

Lockdown Blues ???

Here are some Evergreens to cheer you up.

FROM CHAIRMAN HENNIE

April 2020.

Dear fellow residents,

As I write this we're on day 32 of the national lockdown and day 47 of the Evergreen lockdown. And, prepare your minds because I'm afraid there're going to be many more!

Many of us were unhappy with our lawns and our hair that just kept growing. Wilma and her 'A-team' sorted out many of the lawns.

In a move that went well beyond the call of duty, Wilma, her husband Kobus, Joseph, Luvuyo and Henry arrived on Saturday morning to cut the lawns. The tens of 'Thank yous' posted on our CHAT group said it all, so I'm sure you all join me in thanking Wilma and her team most sincerely for giving up their Saturday to come and mow our lawns - what a wonderful service!



The team! Henry was away cutting another lawn.
(Picture courtesy of Royston Knowles).

And what about the ever growing hair? A simple solution for the men - rise to Garry's challenge and join me! C'mon guys, I'm disappointed that as I write I'm not aware that any of you has joined me in flying Broadacre's flag! Marius does a wonderful job with his clippers and quite painlessly solves the ever growing hair problem! And as for the ladies, I haven't seen any green hair around the village either!

To remind you, and I quote Garry: '...the challenge is in support of the frontline staff that are risking their lives to fight the pandemic, and to offer our condolences to those that have lost their lives.' So, all you Broadacreites, let's show our support for the frontline staff and take-up Garry's challenge.

On the 1st of May, the country moves from lockdown level L5 to L4. But from what we've been told already, that's not going to make any difference to our lives in Broadacres. Management has already allowed us to walk around the village, but not many can spend more than an hour-a-day walking or jogging. And then of course there are all those who can't, or who don't feel inclined to walk or jog. To try to relieve the tedium and help keep you sane, your ResCom, together with Wilma and her team have and are arranging some initiatives.

The first to be launched is access to the library. With the help of the duty managers, Pat Bayley, Libby Baker, and Lyn Turner you can now access any book, jigsaw puzzle or DVD in the library all as explained in my communiqué on this subject.

Chris Edwards will shortly publish a list of all the movies and series that he has recorded and are available to you. He will explain how to access them when he publishes his list.

Haven't you often wished that somebody could help you improve your computer skills? Well, Chris (again, God bless his soul), has started work on recording short YouTube tutorials on the use of Word, Excel, Powerpoint, e-mails etc. that will improve your skills and perhaps more importantly, give you something to occupy those empty hours. (Poor souls having to listen to me?? Chris)

We are looking at other activities that can be arranged to help you survive the lockdown. To help us, please let me have any ideas that you may have of games or activities that can help keeping us entertained, amused and sane. It is clear that the quizzes that appear on the CHAT group are keeping many of you entertained for hours, so let's have more of those.

But all these activities require a quick and easy means of communication. Chris' INFO EVERGREEN GROUP is the ideal vehicle, but for reasons I cannot understand there are still many of you who have decided not to join that group. I repeat my earlier appeal: if you're not yet on that group, please think again and ask Chris to add you to it. It is purely an INFORMATION group; Chris is the only person who can post on it so every message will be of interest and value to you.

And finally, Covid 19 is an extremely dangerous disease, especially to people in our age group so please observe the regulations that have been spelled out repeatedly by the President, the Minister of Health and ELV management. Simply, Stay at home and stay safe!

Our local grocery shops offer wonderful on-line shopping and delivery services, and where such services are not available, or you do not have computer facilities, Wilma and her team will order and collect for you. So there really isn't any reason to leave the village other than for urgent medical reasons: Stay at home and stay safe!



Somehow, Kiloran got these valiant residents to dye their hair green. I don't know how she did it but she did. Photoshop! ... What's that??



Folks.....we have a new photographer on the block!!
Well done Adi. Evergreen Broadacres, like we have never seen it before.
Where are the apartment blocks???

Life before Lockdown Remember this? Will it ever be the same?









As we face difficult times and challenging situations, SM Audiology would like to extend good wishes to all and hope you are keeping safe.

We are available telephonically or online to offer support or assistance to all hearing aid users until such time we can consult face to face again.

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With age, your eyes make reading more difficult because the size of the letters seem to decrease. As for the ear, some sounds and syllables become harder to hear. Remember that your ears need a check-up too. #Fun Fact

I suspect most of us are going to spend June trying to figure out permutations of our loadshedding/
Covid schedules..."OK, so it's Stage 4 loadshedding, and we're at Stage 2 for Covid, so that means I *can* buy supper but I *can't* cook it...."



Rainfall Report for April 2020.

Unfortunately this is probably the last notable rain for this season.

Work on the implementation of the borehole irrigation system is yielding the expected results. We await with interest to see the impact on our Municipal water usage.

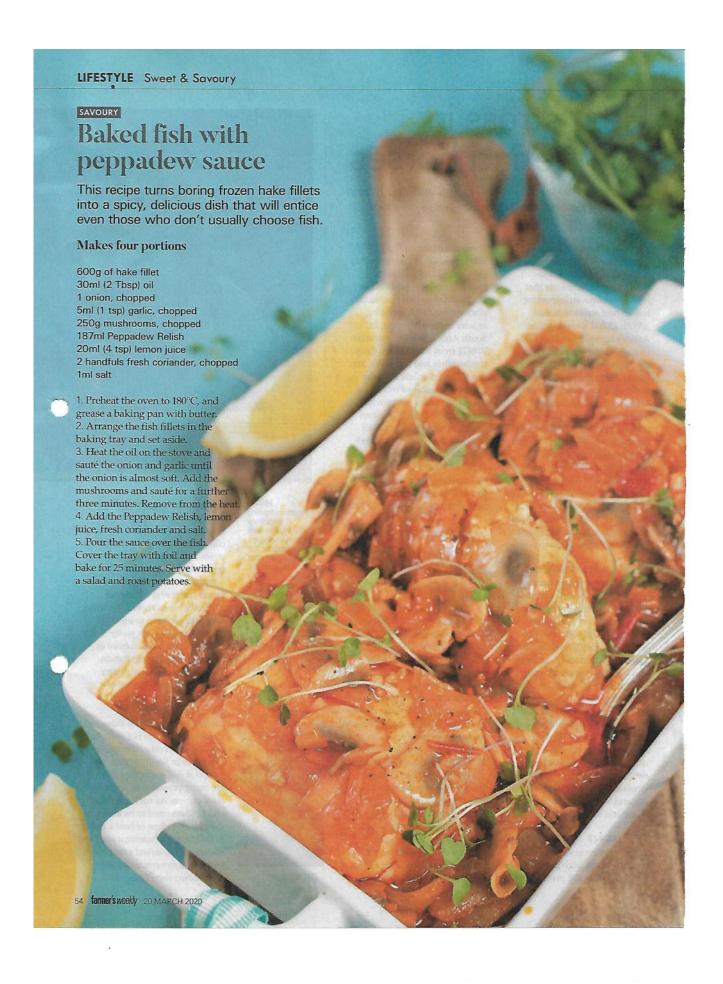
Please remember the drive to conserve water remains a national imperative

May 2019	3.0
Jun 2019	0.0
Jul 2019	0.0
Aug 2019	0.0
Sep 2019	3.5
Oct 2019	4.0
Nov 2019	153.7
Dec 2019	230.5
Jan 2020	79.5
Feb 2020	145.2
Mar 2020	81.1
Apr 2020	72.4
12 Months	772.9

Rainfall in April over the years

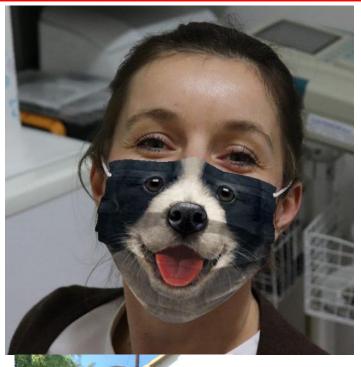
2013	123.0
2014	25.7
2015	46.7
2016	3.8
2017	116.4
2018	42.0
2019	108.9
2020	72.4

Average for Apr since 2013 is 67.4 mm



Hennie tried this dish recently. So if you have or can get the ingredients give it a try - It's delicious

Just Like That.....April's Mad Mask Humour

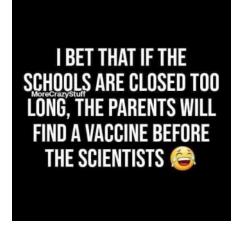


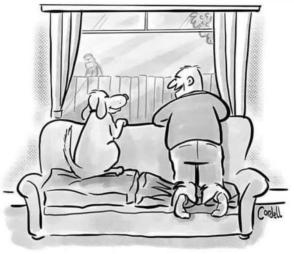


DAY 29 OF QUARANTINE









"Until now, I never understood why you got so excited when someone walked past the house."

Presumably good at helping people stay alive.



Our wireless doorbells sitting on their chargers....



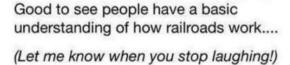


I ASKED MY GRANDPA, "AFTER
65 YEARS, YOU STILL CALL
GRANDMA DARLING, BEAUTIFUL,
AND HONEY. WHAT'S THE
SECRET?" HE SAID, "I FORGOT
HER NAME 5 YEARS AGO AND
I'M SCARED TO ASK HER."



I have a bumper sticker that says "Honk If You Think I'm Sexy."

Then I just sit at green lights until I feel better about myself.





Picked up a hitch-hiker. Seemed like a nice guy.

After a few miles, he asked me if I wasn't afraid that he might be a serial killer?

I told him that the odds of two serial killers being in the same car were extremely unlikely





Just for Basil





How about this Lynne??



Therapist: Your wife says you never buy her flowers is that true?

Him: To be honest, I never knew she sold flowers.



As people shelter in place and streets remain empty, the wildlife is returning to Inverness, Scotland ...







A wife asks her husband, "Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk, and if they have avocados, get 6."

A short time later, her husband came home with 6 cartons of milk.

His wife asks him, "Why did you buy 6 cartons of milk?"

He replied, "They had avocados."

If you are a woman, you may need to read this again. Men will get it the first time. Marilyn wants to know if they deliver?







DO NOT GROW OLD,
NO MATTER HOW LONG
YOU LIVE. NEVER CEASE
TO STAND LIKE CURIOUS
CHILDREN BEFORE THE
GREAT MYSTERY INTO
WHICH WE WERE BORN.

Albert Einstein
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