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## NEWSLETTER

### Vorna Valley Residents Association

August  
2021



## VVRA LPR Cameras

Dear Resident, we have on several occasions asked for more contributions towards the running costs of our LPR cameras, yet only a few contributions are received. These cameras are there to assist our residents with cases, to help catch criminals and to try and, in a few cases, to prevent crime.

Hawkeye, TRSS and 345 Nursery School, contribute monthly and a few loyal complexes also contribute monthly. Currently we have 2 residents in Vorna Valley that contribute.

If more complexes would contribute R5 or R6 per unit, per month and more free standing houses would also contribute R5 or R6 per month, we would

certainly be able to not only cover the monthly running costs, but also expand on the current system.

Often we get requests from residents for photos regarding a crime or accident, and we assist where ever possible, but without more contributions, we can not continue to avail this service free of charge.

Thank you goes to Hawkeye who assisted the VVRA in assisting with one of our cameras that had an issue.

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# Joburg Water



Several sewerage leaks again, and JWater was slow in resolving some of these leaks. Sadly when we have these sewerage leaks, the sewerage water runs into the storm water drain and then straight into the river in the Vlei, contaminating the vlei wetland.

We ask that if a residents notices a sewerage leak, report it, even if someone else has reported it, the more people reporting it , the better.

The contractors putting in a new water pipe under Allandale near Harry Galaun have finished replacing the old pipe. They drilled under Allandale from the Waterfall side to the Vorna Valley side.

Hopefully the contractors will soon fix the damage done to this part of Allandale.



Vorna Valley Specialist

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## JRA



Potholes are still a major problem in Vorna Valley. After reporting a major pothole on Pretorius Street and posting it on Twitter, our RD was kind enough to have them come out the next day to fix. Thank you Abigail.

Residents are urged to report pothole and street lights that are not working. The more people that report it, the better. Then send the ref no and details to the VVRA on whatsapp so it can be escalated.

JWater fixed a major water leak on Harry Galaun/Anton Hartman and a lot of sand was left on the roads. We have requested JRA to please come clean up the road as it is dangerous. On following up a few days later, we were informed that JRA staff were in isolation due to a COVID 19 case. Hopefully this will be cleaned up soon.



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# City Power



Thankfully Vorna Valley only had a few power outages in small areas and City Power was quick to attend to the issues.

Open boxes are still a major issue and when reported, City Power is quick to attend to the open boxes, but they are only temporary measures.

Street lights are still a problem and sometimes they are fixed but stop working again soon after due to theft or vandalism. For security reasons, it is important to report street lights that are not working ASAP to City Power.



# City Parks



Sadly many residents and developers have chopped down beautiful trees on pavements, which is illegal by the way, leaving pavements bare and no shade.

Some residents in Vorna Valley have been promised trees for their pavements for many years now and we always get some excuse as to why we are not getting them. The latest excuse is, we never asked for trees and now City Parks says they will ask the cllr.

In the mean time thousands of trees have been planted elsewhere in Midrand, many so close together, others where new development will rip them out to widen a road or put in a circle.

Yet again council and cllrs who are actually supposed to be working with residents, work against residents.



Asked for trees years ago



Chopped down, fined, but never replaced trees



# JMPD



We have so many illegal advertising signs and trailers and sadly JMPD don't seem to fine these people, hence they continue to advertise illegally.

We also have vendors popping up all over Vorna Valley. Most are illegal and we have complained numerous times to council but JMPD doesn't seem to be interested. Now more and more are coming into the area, damaging pavements, blocking the view of motorist, blocking motorist etc.



## Vlei fence repair (APSS)

Thank you once again goes to APSS for fixing the Vlei's broken fence where criminals get into the Vlei. Several parts of the Fence on Harry Galaun were broken and sections removed to make for easy entry into the vlei.



## Street Names (Verdi Place)



As well as the well-known "Birds" area where all the streets have bird names, we have a small selection of streets named after well know musicians and here is the first I will investigate.

Verdi Place (cul de sac at top end of Kokkewiet Street)

Giuseppe Verdi is considered, together with Richard Wagner, the most important opera composer of the nineteenth century. Throughout his entire life Verdi wrote operas which are still considered today to be among the very finest in the entire Italian operatic repertoire. More than half of them are in the standard repertory of every opera company today.

Giuseppe Verdi was born in 1813 in Northern Italy. He showed early talent as a musician and by the age of 9 was playing as the town's church organist. One of the town's leading merchants recognized his talent and took Verdi to study further in Milan which at the time was the centre for literature, politics and opera. There he studied with an associate of the La Scala opera company but he struggled for many years before composing his second recognized opera "Nabucco".

Three of Verdi's operas, Traviata, ( the Drinking song), Rigoletto,( La Donna e Mobile) and Aida (The Triumphal March) which were composed in the 1850's are constantly among the most performed operas.

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Level 1 water restrictions will be enforced by fines to consumers who contravened the Water Services By-law and consumers are urged to report non-compliance by phoning the JMPD 24/7 hotline on 011 758 9650		For billing assistance kindly contact: 011 358 3614\011 358 3562	
<b>Johannesburg Water</b>			
011-375-5555 or 011-688-1400	Water Burst	48 Hours	
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<a href="http://www.johannesburgwater.co.za">www.johannesburgwater.co.za</a>	Fire Hydrant Leak	2 days	
Midrand Depot 621 6th Road Erand: 011-205-9500	Bees in meter box	3 days	
<b>City Power</b>			
011-375-5555	No Power to area/property	4 Hours	
086-056-2874	Illegal Connection	24 Hours	
<a href="http://citypower.mobi">http://citypower.mobi</a>	Dangerous Situation	Immediate	
<a href="https://za4.forcelink.net/forcelink/customportal/cp_mdt/customerportal.html">https://za4.forcelink.net/forcelink/customportal/cp_mdt/customerportal.html</a>	Street Light not working	2 working days	
Report Illegal connection 080 000 2587	Meter Conversions	5 working days	
<a href="mailto:anticorruption@tip-offs.com">anticorruption@tip-offs.com</a>	Faulty Meter	7 working days	
Cable Theft and illegal activities: 011 490 7553 or 0800 002 587			
Metering Queries Telephone :011 490 7484			
SMS Line :44074			
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<a href="mailto:estimations@citypower.co.za">estimations@citypower.co.za</a>			
<b>Johannesburg Road Agency</b>			
Joburg connect: 086-056-2874	Potholes	3 working days	
011-298-5000	Manhole Cover missing	3 days	
<a href="mailto:hotline@jra.org.za">hotline@jra.org.za</a>	Blocked kerb inlet	3 days	
<a href="https://findandfix.jra.org.za:8443/">https://findandfix.jra.org.za:8443/</a>	Road trenches	3 days	
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Call Centre: 010 055 5990	Animal Carcass removal	24 hours	
<a href="mailto:info@pikitup.co.za">info@pikitup.co.za</a>	Cleaning of an Illegal Dumping site	7 days	
<a href="mailto:joburgconnect@joburg.org.za">joburgconnect@joburg.org.za</a>	Street cleaning, Lane flushing, Area cleaning		
<a href="http://www.pikitup.co.za/customer-services/">http://www.pikitup.co.za/customer-services/</a>	Bulk Waste collections		
Illegal dumping: 080 087 3342 or <a href="mailto:info@pikitup.co.za">info@pikitup.co.za</a>	Full details and Reg no. of vehicle	Photo if possible	
Midrand Depot: 82 Lechwe Street, Corporate Park: 087-357-1378	Illegal Dumping		
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<b>City Parks</b>			
Joburg connect 086-056-2874 or 011 375 5555	Grass cutting in open spaces	Up to 30 days	
City Parks and Zoo Switchboard: 011-712-6600	Grass cutting of parks	Dependent on status of park	
10177	Grass cutting in cemeteries	7 days	
<a href="mailto:jcp@jhbcityparks.com">jcp@jhbcityparks.com</a> or <a href="mailto:joburgconnect@joburg.org.za">joburgconnect@joburg.org.za</a>	Fallen Tree/branches	24 hours	
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To claim damage: 3 quotes, copy of ID, and photos of evidence of damage			
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