessie is ook in 2007 gemeet, maar toe was die Suid-Afrikaanse syfer 77%. Verder het 27% van Suid-Afrikaanse maatskappye in private besit aangedui hulle het geen senior vrouebestuurders nie, teenoor 17% in 2007. Wêreldwyd beklee vroue 24% van bestuursposte, teenoor 22% in 2007.

Meer as 7000 ondernemings in private besit in 36 ekonomieë is by die jongste opname betrek.

Soos in 2007 is die laagste persentasie steeds in Japan waar 7% van senior bestuurposte deur vroue gevul word. Denemarke, met 13% en België met 12%, is ook laag op die lys.

Lande waar die meeste gevorder is, is Turkye (op van 17% in 2007 tot 29% in 2009) en Mexiko (op van 20% in 2007 tot 31% in 2009) Die grootste daling was Brasilië, waar vroue 42% van die senior bestuurposisies in 2007 beklee het, maar nou net 29%.

Motor-Polishouers in SA Dok Meer Op

Uit Rapport 26 April 2009

Suid-Afrikaanse motoriste dra finansieel swaarder aan versekering as die van ander lande.

So, meen plaaslike versekeringskenners. Mense was sukkel om hul maandelikse premies te betaal, is deesdae ook 'n algemene verskynsel en van die kenners het al 'n verdubbeling in kansellasies van versekeringskontrakte oor die afgelope jaar gesien.

En minder mense wat verseker is, kan vir hoër premies vir versekerdes sorg.

"Omdat motorversekering nie in Suid-Afrika verpligtend is nie, moet 'n kleiner persentasie versekerdes die skade wat deur onversekerde motoriste veroorsaak word, subsidieer," sê mnr Lourens Joubert, hoof van korporatiewe en kommersiële onderskrywing by Santam.

Dit is amper te verbasend om te glo, maar ongeveer 30% van alle voertuie in Suid-Afrika is volgens hom verseker. Mense wat nie verseker is nie, het nie geld om skadevergoeding te betaal nie en daarom word die koste by die versekerde publiek se motorpremies ingebou.

Suid-Afrikaners betaal ook duurder aangesien daar meer ongelukke op ons paaie is, sê hy.

Ongelukke is nie die enigste rede nie; gesteelde voertuie dra ook by.

Vroue is statisties 'n kleiner versekeringsrisiko en betaal daarom gemiddeld laer versekeringspremies.

Execuline is 'n venoot van Hollard en spesialiseer in die versekering van luukse voertuie. Hulle sê dat hul sien hoe meer motoreienaars sukkel met die betaling van maandelikse premies. Onbetaalde debietorders aan die maatskappy het sedert die begin van die wêreldwye ekonomiese krisis met 30% toegeneem.

Selfs 'n klein ongeluk kan maklik R20 000 kos om te herstel, sonder om die skade aan die ander voertuig in te reken.

Ondersteun ons Gholfdag



Volgende Gholfdag

27 Mei 2009

Gholf!!!

4 Ball Betterball Stableford

Geborg deur Oudtshoorn Besigheidskamer

**Eerste drie pare kwalifiseer op elke
ronde vir die finaal in November
2009**

Borg 'n putjie teen R200

**Gholfdae word die laaste Woensdag van
elke maand gehou- Wees deel daarvan!**

Enige navrae?

Kontak Helen by: 044 272 6637

Excerpt from the Management Meeting held

17 April 2009

MEMBERSHIP: SMME

The goal is to involve businesses from Bridgton and Bongoletu in the Business Chamber. A meeting between various role players would be arranged to discuss this.

The Development Forum (Ontwikkelingsforum) and its involvement with the Business Chamber was discussed.

KKNK-VERSKAFFERS

Brett Pyper would be back at the office from the middle of May. Discussions will be held with him to commence planning for KKNK 2010.

AIRPORT

Diane de Jager said that the Eden District Municipality did not currently have a mayor and this had resulted in a backlog of the processes regarding the airport.

Wessel Rabbets mentioned that he had conducted a discussion with Japer Cloete and that the feasibility study needed to be finalised.

Greg Baartman confirmed that the pre-feasibility study had gone out on tender.

Melcus Nel stated that he had been under the impression that the pre-feasibility report had been conducted free of charge.

Wessel Rabbets suggested that the pre-feasibility study was brought to the table for discussion and requested that a meeting be arranged to facilitate this. The airport sub-committee consists of: Liesel le Roux, Jacobus Maloney, Alie Killian and Anton Bekker.

CENTRE OF HOPE

Melcus Nel gave Wessel Rabbets a copy of the letter sent to the Municipality requesting that the rental agreement between the Municipality and the Business Chamber for the Training Centre at "Die Ou Kragstasie Gebou" be extended for a further five years.

Wessel Rabbets agreed to follow this up with the relevant authority.



KANTOORURE

Maandag – Vrydag

09:00 – 13:00

As the **OUTDSHOORN BUSINESS CHAMBER** moves forward and we try to deliver more, we require the assistance of our members to share their successes, developments and expertise with us – communication is a two way street – we are only as strong as our members. If there are areas in which members think we are weak, we would like to know about this so that we may improve our service and the manner in which our experienced staff deliver to our members.

NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Melcus Nel discussed the letter he had written to the AHI as well as the Advice Committee. He said that the AHI would contact him in May 2009 and mentioned a possible debate on the issue of the Advice Committee. He discussed the structure of the Oudtshoorn Economic Forum and said that with the approval of the other committee members of the Management Committee of the Oudtshoorn Business Chamber he would continue with the process as outlined in his letter to the AHI.

This matter was approved unanimously by all present.

COMBINED OFFICE

Greg Baartman said that the inside of the building known as "Die Oog" had been painted and that the building would be ready for occupation within two weeks from today.

MUNICIPALITY

Melcus Nel discussed the letter he had received from Diane de Jager regarding help that had been offered by the Business Chamber to the Municipality, and which had been refused in said letter.

Diane de Jager confirmed the contents of the letter and reiterated that the running of the Municipality, including the budget was the responsibility of the council and therefore the Chambers' offer could not be accepted. She stated that opportunities were available for public participation.

Wessel Rabbets explained the current processes within the Municipality and said that a concerted effort was being made to improve the financial condition of the Municipality.

Melcus Nel said that he would meet with Wessel Rabbets in two weeks time to discuss the Advisory Committee.

WARD COMMITTEES

Wessel Rabbets undertook to look into a way of implementing the ward numbers on the municipal accounts.

ALPHEN AAN DEN RIJN

TWIN CITY NAMEBOARDS

Diane de Jager stated that boards would be put up at the four entrances to Oudtshoorn. The Municipality would endeavour to get at least one board up by the time Hans van Arkel arrives in Oudtshoorn, namely at the George side entrance to Oudtshoorn.

BURSARIES

A total of 19 students had been assisted with half of the necessary funds provided by Alphen and the rest from the members of the Chamber.

TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION

IT WAS DECIDED to continue liaison with National Government. Should this prove not to be successful the the possibility of a Taxpayers Association would be revisited.

NEXT MEETING

21 May 2009 at 18h00- venue to be confirmed.

Nuwe Lede

Super Carwash

Queen's Mall

Ons bied die vriendelikste, mees professionele diens in die streek. Persoonlike toesig word oor u motor gehou terwyl dit op ons perseel is en vir verder gemoedsrus het ons omvattende versekering sou daar iets met u motor gebeur terwyl dit in ons sorg is.

Kliëntetevredenheid en diensgerigtheid is ons leuse. Kom ontspan in 'n lugversorgde wagkamer waar daar altyd iets te drink of te lees is terwyl u wag vir u motor. U kan ook die Pick n Pay winkelsentrum besoek en inkopies doen of koffie by een van die nabygeleë koffiewinkels gaan drink terwyl u wag.

U motor word slegs deur gelisensieerde drywers bestuur en hanteer asof dit ons eie is.

Kom loer gerus in!

ThatCarWash.com

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Sel nr: 082 459 0674

Turnberry Lodge

31 St John Street, Odn Tel: 044 279 3268

Threshold Consulting

42 Fern Street, Odn Tel: 083 459 9617

Kaye Koekemoer Opleidingdienste

Kerkstraat 3, De Rust Tel: 044 241 2525

Indraf Kafee

10 St. Saviour Street, Odn Tel: 044 272 6432

Gourits Inisiatief

Queens Hotel Tel: 044 203 6326

Alle Klein Konstruksie

6 Victoria Street, Odn Tel: 044 272 2684

Nuwe lede kry een gratis advertensie in ons Nuusbrief

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DAGBOEK

- 06.05.09 SWD High School Athletics (Oudtshoorn)
- 07 - 10.05.09 Rotary Conference
- 14.05.09 Western Cape School Athletics (Oudtshoorn)
- 16.05.09 Zwartberg Runners Races (Prince Albert)
- 22 - 23.05.09 Red Stone Hills MTB Festival (Calitzdorp)
- 29 - 31.05.09 Wedding Expo (George)
- 30.05.09 SA National Roadrace (Oudtshoorn)
- 05 - 07.06.09 Wacky Wine Weekend (Robertson)
- 03 - 12.07.09 Knysna Oyster Festival
- 16 - 18.07.09 De Rust Volstruisfees
- 24 - 26.07.09 George Cheese Festival
- 14 - 16.08.09 Klein Karoo Klassique (Oudtshoorn)
- 19 - 28.09.09 Whiskey, Whales & Jazz Festival (Plett)
- 17.10.09 Seweweekspoort MTB Challenge
- 17.10.09 Meiringspoort Half Marathon
- 19 - 24.10.09 Cape Pioneer Trek (Oudtshoorn)
- 6 - 09.11.09 Animal to Hell and Back MTB (Odn)

Iets om by te voeg? Anything exciting happening?

Let me know!

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The most difficult phase of life
is not when no one understands you;
It is when you don't understand yourself.



OUTSHOORN INFO

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