



CENTURY CITY PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION (CCPOA) NEWS

INTAKA ISLAND ECO-CENTRE OFFICIALLY OPENED



Tom Boardman, a director of the WWF (World Wildlife Fund) at the official opening of the Intaka Island Environmental Education Centre

The Intaka Island Environmental Education Centre was officially opened by Tom Boardman, a director of the WWF (World Wildlife Fund) South Africa, at a cocktail party on Tuesday 26 October attended by more than 120 dignitaries.

Boardman said in his speech that it was important that people understood the implications of modern living and its effects on the environment.

"Unless every person in the community learns to appreciate biodiversity, we are in big trouble."

Paul Lochner, chairperson of both the Intaka Island Environmental Trust and the Blouville Intaka Island Environmental Committee, said the vision for Intaka Island was three-fold: to build on existing partnerships and develop new ones including with WESSA, Cape Nature and Eskom – the latter on promoting renewable energy; to inspire people to adopt a more sustainable lifestyle; and to facilitate environmental education.



Left Chris Blackshaw, CEO of the CCPOA and Paul Lochner, chairman of the Blouville Intaka Island Environmental Committee and the Intaka Island Educational Trust

"In terms of the latter we envisage linking closely to the government education curriculum and to schools in the surrounding area," he said.

Chris Blackshaw, CEO of the CCPOA and a trustee of the Intaka Island Environmental Trust, said there was often a perceived antagonistic relationship between developers and environmentalists.

"However, Intaka Island and the Intaka Island Environmental Education Centre are excellent examples of developers and environmentalists working together to create urban and natural environments that complement each other."

Construction of the R4,3million Centre, which will enable Intaka Island, to fulfil its enormous educational potential, was made possible through cash donations from environmentally conscious corporate, donations in kind from building suppliers and with the professional team all giving their services pro bono. A further R500 000 is currently being sought to cover the full construction costs.

A full-time co-ordinator has been appointed to manage the centre and run the education programmes. He will start in mid-January when the centre will become fully operational.

KOTOV CONTINUES TO SCOOP GOLD

There appears to be no stopping three times Comrades winner Vladimir Kotov who has been competitively running for 38 years. At 52 - an age that most other star athletes have long hung up their track shoes - Kotov continues to be a dominant figure in SA athletics winning no less than five gold medals at the various South African Championships this year.

In fact he has won both the Masters and Veterans categories of all 28 races he has entered so far this year and in the process set nine new South African or Western Province Masters records. In addition, he set a new World Masters record for 50km in the Two Oceans Marathon which he ran in two hours, 58 minutes and 10 seconds.

Kotov, who runs in Century City colours, picked up his most recent SA Champs Gold Masters Medal in Durban earlier this month running the 42 km marathon in 2 hours, 31 minutes and 17 seconds, setting a new Western Province Masters record.



He won the Comrades in 2000, 2002 and 2004 - all uphill runs - and has won a further four gold medals in this gruelling race. This year he was the first Masters home and placed 13th overall with his sights firmly set on gaining his eighth Comrades gold medal in 2011, which is again an uphill run.

He says to prepare for this he will again undertake a rigorous five week training programme in Belarus and Russia which will include running about 250km a week in the snow with temperatures ranging between 2 and 10 degree Celsius as well as Creo Therapy - extreme cold temperature therapy - to reduce the threat of injury, aid recovery and optimize his physical health.

A Belorussian native, Kotov has permanent resident status in South Africa and is currently applying for South African citizenship. He recently branched out into retailing, opening his own sports store, Kotov's Korner in the Colosseum, Century City where he is also a founding member of the Century City Athletic Club.

ORIENTATION TOURS OF CENTURY CITY

The CCPOA is looking to launch regular orientation tours of Century City from early next year.

Many people working and living in the precinct are unaware of all that our city within a city has to offer. These free, two-hour tours aim to change that and will be particularly useful to newcomers to the precinct.

To register your interest please email Bianca on bianca@ccpoa.co.za or telephone her on 021 552 6889. Pre-booking is essential.



CENTURY CITY READY FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON

Century City's preparations for a bumper Festive Season are well underway.

The Operational Management Forum, which is driven by the Century City Property Owners' Association (CCPOA) and which co-ordinates and facilitates law enforcement, security, traffic and disaster management issues within the precinct, has been proactively preparing for the 2010 Festive Season in conjunction with representatives from Canal Walk, Ratanga Junction, City Traffic and the South African Police Services.

In terms of traffic management, timing settings of key traffic signals at the Sable Road bridge and the N1 entrance to Century City will be adjusted to accommodate the increased number of vehicles and different traffic patterns and will be closely monitored.

City Traffic have also been approached to increase patrols in and around Century City while extra parking assistants will assist traffic flow at Canal Walk which is offering extended shopping hours over the season. From Friday 10 December to Thursday 23 December, the centre will trade from 9am until 10pm and until 9pm on 24 December.

Per previous years, trading is optional on 25 December but selected stores will be open.

From 26 December Canal Walk's normal trading hours of 9am to 9pm resume although stores will have the option of closing at 7pm on New Year's Day.

With regard to public transport, the operating hours of the Century City Shuttle will be extended to 11pm where necessary to accommodate Canal Walk's longer trading hours; Golden Arrow Bus Services (GABS) and minibus taxi operators have been advised of the extended shopping hours and a GABS inspector will be at the Public Transport Interchange on a daily basis.

Security is also being beefed up for the festive season and all Century City security service providers will be on heightened alert.

Both Canal Walk and Ratanga Junction will be stepping up their security for the season. SAPS has also included Century City in their Festive Season Plan and will have foot patrols in Canal Walk and its parking areas, mounted horse patrols and random morphed touch operations aimed at increasing their visibility and policing in the area.



The Century City Security Team getting in the spirit of things

The CCPOA is also subcontracting two City Council Law Enforcement Officers to be dedicated to Century City and an additional CCTV surveillance operator is being deployed to the Century City Control Centre from 1 December increasing the number of operators on a shift to four.

Please note in the case of a traffic related or other emergency, the Century City Control Centre should be contacted first and they in turn will contact the City Traffic Control Centre or relevant emergency services. The Control Centre number to phone 24 hours a day for emergencies is 021 552 0289.

CITY MAGAZINE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED



The November launch issue of City magazine, Century City's own glossy lifestyle magazine, was met with great excitement from the Century City community and the feedback generally has been extremely positive and welcomed.

Don't miss the December issue, which is packed full of exciting summer fashion, motoring, fun lifestyle features as well as tips on preparing scrumptious festive feasts.

It will also include a complimentary B-Guided Map to Century City which should enable you to discover new delights right here on your doorstep.

For further details or advertising opportunities contact Blake on 0861 555 267 or email him on blake@citymagazine.co.za



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WHAT'S ON AT CENTURY CITY

ACTION PACKED HOLIDAY SEASON FOR RATANGA!



Ratanga Junction, the Wildest Place in Africa, will be open from 26-28 November and daily for the school holidays from 3 December to 18 January 2011, excluding Christmas Day.

Lots of fun, new entertainment, including a live variety show, will be on offer as well as a number of new attractions.

Back by popular demand are the Walking Water Balls which cost R25 for five minutes. There will also be peddle go-carts and paddle boats as well as a new kiddie's play area.

In addition, from 21 December there will also be an animal petting zoo on most days as well as an MTN Sciencentre Show will be held daily in the Walled City.



On certain dates over the peak season helicopter flights will also be available at a cost of R250 per person for adults and children 13 years of age or older and R150 for younger children. Terms and conditions apply.

The scheduling and availability of some of these events differs so to avoid disappointment go to the website www.ratanga.co.za or contact us on 021 550 8504.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT



Century City, in association with two local churches, will once again be hosting its annual Carols by Candlelight at Central Park this festive season.

The evening will offer a host of delights including a nativity play of the story of Christmas, a live animal touch farm, face painters, jumping castles and the highly anticipated visit from Father Christmas.

Join us on 12 December from 6:30pm to 8:30pm for an evening of family fun and entertainment. For further information please email Bianca on bianca@ccpoa.co.za

CENTURY CITY NATURAL GOODS MARKET



'Tis the season to be giving - and the next Century City Natural Goods Market on 5 December is the perfect place to find gifts for loved ones.

Come and enjoy a glass of organic bubbly with delicious and healthy gourmet meals -we've got it all!

This distinctive market, with its great selection of quality products and delicious food, is located at Central Park, and is the perfect place to chill out with friends and family. Best of all, there are loads of activities for children and visitors can also enjoy boat trips from Intaka Island.

The market is held on the first Sunday of every month from 9am to pm. Please note there will not be a market on Sunday 2 January 2011.



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NETWORK WITH THE BEST!

Date: 1 December 2010
Time: 7:30am
Venue: Ratanga Junction - Officers Club
Speaker: Derek Watts
Topic: Behind the scenes of Carte Blanche
Cost: R80 per head; includes a full English Breakfast



Join us for breakfast at the last Century City Business Networking Forum of 2010.

Meet Derek Watts, journalist of 25 years and presenter of Carte Blanche and be enthralled as he tells us about the Carte Blanche phenomenon, the programme, the people and stories from behind and in front of the lens.

To reserve your seat please contact Bianca on bianca@ccpoa.co.za

Guests will have an opportunity to introduce themselves and their companies, exchange business cards and get to meet fellow Century City businesses.

FIRST SPEEDO CONCEPT STORE IN AFRICA

Date: Tuesday 16 - Monday 29 November
Venue: Central Court, Canal Walk



The first SPEEDO concept store to launch on the African continent opens at Canal Walk in November.

To celebrate the store launch SPEEDO will be hosting a two-week visit from Germany-based international three-dimensional artist Manfred Stader. Stader is one of the world's most sought-after 'anamorphic' artists who produces three-dimensional artworks on two-dimensional surfaces, usually on streets and sidewalks.

From 16 to 29 November Stader will create a unique 3D artwork in Canal Walk's central court area.

SNOW IS BACK AT CANAL WALK



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shop the world

It's going to be snowing at Canal Walk Shopping Centre this festive season.

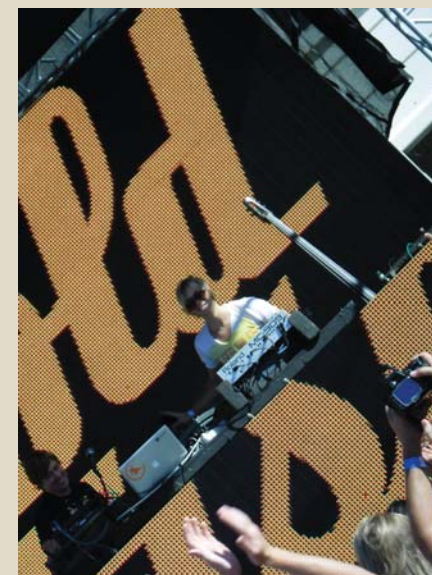
From Friday 10 December to Thursday 30 December, wrap up warmly and bring your family along to enjoy the coolest entertainment this summer holiday in real snow at Canal Walk.



You will be able to experience a breathtaking tube slide down a larger and longer snow ramp which will thrill both the young and young-at-heart. There is also a children's play area in the snow for building snowmen and an area for parents to watch their kids.

Snow at Canal Walk is open from 10am to 9:30pm daily, R60 tickets available at the entrance. Visit www.canalwalk.co.za for further information.

GOLDFISH WOWS THE CROWD



Goldfish, the live electronic duo that are taking the dance world by storm, staged its first concert in Cape Town in over five months at Central Park on Sunday 14 November.

Fresh from their overseas tour, the group rocked the 1500 strong audience with some old, familiar tracks as well as new tracks from their recently launched third studio album, Get Busy Living.

