



## May Newsletter

Who says there is no such thing as a FREE RIDE!



In a continued effort to support locals, [Norgarb Properties](#) plans to offer a FREE ride and errand running service with their Tuk Tuks. You will no doubt have seen these cute three wheelers zooting around the village and perhaps wondered what they are all about.

Lew Norgarb says, "I continue to look for additional ways to put something back into the local residential and business community." His property company currently sponsors the following initiatives: The design, print and distribution of a local [fun map](#) plus an additional [restaurant directory](#), (both of which are freely available at their [office](#).) Annual events such as the [Carnival](#), [Halloween](#), and [Carols in the Park](#) are also supported. A [community website](#), online [business directory](#), [Facebook Page](#) as well as these [newsletters](#) are a further contribution to the area.

[Norgarb](#) now hopes to also introduce and sponsor a Tuk Tuk service, but is asking for feedback from our readers. The intention is to deliver a FREE, fun and friendly service, with the driver relying on tips. "These Tuk Tuks are cute, full of character and why not add a smile to people's faces," says Norgarb. "We hope that this fun, creative and useful service will be put to good use by all."

They are open to suggestions, but the following services have sprung to mind:

Deliveries (Need something dropped off or collected?)

Transport (Enjoy one for the road at a local pub/restaurant. Grab a lift to the rugby, cricket or shops, or even work if it's close by)

Children's parties (hire)

Events (hire) – E.g.: matric dance, birthday parties fancy dress parties, or to have fun with your friends

Corporate functions (hire)

Corporate branding (hire)

Readers can visit our [Tuk Tuk page](#) for more info plus images of this fun vehicle. Norgarb is keen to get going on this so please send all comments, suggestions and feedback to [info@harfield-village.co.za](mailto:info@harfield-village.co.za).

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Autumn is here and the change in leaves and colour of foliage around the village is always a welcome sight. As it gets colder, we tend to like to hibernate but there are some very good reasons to get out and enjoy our local restaurants.



[Twigs](#) on 2nd Avenue is hosting a Pop-Up Kitchen evening on Saturday, 31 May from 6pm – 9pm. You are invited to bring your own drinks (corkage will be charged).

**The menu for the special Pop-Up Kitchen evening will be as follows:**

The starters are a choice of crunchy Waldorf salad (R55) or home-made Carbonara with crispy bacon and a soft poached egg in a rich tomato based sauce (R65).

The main course is a choice between Osso Bucco (R120) and home-made Gnocci with basil pesto, parmesan and confit cherry tomatoes (R80).

Dessert is vanilla cheese cake (R50). All ingredients are freshly sourced and you can finish with coffee and a sweet Malay koeksister.

For more details, as well as bookings, please contact Philip on [chefphilip125@me.com](mailto:chefphilip125@me.com).

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[Thai World](#) offers an authentic Thai experience where you can savour a Singha beer as you reminisce on a past holiday to Thailand.

On the last and first Friday of every month they put on a Thai buffet for R125 per head and booking is absolutely essential.



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[Loco Lounge](#) is turning itself into a Magic Palace on the 31st of May.

A magic man will be entertaining patrons with a five course



## **MAGIC PALACE**

### **DINNER (5 COURSES) & SHOW**

**31 MAY 2014 @ 19H15 FOR 19H30**

special menu for R350 (including the magic show) being served.

Their daily special till 18:30 is still running - a beer and burger for only R50!

Now that is a good deal!

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The next quiz night at [Home Bar](#) is on Tuesday 27 May.

Booking is essential for this quiz night which runs every second Tuesday evening.



The Night Gallery has sadly closed down in the village. A new company called FUEL will be opening shortly. Their services are free and they aim to provide a healthy balanced lifestyle in the Southern Suburbs.

FUEL operates as a wellness hub and offer wellness evaluations, healthy smoothie meals, Fit Club twice a week and regular support and follow up to their clients.

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The [Annual Railway Line Clean Up](#) is being organised by the [HVA](#). It is on the 31st of May from 10am – 12pm.

Bring your own gloves, drinking water and sunhat/rain jacket. Refreshments will be served at 12pm at Harfield Station.

Black bags will be provided by the [HVA](#).

Thank you to all the volunteers and organisers for consistently trying to keep our village and surrounds beautiful and in good order.



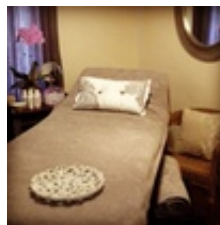


[St James Anglican Church](#) has recently launched a new program called Mamma's and Munchkins.

Its objective is to support and encourage mothers of young children. M&M's meet on the first Saturday of every month.

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One of our lucky readers will win a free Luxury Manicure or Luxury Pedicure at [Rouge Day Spa](#) by sending an email to [admin@harfield-village.co.za](mailto:admin@harfield-village.co.za). Simply put 'Rouge Give Away' in the subject line and send us your full name and contact number. A winner will be randomly selected. You only have a short time to submit your entry and the cut off is Friday the 23rd of May at 12pm. [Rouge Day Spa](#) have introduced Environ facials to their repertoire and are offering 20% off for the month of May. A one hour treatment which would normally cost R360 is now only R288. Treat yourself and enjoy an hour of guilt free pampering.



The Spa has some wonderful packages available which include a light lunch. You can choose from their Pick-me-up Package, Gentleman's Package, Revitalise Package or Ultimate Luxury Day Package. If you are looking for a fun way to see your friends why not get a group of 2 – 6 friends together and have a Chick Flick Evening. You can select a movie of your choice, enjoy popcorn & bubbly and receive an Express Manicure or Express Pedicure. Contact [Rouge Day Spa](#) for more information.

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[Kenilworth Vet](#) is highlighting the importance of vaccinations this month. It is important to know why we vaccinate our pets, and how often to vaccinate them.

There is a lot of debate as to whether annual boosters are still necessary, but they strongly advise that preventative care, in the form of vaccinations, will greatly benefit your pet and ensure that preventable diseases are not contracted.

Click [here](#) to read more.



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New businesses listed this month include the following:

(A reminder that listing your business on our site is free!)





[Recycle Rachel](#) helps to make recycling easier for you. For R100 a month you can have your recycling collected from your home every fortnight. Plastic bags are provided together with guidelines of what can and cannot be recycled. Collections are made between 6 and 7pm with an SMS reminder being sent the day before. Contact [Rachel](#) to do your bit to help our environment.

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[KIU Architecture](#) is a group of professional architects and landscape designers who specialise in residential architecture, landscape design, interiors and furniture design. Contact them to discuss your design needs. You can follow this [link](#) to see examples of their work.



Sulette Kruger  
Physiotherapy

[Sulette Kruger](#) is a physiotherapist based in the Harfield Village Centre. She has a special interest in managing patients holistically and skilfully. She deals with neck and back pain, headaches, hip pain, back and pelvic pain during pregnancy, sports injuries, dry needling therapy, rehabilitation as well as Pilates based rehabilitation.

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This sure has been a packed newsletter. We hope that you find the information useful and enjoy some of these lovely offers in our village. Remember to take some time out of your busy schedule, as John C Maxwell says the, "The greatest enemy of good thinking is busyness."

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Remember to [like](#) our Facebook page to receive fun informative updates about our village.



**From the Principal's pen:**

**BUYERS RUN THE GAUNTLET AND SELLERS ENJOY THE SPOILS** [23 Third Avenue, Harfield](#) and [1 Somerset Rd, Harfield](#) (both 2 bed semis), were snapped up for full asking price and [25 Prince Avenue, Plumstead](#) listed at R1.595 was sold in 3 days for R1.550.

With cash buyers a plenty sellers are enjoying the spoils. So how do bond buyers, let alone those who need to sell first, possibly compete in this aggressive arena?

For bond buyers one of the most prudent steps one can take is to get your finances in order. Not only does this

mean having all the [costs](#) ready on the side, but also have a pre-assessment of your buying power. A prequalification from an experienced and reputable bond consultant will weigh heavily in your favour with agents and sellers alike. [Anne-Marie Bamber](#) from [Better Bond](#) has an outstanding track record and offers free friendly advice with no obligations. You can call her on 082 071 1665 or mail her on [anne-marie.bamber@betterbond.co.za](mailto:anne-marie.bamber@betterbond.co.za) or click [here](#) for an overview.

If you need to sell first, things can be far more tricky. First and foremost if the intention is to use the proceeds of your sale to buy your next property you need to be sure that you are running the right numbers. An over inflated opinion of the value of your own home could lead to complications in that one's buying budget is out of sync, but also your house is not likely to be sold quick enough to secure your new purchase. Contact [Norgarb Properties](#) for a free valuation with no further obligations on 021-6741120 or [info@norgarb.co.za](mailto:info@norgarb.co.za) – To read more click [here](#)(see point 7)

As it only takes one buyer to close the deal, it is common place for others to be left frustrated and kicking themselves for either not being prepared, not acting quickly enough or for being too cheeky with their offer amount. Norgarb suggests a few pointers that could save some heartache for buyers running the “gauntlet” in what is clearly very much still a sellers market. Click [here](#) to read the full article.