

December 2024

# EBOTSE

## Newsletter

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**EBOTSE**  
GOLF & COUNTRY ESTATE





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# FROM THE CEO & BOARD



STEPHAN VORSTER

On behalf of the Ebotse Board of Directors and myself as 2024 draws to a close, we would like to offer our very best wishes for the festive season to all our residents and service providers. Many of our residents indicated that they would travel and are looking forward to a well-deserved break away from home, and to spend quality time with friends and family, switching-off a bit, from the hustle and bustle of Gauteng.

Our sincere thanks go to all our staff at the various business units who strive to make Ebotse the best estate for all to live and enjoy, thank you for your hard work and loyalty to always serve the Ebotse community with enthusiasm and pride as part of the greater Ebotse family.

We also want to thank the security department and especially Zandra Maree of EBS for another year of excellent service delivery, with yet again no noticeable incidents to mention; we know this comes with hard work and dedication taking the times we live in into account.

All the above has culminated in Ebotse yet again being awarded "Best Estate Winner" in the Caxton Newspaper's, Best of Ekurhuleni Readers' Choice Awards for 2024. A huge shout out to all of you, who voted for us, you make us proud! This is our fourth win in this category.

## IMPORTANT PROJECTS

### Ebotse Bulk Water Storage

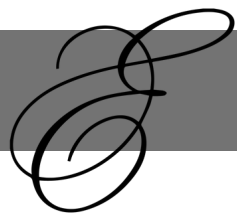
During the recent AGM the Board decided to run a poll regarding this vital service delivery function on the Estate, as we all fear that this vital service might be interrupted or completely break down on a continuous basis for the visible future.

The poll determined whether the Board should be mandated to further investigate the feasibility of implementing a bulk water system, with a view to supplying potable water to homes. The poll results indicated that 86% of members who participated, voted in favour of this project to continue.

As the Board and we all perceive this as a very important project, based on the latest articles in the mainstream media (see links to articles below), highlighted the gloomy future we are faced with regarding the supply of potable water to communities, we immediately after the AGM engaged further with our professional team to conclude the final proposal to the community.

The interim figures as presented at the contact sessions prior to the AGM was high, based on the huge costs of the storage tanks and the consulting engineers who had to follow a process to determine figures, based on a "bill of quantities" (BoC) approach. The Board decided to immediately follow a tender process to determine the exact costs for the complete project to determine what will be the special levy raised by individual members. This will be inclusive of the installation of the bulk water storage tanks and boreholes supplying potable water per residential area to the whole community.





# FROM THE CEO & BOARD

## IMPORTANT PROJECTS CONTINUED

To ensure residents are informed regarding the project, the following timelines are of importance:

- The geotechnical profiling of the proposed reservoir sites and letter report to Council for approval has already been concluded during Phase 1 (a) of the project.
- Phase 1 (b) is inclusive of the following timelines -
  - 23 October – 13 December 2024 - The detail design of the proposed tank areas, drafting and publishing of tender to be concluded before close of business this year.
  - First Quarter 2025 – to finalise approval through a special general meeting (SGM) process.
- Phase 2 – Contractor appointment.

Once the final tender amount has been determined the finance committee will determine the special levy payment per category for implementation, taking into consideration the full payment plan option, or the 6-month and 12-month payment plan options as proposed during the AGM.

As conveyed this matter receives our priority attention and guided by our professional team, inclusive of Dr. Fanie Botha of Water Hunters. We will keep the community informed regarding proceedings.



## IMPORTANT FESTIVE SEASON ARRANGEMENTS:

- The Estate will close on 13 December 2024 at mid-day for all building activity as part of the “National Builder’s Holiday” as endorsed by the BIBC, and contractors will not be allowed into the Estate. The contractor’s entrances will be shut for contractors and only re-opened on Monday the 6th of January 2025. Only emergency repairs in terms of electrical and plumbing will be allowed on the Estate over the course of the festive season. Please communicate such with the Ebotse 24hr Site Manager on duty, on cell number – 079 882 2364 who will be available on-site, after hours, over weekends and public holidays. For your convenience we have attached the Ebotse Contact List with all important contact numbers for reference purposes.
- The HOA office will close on the 20th of December 2024 at 12:00, and open again for normal operations on the 6th of January 2025. Those who intend to move in or out of the estate over this period, please inform our Security Manager, Francois Van Wyk, who will be on standby over the festive season on cell number, 076 392 5099. The rule is that if no prior arrangement was made, no access or egress will be granted.
- The Estate Manager, John Kartsounis will however be on leave from Friday, the 20th of December 2024 until the 6th of January 2025.
- Any other important queries can be raised with the 24/7 Security Site Manager on duty, who will duly assist you from the main security office at the bottom of the Main Gate over the festive season closure.
- Please take note of the service providers (electricians, plumbers, etc) who indicated that they are available and on standby, in the case of any residential related emergencies.



## IMPORTANT FESTIVE SEASON ARRANGEMENTS CONTINUED:

The holiday season is exciting. It is a time where we can feel free of responsibility, running with a totally different mindset. While this is so, it's quite important to make sure that certain aspects of the home are taken care of before leaving for the holidays, and whilst relaxing somewhere at your holiday destination, not to let your guard down. That said, the Board and I felt it good to publish a few general tips when going away this festive season, which have bearing whilst away on holiday or local. We are all aware in what times we live and what transpires daily in this beautiful country:



### • House Alarms Linked to Monitoring Room

For those who are linked to our monitoring room, please test your alarm system with the monitoring room to ensure everything is functional.

For those who have not installed alarms, please consider doing so, as it is the responsible thing to do. Homeowners simply must install alarms or beams with the assistance of any reputable service provider and then approach the HOA service provider to do an alarm radio link-up to our monitoring room.

There is no additional monthly monitoring fee, as the monitoring and reaction to homes are part of our monthly App cost included in your levy. All house alarms and panic button activations via the App, are monitored from our monitoring room and our security reaction team will respond swiftly to activations.

### • Loadshedding

Although far over 200 days of no loadshedding, we all know how quickly things can change in this country! Ensure that your geyser is switched off, this will save you a lot in terms of electricity and be mindful of loadshedding and what impact it might have on your appliances. Ensure that you unplug all non-essential electrical items. Also be mindful of swimming pool pumps running on timers and how this might affect the operational hours of your pool pumps.

### • Alertness

In general when away, please always remain alert. Be vigilant, and if you are spending time on the beach, leave expensive items, jewelry, and excess cash at the place where you are staying. Should you decide on taking anything of value to the beach, do ensure that someone reliable keeps it in safe custody when you hop into those waves.





## • Supervision over Pets

Please ensure that your pets (dogs & cats) receive the necessary supervision and care over the festive season. Neglected or unattended pets are one of our most challenging issues every festive season, when we experience excessive barking and howling from some properties. Please ensure that when you go away this festive season to place your dogs or cats in a kennel. The HOA conduct rules make it very clear that if you go away for a weekend or a period of 48 hours or longer, dogs must be placed in a kennel, or a suitable house sitter be appointed to look after your dogs. A person coming once or twice a day to feed your dogs won't suffice, as dogs require attention and miss their owners. Please think about your neighbours and do the responsible thing, especially with the close-knit living conditions experienced on the Estate.

When appointing a house sitter, clarify with them upfront what their responsibilities are, and put this in writing. Please also provide them with the contact details of the necessary emergency contact numbers of the standby security personnel and other important service providers (plumbing, electrical, etc.) as conveyed in this newsletter.



## • Use of Golf Carts

In accordance with The HOA Rules & Regulations, please don't allow minors to drive around on golf carts. It is no secret that the irresponsible or negligent use of golf carts and especially by minors can cause serious damage to property and result in serious injuries to, and even death of, drivers, passengers, and other persons.

The HOA rules play an important role in attempting to reduce the potential of damage, injury, and death. We will follow a zero-tolerance approach on minors driving around on golf carts and issue spot fines. We wish to urge residents to take this concerning matter seriously and to comply with the HOA rules in respect of the use of their golf carts, and to take particular care in doing so over the festive season.

## • Travelling

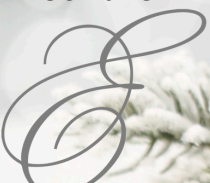
When travelling on our national roads, plan your routes properly and refrain from travelling at night. Please don't drive when you are tired and ensure your car is roadworthy, to mitigate any unnecessary vehicle breakdowns. When you have a breakdown somewhere in the middle of nowhere, and cannot contact the local emergency services, please use your panic button on the Ebotse App. Our monitoring room can assist and direct the required emergency services to your GPS location.



In conclusion, those that are staying at home, enjoy the tranquillity and those who are travelling, please drive carefully and stay safe.

May you all have a merry Christmas and a wonderful and prosperous New Year!

**Festive Greetings,  
Board of Directors**

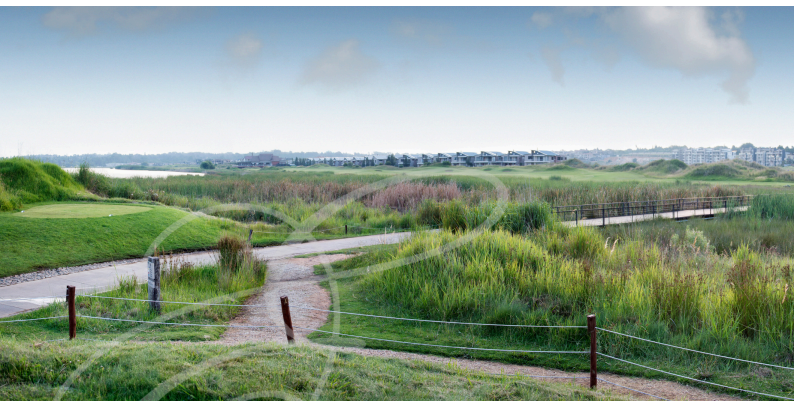




# EBOTSE

GOLF & COUNTRY ESTATE

## BOE WINNERS



## THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO VOTED FOR US



# SOCIAL & SPORTS EVENTS



We had busy September and October months filled with social and sporting events, and a great way of enjoying and getting the summer in full swing.

## Second SEESA Jozi Triathlon, 28 September

We were proud to host on a warm Saturday morning our second triathlon at the Speedboat club. We were also fortunate enough to have had the South-African no1, male triathlete, Henri Schoeman who participated. The JOZI TRIATHLON took place for the 2nd year running at the Ebotse Golf & Country Estate on the 29th of September. After hosting the event for the 1st time in 2023, the triathlon events have seen a remarkable growth both in terms of numbers and popularity, firmly establishing this triathlon on the South African Sporting Calendar.

With ideal weather conditions along with some of the finest athletes in the country, including Olympic Bronze Medal Winner, Henri Schoeman racing got underway at 7am with swimmers diving into the dam, grabbing their bikes and cycling the surrounds of the estate to final finish off their run events within the estate confines and championship golf course.

Henri Schoeman showed his class by dominating the race from start to finish and winning overall - such a huge blessing to have an athlete of his calibre race the local triathlon here in Benoni and show the aspiring youngsters how it's done.

The event was a huge success once again and plans are already underway to secure the race back at the EBOTSE GOLF & COUNTY ESTATE in 2025 - the date of September 27th has been booked

Glen Gore - Race Organiser: "We are forever grateful to the Estate for allowing us to host this prestigious event on your doorsteps. We can easily see this event growing into an iconic event in the very near future and look forward to being back at the estate in September 2025". In fact, the organisers of the South-African Triathlon event, loved the setting at Ebotse so much, that we received a call to host the SA SPRINT TRIATHLON CHAMPS at Ebotse next year. We approved and the event will take place on 16th of March 2025.

The results were:

Men, Standard Distance –

- Henri Schoeman - 01:50:32
- Pieterjan Van Der Merwe – 01:59:31
- Kylen Gounder – 02:04:43

**16 MARCH 2025**

**PAR TRI FEST**

EBOTSE ESTATE - CR SWART PARK

OPEN RACE STD DISTANCE

SA SPRINT CHAMPS

- Youth 12-15 • Seniors 20+
- Juniors 16-19 • Para

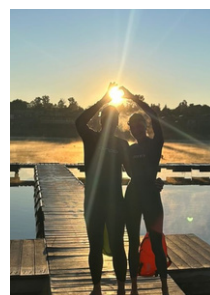
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**triathlon south africa**





## Milestone for Ebotse Park Run Volunteer

For Gary Jackson it is all about volunteering with the Ebotse Parkrun community, where he for over 10 years, has awoken early to ensure everything is in order and up to standard before the Parkrun goes ahead at 08:00.

Recently Gary Jackson, who is not your average volunteer, reached his 500th volunteering milestone on October 5, becoming the first volunteer in the country and on the continent to achieve this feat.

He co-founded the Ebotse Parkrun with then resident Ian Morsehead and Bruce Fordyce and the first Ebotse Park Run was hosted on June 18, 2012. We want to say thank you to Gary who sacrificed so much of his personal time to make this one of the best Parkrun events in South-Africa.



## Ebotse Park Run Records –

Just for interest sake:

- The female record is held by Kate Van Jaarsveld – event 404 – 20 Nov 2021 – time: 19:08
- The male record by Siyabonga Mabena – Event 232, 10 Dec 2016 – time: 15:47

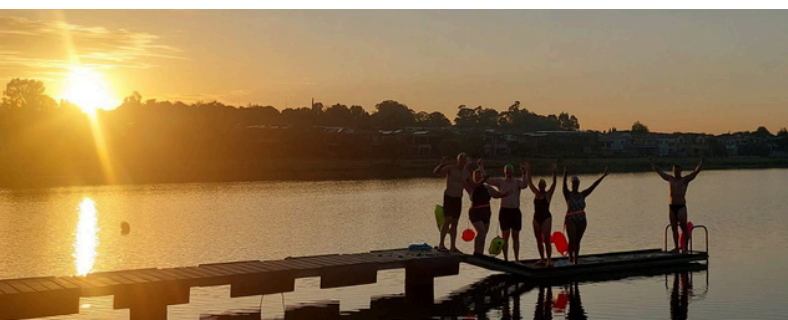
The 5km event is endorsed by Discovery Health and you can earn up to 300 vitality points (irrespective of your time for the event) by getting active every Saturday at 08:00 in CR Swart Park opposite the Speedboat Club.

## Benoni Open Water Swimmers

As we enter the 4th year of swimming in Rynfield dam at Ebotse we look back at a very successful and enjoyable year. From a safety point of view, we have had no significant issues. We strive to be very strict on our safety protocols, as we are taking people that have never swum in “Open Water” to become significant swimmers. We regularly assist “first timers” into open water. (Please see details of where Safety Tow Buoys can be purchased.) We are extremely fortunate to have access to the healthiest and most beautiful open water venue on the East Rand, if not in Gauteng, being tested quarterly by the Ebotse HOA.

We have had quite a few significant achievements, with Christene Roos completing her 35km False Bay crossing in 11Hrs 27min, 5 of our ladies completing the Robben Island crossing, (with more to come in 2025) and several of our members competing in full and half IRONMAN and triathlon events the past year. Too many to mention, with Midmar and other race events and several podium finishes. We hosted a very successful, well attended Polar Swim in 9o water temperature. We regularly swim most mornings and welcome any new members to join.

On the 15th of December we will be hosting a night swim with lights (weather permitting) and invite everyone to share their experiences from the Doppio Zero restaurant. We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Ebotse HOA and golf club for the use of world class facilities, always promoting outdoor activities. Safety Tow Buoys can be purchased online from Cold Open Water Swimmers - 0729462447 for the beginner buoys and for the more durable heavier duty buoys from Fluid Lines - 0615842390.





## Halloween Walk

On a stunning summer's evening on Friday, 1 November, we hosted the annual Halloween Walk from the clubhouse.

The takeoff to Halloween this year was very slow with little interest shown by the residents to decorate their homes for "trick or treating". The CEO and some residents of the social group, not wanting to let this go, together with the HOA set a route for the children to walk.

Plans were quickly put in place and we managed to set up four tables between the sixteenth and seventeenth greens. This was only possible with the very generous help of Dominique and her team of ladies.

At the club children, teens and parents began to gather and the vibe got going.

What a turnout!! The biggest ever. The walk was followed by an open-air movie night on the driving range that was also enjoyed by all.

We received very good feedback from the residents, who loved the route, and it's clear, Ebotse residents love our annual Halloween walks and never fail to show up every year. For next year we would love a few residents to form a social committee to assist in the planning and execution of this wonderful event.

A huge shout out to all the ladies who assisted in making this event a success, you all are making Ebotse amazing!







# FROM THE GM



HARDUS MARITZ



Ebotse Links once again hosted the Matthew 25 event this year, and we played a significant role in making the day a success, raising funds for children in need.

The Ebotse Ladies Open took place on 5 November 2024, and we experienced an excellent turnout, marking another successful day. Congratulations to Deidre Botha and the Ebotse Ladies for their outstanding tournament. We would also like to extend our gratitude to Liberty for their continued sponsorship, it's fantastic to have Liberty on board.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support this year, without your support we would not be able to reach our goals. Would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





GOLF

## MEMBERSHIP 2025

EBOTSE  
LINKS

## MEMBERSHIP FEES 2025

#ShareTheExperience

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	EXCL. ROUNDS		INCL. ROUNDS	
	RESIDENTS	NON RESIDENTS	RESIDENTS	NON RESIDENTS
<b>FULL MEMBERSHIP</b>				
Men	R8 200	R12 800	R20 200	R24 800
Ladies	R6 100	R7 000	R18 100	R19 000
<b>SENIOR MEMBERSHIP (60+)</b>				
Men	R6 500	R8 500	R18 500	R20 500
Ladies	R4 400	R5 600	R16 400	R17 600
<b>CLUB 20 - 25 MEMBERSHIP</b> (Anyone between the ages of 20 and 25)				
Men	R3 700	R4 600	R7 600	R9 600
Ladies	R3 200	R3 600	R6 400	R7 200
<b>CLUB 26 - 35 MEMBERSHIP</b> (Anyone between the ages of 26 and 35)				
Men	R6 500	R8 600	R12 400	R14 400
Ladies	R4 700	R6 400	R10 600	R12 400
<b>CLUB 36 - 45 MEMBERSHIP</b> (Anyone between the ages of 36 and 45)				
Men	R6 900	R9 000	R13 000	R15 000
Ladies	R5 500	R6 800	R11 500	R13 000
<b>STUDENT MEMBERSHIP</b> (Valid Student Card Required)				
Men	R3 600	R4 400		
Ladies	R3 100	R3 400		
<b>JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP (U18)</b>				
Unlimited Golf	R2 000	R2 200		
<b>FULL FAMILY MEMBERSHIP</b> (2 Adults and 2 Children (U23))				
Family	R14 600	R20 800		
<b>MID-WEEK MEMBERSHIP</b>				
Men	R3 600	R4 400		
Ladies	R3 200	R3 600		
<b>SA DISABLED MEMBERSHIP</b>				
Men	R3 600	R4 000		
Ladies	R3 000	R3 400		
<b>COUNTRY MEMBERSHIP</b> (Excluding Golf)				
Men		R4 200		
Ladies		R3 600		
<b>SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP</b>				
Men		R3 000		
Ladies		R3 000		

## PLAYING CARD

15 Round Playing Card -  
R4 00020 Round Playing Card -  
R5 20030 Round Playing Card -  
R7 60040 Round Playing Card -  
R10 000Full Playing Card -  
R12 000

## GOLF CART HIRE

<b>RATES:</b>	18 holes	9 holes
Member Cart	R390	R200
Visitor Cart	R450	R240

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# Christmas MENU

*Buffet*

## STARTERS - PER TABLE

### Couscous & beet salad

Couscous, beetroot, carrots, green leaves, feta cheese, pecan nuts, with orange white wine dressing and toasted flatbread

## MAINS

- Rolled leg of lamb oven roasted
- Honey and orange glazed gammon
- Sticky roasted short ribs
- Chicken thighs on the bone and roasted in a sundried tomato cream sauce

## SIDES

- Baby carrots roasted
- Creamy baked cauliflower & broccoli
- Caramelised sweet potato wedges
- Herbed mash potato

## DESSERTS

- Malva pudding
- Assorted European Desserts
- Eton mess with berries

*Price*

**25 DECEMBER 2024**

**Adults: R 580**

**Kids aged 5-12: R290**

**Time 12:00 - 16:00**

*50% deposit is necessary to confirm booking*

*Additional 10% service charge*



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# FESTIVE TIMES & RATES



*Christmas &  
New Years*

## TRADING HOURS


24th December 08h00 - 21h00


25th December 12h00 - 16h00

31st December 08h00 - 21h00

1st January 12h00 - 21h00

Collection, Delivery &  
Sit-down Available

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**EBOTSE  
LINKS**

## ////// Festive Rates

16th December 2024  
- 12th January 2025



## PRICES INCLUDE GREEN FEES & HALF CART:

Monday's | R320

Tuesday's | R340

Senior Wednesday's | R310

*\*Senior Wednesday's are only for players 50 years and older*

Wednesday's, Thursday's & Friday's

Visitors | R510 / Members | R380

Saturday's, Sunday's & Public Holiday's

Visitors | R550 / Members | R430



*\*T&C's Apply*

*\*Excluding Public Holidays*

*\*Visitors with own carts will pay a trail fee  
of R100*

**Book Now**

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