

# THE MILKWOOD SPEAKS DAILY

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## WEATHER FOR TODAY GREATER ST FRANCIS & JEFFREYS BAY

TEMPERATURE  
MIN 16°C MAX 27°C  
SEA 19°C

WINDS MORNING:  
12km/h GUST 14km/h N

WINDS MIDDAY:  
4km/h GUST 11km/h N/W

WINDS EVENING:  
7km/h GUST 8km/h W

FIRST LIGHT 06H16  
SUNRISE 06H41  
SUNSET 18H01  
LAST LIGHT 18H26

FOR CAPE ST FRANCIS:  
SOURCE: MAGIC SEAWEED(KNYSNA)

HIGH TIDE IN THE MORNING: 01:22am 1.70m  
LOW TIDE IN THE MORNING: 07:32am 0.60m  
HIGH TIDE IN THE AFTERNOON: 01:54pm 1.70m  
LOW TIDE IN THE EVENING: 08:01pm 0.60m



FRI 31 AUG 03:59PM  
SAT 8 SEPT 03:16PM  
SUN 16 SEPT 04:12AM  
SAT 22 SEPT 09:42PM

## EXPECTED WEATHER FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS....

13°C - 27°C TUESDAY SUNNY  
16°C - 19°C WEDNESDAY EVE RAIN  
16°C - 20°C THURSDAY P/C  
18°C - 23°C FRIDAY SUNNY  
12°C - 14°C SATURDAY RAIN  
13°C - 16°C SUNDAY SUNNY  
12°C - 14°C MONDAY RAIN

**WARNING: ONLY TUE LEFT TO FILL POTHOLES**

## OTTERS IN CANAL

Dear Johann,  
This morning when I was standing on our lawn feeding the birds at 6.30 a.m. as the sun was rising, three otters swam onto the jetty in the canal, eating their fish, then swam off.

This was in Grand Canal, not far from the entrance into the canals from the river.

I would also like to enquire if anyone knows the position of a bench in tribute to Sue Forbes who passed away last year. I have been asked to honour it by her sister. I thought it was the bench at the Cove, but that has unfortunately had its brass plaque stripped.

Thank you.  
Wendy Mackenzie

## DO YOU KNOW.....

Are readers aware of the cost of frail care? On average, basic costs run at R17 000 per month. To remain in your own home with 24 hour care by supervised caregivers costs the same. Given the choice where would you choose to spend your remaining days?

## CRIME REPORT FOR THE WEEKEND ST FRANCIS

1 BREAK-IN IN SANTEREME  
SEA VISTA  
1 SERIOUS ASSAULT AND THE ARREST OF THE SUSPECT.  
11 PEOPLE WERE ARRESTED FOR BEING DRUNK & DISORDERLY.  
2 TRAFFIC OFFENCE TICKETS WERE ISSUED.  
BE AWARE - BE SECURE - BE SAFE

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## READERS SURVEY:

I AM NOT GOING TO IDENTIFY THE FOLLOWING READER BUT HIS ANSWERS REALLY REFLECT WHAT I AM TRYING TO ACHIEVE WITH THE MILKWOOD SPEAKS:

- 1.DO YOU PRINT YOUR COPY? No
- 2.DO YOU SAVE YOUR COPY ON YOUR COMPUTER? Sometimes
3. WHAT SIZE MONITOR DO YOU USE? 56cm (Yes it is difficult to read some things on the Mobile, but one can zoom and pan.)
4. -LAPTOP OR -PC OR -HANDHELD? PC/Laptop and Mobile.
- 5.WHERE DO YOU LIVE? Johannesburg
- 6.WHAT TIME DO YOU PREFER TO READ YOUR COPY? Anytime. But generally in the evening. I have however, been working when your mail comes in (Pre 05h00) and I read it immediately. (You planning some sleep-ins??)
- 7.WHAT DO YOU LIKE? The unbiased reporting. The wry humour.(More! More!) The science and environmental snippets. The shared photography. The quirky weather report and fishing advice.
- Oh! And the pot-hole soapy. (Better than Dallas. Who used the money?) See warning below
- 8.WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE? The occasional complete lack of humour. (Laughter IS the best medicine and as long as we laugh with, and not at, each other the soul is always lifted.)
- 9.WHAT TYPE OF ADVERTISING WOULD YOU ALSO LIKE TO SEE? Advertising is a necessary evil in our lives, so I have no quarrel with it. You already support the charitable events and organisations, please keep it up!

## WARNING!!

People using the harbour road-----If you see a pair of ears sticking out of a pot-hole, Beware!!!  
It's not a rabbit it's a DONKEY!  
PLEASE SEND IN YOUR COMPLETED SURVEY SOON.  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA):  
PROPOSED THYSPUNT TRANSMISSION LINES INTEGRATION PROJECT (TTLIP)**  
(DEA REF NOS:12/12/20/1211; 12/12/20/1212 and 12/12/20/1213)

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, under Government Notices No R385, R386 and R387 of 21 April 2006, Section 24 (5) read with Section 44 of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), the public is hereby notified that the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) will be made available in hard copy for review and comment at the venues below.

**REVIEW PERIOD OF THE REVISED DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

The public is hereby notified that the Revised DEIR will be made available for review and comment from **Friday 21 September 2012 to Wednesday 31 October 2012** (end of business) at the venues below. The document will also be available on the SIVEST website (<http://www.sivest.co.za/Download.aspx>) then browse to the folder "9520 – Eskom Thyspunt EIA" and CD / DVD (on written request).

| Venue                 | Address  | Contact Person                       | Contact Details |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
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**TUESDAY 28 AUG 2012**  
**DAY 241 WEEK 35**  
**THINGS HAPPENING!!**

LIST YOUR EVENT HERE (NO CHARGE)  
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 SO LETS PLAY BY THESE RULES.)

The Rotary Satellite Club of St Francis is hosting  
 its bi-monthly dinner and speaker evening.  
 Our friends, colleagues and members of the community  
 are all invited.

Date : Thursday, August 30th 2012  
 Venue : The Links Time : 19h00  
 Cost: R100 per person

Guest Speaker : Japie Buckle, Provincial Coordinator,  
 Eastern Cape, Working for Wetlands at South African National  
 Biodiversity Institute. will be talking to us about his passion –  
 “The Baviaanskloof”.

Tickets will be on sale for a lucky draw for a 4-Ball  
 and green fees sponsored by The Links.  
 The proceeds will go to the Rotary fund to send Sea Vista's  
 first ever exchange student on a cultural exchange to  
 Argentina at the end of this year. She is Androlene Vena,  
 a matric student at Humandorp Secondary School.  
 Booking Essential - call either:  
 Ann Knight on 083-304-9340 or Xandri Knipe 071-356-3786

**FRI 31 AUG FULL MOON 3:59PM**

**SAT 1 SEPT MORNING MARKET  
 AT THE TENNIS COURTS**

**WED 5 SEPT SECRETARY'S DAY**

**SAT 8 SEPT NATIVITY OF MARY**

**SAT 8 SEPT HALF WANING MOON 15H16**

**FRI 14 SEPT HOLY CROSS DAY  
 GOOD DAY FOR FISHING**

**SAT 15 SEPT GOOD DAY FOR FISHING**

**SUN 16 SEPT NEW MOON 04H12  
 GOOD DAY FOR FISHING**

**MON 17 SEPT GOOD DAY FOR FISHING**

**MON 17 SEPT ROSH HASHANAN  
 TILL 18 SET JUDIASM**

**TUES 18 SEPT GOOD DAY FOR FISHING**

**WED 19 SEPT GANESH CHATURTHI HINDU**

**THURS 20 SEPT MAYAN DREAMSPELL  
 ELECTRIC MOON OF THE DEER TILL 17 OCT**

**SAT 22 SEPT EQUINOX**

**SAT 22 SEPT  
 HALF WANING MOON 21H42  
 WICCA OCTARA SOUTHERN MABON NORTHERN**

**MONDAY 24 SEPT HERITAGE DAY  
 PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**WED 26 SEPT YOM KIPPUR**

**FRIDAY 28 SEPT SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START  
 TILL 8 OCT**

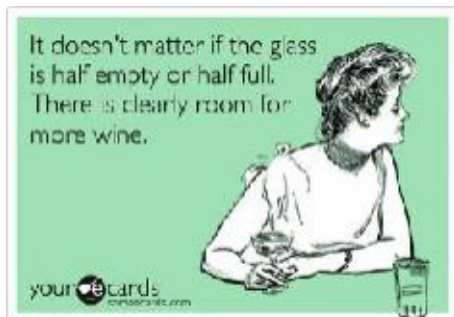
**SAT 29 SEPT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS DAY**

**SUN 30 SEPT FULL MOON 05H20**  
 SOURCE Special Days= SOJOURNAL 2012  
 Diary and Personal Guide [www.sojourney.co.za](http://www.sojourney.co.za)  
**TO LIST YOUR EVENT EMAIL JOHANN AT**  
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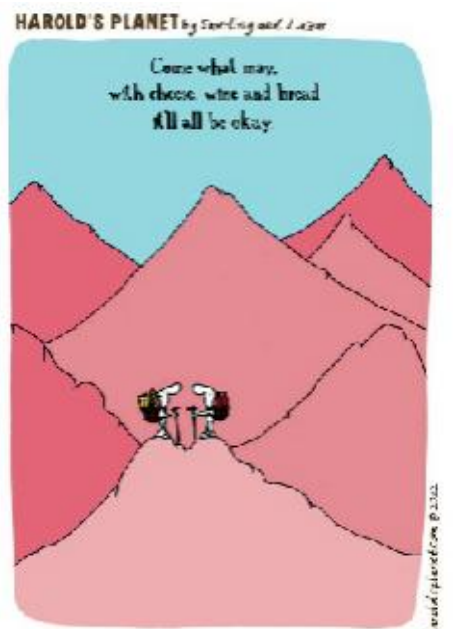


Our wine jokes  
 thanks to Digby Kemmey



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Dear Johann  
On behalf of the future residents of St Francis Bay  
On behalf of those RHOA members that recognise that our problems that once would have been of National importance, are today irrelevant to the authorities.  
On behalf of us that rely on others to get, and keep things going.  
**A Sincere thanks to the likes of Tony Butler, Nigel Aitken, Hilton Thorpe for their selfless and seemingly thankless efforts. Your contribution, motivation and energy given to the community is nothing short of remarkable given what you have to contend with.**

For the record:  
The propagation of both Port Jackson and Rooikrans is illegal.  
The Spit is not a shifting sand dune.  
Unfilled potholes only grow.  
The loss of beach sand on our East coast is not unique to St Francis.  
Action is what is needed from the SFB Community to face our challenges; letters to The Milkwood pontificating about where and what should be done, will get nothing actually done.  
Thank you.  
**Mike Miller**

**READERS SURVEY..**  
(TO IMPROVE YOUR READING PLEASURE...) NO NAMES WILL BE PUBLISHED. PLEASE PARTICIPATE.....  
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(HOW TO:  
HIGHLIGHT READERS SURVEY; RIGHT CLICK; COPY AND PASTE.(RIGHT CLICK,) INTO YOUR EMAIL: SPACE AND ANSWER

## THE SPIT

Johann,  
I believe Tony Butler's earlier invitation for constructive proposals for the protection of the spit dune was based on a genuine concern in the face of overwhelming evidence of the threat of a breach, previously shared with your readers: reports from coastal engineering experts, a time series of satellite images at constant elevation, and old-fashioned personal observations. Koos Vermaak has elected to ignore this evidence and his response to Tony's invitation is nothing more than a record of obstructionist activities.

His only positive proposal is that we return to the methods of Leighton Hulet! It seems to have passed Dr Vermaak by that the sea no longer behaves as it did 50 years ago: the sea level is rising and storms have become more violent.

No amount of obfuscation is going to make this problem go away, and when (not if) the inevitable happens and the spit dune is breached, R10000 will look like small change compared to the damage canal owners will suffer. Unfortunately, there are none so blind as those that will not see.

Regards  
**BLIGNAULT GOUWS**



**ONE OF THE LAST THINGS MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME WAS:  
DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU EXPECT TO BE DONE TO YOURSELF"**

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