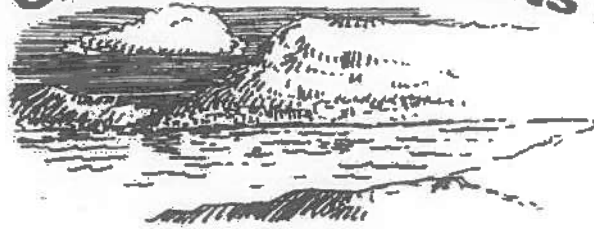


Fish Hoek & Clovelly Residents Association



PO Box 22125, Fish Hoek, 7974

(Please address all correspondence to The Secretary)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THIS ASSOCIATION WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, FISH HOEK ON THURSDAY 28th February 2002 AT 7.30pm.

AGENDA

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION & APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES OF NOVEMBER QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING (copies will be available prior to the meeting)
3. MATTERS ARISING
4. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT
5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
6. TREASURER'S REPORT
7. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE FOR 2002

CURRENT EXECUTIVE

Mr Vic Kabalin (Chairman), Mr Steve Perrett (Vice-chairman), Mr Bill Greenwood (Treasurer), Mrs Jenny Woodbridge, Mr Charles Chevalier, Mr Marcel Spinoy, Mr Allen Rose-Innes, Prof. Wallace van Zyl.
Secretary : Mrs Penny Boaden

8. GENERAL

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Please note that these (R15 per household) are due and payable at the beginning of each year. If your address label does not indicate that you have paid for 2002, please be so kind as to let us have your subs. They can be paid to the postal address, the shops mentioned in a previous newsletter or at the meeting.

Newsletter February 2002

Pubs in Fish Hoek

While our Association has been successful in opposing the issue of off sales liquor licences in Fish Hoek in accordance with the title deed condition applicable to our area, we have not yet solved the problem of the pub. Several years ago, our magistrate approved an interpretation in terms of which liquor served with meals would be considered acceptable and not a contravention of the title deed clause. This has proved generally acceptable to all concerned, but it was inevitable that some would take advantage of the situation and provide pub liquor in excess of the normal supplement to a meal. Many complaints have been made regarding the behaviour of pub patrons in recent years, but most complainants have been afraid to submit in writing their experiences. One of our chief problems has been the fact that a restaurant licence automatically allows premises to remain open until 02h00 or beyond. One can imagine that patrons are not seeking a meal at these late hours, but rather the party atmosphere provided by the liquor. We would feel that it would not be too difficult for authorities to penalise the misuse of a restaurant licence in the manner occurring on a regular basis, but somehow this never happens. It would be interesting to see whether or not a higher court would interpret the "taphuis" title deed condition as permitting the current practice. The costs of such action are probably beyond most of us. The submission of a petition by residents affected by pubs would help us to make representations to the Liquor Control Board to either refuse a licence, or at least limit the hours of its operation where those activities disturb nearby residents.

Sleepy Village or Dynamic Town!

Fish Hoek has had the reputation for being a somewhat backward and sleepy place in the past, and presumably this is what a lot of people want as they have continued to be attracted here despite more active attractions elsewhere. At the same time, there are many who would like to see more activity, which we understand, and they try to "shake us up", or sometimes offer criticism in the local press. We like to think that there is room for both groups without the need for harsh words of criticism which sometimes appear. There is certainly no shortage of places of entertainment in our metropolitan area and in Fish Hoek. We are well endowed with natural attractions and organisations which cater for most interests.

Fish Hoek Festival

We thank the organisers for several positive aspects of the event, but would suggest that at that time of the year when the beach itself is the huge attraction to visitors, that it remain available to bathers. The occupation of a large portion of the beach parking area and lawns by the festival operations in December was not a very satisfactory aspect of the event. Numerous visitors to the beach were denied vehicular access while event stands appeared to be poorly patronised. We would welcome the views of residents who were able to experience the event.

Census

A number of residents have reported not being visited during the recent population census. Even telephone calls produced no attention. Perhaps the local press could invite those who were missed out to record that fact.

The Executive Committee

While we have been quite successful in enlisting new members, the real test is in finding new members of the executive committee to continue to manage the Association. Several current members have given many years of service and have earned a rest. The duties need not be too onerous and members decide the extent of their involvement. Those available for re-election are :

Vic Kabalin (not as Chairman), Steve Perrett, Bill Greenwood, Allen Rose Innes, Marcel Spinoy. Three new members and a secretary are required.

The constitution requires us to elect a chairman, secretary, vice-chairman, treasurer and 5 others.

Illegal Signs

The executive committee is concerned about the proliferation of advertising signage that is appearing in the area. A great deal of it is illegal. We have appealed to local estate agents to abide by the new regulations, but there are other offenders. We will be asking law Enforcement to remove all such signs.

Payment of subscription by cheque

Subscriptions for 2002 are due and payable. If you are paying by cheque please make sure that the cheque is correctly made out the Fish Hoek & Clovelly residents' Association.

Let us have your e-mail addresses

We would like to, where possible, send our newsletter via e-mail as it would lead to considerable savings. Please forward your e-mail address to the secretary, Penny Boaden, on PBOADEN@OLDMUTUAL.COM.

Use of postal addresses by local residents

We urge local residents to allow the Association to use their street addresses for the purpose of delivering the newsletters rather than using post office boxes. The cost of a newsletter delivered to a home is the cost of the label plus 30c, and it gives a local person a small income. The cost of post office delivery is the cost of the label, the cost of a large envelope and the current postage fee (R1.40). We are happy to mail newsletters to members not living in the Fish Hoek area, but believe this is not money well spent when the member is local. So when you pay your subscriptions for 2002, please let us have your residential address should you have been using a postal address.