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GARA Weekly Newsletter

Dear Members,

INVITATION TO THE 2ND AGM FOR JUST ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

If you have never been to the Rietfontein Nature Reserve, or visited Free Me, this is worth a trip.



I am pleased to announce the 2nd Annual General Meeting for Just Environmental Action. JEA has grown in leaps and bounds over the past 12 months and we have lots of exciting ideas and projects to discuss. We hope you will take the time to be there and join us in steering this successful environmental organization.

Just Environmental Action AGM

Date: Saturday, 21 July at 10:00 – 12:00

Venue: Education Centre Rietfontein Nature reserve (where Free Me is

located), Paulshof, Johannesburg

Please follow the link below for a map and directions:

Rietfontein Nature Reserve is about 24km north of the city in the small suburb of Paulshof. This 25 hectare indigenous green space with its quartzite koppie evokes in all visitors a feeling of being in the country.

http://www.mydestination.com/johannesburg/wildlife-and-nature/129401/rietfontein-nature-reserve

Please advise Mary <u>secretary@justenvironmental.co.za</u> if you will be attending. Teas and coffees will be provided. Mary Lewis: 082 717 0667

We look forward to seeing you there!

Kind regards

Kristin Kallesen

Chairperson

Just Environmental Action



Web: <u>www.justenvironmental.co.za</u>

CHANGE OF CATEGORY AND BACKDATING OF RATES - DISCONNECTIONS OF WATER NOW TAKING PLACE

Please note if you have been waiting for your May Account to arrive, and your Pre Termination and Final Demand Notices were blown away in the wind – take note – Johannesburg Water are disconnecting meters even though you may have paid something on account while waiting for your Municipal Bill. Also note that if they disconnect you on a Friday, you have to wait till Monday to be reconnected and of course there are fees for this.

GARA understood that they can restrict the flow of water, but they are not allowed to disconnect residents completely.

THEFT OF CABLE – ESKOM

More reports of cable theft in Glen Austin leaving residents without power.

We reiterate that at any sign of trouble ring: Your armed response company

Police Flying Squad 10111

Sector Police on 071 675 6108/9

Give them specific instructions of where the problem is and make sure your House Number is clearly visible on your gate. Not having a house number wastes a lot of time and could result in a life being lost. We ask this over and over again but there are still hundreds of properties in Glen Austin with no visible house number.

NEWSLETTER VIA THE WEBSITE

With all this new technology, the Committee has decided to send out the Newsletter via the Website. It will save bandwidth but somebody still has to write it, so there you go, still will have to use my brain for stories of interest. And here's the New look, tell us what you think at info@glenaustin.co.za.

BLOOD DONORS: PLEASE NOTE DATES FOR DONATING BLOOD – BIKERS CHURCH ON KRUGER ROAD OFF DALE ROAD, MIDRAND

15th July 2012. Sunday 08.30am.till 11.00am and 11th November 2012 Sunday 08.00 am till 11.00am

Humphrey Hoadley



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THEY ARE AT IT AGAIN – GLUG GLUG GLUG

The Glen Austin Conservancy Committee



Invite you to join us for our annual
Gluhwein Evening
at
Liedjieboer
Cnr R562/Olifantsfontein & Cilliers Road, Glen Austin
on Saturday 21 July – 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Gluhwein will be sold at R5 per mug. Please bring your own mug

Liedjieboer will have food available for your own cost

For catering purposes please RSVP to: shirleyannwinter@gmail.com

That's all from me for this week...

REMEMBER: If you have a secret, people will sit a bit closer.

Christine Robinson Secretary