

CHIT - CHAT

FROM WAKKERSTROOM

18 DECEMBER 2016

Dear Wakkerstroemers,

Just a quick Chit-Chat before Christmas!!

- 1) CHRISTMAS CAROLS - Wow! What a wonderful evening. The Catholic Church was full to bursting, we had marvellous weather and the singing and readings were awesome. Thank you to the Dennetts and anyone else involved in the organisation. If you have never been to one of these evenings you need to diarise for next year.
- 2) CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - Some shops and businesses have done some decorating and Wakkerstroom is starting to look festive. Those who haven't done anything yet - try to do something this week - it just makes the village look lovely. Hats off to DeKotzenhof - their decorations are beautiful. Their lights will be on every evening from 7pm to 9pm until 2Jan.
- 3) FROGGING EXPERIENCE - Come and get crazy about frogs at Birdlife on the 13th and 14th January 2017. It is R50 per person per night. Join Nick Evans, Richard and Candice McKibbon in the magical wetlands of Wakkerstroom to find incredible frogs, learn about frog identification and calls!! Book with Kristi.
- 4) CHRISTMAS PARTY - at The Crowned Crane on Friday 23 Dec from 18.00 until 22.00. Snax will be provided. Come and mingle - listen to music and get geared up for Christmas. Hope to see you all there.
- 5) CHRISTMAS LUNCH - There are a number of localities in town serving Christmas Lunch. Most are advertising in town - so don't spend Christmas Day on your own - come out and join some of your fellow Wakkerstroemers! Most are serving lunch on Christmas Day. The one exception is Owl and Hare who are serving a full Christmas lunch on the 24 Dec. Just think you can end up having 2 Christmas lunches!!! How divine is that.
- 6) CHRISTMAS EVE POTJIE - Mucky Duck is serving potjie on Christmas Eve. I would imagine you need to book.
- 7) DANA FUNDRAISER TV - The draw is going to take place at the Mucky Duck at 7pm on Christmas Eve. There are only 55 tickets at R1000 each and a few tickets are still available. So there's a good chance of winning the prize and a fantastic cause to donate money too. R10,000 will be donated to Dana for another frail care bed that

they are so in need of! Contact Mark at DeKotzenhof to snap up one of the last few tickets. What a wonderful Christmas gift it would be!

- 8) BIRD CLUB - Peter and I spent a morning with Lucky from Birdlife a few Saturdays ago. What an awesome experience. Lucky is so knowledgeable and really interesting. Although we did a fair bit of driving he knew exactly where to find various birds. We were lucky enough to see a Botha's Lark near Aggarwal. Spending time with Lucky is something you all need to do if you are a birder.
- 9) WACKY KNITTERS - Wacky Knitting group thank Gwynne Lawlor for the generous donation handed into the group. This amount was raised by the Wakkerstroom walking group. It was used immediately purchasing wool for one of our very keen knitters. Thank you and please keep walking.
- 10) WELCOME - Two ladies bought the Guerins house. Chris is a professional house/dog sitter and Louise is a nursing sister. They hope to move here in January. As soon as they are settled in Chris's mom will move into Dana frail care. Chris was previously a tour guide specialising in the Kruger Park. Welcome ladies - we hope you will be really happy here.
- 11) INSELE ULTRA RIDE - Something to diarise. Rupert has been in touch with some very keen bikers and they are looking at the first Wakkerstroom Mountain Bike Race on the 23 and 24 September 2017

I am sure I have left stuff out but I need you guys to email or sms me so that I can include your info.

Hope you all have a blessed Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Next Chit-Chat will be next year.

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