

Kicked out of the board....

Since the last newsletter, a lot has happened/changed. A pruning course has been given at our public orchard. Our walk-in house is open again. We have a new treasurer. The first 300 maps of the neighbourly aid project have been distributed. Our Frits, Frits Hendriks received the volunteer medal from the Municipality of Valkenswaard on the evening for street contact persons.

The Door & Voor evenings have started again. The Easter search with more than 50 families, parents and children was a success. Streaming performances from the Hofnar to a screen at the Horizon has succeeded. The canopy, tiles and fence for the beehives have been put in order by a group of volunteers. We still have several plans for the coming period. Now there is still a chairman and a few committee members and we can fully, with a balanced distribution of tasks, get to work.

Volunteer medal for Frits

On the recommendation of the board, alderman Mieke Theus awarded frits Hendriks the volunteer medal of the Municipality of Valkenswaard. This happened during the annual thank you evening for the volunteers of the Kerkkakers district committee. Frits is very active for the district committee: he takes care of the website, these newsletters, the library cabinets, the welcome signs, the publication boards and all kinds of technical work. In addition, he has been the organizer of the collection for the Dutch Burns Foundation for more than 20 years, is active as an auxiliary grandfather at school, is a traffic controller at the flower parade and maintains the back path lighting. He also makes historical descriptions at the Weerderheem local history department.



He also keeps time for his wife, three sons with supporters and after-school care for their three grandchildren.

New treasurer Jarno



My name is Jarno van de Giessen, 34 years old and has recently joined the board of our district committee as treasurer.

I work parttime as an engineer at ASML and live together with my wife and children of 4 and 6 years old on the Barentszstraat. I love playing games, both at the table and on the computer. The social interest is of

paramount importance to me. I plan to put that vision into practice, among other things together with you in our beautiful neighborhood.

The district committee is still looking for a new chairman. Take a look at our website for the tasks etc. Something for you? Please contact our secretariat.

Expats in Valkenswaard

As an immigrant in the Netherlands, you leave your family and friends behind to come and live, live and work here. You are therefore quickly isolated here, especially if you do not yet speak the language. On the initiative of, among others, Kratika Agarwal, a WhatsApp group and a Facebook page (Expats in Valkenswaard) have been set up for this group of people within Valkenswaard, with English as the main language. This initiative aims to facilitate bonding with other Valkenswaard residents and organizations, because a home is more than the house where you live. Are you or do you know someone who benefits from this? Become a member or suggest to join this Facebook page.



For more English versions of other newsletters see our website www.wijkcommissiekerkakers.nl

Beverage packs and cans now allowed in plastic waste container

Empty beverage cartons of milk, yogurt, juice etc. and also cans + cans and aluminum are now also allowed in the plastic container. This can now be easily separated during processing.

- Make sure packaging is empty.
- Rinsing is not necessary, caps and lids may remain on the packaging,
- In the case of cans, please bend the lids inwards,
- Drinking cartons can be folded flat and the cap turned back on,
- Separate plastic from other packaging materials, such as paper,
- Do not put packaging in another packaging.

ALLOWED in the plastic waste:

- Plastic bags / bags / trays, Cups of yogurt, custard, whipped cream and ice cream,
- Lids of jars, Plastic bottles / vials / tubes,
- Cans, beverage cans and sirop cans,
- Aluminum dishes and lids,
- Drinking suits of (soft) drink, dairy or wine.

NOT with the plastic waste (this is residual waste):

- Packaging with contents,
- Hard plastic utensils (toys, videotapes, buckets, watering cans, garden furniture etc.),
- Chemical waste packaging (nail polish remover), turpentine and kit tubes),
- Styrofoam, (fast food packaging, meat dishes, filling chips),
- Chip bags (with shiny layer),
- Pressure strips of medication and chewing gum,
- Medical waste / home nursing (gloves, injection needles and infusion tubes),
- Agricultural plastic, Empty aerosols.

SEPARATE DROP-OFF at the transfer station:

- Tempex and EPS (packaging of devices)

More information: www.cure-afvalbeheer.nl

Children's Theatre Performance

On Wednesday afternoon June 1, theatre maker Noortje Karsmakers will play a children's theatre performance for children aged 3 to 6 from the Kerkakkers district. She is always inspired by well-known children's books and all the materials she uses are homemade recycled.

Date: **June 1**, start: 3:30 pm, room open 3:15 pm, end of performance ±4:15 pm. Where: community center **De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5**

Registration: before 25 May with an e-mail to kerkakkerskidz@hotmail.com please mention the number of children.

The entrance is **free**, we treat you to sirop and some goodies. The parents are allowed to stay with them.

Theatre Streaming performance



of Percussion Group UNA

On May 20 they take you on the musical journey of your life: Percussion in Concert: "Life!" tells the life story of the moment you come into the world well prepared, until you leave with the silent drum like an old sheet. Let yourself be carried away

along a harmonious childhood and a puberty where many people have lost their way.

Listen in on attempts to hook a partner and a marriage without a fight (at least when you don't get into trouble too often). Make your move and come and watch this percussion show supported by winds, choir and soloists via our **large TV screen**.

Under the leadership of Bart Wernaart, the percussionists certainly do not make a bad figure!

May 20, 2022 start: 8:15 pm, room open at 7:30 pm.

Where: **De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5**

Entrance: free including a cup of coffee / tea.

Would you rather be present live in De Hofnar?

There are still tickets for sale on: www.hofnar.nl

Courses Public Library

Many courses of the library are available to all residents of our ward, both members and non-members. Look for the extensive offer on their website. More info: <https://kempen.op-shop.nl>

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Beehive at the Public Orchard De Rijt



Last month, a fence was placed around the shelter for the beehives in our public orchard. It has all taken a little longer due to corona but now everything is ready for the bees.

We are grateful to all volunteers: Jan, Cor, Wil, Frits and Ankie for their efforts, they have made something beautiful out of it. The beekeeper unfortunately lost a bee colony last winter, it died. He can therefore only place 1 hive for the time being. If you see a bee colony somewhere in nature, please contact our secretariat:

secretariaat@wijkcommissiekerkackers.nl

The orchard is getting richer and richer in vegetation that the bees will be happy with. Let's hope that we can start enjoying the honey soon. Come and have a look. You will find the orchard on the Le Sage ten Broekstraat, corner Minister Aalbersestraat.

Public Orchard De Rijt

PRUNING.

On Saturday March 5, Teun de Zeeuw and Jan Gijsbers gave a course in pruning fruit trees in our public orchard. It was like getting a painting course. The 93-year-old Teun de Zeeuw was able to tell in a very clear and enthusiastic way why some branches and twigs had to be removed. And why certain branches had to be bent with a string so that the sun and the sap streams have the chance to produce as many fruits as possible. These techniques are of vital importance for growers to be able to harvest as optimally as possible.

Unfortunately, the number of visitors was limited. But the attendees were very enthusiastic. Because after following this course you will get more eye for nature and you will pay attention to tree structures. The public orchard looks slick again.

DEVELOPMENTS.

We have provided the apiary with a tile pavement. The placed fence is intended to keep visitors at a sufficient distance from the hives, this to prevent bee stings. Erroneously, the dead Reine Claude plum tree was replaced by a cherry tree. Now let's hope it's not ornamental cherry.

We have planted gooseberries "kroezels" and blackcurrants and also an extra apple tree, which is on its own root and can therefore grow into a large tree. There are still plenty of opportunities to plant even more fruit trees and shrubs. Suggestions? The pear trees were still well occupied with flower buds during pruning. However, they are largely gone. Button pecking by birds, often out of a kind of curiosity, is probably the cause.

The recent frosts have caused damage to the blossom. Fortunately, not all flower buds were open yet, so that some can still give fruit. But it's still a long time until the ice saints!

You remain dependent on nature. We do our best.

New shops in our district

One of the objectives of our district committee is to support starting entrepreneurs in expanding brand awareness in the neighborhood. Below is a store that has recently been located in our neighborhood:

Kyno-Buddy practice for Dog Massage Recently Saskia Dirx, qualified dog masseur and sports masseur for dogs, opened her own practice at home located at Pater Rijkenstraat 5 in our neighborhood.



You can go here with your dog for massages that offer support for physical complaints, behavioral problems, relaxation, sports and activities. Take a look at the website www.kyno-buddy.nl or follow the Facebook page Kyno-Buddy Dog Massage. For more information, contact her on 06-22 91 48 47.

Do you also have a starting company or shop in our district and do you want some extra brand awareness for free, please let our secretariat know.

Walk-in house opens again

Every 1st and 3rd Monday morning of the month from 10:00 am to 11:30 am there is our free Walk-in House at **Kardinaal de Jongstraat 6**.

You can go to our free walk-in and information house for a nice chat over a cup of coffee. There are also some newspapers and magazines. We are happy to help you with questions and problems with your phone, tablet and when using apps or computer programs. But you can also have your tax return and your administration checked without obligation. We would also like to help you with correspondence to all kinds of agencies. If desired, a separate consultation room and a laptop are available. Admission is **free**, coffee and tea too.

Door & Voor information evenings



Every 2nd Wednesday evening of the month a free lecture, excursion or workshop is organized "Door & Voor" neighborhood

residents, in community center **De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5**. Start is 20:00. Admission is **free**, coffee and tea too.

Agenda Door & Voor evenings

- **Wednesday May 11:** start 8:00 pm
theme: Healthy lifestyle, Stefanie v.d. Berg
Why is it so difficult to keep good intentions? We've probably all done it before: in good spirits you tell yourself that you really want to go to the gym more often or go for a walk around after dinner or leave those cookies from now on. My name is Stefanie vd Berg and I am a lifestyle and vitality coach, but I have also regularly planned something that I abandoned a few weeks later. We know quite well what we should leave or do to feel healthier. So why don't we do this? I'm going to tell you something about that, but we're also going to get to work and..... I'll let you experience something special. I look forward to meet you.
- **Wednesday June 8:** start 8:00 pm
theme: Mosaic tiles Workshop, Neeltje Verhagen.
Ever seen the mosaic tiles in the sidewalk of, for example, the Dijkstraat? On this evening you can also make your own mosaic tile for free under supervision of Neeltje Verhagen. Maybe for you in the doorstep?

