

Making Christmas pieces on 12 Dec.

Making Christmas pieces at The Kerkkakers District Committee. Get creative with Christmas stuff and greenery on Tuesday, December 12 from 7:30 pm. We provide various greenery, candles, etc., do you bring your own container, materials and tools? Maybe you have some stuff left over for others? Address: building of Buurtvereniging De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5. The entrance, greenery, oasis, candles and other materials are free, the coffee and tea as well.



Christmas gathering, come too?

Christmas gathering for everyone from our neighborhood. Are you also coming to enjoy beautiful music and a snack and a drink? Trio Mousai will make music again.

Wednesday 13 December 2023 starts at 8:00 pm in De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5. Admission is free, so is the coffee and tea.



Storage space wanted

We are looking for a temporary storage space for various (Christmas) items from the district committee. A few m² is sufficient, for about 2 to 3 years. Small fee possible.

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Collecting household waste at Christmas otherwise



Cure-Afvalbeheer does not come on Boxing Day to collect your organic waste. This will be moved to Saturday, December 30. Please note: pick-up is possible much earlier than usual; They run from 07:00 am.

The waste calendar for 2024 can be downloaded on www.cure-afvalbeheer.nl or via the Cure app.

Lantern parade for children On Saturday, December 16,

we will walk another lantern parade through the neighborhood. Participation is free. We meet at 6.45 pm at Lunet in the Mgr. Zwijssenstraat 4.



We leave at 7:00 pm and walk for about three quarters of an hour. Then we get hot chocolate with a cake and eat it at Lunet. We provide a lantern, but of course a homemade lantern is also very nice to take with you. If you have one, bring it. **Register before Saturday 2 December 2023**, by e-mail: kerkackerskidz@hotmail.com then we can provide a lantern for every child. We do expect the children to be accompanied by their parents/guardians. People with disabilities are also welcome. Also like our facebook page Kerkkakers Kidz then you will stay informed and there will also be any photos taken. If you do not want to be in the photo, please indicate that and we will take that into account. If it rains we also walk the tour, with an umbrella that is fine. We look forward to seeing you on December 16, 6:45 pm.

Information about solar panels



Energiek Valkenswaard is a working group of nine Valkenswaard citizens who have started a citizens' initiative with the main goal: to provide information about

all the aforementioned aspects of the energy transition. This enthusiastic group of volunteers works closely with and is supported by Kempen Energie and Kempen Stroom from Hapert. There have already been several information evenings.



On 8 November 2023, experts from Kempen Energie will provide all possible information about solar panels.

Three companies have also been found willing

to show and explain their possibilities to you. The evening will be held on the initiative of The Kerkakkers Neighbourhood Committee in community centre De Horizon at Amundsenstraat 5, starting at 20:00. All residents are welcome. Admission is **free**, coffee and tea too.

Hey are you planting with us?

It's flower bulb time now. Now planted and in spring color and smell in your garden! In the spring, around February, you already enjoy the first crocuses that stick their heads above the ground. Around March / April the first daffodils and blue grapes. In addition to the fact that flower bulbs brighten up your garden and our neighborhood, the flowers are very important for our insects! They are an important source of pollen and nectar in a period when not much is blooming yet. With the slogan 'Hey are you planning me?' we draw attention to our action. We call on everyone to plant as many bulbs as possible so that the insects have enough food in the spring. Don't have a garden? Then put them in a flower pot on the balcony. If you have green ideas or would like to help / think to make our neighborhood even more flourishing, please contact us at: biodiversiteitkerkackers@gmail.com

Beekeepers and orchard De Rijt

Last year, two local residents started training as beekeepers. In the context of the biodiversity in our district, we are very happy with this. In consultation with the municipality, a number of volunteers have placed a shelter in our public orchard on the Le Sage ten Broekstraat. Under that roof there is room for some beehives. We thank: Frits Hendriks, Cor Meulendijks, Jan Vercammen, Jan Gijsbers and Wil van Hoppe. We are still looking for volunteers who want to help plant and maintain more gestation plants for the bees in the public orchard. Something for you? The district committee would like to hear from you, you are free to work in consultation as you see fit. Both beekeepers successfully completed the training in September, Frank Gelten and Ankie Slaats are now certified beekeepers. They are supported by beekeeper Frans Claassen from Dommelen who has his hives on the Sint Adrianus valley and by the Beekeepers Association.

Sedum roof instead of roof tiles

As you will have seen, a large-scale renovation of, especially roofs, is going on in our neighborhood by Woningbelang.



The block, which starts at Mgr. Poelsstraat 7, has been designated by the building association as a test object for the installation of "green" roofs. Sedum was chosen on top of the insulation of a thick sheet of PUR foam, instead of ordinary roof tiles. These are various types of very strong succulents and it insulates excellently. Good idea for the biodiversity in our neighborhood!

Artwork on display again

In our newsletter of March 2018, we already devoted an article to the artwork at the former primary school Het Kompas, which threatened to disappear if the building was demolished to make way for new construction.



This monumental relief art by Hugo Brouwer was purchased by the municipality in 1970 for approximately 10,000 guilders. Explorers have given their names to the surrounding streets, on the south side of the Dommelseweg. The compass is indispensable for these world travelers. This work of art therefore belongs to the district and is iconic. Efforts should be made to preserve this work in its present location. At the time, a meeting was organized with the municipality to discuss how this work of art can be preserved for our neighborhood. The district committee is supported in this by the city council, which in February 2018 adopted a motion "Strange to the order of the day" to preserve the artwork Het Kompas by Hugo Brouwer: "To do everything possible to save the artwork from the demolition of the building and to bring it back as an icon in the new plans to be developed at this location." And now the time has come. In the side façade of Barentszstraat 5B, the artwork has been relocated

An additional advantage of this place is that the east and west now actually point to the east or west. It looks fantastic, thanks to all who have worked for this.



The official unveiling will take place later. See the announcement on our website and the information boards in our district. Let this also be a warm welcome for the new residents of this new construction plan within our neighborhood.

Conclusion of project Goede Buren

This beautiful collaboration between the gardeners of Moestuivereniging de Rijt and the residents of Kerkakkers has been a success for the fourth time this year.

The vegetable gardeners turned out to have surplus vegetables again and they were able to make many local residents happy with that.

The district committee thanked the gardeners with a pleasant get-together while enjoying coffee/ tea and cake. This happened on Saturday 30 September at the Le Sage ten Broekstraat, location of the Vegetable Garden Association.

Officially, the project is now closed for this year, but that does not alter the fact that the gardeners may continue to offer their surplus vegetables at the gates. The ward committee says THANK YOU to them on behalf of the residents.



Walk-in house open for coffee / tea

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



You can visit our free walk-in and information house for a nice chat over a cup of coffee. Admission is **free**, as are coffee and tea.

Agenda walk-in house

Walk-in house Kardinaal de Jongstraat 6. Have a nice chat while enjoying a free cup of coffee or tea. Are you coming as well?

- **Monday 6 November**
- **Monday 20 November**
- **Monday 4 December**
- **Monday 18 December**
- **Monday 8 January** Newyearscoffee always from 10:00 to 11:30 am.

Do you know a temporary accommodation for our Walk-in House??

Now that the host of our walk-in house Bert Tilmans has moved to Eindhoven, we are looking for another space in our neighborhood, where we can chat twice a month, while enjoying a cup of coffee. There should be room for about fifteen people. The intention is that in the planned new building of school De Pionier on the Kromstraat there will also be a space for our walk-in house, but we will have to wait for that. Do you know a temporary space? Please let our secretariat know.

Door & Voor Information evenings

Every second Wednesday evening of the month, a free lecture, excursion or workshop is organized "Door en Voor" neighborhood residents, in community center De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5. Start is 8:00 pm.
The entrance is **free**, the coffee and tea also.



Agenda Door & Voor evenings

- **Wednesday 8 November 8:00 pm**
Thema: Solar panels



The volunteers of Kempen Stroom and Kempen Energie provide an information evening (in Dutch) about the advantages and disadvantages of solar panels. There will be some companies with information material, which can also supply and install the panels.

- **Tuesday 12 December 7:30 pm**
Theme: Free crafts with Christmas stuff.
We provide various greenery and so on, do you bring your own container and a candle? Maybe you have other stuff left?
- **Wednesday 13 December 8:00 pm**
Theme: Free Christmas gathering for everyone from our neighborhood. Would you also like to come and talk about 2023 and get a snack and a drink? Admission is free, so is coffee and tea.