

English Newsletter, No. 696, 13th November, 2014
Kibbutz Yizreel
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Mazal tov:

... to Ela and Shlomo Cohen, on the birth of their third son, a brother for Nov and Leshem; and to both families.

Best wishes to the Cohen family from the Absorption Committee.

... to Noga and Yaniv on the marriage of Einat Nehushtan to Omer Ziman; mazal tov to Gilad and Miri, Gavrush and Maida; the Ziman, Ken Dror and Nehushtan families.

Condolences:

... to Efrat and family on the passing away of her sister, Ruhama Ziner.

Thanks:

... Binni marks the fact that after the 'cottagim' were demolished, the area was left clean and aesthetic – a first for Yizreel! Thanks to all those responsible!

... Shani Baor and Limor Griman thank all those who contributed to the Memorial Service for Yitzchak Rabin.

Ein Harod Art Gallery:

Saturday, 15th November, at 11.30 – 13.15

After the excellent performance of Noam Buchman, the gallery will be hosting the leading flautist of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, together with the Sapir string quartet.

The programme consists of well-known classical pieces by Mozart and Telleman and Israeli songs adapted to classics.

Tickets: NIS 50 (advance sales) Ph. 04 6486038 or 04 6531670.

All are invited to visit the museum, free of charge.

In the sculpture courtyard, light meals, coffee and cake available.

Flowers and Wine: (from Rahel Piekarski)

The summer has passed, the Tishrai Festivals are over and on behalf of all the chaverim who used Partnership House and the visitors' rooms, I wish to thank Liora and the laundry and clothing store staff; for the washing, sorting, and folding the never-ending piles of items handled over this

period. Without your assistance I would not have been able to maintain the standard of service needed for our guest rooms.

F.Y.I. (to the uninitiated, 'for your information') from June to October, 2014, 187 rooms were booked and used; some for one night only, and others for up to three weeks; mostly for Yizreel family and friends.

Once again, Thank you!!

Rain:

- from the beginning of the season 28 mm.; in November (up until this date) 14 mm. Average rainfall recorded until the present – 24 mm.

Kibbutz Co-operative Stream:

A letter of thanks from the organizing committee, Yehuda Slomon, Maya Shapir and Maria Taub, was received from the Kibbutz Co-operative Stream, thanking Elit Haviv-Gilad for taking part in this year's convention at Mishmar HaEmek; the theme "The Co-operative Stream – A Way of Life in the Future".

The convention was held on 23rd October, in memory of a chaver of Mishmar HaEmek, Omri Ron, recently passed away, a leading figure in the kibbutz movement.

The standard of the programme, the organization, participation of those present and the large number who attended, resulted in a most optimistic convention. There are many challenges ahead, and we expect the continuation of the co-operation between us.

Mazkitut Meeting: (from Yair, 19th October, 2014)

- Condolences to Hanan on the passing away of his mother.
- Shani and Nir – congratulations on the birth of their daughter.
- Kobi Levi: as a result of the visit of the controller, Reuven Yankilowitz is manager of the care home, "Home on the Hill" (Bayit Be'Giva), subordinate to the Community Head.
- Catering head: Assi Mor to replace Phil Adler; certain work conditions were decided on and this decision passed on to the Catering Committee.
- Dogs: Two instances were discussed: one – the dog not tied up bit someone, not the first time this has happened, and two – the dog was tied up, but bit a child. **(According to past decisions, a dog that attacks has to be removed from the kibbutz.)**

The second instance concerns the dog tied up, which was quarantined and returned to the family, who refused to get rid of it. The family was invited to the Mazkirut, but did not attend. The Mazkirut decided, by a majority decision, to once again invite the family to a Mazkirut meeting.

"Friday-My-Day":

Friday, 28th December, at the Mazkirut meeting room...

with Yair Arad, 'CARICATURES AND IT'S CREATOR' - "Krik"

Transport Committee: (from Dotan)

This Committee has undergone many changes over the last two years:

- It is now responsible for all Yizreel vehicles.
- Old ones have been changed for new and safer cars, including the addition of a "Mobile A" active system for avoiding accidents.
- The fleet now runs on the "double-fuel" system, that is petrol and gas, cheaper and cleaner for air pollution. We are amongst the first to have a gas-filling station on the kibbutz, creating a much easier, more available and cheaper cost of fuel.
- The cost of fuel per km. includes the cost of the vehicle as well as the running cost.
- Recently the "Young Generation" people started a car-wash on the kibbutz.
- The choice of available vehicles has changed; we now have smaller cars (Picanto) as well as larger stations for families.
- Cars are now more easily available; order at least 24 hours in advance and a vehicle is yours!
- The Committee is always interested in feedback in order to maintain and improve this vital service.
- Contact the following members of the committee for advice and information: by phone, or e-mail: Nissaim Avrahami, Assi Mor, Navot Assaf, Talia Arad, Kobi Levi, Eviatar Assaf and Dotan Savir.

Kitchen News:

- ✚ Thanks to Irit Shemesh who always keeps an eye open to suggest, change, add, subtract or even complain! – relevant and useful!
- ✚ Also to Aviva Beutler, what would we do without her? She deserves a medal for her caring about many matters; seating for Shabbat and Chagim (with Carolle), events and celebrations.
- ✚ The ice machine – work repairing, over and over again, or investing in a new one? Being dealt with!

Israel Lands Authority: (from David Shaharabani and Yair Arad)

As a result of certain decisions taken by the above, it is planned to establish a Committee to deal with all matters concerning 'them' and 'us', falling under our Holdings Management. Reports to be made to the Mazkirut and the General Meeting.

Garbage, Manure, Recycling and The Environment: (from Paul Zelas, Municipality Head)

For your information:

- ❖ Paper collection containers: Nine in number, emptied every five weeks. **Place in them cardboard, milk cartons, medicine containers, cereal boxes, chocolates and sweets packets, etc. Anything made of paper!!**
- ❖ Plastic bottles: Seven in number, emptied every month by "Green Points" – all bottles are recycled.
- ❖ Barrels for glass bottles, placed next to every garbage 'green frog': The high school students collect them for recycling and to earn money for various projects.
- ❖ Purple Container: (next to the pasteurizing plant) for disposing of no deposit glass bottles.
- ❖ *Plastic bags: Israelis (and Yizreelites) excel in using plastic bags. They cheaper and stronger than paper bags BUT they are made of fuel, do not disintegrate and do much damage to the environment. The "Amir" company recycles these bags. There is a separate cage for them on the plastic bottles containers.*
- ❖ Road sweepers belonging to our Regional Council come every few weeks.
- ❖ Cartons placed in the carton containers (ONLY CARTONS) are taken by the Garden Department man to the central place behind the kitchen, and then collected by Amir for recycling.
- ❖ Computers: In Moshav Yael (Tenachim), there is a factory for taking apart computers for recycling. Contact Paul for details.
- ❖ The Goldstein Company has a collection box in all settlements in our Regional Council. They sort the clothing and send it to various associations for the needy, for making into cleaning rags and to send to Africa.
- ❖ General: cleaning the garbage disposal containers and surroundings is problematic.

Everyone of us is obliged to keep the area around the garbage bins clean!
If your bin is damaged or if you have questions – contact Paul.

"Sing a Hebrew Song":

This year the songs of Naomi Shemer will be remembered at Bet Tzislung, Ein Harod, on 10th January, 2015, directed by Stas. We are invited to sing, act, play an instrument, take part in the concert.

Registration by 10th November: Send information: name, address, email, tel. no. etc. to bmusicgilboa@gmail.com including your 'forte'.

Music School:

Virtuoso Festival Friday, 14th November, at 12.00 Students and teachers only

Rugby:

15th November, Yizreel/Gilboa v. A.S.A. Tel Aviv

Under 12's: New players include Ilam Mor, Adam Abramovitz, Nave Segal, Yaakov Americk and Maayan Cohen-Tirosh. Coach Shir Hugim, from Bet Hashita.

Under 14's: Shai Ha-cohen, coach from Nir David. 15 players, most of whom have played for two years.

Under 16's: Yizreel players – Zohar Baum, Shani Mishali, Benny Brustein, and Yahel Rozilio.

Under 18: Coach Alex Takchinko who trains with our first team; Noam Arieli and Nevo Levi from Yizreel.

Yizreel Gilboa team:

- The match against Switzerland defeated us 28 – 18. In our league this year are Croatia, Malta and the Czech Republic.
- Last week's match Israel v. Croatia was a win for Croatia 30 – 20. Nimrod Kaplan (captain), Yonatan Kaplan, Amir Beutler, Amit Harpaz; accompanied by Milton Kaplan and Omri Zelas.

Sports Field Trip Committee:

28th and 29th November, 2014 (for 18 years old, and over!)

Friday: Nachal Akrabim

Saturday: Nachal Yemin – Ein Yarkan

Sleepover on Akrabim Heights in private tents and sleeping bags.

For those who love hiking, outdoor sleeping – nature lovers.

Come to enjoy the "old days" field trip!

List names on the notice board.

English is Fun - with Rahel

Technical Support continued:

Customer: My keyboard is not working anymore.

Tech. Support: Are you sure your keyboard is plugged into the computer?

Customer: No, I can't get behind the computer.

Tech. Support: Pick up your keyboard and take ten steps backwards.

Customer: O.K.

Tech. Support: Did the board come with you?

Customer: Yes.

Tech. Support: That means the keyboard is not plugged in. Is there another keyboard?

Customer: Yes, there's another one here. Wait a moment please... Ah, that one does work, thanks.

Tech. Support: Your password is the small letter 'a' as in apple, a capital letter 'V' as in Victor, and the number '7'.

Customer: Is that '7' in capital letters?

Tech. Support: How may I help you?

Customer: I'm writing my first email.

Tech. Support: O.K. and what seems to be the problem?

Customer: Well, I have the letter 'a' in the address, but how do I get the little circle around it?

A woman customer called the Canon help desk because she had a problem with her printer.

Tech. Support: Are you running it under Windows?

Customer: No, my desk is next to the door, but that is a good point. The man sitting next to me is near the window and his printer is working fine.

(....and last, but not least)

Tech. Support: O.K. Bob, press the control and escape keys at the same time. That brings up the screen. Now type the letter 'p' to bring up the Programme Manager.

Customer: I don't have a 'p'.

Tech. Support: On your keyboard, Bob.

Customer: What do you mean?

Tech. Support: 'p'... on your keyboard, Bob.

Customer: I AM NOT GOING TO DO THAT!!

(This should make you feel better about your computer skills!)

.....more next week

