

## Arts and crafts afternoon for children on October 14, sign up now!!

On Saturday afternoon, October 14, 2023, we will be doing crafts with children of primary school age. It is from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, in our walk-in house at Kardinaal De Jongstraat 6.

The theme is **Halloween**. Then you make your own items for when you participate in Halloween in the neighborhood on October 28. Sign up with an email to: [kerkackerskidz@hotmail.com](mailto:kerkackerskidz@hotmail.com) before 29 September, so we can start purchasing in time. Even if you don't participate in Halloween on October 28, it is still fun to tinker with.

We provide all materials, something to drink and something tasty. Of course it is **free**. We are looking forward to it, we hope you are too! See you then!!

## Evening walk from restaurant "Het Oude Wandelpark"

Are you walking with us?!

On Wednesday 13 September we have our evening walk again. We meet at 6.45 pm, at restaurant "Het Oude Wandelpark" Eindhoveneweg 264.



From there we leave at 7.00 pm, for a walk of 1 – 1.5 hours around the Petersven, the Grote and Kleine Meer, and the Runsloten.

Afterwards there is a free cup of coffee or tea for everyone in the Oude Wandelpark.

What do you have to think about? Obviously good shoes! Smearing against mosquitoes and ticks is always wise. A flashlight is also useful, because it gets dark a little earlier. Possibly an umbrella, because even in rainy weather (if it is not too bad) the walk continues! We walk fairly sheltered in the forest, so that should be possible.

Of course we hope for good weather and a generous turnout. Together we make it a pleasant walk again!

Ankie Slaats and Nelly van der Burgt

## Register for workshop mosaics on a pavement tile

Have you ever walked through the Dijkstraat and then thought that would be fun to do?

Wednesday evening, **October 11**, 8:00 pm, during the Door & Voor evening in De Horizon, Amundsenstraat. 5, artist Neeltje Verhagen from Dijkstraat will give another mosaic on pavement tiles workshop.

Make sure you're there! Very nice to do! There will be images for inspiration, and there will also be some tiles pre-cut. Of course you are completely free to come up with your own design and get started with the tile cutter yourself. The made tiles can be laid in consultation in the pavement in front of your house. Together we color the sidewalks of the Kerkackers district!



Participation is free, so is the coffee and tea. If you want to participate, please register by e-mail before Wednesday 27 September. Then we still have enough time to buy all materials. You can register via

[secretariaat@wijkcommissiekerkackers.nl](mailto:secretariaat@wijkcommissiekerkackers.nl)

## Garage sale in the Kerkackers district

Sunday, **September 17** from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm we are holding a large Garage Sale in our neighborhood. Feel free to come and see if there is something nice for you. Of course, family and friends are also welcome.

You can still register until 31 August. You will receive material from us to decorate your front garden/driveway so that your participation stands out, and you will be placed on a list in which you can indicate what you are selling.

Participate? Then register via our Secretariat or telephone number. 06-4123 4138. Selling without registration is of course still possible.

## Biodiversity in the district

Due to changes in the center of Valkenswaard and the actions of the municipality, people are becoming more aware of the need to become greener. Not only is the goal to increase biodiversity, but also the discharge of water of great importance. The tile swing is evaluated by the municipality.

The expectations are that this action can be repeated in 1 to 2 years. People have started to look more consciously at the petrification in their own garden and how much it yields when stone turns into growth and flowering.

The Tegelwip photo contest was won by a local resident of the Kerkakkers district. The winner transformed a paved terrace into a great green space for her herb garden on the one hand and wild flowers for butterflies and bees on the other. But she also experienced an additional advantage that the terrace was no longer blank during a rain shower and the water largely disappeared into the ground.



## Seed sacs

Several photos have come in with colorful flowers in pots and gardens. The result of sowing the seeds that we distributed in the district. It is wonderful to see that from the small seeds, colorful flowers come out that are very attractive to the insects.

Will you help make our neighborhood even greener?

*Hee doe de mee.*

In September, as volunteers of the biodiversity working group, we want to come to the door with flyers in the streets that offer opportunities for even more greening. Tile out, green in it, planting tree mirrors or creating a façade garden? If you have green ideas or would like to help/think to make our neighborhood even more flourishing, please contact us via: [biodiversiteitkerkakers@gmail.com](mailto:biodiversiteitkerkakers@gmail.com)

## Plant package for tree mirrors



The municipality has already received more than 40 applications for planting a tree mirror. The bare pieces of soil around a tree are called tree mirrors. You can make a mini garden on request. These gardens brighten up the street, cool down on hot days and attract insects and birds.

You can request a mini garden by sending a photo to

[groen@valkenswaard.nl](mailto:groen@valkenswaard.nl)

A plant package can then be requested from Tuincentrum Bannenbergh. Several signs are already appearing in our neighborhood, inserted into a freshly planted tree mirror.

## Large tomatoes from own greenhouse

Jan Vercammen from the Kromstraat has picked a meat tomato of no less than 825 grams. Some other tomatoes also have a weight of more than half a kilo.

He bought the plant at the watermill in Dommelen.



## Storage space wanted

We are looking for a temporary storage space for various materials from the district committee.

A few m<sup>2</sup> is sufficient, for about 2 years.

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## Halloween in the district Saturday,

October 28, the Dr. Schaepmanstraat turns into the scariest street of Valkenswaard for one evening. We also invite the residents of Mgr. Zwijsenstraat, Mr. van Sonstraat, Alberdinck Thijmstraat, Pater van den Elsenstraat and Judocus Smitsstraat to participate. That is why we would like to ask the residents of these streets again to decorate the front garden spooky. If you do not live in one of these streets but would like to participate, use the main field on the Dr. Schaepmanstraat! Bring your treats to the party tent with scary decoration, where children can get their sweets or drinks. Of course, the Kerkakkers Kidz will also get back to work to decorate the streets and we will make an inventory of which houses are participating a week in advance, so that we can properly distribute the decoration in the streets.



Last year about 30 children came to the door, so we would like to ask you to take into account this number of children who come to the door for sweets. Tip: small bags of candy, lollipops and everything that is pre-packaged would be the best for hygiene.

Saturday **28 October 2023** between 6:00 and 9:00 pm, we want to give all children (up to 12 years) the opportunity to go through the doors, at least if they dare! Halloween is mainly about all the candy they pick up this evening, so give the children a bag or a (Halloween) bucket.

Will you join us? Please register before 20 October with an e-mail, stating your address to:

[kerkakkerskidz@hotmail.com](mailto:kerkakkerskidz@hotmail.com)

## Vote on *Rabo ClubSupport*

From 4 to 26 September 2023, Rabobank members can vote again to support a club. You can also vote for the Wijkcommissie Kerkakkers again. In doing so, you support our work. All Rabobank members have been given information on how to vote. If you have an account with that bank but you are not a member, check the Rabobank app to see how you can become a member or contact the bank, so that you can support us next year.



## Flower parade 8 + 9 + 10 September

The parade of Bloemencorso Valkenswaard runs annually, always on the 2nd Sunday of September, through the center of Valkenswaard.

A dahlia parade of 13 beautiful flower parade floats (12 meters long, 3.5 meters wide and 5.5 meters high) and eight youth floats together with street artists, show bands and harmonies from all over the Netherlands form a colorful experience for young and old.

Since 2022 with a renewed concept through the collaboration with Theater De Hofnar: Corso & Cultuur Festival. The opening of the cultural season in Valkenswaard. And completely free to visit.

More info on: [www.hofnar.nl](http://www.hofnar.nl) and on: [www.bloemencorso-valkenswaard.nl](http://www.bloemencorso-valkenswaard.nl)

Will you also help on Friday 8 September to prick the thousands of dahlias on the wagons? In our neighborhood you can help at the hamlet Kerkakkers on the Dr. Schaepmanstraat and at the hamlet Kompas on the Dommelseweg. Bring your (grand)children to insert the needles into the flowers, the "pre-pricking".

## Neighbours Day 23 September 2023

We invite you to also organize something with your neighbors. It's almost time, on Saturday 23 September the whole of the Netherlands celebrates neighbours' day! Neighbors Day is a day when many neighbors come together and do something fun with each other and something good for the neighborhood. To brighten up the neighborhood, the neighbors "de Dijkers" get back



to work mosaicing pavement tiles while enjoying a cup of coffee, or ranja for the children.

Would you also like to tell us what your street does for beauty? Or what you do with the neighbors? Let us

know: send a message to the board of Wijkcommissie Kerkakkers, we are very curious about all the great initiatives in the district! Hopefully we can inspire each other through this newsletter. The e-mail address of the district committee: [secretariaat@wijkcommissiekerkakkers.nl](mailto:secretariaat@wijkcommissiekerkakkers.nl)

## Walk-in house with free coffee/tea

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



## Agenda walk-in house

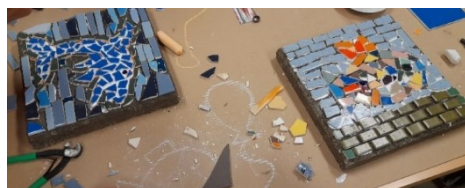
- Monday 4 September
- Monday 18 September
- Monday 2 October
- Monday 16 October

## Door & Voor informatieavonden

Iedere **tweede woensdagavond van de maand** wordt een **gratis** lezing, excursie of workshop georganiseerd "Door en Voor" wijkbewoners, in buurthuis **De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5**. Aanvang is meestal 20:00 uur. De toegang is **gratis**, de koffie en thee ook.

## Agenda Door & Voor avonden

- **Wednesday 13 September at 6:45 pm**  
Theme: **walk through nature**  
Departing from restaurant Het Oude Wandelpark at Eindhovenseweg 264.  
See explanatory note on page 1
- **Wednesday 11 Oktober 8:00 pm**  
Thema: **Mozaïek op een stoeptegels**  
Are you also coming to decorate a tile? Neeltje Verhagen comes to guide us professionally. If necessary, you can put it in your garden or sidewalk, as has already happened in many streets.



We take care of the materials. Participation is free, so is the coffee and tea.

See explanatory note on page 1

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



The volunteers of Kempenstroom and Kempenenergie provide an information evening about the advantages and disadvantages of solar panels. There will be some companies with information material, which can also sell and place the panels. Put this in your agenda.



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