

Waste paper is not wasted

Approximately 110 tons of waste paper, in the form of old newspapers and magazines, are collected every month from Johannesburg homes — an indication that Johannesburgers care about recycling and their environment.

The achievement is made possible by a contract which the Solid Waste Department concluded with Mondi Paper Pick-Up for the door-to-door collection of waste paper in Johannesburg.

Paper which is collected is recycled. The payments made by Mondi for the paper collected are channelled into a special account and used to fund the Keep Johannesburg Beautiful campaign, among other projects.

Help us save the trees

- Currently almost 100 000 homes receive the Paper Pick-Up collection pamphlet.
- It informs residents about the next fortnightly collection day and reminds them to put paper on the pavement.
- A special collection bag is provided to people who contribute their paper regularly.
- The collection bag serves as a reminder and a convenient place to store old newspapers between collection days.

How to go about ... registering a second-hand vehicle

You need:

- * The identity document of the new owner
- * The notice of change of ownership Form MVR1 of which parts A, C and F must be completed and signed. (This form is obtainable from the Funds and Licensing Department, Mobil Centre, corner Loveday and Plein Streets.)
- * The registration certificate
- * A valid licence receipt
- * A valid clearance certificate (licence token), ONLY if the vehicle is currently registered outside the Transvaal Province.
- * A valid roadworthiness certificate. (If this is not produced when the vehicle is registered, a clearance certificate (licence token) will not be issued.)

NOTE: In terms of the Road Traffic Act 1989, a vehicle must be registered within 21 days after the date of purchase.

☎ 836-1951

According to Mr Peter Killick from Mondi, the 110 tons of paper collected monthly from Johannesburg homes is a good initial response, especially since this service was only introduced at the end of March.

"The city can still recycle nearly five times this amount however, since the average participation rate per collection is below 10% of all the homes which receive our pamphlet," Mr Killick says.

The Director of the Solid Waste Department, Mr Gys du Plessis, is appealing to all residents to fully support this opportunity to preserve a natural resource by participating in the programme.

For further information, complaints or suggestions, phone Mondi tollfree at 08000 22112.



Hillbrow street kids, together with mural co-ordinator Nicky Blumensfeld, helped to brighten up the city for Arts Alive.

Arts Alive brings city alive

Arts Alive took the theatres, galleries and streets of Johannesburg by storm during September.

You could dance to the cool sounds of Cameroonian sax maestro Manu Dibango, sing along with favourite Country Western stars at Pioneers' Park, enjoy the best of local and Zimbabwean theatre at Windy brow, or be part of a community mini-festival in your own township.

Perhaps you were one of 40 000 people who shared a glass of wine and a sandwich at the free Jazz on the Lake concert. "The atmosphere was incredible," said one concert-goer. "People of all

colours and backgrounds came together and made friends. I reckon it did more for peace than a hundred conferences."

The emphasis during this year's Arts Alive was certainly on sharing. It was a festival for everyone — a time when street kids painted murals in Hillbrow

and the ballet stars of tomorrow took to the stages of Eldorado Park. Hundreds of Johannesburgers sent in poems about their city; others created handmade books based on stories from elderly people in their community.

"We were inspired and

thrilled by the response to Arts Alive 1993," said Festival Co-ordinator, Julia Meintjes.

"Culture is certainly alive and well in Johannesburg."

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding Arts Alive, the festival office would love to hear from you. Please write to them at the Directorate of Culture, PO Box 1049, Johannesburg 2000. As Julia Meintjes says, "Arts Alive is YOUR festival".

Bowling, karate, tennis feature in November

Johannesburg will host several international sporting events during November, and Johannesburgers can prepare themselves for world-class action.

● AMF Tenpin Bowling World Cup
7 - 14 November
Northcliff Bowl

● The 4th JKA Karate World Championships
25 - 27 November
Portuguese Hall

● ATP World Doubles Tennis Championships
24 - 28 November
Standard Bank Arena

The Johannesburg Song

Johannesburg, our own

Verse 1

*As the dawn breaks in the east
And the sun lights up the sky
The streets they come alive
With sounds of people passing by*

*All heading for our city
It's streets are paved with gold
There's something here for everyone
No matter young or old*

Chorus:

*Johannesburg we are your people
You're the place that we call home
You're the gateway to the future
And we're proud that you're our own
Johannesburg you have the magic
You have life and you have soul
You're a part of us and we're a part of you*

Verse 2

*You have the spirit of the people
Creativity runs free
You're the giant that never sleeps
And has a vigorous energy*

*You motivate your people
Responding to their zest
In the workplace, on the sportsfield
Where they aim to be the best*

Verse 3

*We love you for your bustle
And the tales you have to tell
Of all that's come and gone in the streets
we know so well*

*You have so much to offer
Yea there's so much here to share
And the most important thing is
You have citizens who care*

Die woorde is ook in vier ander tale, naamlik Afrikaans, Zulu, Xhosa en Sotho beskikbaar.

New plan for hawking

The Johannesburg City Council has approved a plan to manage hawking throughout the CBD and to develop more formalised street markets in specific areas of the city.

This move, aimed at effective management of inner city development, follows an educational blitz which was carried out among the 4 000 hawkers in the CBD to inform them of the regulations that apply to hawking.

"In considering how to manage informal trading in the City the Council has sought a practical path between over-regulation and proper management that will benefit all," said Alderman Eddy Magid, Deputy-Chairman of the Council's Management Committee.

"We are commissioning a major feasibility study aimed at developing a strategy for setting up large and small informal markets in areas of the city where they will flourish and can be managed to the benefit of

both informal traders and the public.

"The Council will also investigate the development of facilities for hawkers in areas where trading is particularly heavy, as well as the possibility of providing washing facilities for food hawkers to ensure adequate hygiene.

New by-laws

"New by-laws concerning hawking are also to be formulated in terms of the draft Business Act Amendment Bill," Alderman Magid added.

"Our goal is threefold — to assist in the development of well-organised trading sites, to ensure that heavily traded areas of the city do not become choked up, and to create small nodes in the city in which infor-

mal trading does not occur.

"In areas of the city where informal trading is particularly dense, trading should occur within demarcated sites of two square metres in order to prevent obstruction of pedestrian flow."

Demarcated sites

If hawkers refuse to trade within these sites despite requests and negotiations, the Council would consider declaring these restricted areas and enforcing trading within demarcated sites.

"Such demarcations would include Jeppe and Bree Streets between Klein and Loveday Streets," he said.

Areas of the city to be demarcated off-limits to hawkers are:

- ★ all sections of the Kerk Street pedestrian Mall
- ★ Eloff Street between Plein and Commissioner Streets



- ★ the sidewalks adjacent to the Supreme Court
 - ★ St Mary's Cathedral (excluding Hoek Street)
 - ★ the City Hall, Library Gardens and Ernest Oppenheimer Park.
- "These new measures are part of the Council's plan to

improve management of the city for the benefit of all its people," said Alderman Magid.

It is intended that these measures should be implemented according to a strategy which will be developed in conjunction with the various stakeholders.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Civic service and wreath laying
Cenotaph, Harrison Street
14 November, 14:30 — 16:15

ALL WELCOME

Hupstoot vir stryd teen misdaad

Die Stadsraad het onlangs besluit om R600 000 te skenk aan die Suid Afrikaanse Polisiereserviste vir die aankoop en toerusting van 18 patrolliemotors. Die motors sal gebruik word vir die patrolling van die Johannesburg-gebied.

Die skenking val saam met die Polisie se verskerpte stryd teen misdaad met die ontplooiing van 1 200 bykomende personeel, hoofsaaklik in Johannesburg, en die ingebruikneming van twee ekstra helikopters.

Elk van die 1,3 liter motors wat deur die Raad geskenk is, sal toegerus wees met 'n blou lig, 'n sirene, openbare luidsprekers, 'n mobiele radio en letterskilderwerk wat die Raad se hydra sal erken.

Die 18 motors sal teen sowat R483 000 aangekoop word. Die verskaffing en installing van die toerusting sal 'n verdere R112 000 kos, en saam met die letterskilderwerk sal die totaal op R599 300 te staan kom.

HOME-OWNERSHIP AT LAST FOR NOORDGESIG

After years of uncertainty and frustration, Noordgesig township residents can now own their homes. The proclamation of the township, which adjoins Soweto, means that people can take transfer of their properties.

The Johannesburg City Council is selling all 1 072 houses to residents for an average of R500 a unit, including fully serviced stands of about 300 sq m.

Health, Housing and Urbanisation Committee chairman Councillor Mariëtta Marx said: "The whole community of Noordgesig can now become homeowners. The prices are greatly reduced and very reasonable, given that it now costs well over R12 000 to provide services for a stand.

"Residents can develop their homes according to their wishes, and this should lead to the further upliftment of the area."

Community leaders and the council agreed last year that the process of township proclamation should not delay the sales, and that residents could buy their houses on deed of sale, pending proclamation.

Water and lights arrears are not an obstacle to sales or transfer of properties to their new owners. Arrangements have been made for people to pay off service charges arrears over an extended period.

Sales of the houses are taking place at a brisk pace. Householders who have bought their homes on deed of sale can take immediate transfer.

Noordgesig was established in the 1940s as a low-income housing area, but it was not proclaimed as a township.

One of the main obstacles to township proclamation was the risk of flooding. Many houses were damaged during a flood some years ago. The council solved this problem recently when it undertook projects totalling nearly R8 million to upgrade the township.

A R2 million project to extend the culvert under nearby railway lines lowered the 50-year floodline, and storm-water drains were fully upgraded at a cost of R4,1 million. Some 14 km of kerbing was completed at a cost of R650 000, and by December Noordgesig's 7 km of roads are to be resurfaced at a cost of R1,2 million.

Wanderers will stick to cricket

There will be no more pop festivals at the Wanderers Cricket Stadium.

This is a sequel to the "Music for Peace" festival which was held in August. It was attended by 50 000 people and led to an outcry from local residents against noise levels.

A report to the Johannesburg City Council said that the stadium had lost its rates exemption,

which depends on the property being used exclusively for athletic sport and associated social activities. The Transvaal Cricket Board was therefore liable for R45 689 in rates for the rest of the financial year.

The Council decided that the board may continue to enjoy its rates remission for the rest of the financial year — provided it sticks to cricket.

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Ambulance
999 or 484-1616

Blocked Drains
680-5241

Citizens' Advice Bureau
836-0817 (8:30-13:30)

City Council PRO
407-7351-7

Civil Protection Organisation
337-2770

Electricity (No power)
0800-11-15-50 (toll free)

Fire
998 or 331-2222

Hotline
403-2626 or 403-3226

Poison Information Centre
642-2417 or 488-3108

Robot Complaints
490-7000

Street Lights Complaints
080-11-22-11-5 (toll free)

Traffic Department
490-1500 (24 hours)

Transport Information
838-2125 or 339-6195 (a/h)

The biggest (free) bash ever

The Jo'burg Jamboree — a festival to be held in the streets of Johannesburg before, during and after the switch-on of the festive lights in the CBD — will reach a climax on 20 November when the illuminations will be switched on by the Mayor, Councillor Les Dishy.

The festivities, which will carry on for almost seven weeks — from 8 November to 19 December — will take place in the city centre in the vicinity of the Civic Spine.

The emphasis is on FUN, PEACE AND GOODWILL and it will be the biggest festival ever held in

Johannesburg.

The festive lights will be

switched on at 20:00 on 20 November. Thereafter a song specially written for the occasion, "Johannesburg our own" will be sung by the peo-

ple in the streets. This song was translated into four other languages — Afrikaans, Zulu, Sotho and Xhosa — and it is believed that it will be the biggest street choir ever heard in the country.

(See page 3 for English wording).

A short fire-works display will then light up the city, followed by a free performance by the Jo'burg

Jamboree Pops (National Symphony Orchestra). The rest of the evening will be one big street party and beer festival.

Closed Streets on 20 November

As from 13:00, the following streets will be closed to traffic:

All streets between Pritchard and Commissioner Streets

All streets between Sauer and Rissik Streets

Safe and Secure with a smile

Members of the Johannesburg Security Department and the SAP Crowd Control Unit will be on duty 24 hours a day — from 8 November to 19 December — in the Civic Spine area.

Use Jo'bus if you prefer

A special bus service will be in operation from 20 November to 19 December to transport people from home to town if they do not want to use their own transport.

Weekdays

- Normal bus service will operate during the day
- There will be an extended service on selected routes (about 15) until 22:00
- Buses will operate on these routes at approximately half-hourly intervals with the last bus leaving town at 22:00
- Watch the press for details.

Routes have been selected to cover most parts of Johannesburg including some major shopping centres, should people wish to park their cars and continue their journey by bus.

Weekends

The normal weekend service will apply to all routes. There will be an additional bus on each route leaving town at 22:00.

Cash fares will be R1,50 each way. Monthly tickets and multi-journey coupons will also be accepted.

Bus information hotline
☎ 838-2125.

Free Parking

- From 13:00 on 20 November at:
- All meter parking bays in the CBD streets.
 - Four municipal parking garages, i.e. Kazerne, Van der Bijl, Wemmer East and West

The Harry Hofmeyr Parking Garage is, however, for the use of VIPs and participants only.

Tune into the radio

Turn your car radio to FM 97,1 Mega Hertz the moment you enter the CBD, and listen to festive music while you look at the festive lights.

For information call

☎ 400-2222

Highlights from 20 November until 19 December

- Fantasy land in the Duncan Hall consisting of Fairy Tale Land, Sweet Land, Toy Land, etc.
- The Amusement Park in Loveday Street (corner of President Street)
- Festive lights in Market, Commissioner and Rissik Streets
- The Mini Bird Park near the Cenotaph
- A Flea market (for your Christmas shopping)

Nocsa Presentation

Particularly the sporting fraternity will also be focused on Johannesburg on 20 November. It is also the day that the city will be hosting the National Olympic Committee of South Africa (Nocsa).

The Nocsa executives will be guests of honour at the main festivities of the Jamboree.

The city will do his best to prove to Nocsa that Johannes-

burg should get the nod ahead of competitors Durban and Cape Town in the domestic bid to become South Africa's candidate for the 2004 Olympic Games.

Johannesburg is the last city to do a presentation to Nocsa — Cape Town having had an opportunity on 20 April and Durban on 21 August.

It is expected that Nocsa will make their decision known early next year.

Beampte van die Jaar



Sarah Schutte is onlangs aangewys as die Verkeersdepartement se Beampte van die Jaar. Hoewel dit nie die eerste keer is dat die wenner van die gesogte titel 'n vrou is nie, bly dit steeds 'n groot prestasie in die oorheersend manlike beroep. Verskeie aspekte word in ag geneem wanneer daar op 'n wenner besluit word. Sarah het onlangs saam met 'n manlike kollega drie rowers in Hillbrow in hegtenis geneem — 'n daad wat ongetwyfeld bygedra het tot haar benoeming.

Programme: 20 November

Ongoing activities: 14:00 - 24:00

Flea market, biggest ever braai in the streets, beer garden, fantasy world, mini bird park and amusement park.

Sport: 14:00 - 18:00

1. Development events (21 different sports) (coaching clinics, workshops.)
2. Display events (12 different sports, including street golf, demonstration match by world doubles tennis stars, trampoline and tumbling).
3. Top events:
 - International street mile
 - International boxing bout
 - Professional wrestling
 - African Strong Man Competition
 - Celebrity corner

Cultural:

- 14:00 - 18:00 Traditional song, dance and food festival (15 groups in action) in Library Gardens
- 18:00 - 18:30 Prize giving and introduction of celebrities
- 18:30 - 20:00 Moving street concert (15 groups to perform)
- 20:00 - 20:20 Switch-on of festive lights
- Jo'burg Song
- Fireworks display
- 20:20 - 24:00 NSO Jo'burg Jamboree Pops in front of City Hall.
- Street Party and beer festival.

A new breed of Zoo

An entirely "new" zoo for Johannesburg: That's on the cards since the Council approved an investment initiative aimed at converting the Johannesburg Zoo into a world-class facility designed to meet far broader tourism, education, conservation, recreation, and income generation needs than at present.

The plan, proposed by the city's Director of Conservation, Dr Pat Condry, envisages a zoo which will ultimately be largely self-funding. It should generate four to six times its present annual income of R1,85 million.

The plan will initially require a capital injection, although no amount is known yet. This will be necessary if the Johannesburg Zoo is to avoid the fate of some other contemporary zoos around the world, such as the London Zoo, which have become dilapidated and unacceptable to the public conscience. Once this has happened, only a massive injection of money to restructure and rebuild can save a zoo.

The plan outlines the following areas in which there is enormous potential to develop the Zoo:

Tourism

The Zoo boasts a collection of 3 500 to 4 300 animals, across 350 to 400 species. It is the leading attraction for foreign tourists to Johannesburg and, says Dr Condry, represents "the sum total of what Johannesburg has to offer to meet the mainline attractions of tourism to Africa — wildlife".

Education

Nature, wildlife, and conservation have no place in the daily lives of many of the people living in the Witwatersrand Metropolitan area, even though

nature is deeply embedded in the culture and folklore of the majority of South Africans. The Zoo offers millions of people their only affordable and accessible "living classroom". It is their only glimpse of wildlife and its habits from other parts of the world.

Conservation

In South Africa, and elsewhere, extinction threatens thousands of animal species. As probably the second largest zoo in Africa, the Johannesburg Zoo cannot merely be a bystander or a collector of specimens. Instead, it needs to adopt a conservation role which is based on species preservation.

Recreation

Few zoos worldwide have as excellent and accessible a location as the Johannesburg Zoo. Yet it is estimated that the current patronage is only 20 to 30% of what it could be.

Income generation

Admission fees, refreshment sales, animal sales, venue hiring, the making of films and advertisements, sales of curios and souvenirs, educational and holiday programmes, and tours and fundraising could all generate income. The Zoo was 22% self-sufficient in the 1992/93 financial year, up from 8 to 10% in the previous three years. This figure could be boosted to anything from 90 to 130% self-sufficiency, generating a profit.



Mayor Les Dishy's Yellow Ribbon Peace Pledge is going from strength to strength. The latest development in the campaign is a production called "We wrote the songs" by the King David High School, which adopted the peace theme with great enthusiasm. This multimedia production will consist of songs reflecting hope and harmony, in tribute to the Jewish composers who "wrote the songs". The Mayor's yellow ribbon theme will feature prominently throughout the show, which will be presented at the Linder Auditorium on 10 and 11 November. Seen here joining the Mayor in his quest for peace are members of the choir, with Len Kay (artistic director and soloist) and Selwyn Klass (script writer). For more information ☎ 485-1242.



The introduction of mini-circles in Johannesburg has led to some confusion among motorists.

The mini-circles are part of traffic calming schemes. These are aimed at preserving the residential character of suburbs.

The circles force oncoming traffic on all approaches to an intersection to slow down simultaneously. At the same time, they achieve a steady flow of traffic

without giving preference to any specific approach, as happens at traffic lights.

Mini-circles work just like conventional circles. The basic rule is: yield to traffic on the right.

Using mini-circles

If a queue forms to the right of Motorist A, he must yield to the traffic on his right. However, in all likelihood there would be a vehicle/vehicles to the right of

the queue, preventing the vehicles in the queue from entering the circle. This gives Motorist A an opportunity to enter the circle safely.

If two motorists arrive at the circle simultaneously, the yield-to-the-right rule determines that the motorist on the right has right of way. The "first come, first serve" rule only applies to four-way stop intersections, and NOT to circles.

