

Bikes stolen...

... around X-mas and recently. Those bikes were relatively good looking, and locked (but not attached to something). So: take care, and pls. watch out for suspicious people.

Pet action

The veterinary who does our yearly Pet's vaccination action offers 25% reduction on de-fertilizing cats during February. And, you can have the teeth of your pet checked for free. See www.dedierenarts.net (Dutch)

Parking pilot finished

As you can read in the minutes of the DroefMeeting, the parking pilot (the temporal parking places near barrack 37) is finished, and we -Droevendaal- decided to return it to its original state: a fence and grass. No cars anymore. Yes, it is a difficult discussion with quite different opinions but this is the final outcome. Sorry if this causes inconvenience to you.

Minutes Droevendaalmeeting 2013-01-14

Present: Barbara (Idealis), Eugene (Idealis), Peter (61), Daan (69), Christoph (69), Roeland (47), Heitor (105), Salome (101), Floor (103), Veronica (47), Lucia (99), Grote Roos (81), Martha (99), Luc (37, Chair), Harmen (51, Minutes), Daniela (67), Edwin (81), Ellen (67)

2 Previous minutes from the meeting of the 14th of October 2011 are approved.

3 The Common Barrak Commission (house 69) will join forces with 61; this house will in the future have an extra key for the common barrak, take payments in, and will help in communication. The commission did a succesful Common Barrak cleaning day in december, more will come. All the groups that use the Common Barrak should in general see to keeping the place clean. The commission will check if parties are cleaned afterwards.

4 The Greengroup is formed by Stefan (55) and Roeland (47). The green work day 12th of January was a succes, with 10 workers and pannecakes. More is to come. The Greengroup is now collecting branches, to use them for compost making with fresh cut grass in summer. The compost we want to keep ourselves in Droevendaal.

We are piling up wood for campfires on 1 specific spot, where everybody can collect what they want. Also, it is always allowed to collect branches yourself to make dead hedges (takkenwal) in private gardens.

The benches that ought to prevent cars from driving on the roadsides are nice but not sufficient, additional barriers have to be placed. This should be talked about with the gardener because of potential conflicts with the green management.

A decision about this will be made by greengroup + gardeners + idealis on the 21st of February. Any ideas or questions concerning green are welcome to Roeland.

5 Cleaning team goes smoothly, they pick up trash at the houses, compressing the contents of the paper container, cleaning around the containers, the parking spot and the bikeshed, for questions and ideas contact Luc (37).

Idealis has no funding yet for a shelter over the recycling spot (so over the mailbox), so this will probably happen in 2014. We can suggest designs for this shelter, aprt from the very nice ones that have already been presented.

Additionally, we can come up with an own construction design, including materials used. If we arrange the materials ourselves, it is possible to also construct the shelter ourselves. However, Idealis has to agree.

6 Idealis on the concrete pillars near 53/55: discussion about **cars parking** was going on for over 10 years, something had to be done. The number of pillars is so high to prevent cars from parking between them. But they still missed a spot.. besides most cars are now parking in other parts, with

more sensible vegetation.

The **pilot project with the parking spots** in the back of Droevendaal is finished, it was a tryout to prevent cars from parking on the roadside, but this still happens, and traffic has increased since many car owners first check whether there is a free spot, and drive around if there is not. The parking places will be returned to its original state in the coming year (except for the spot which is used for parking by the gardener).

7 Some bikes were stolen around the Christmass time, but no laptops from rooms as was the case last year. There was the issue of placing special locks on Droefwindows (so they can be opened partly), we are waiting for *Idealis* to come with a suggestion.

8 Eugene thinks that some gardens of Droef can be a bit **more organized and cleaned**. It is difficult to say though what is trash and what stuff is actually going to be used for some project. We are thinking to organize some garden cleaning days and bike-repair days to work on this. *Lucia* will take the lead to organize something coming spring.

Eugene says that if you want to **build something in your garden**, you can ask *Idealis* for permission. Since it is not really allowed to build things with a fixed foundation/with a lot of stones and cement in the gardens, like the oven of 107. The point is that somebody should guarantee the removal costs of such constructions. Roeland sees a link to the concrete pillars, which were erected without our consent (although *Idealis* would argue that they can do in the 'common' space what they want). So communication is a point of attention for both parties.

We agree to not make a problem about people '**camping**' on the parking place and using the power supply from the common barrak if they do not use it as a permanent living space, so less than a week max.

9 Droefmowers are broken, will be probably fixed, maintained and available at house 65. The goats at 69 are also available for mowing jobs.

10 WUR should know what was the **problem with the Internet**, Barbara explains that WUR had cases of employees out on holidays and employees that were ill, *Idealis* had no influence on the whole situation. We were especially frustrated about the lack of communication. WUR speaks of a broking switch somehow, *Luc* will look for proper explanation from WUR and try to get better arrangements for the future.

11 Droeffeest next year is looking for new people. Suggestion is made to just get a permission for selling alcohol, and organizing it in a similar way as it was not organized last year. There is also the idea for an extra party in spring. Anyway: organization should start early (March-April) because of all the bureaucracy at the municipality. *Daniela would like to take part in organizing*.

12 About communication: Peter (61), Daan (69) and Chris (55) want to make more Droevendalias, but more editors and ideas are needed and welcome. Facebook works very well, but is very open and not every Droevendaler is on FB. So for more internal matters, DroefMail and Droevendalia will be used.

13 The media company was no longer interested in us, so we skip that point

14 Question round

- 1) **Mini-Droevendalia** is very well appreciated, beside DroefMail
- 2) **Partypeople** should tell their neighbors if they will have a party, so everyone can prepare well to join the party, avoid the noise etc. This is normal behavior.
- 3) **Bakfiets/Tricycle** is in repairs and will hopefully be fixed in spring
- 4) It is important for housemates to check whether **newcomers receive the DroefMail**. Anyway, *Lucia* and *Luc* will see to a system to check if all email addresses are there.

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Quote of the evening: "*So Idealis does not like the oven in the garden of 107? Let them pass by and paint it! Then the problem is solved.*"

By the way: A lot of the communication on Droevendaal goes by "DroefMail". If you live on Droef, and don't receive it, you can subscribe yourself by sending an email to newsletter@droevendaal.nl.