




WITSAND ONTSOUTINGSAAANLEG OPENING



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Newsletter
Nuusbrief

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Message from the Mayor / Boodskap vanaf die Burgemeester

Geagte Inwoner / Dear Resident

Om ons, begin die boomryke heuwels geleidelik in skakerings van geel, oranje en rooi te verkleur. Skemeraande begin koeler raak en skole begin met voorbereidings vir hul winter sport.

The first solar powered desalination plant in South Africa was officially launched on Monday, the 11th February 2019 at Witsand. We want to thank the Stellenbosch University for the partnership to this project. The desalination plant has been co-funded by the Western Cape Government through the drought relief fund and by the French Treasury through a fund dedicated to the implementation of innovative green technologies.

Ons wil ook sterkte toe wens aan al die leerders wat besig is met toetse en eksamens. Met die oog op die eerste skool vakansie om die draai, moet julle nou gefokus bly en hard studeer sodat julle die vrugte kan pluk.

Ondernemings is nou weer besig om hul winkel rakke in gereedheid te bring vir die Paasaweek en die Munisipaliteit is soos altyd slag gereed met dienslewering.

Ons is tans besig met die afhandeling van die 2019/2020 konsepbegroting, waarna dit aan die publiek voorgelê sal word.

Vier mense nog Menseregtedag? Baie beskou dit as net nog 'n vakansiedag om te braai en agteroor te sit.

My pleidooi is dat ons as inwoners van Hessequa hierdie vakansiedag nie net agteroor sit nie, maar meer betekenis gee aan die woord menseregte. Bewusmaking onder die jeug van menseregte en deur hande te vat oor verskillende kultuurgrense, godsdien en geslag. Ons moet mekaar respekteer, en ander behandel soos wat ons graag behandel wil word as 'n gelyke. Ons moet verby die uiterlike kyk en fokus op die hartklop wat ons deel van mekaar maak. Geniet Menseregtedag ten volle!

Groete / Kind regards,

GRANT RIDDLES
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EMERGENCY NUMBER
028 713 2222

24 Hour Emergency Call Centre for
FIRE, FLOODS & ACCIDENTS in the
Hessequa area.
Every second counts!

REPORT THE MISUSE OF WATER IN HESSEQUA

How to report people who don't comply with water restrictions?

CALL 028 713 7917

to report water misuse.

Please note that calls can be placed anonymously.

#savewaterinhessequa

Hoe om water misbruik te rapporteer?

KONTAK TEL: 028 713 7917

om oortreding van waterbeperkings aan te meld

Let asb. daarop dat klaers anoniem kan bly.

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FIRST SOLAR POWERED DESALINATION PLANT IN SA - WITSAND

The first solar powered desalination plant in South Africa was officially launched on Monday, 11 February 2019 at Witsand. Ambassador of France to South Africa, Christophe Farnaud, and MEC for Finance in the Western Cape, Dr Ivan Meyer, attended the event with Hessequa Mayor, Grant Riddles and Deputy Mayor, Johannes Hartnick.



This plant has been co-funded by the Western Cape Government through the drought relief fund, and by the French Treasury through a fund dedicated to the implementation of innovative green technologies.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed in 2015 between the Hessequa Municipality and Stellenbosch University. This Memorandum laid the ground work for innovative thinking where sustainable and attainable ideas, plans and programs could be transformed.

Innovative and forward thinking helped shape the municipality's vision on how to identify energy efficient and pioneering projects with limited impact on the environment.

Today, Hessequa Municipality reaps the fruit of strategic planning through public-private intergovernmental relationships and joint ventures.

The technology, OSMOSUN®, was developed by the French Company Mascara Renewable Water and brought to South Africa by their local partner TWS-Turnkey Water Solutions. It is the world's first reverse osmosis desalination technology coupled with photovoltaic solar energy, without batteries. The technology is designed to supply coastal or borehole-dependent communities, with drinking water at a competitive price and without CO2 emissions.

The plant produces 100kl of fresh water per day powered by solar energy only. This volume will supply close to 50% of the daily demand of Witsand during off-peak periods. The plant is also connected to the electrical grid. This enables the plant to be operated during peak water demand periods on a 24-hour basis, with a maximum supply capacity of 300kl/day. The unit has been in full production since the 20th December.

"The shortage of water in the Western-Cape is a harsh reality and only by implementing preventative measures, Hessequa municipality will be able to create water resource stability in our region. The Municipality is utilising innovative ideas in combating the effects of climate change, by taking the frontrunner approach in establishing public-private intergovernmental relationships and joint ventures. These partnerships will ensure a green economy that aims at reducing environmental risks and ecological scarcities." says Hessequa Executive Mayor Grant Riddles.

HESSEQUA GROET RAADSLID TOM PRETORIUS

Burgemeester Grant Riddles, het met skok en hartseer gereageer tydens die skielike afsterwe van raadslid Tom Pretorius, Wyk Raadslid vir Wyk 4, Heidelberg. Burgemeester Riddles het sy meegevoel en simpatie aan die geliefdes van Raadslid Pretorius betoon namens die Hessequa Raad. "Raadslid Pretorius was 'n voorstander in die Heidelberg gemeenskap. Hy sal onthou word vir sy gemeenskapswerk, sy betrokkenheid by plaaslike skole asook sy bydra tydens raadsittings. Raadslid Pretorius sal gemis word."

Die Munisipale Bestuurder Johan Jacobs, het namens



Hessequa Munisipaliteit en amptenary sy medelye aan Raadslid Pretorius se vrou en familie betuig. "Ons waardeer elke raadslid vir hul bydrae tot diens aan ons gemeenskappe en is die afsterwe van raadslid Pretorius 'n groot verlies vir Heidelberg asook die wyer Hessequa streek."

LOAD SHEDDING A REALITY

How to stay up-to-date on possible load shedding schedules:

<http://loadshedding.eskom.co.za/LoadShedding/Index>

Please note that the schedules can be obtained from the eskom load shedding website and that the municipality has no control over Eskom planned outages or schedules.

WATERBEPERKINGS EN WATERWENKE

Water is 'n basiese behoefte wat elke dag benodig word en die langtermyn-vooruitsigte vir reën lyk nie bemoedigend nie.

Hessequa-streek ervaar tans droë toestande nadat min reën tot dusver geval het. Ons vra die samewerking van alle inwoners om water spaarsamig te gebruik. Water is 'n belangrike en skaars bron en moet elke dag verantwoordelik gebruik word.

BESOEK die munisipale webwerf

www.hessequa.gov.za vir die nuutste **WATERBEPERKINGS EN WATERWENKE**