**The Jezreelight (Temporary name)- No 2065**

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**Kibbutz Yizrael**

**Translated and edited by Eddie Solow**

**Edi-torial**

Short and bitter-sweet this week. I hugged Yoni Brauman on behalf of all of you for the good work he is doing. See his two reports (pages 6-11).

Be prepared for another flood of letters (see the report of the Executive Committee - Page 3)

I have received some good suggestions for our newsletter's name: Jezreelight, Yizralite, The Enlightened Times, The Hebrish News.**.**

If you have a suggestion, please let me know. Soon we will choose in a democratic fashion - Ed

**Netta Blass - Farewell Message**

Dear Community,

After almost 6 years as chairperson of the Education Committee, I am happy to finish and pass the baton to Limor Griman. These years have been interesting challenging, instructive, sometimes frustrating, filled with pride and excitement and above all, fulfilling.

It was my honour to be a part of the team.

In addition, the place given to education on the Central Committee of kibbutz administration, is also a source of strength and pride. I had the privilege of holding this significant position alongside the key officials and being a part of the changes and development of the kibbutz. This too I acknowledge.

So, in conclusion, I am saying goodbye to the "title", but of course I will continue to be involved and accompany the system wherever necessary.

I wish a fruitful year of work and studies to all the students and their parents. I wish every success, of course, to the instructors and coordinators.

Shabbat Shalom,

Neta Ratsin Blass

**Daniel Shapira** has finished working with the youth and is embarking on a new path.

Good luck on your trip and on the road. We are waiting for you at home with much love...

**Farewell to the Youth**

So, I said to myself on Sunday - "Today you will sit down and write to them"

Sunday came and of course I didn't do it.

Same on Monday - "sit down and write to them about what you feel" and on Monday it didn't happen either...

And not because I didn't want to but only because I just don't want to say goodbye to you!

So, my loves! How can I even explain how much you mean to me?

Why is it difficult to say goodbye?

Maybe it’s because I went to sleep and woke up with you on my mind.

Maybe it’s because numerous incidents from the course of each week accompanied me into the weekend and I often found myself simply chuckling while remembering moments we had together.

And maybe the best answer is that it’s just so hard for me to say goodbye to you.

And I also want to say, thank you for opening up to me, thank you for all the laughs, for all the kind words and small moments of understanding.

My wish for you all is to continue to grow and develop, dream, and act on those dreams!

Dare to take on challenges. Dare to make mistakes then pick yourselves up and fix them.

I already miss you guys.

Lots of love, Daniel (Shapira)

**Report from the Central Management Committee (Va’adat Hahanhala)**

**8/28/2022**

Present: Jeremy Perling, Nitzan Rivlin-Feldman, Natasha Tchernokovsky, Elad Ilan, David Mittelberg, Avner Alterlevy, Yifat Assaf

Absent: Ron Cohen

Invited: Zivit Nanikashvili for section 1; Erez Peleg and Maor Persai - for section 2

1. **The kibbutz's response to the ongoing violations of the kibbutz regulations and its decisions - Invited: Zivit Nanikashvili**

Zivit did not attend the meeting, despite being invited and she herself chose this date from several options offered to her. Therefore, according to the attorney's instructions, the scheduled discussion in this section took place in her absence.

It was unanimously decided: to hold a kibbutz asefa, at which the following subjects will be discussed and decided:

(a) The family debt of Zivit, who is a kibbutz member, and Yuval, who is a resident without a contract with the kibbutz, will be put up for immediate repayment and will be collected from Zivit and Yuval jointly and individually either by way of debit via the taktsiv or by direct claim.

(b) The kibbutz will consider limiting the provision of services to the family dependent on cash payment.

(c) The kibbutz considers Zivit responsible for the fact that Yuval is living in the kibbutz without paying fees, personal expenses, and expenses for his children. (Part 4, 2H9 of the statutes)

(d) Zivit must find work. Zivit will work outside the kibbutz, or anywhere else that work is offered to her, 5 days a week, 172 hours a month.

(e) Zivit will completely refrain from continuing to harass the kibbutz officials at their place of work or anywhere else.

(f) Zivit is required to sign all relevant documents as required by the kibbutz or the reserve fund.

**2) Bi-annual Report – Community**

**Invitees: Erez Peleg and Maor Parsai**

a) Maor and Erez presented the community budget report for the first half of the year. The report is based on the new system that was implemented in the accounts department, and allows a top-down look at each and every section.

**It was decided**: Maor and Erez are to prepare a presentation of the data for the Economic Council according to “budget versus performance”.

**(4) Discussion re Approval of Teams for: "Issues under Discussion"**

 Examination of the kibbutz regulations (Takanon Hakibbutz)- Jeremy (coordinator), Eddie Solow, Tsach Sassi, Yitzhak Peleg

 The association's alternatives - Ron Cohen (coordinator), Shimon Zelas, Vicky Hollander

Pension - Elad Ilan (coordinator), Artzi Sankar, Ariel Berin-Dolinko, Yitzhak Peleg, Tsach Sassi

** "**Life Fund 2" - Nitzan Rivlin-Feldman and Natasha Tchernokovsky (coordinators), Tamir Blass, Ofra Shelef, Hanan Shaliv, Fay Drezner, Rotem Agmon, Yitzhak Peleg

 Defining the topics that will be defined as lifestyle **issues -** Yifat Assaf and Nitzan Rivlin-Feldman (coordinators), Eddie Solow, Yitzhak Peleg, Elad Ilan, Talia Arad.

 Building a communal/social strategic plan and building an overall strategic plan for the association - David Mittelberg (coordinator), Shlomo Cohen, Tamir Blass, Limor Griman, Keren Kagan

Members who wish to present proposals/ideas to one of the discussion preparation teams are invited to contact the team coordinators.

**A personal message to members of Yizrael (N.B. - ED)**

Following the publication in the report about the Life Fund, quite a few enquiries began to arrive from people historically connected to Yizrael, requesting to benefit from this fund.

The profits of the kibbutz and its corporations are used by the kibbutz and its members only, and as long as it has not been decided otherwise, non-members have no right to participate in the profits.

Since there are those who do not agree with the above and lawsuits have even been filed against the kibbutz, **we ask the members to refrain from providing any information to any external party, including details about funds, bonuses, budget sheets, etc.**

Our financial situation, public knowledge, since Maytronics is a stock exchange company. This makes Yizrael a focus of attention ... and we must act carefully and responsibly.

Thank you for your cooperation

**b) Yuval Nanikashvili** has contacted the registrar of associations (Rasham Haagudot) with a request to add his name to the register of members of the kibbutz. The registrar requested a response from the kibbutz before addressing the matter. The kibbutz, through attorney Omer Cohen, submitted a brief response, which included the final ruling of the Supreme Court, regarding the fact that Yuval **is not a member of Yizrael**. In return, the registrar responded that, considering this, his office has no place to intervene in the matter. Below is the registrar's answer:

Case number: 794/25786/2022

Mr. Yuval Nanikshvili

ZIVIT\_N@WALLA.CO.IL

Re: a request to correct the register of members of the association

Reference: your letter of 06/20/2022

Reference letter of the association's response to your letter in reference.

The response letter speaks for itself.

In light of this, we found no room for further intervention by our office.

Sincerely,

Zerah Yahav

Director of Investigations Department and Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies

Copy: Adv. Omer Cohen [office@s-c-l.co.il](mailto:office@s-c-l.co.il)

(Prepare for the flood – Ed)

**Emergency Response Team**

This week we distributed a letter in the mailboxes of the volunteers who registered with us.

We still require and are looking for more volunteers!

Of course, if we erred and you didn't receive a letter even though you offered to participate... we apologise. Please let us know.

Yishai Levy, Lilach Ron

**Report from the Donations committee meeting**

**August 2022**

Present: Smadar Agmon, Sima Arieli, Einav Nagar Mokaria, Adi Goldstein Ilan, Yoni Brauman

Updated: Karen Brustein Eilon, Oren Broadhurst (I guess "updated" means they were not there and asked what they missed -Ed)

1. The first meeting of the new committee was held, in accordance with the committee's protocol (Nohal) (published in Kehilanet and many thanks to Eddie Solow). We discussed the main criteria necessary to guide the committee's work, we defined the main target populations chosen by the members of the public in a survey conducted in Kehilanet last year (in this order: youth at risk, Holocaust survivors, the fight against domestic violence, food for the needy, and soldiers suffering from post-trauma). The importance of holding regular meetings was agreed upon. We scheduled one meeting per month to try to create a productive and proactive work framework.

2. Attendance at the committee meetings is important. We understand there may be unforeseeable absences. Decisions on donations will be made with a quorum of at least 4 participants and if possible, with the confirmation of everyone on the committee, via WhatsApp. Special and urgent requests will be approved via WhatsApp unless a discussion is requested by one of the committee members. In that case we will hold a "zoom" meeting.

3. We discussed the importance of informing the community of the committee's activities, to encourage voluntary activity that will be financed through the donation committee.

4. The budget balance in the fund - approx. NIS 100,000 shekels - in October an additional amount is expected.

5. We talked about establishing a long-term relationship with charities for example: Kfar Yehezkel, Shnat Sherut, lone soldiers, Akim Camp, "Kamcha de Pascha"(Pesach donations to the needy). For the next meeting, you are invited to bring more ideas for "adopting" charities / worthy causes.

6. Discussion of requests and their approval or rejection.

7. For the purpose of examining long-term collaborations, it was suggested to invite the director of the Kfar Yehezkel boarding school to the committee meeting to present additional needs and options for action.

We invite the public to contact us with requests for donations or participation in covering the costs of their volunteering activities (such as travel) and we will also be happy to hear additional ideas.

You can contact any of the members of the committee or you can use the application form in Kehilanet.

Coordinator: Yoni Brauman

**The Yizrael Summer Camp - Akim and Thoughts about "Bayit L’Chaim"**

"Bringing life into our home and establishing a home for life" - Yoni Brauman.

Dear Friends,

I would like to share with you the experience I shared in hosting some cute and special children from Beit Shean, in cooperation with Akim. It is important for me to share with you my thoughts and feelings, especially in the light of Yifat Assaf's "Dream", which she shared with us in a newsletter about two weeks ago, to establish a 'Home for Life' for people with special needs, here on the hill.

As I recall, the summer camp was held on the Kibbutz in the past, under the name "Summer Camp 14" (children with Down’s Syndrome). Since I was not there at the time, I cannot describe exactly what and how we did it then. I can only say that from the stories and experiences I heard, it was definitely an experience that is well remembered and meaningful. It left its mark on everyone who took part.

This is the third year in the renewed format. We were privileged to host a special group of children. It is customary to say, children with special needs, but actually, everyone has a special need. It is true that we have seen and experienced behaviours that may be different from what we are used to. But actually, each of us is also unique and special. Margaret Mead said: "Always remember that you are completely unique. Just like all the rest."

Thus, day after day, through joyful experiences, games, creativity and spending time together, we learned to recognise the similarities and the differences. Suddenly the differences, became familiar and certainly less threatening than before.

It was a process of introspection. Suddenly, you discover things you didn't know about yourself before, and yes, not everything is good and beautiful. There are also parts that are less pleasant within ourselves which sometimes emerge and spill over. And that's fine (I tell myself this because it also happens in our family, but don't tell anyone). Difficulty mixes with joy and anger with love, frustration with a sense of satisfaction and meaning, play is great but sometimes without joy, etc. Because such are our lives, complex and mixed. It's a lesson in life...

"In order to receive the full value of happiness you must share it with someone else" - Mark Twain.

In all of this, there is the environment and its importance, it is there and gives of itself, holds, supports, directs, smiles and returns strength, expands the heart and enriches the oxygen in the body. You just need to raise your head a little "Open your eyes and look around"...

The environment is first and foremost, our youth and despite the intensity of the summer activities, work and upcoming army service, our youth stood up and came and gave from the goodness of their hearts with open arms, always with the accompaniment, mediation and encouragement of a dedicated educational team. Each according to his and her ability and feelings. In my opinion, in this coming together, something valuable happens that is beyond explanation in words. These are moments of wonder and deep understanding in the actual doing, more so than any lesson at school can provide. It awakes an emotion that we had forgotten or didn't know existed.

This encounter reverberates inside and out and creates ripples with an impact on the community and society in which we live. The children who attend are happy and look forward to returning each morning. Our youth are enriched with meaningful experiences, satisfaction and pleasure, the parents of the children who attend are grateful and appreciate the activity and the entire Yizrael community.

Win-win… everyone benefits - this is reciprocity. The environment is also us - all of us, members of Yizrael, who wish to direct part of our profits to contribute to the environment and the society in which we live. This is part of the process of creating the world in which we wish to live

I wish to thank all the members of Yizrael. Via the Donations Committee, a considerable amount of money was approved to enrich the experience.

Thanks to: Michal Sadur, Netta Cohen, Itzik Schechter, Adi Laviv, Shlomo Cohen, Eyal Tirosh, Gazit Baran Levy, Ofri Sharoni, Shira Levy, Eli Friedman, Oren Broadhurst

And to all those who smiled and encouraged us. It helped a lot.

Against the background of this experience, it is impossible not to refer to the dream shared by Yifat Assaf, to establish a 'Home for Life' here in the kibbutz. From personal experience of working in different settings together with those with disabilities / difficulties / special needs, I can testify that for me, this is a job full of satisfaction and meaning which brings me great happiness. Turns out it's not that weird. Support for this can be found in plenty of circles.

I will quote Prof. Yoram Yuval, psychoanalyst, psychiatrist, expert in the field of brain research and the neurobiology of love and emotions:

"There is a law of nature: the first bite of an amazing chocolate cake in a luxury restaurant - a taste of heaven, an experience for all the senses. By the eighth bite, you can hardly taste what you are eating. The reason: the pleasure mechanisms in the brain are not built to be activated for a long time. We get used to pleasure quickly and lose the fun just as quickly. Pleasures are nice and pleasant, but they won't make us happy for long. That's why Ecclesiastes, the rich and wise king was miserable. Now it's scientific, the main ingredient of happiness is meaning, not pleasure. And meaning comes when we perform deeds for others, deeds that we believe in and receive the thanks of those we have helped. The bottom line is, "It is good to be good” which is not just a slogan - it is a way of life, and it is the way to happiness."

I saw and felt the reverberating effect that such meetings created. I also understand and accept that there are those for whom these encounters create discomfort and difficulty. That's fine by me. that's how it is. It is part of the complexity of our world. But separation and distancing oneself, creates more difficulties in my opinion, not to mention regression. Therefore, in my humble opinion, establishing a House for Life, together with the right partners, such as: the kibbutz movement, the Ministry of Welfare, a professional and coordinated operator, can be an excellent option to enrich our lives.

I hold the belief that if we want to reap something good, we must sow the right seeds. What would I like to harvest? I'm glad you asked.

For example: generosity, patience, kindness, inclusiveness, empathy, sensitivity, creativity, joy, meaning, satisfaction and it's no shame to say happiness too. So, I believe, even among the other wonderful things that happen here, 'Beit L’Chaim' can be another possibility to emphasise and connect the good and the beautiful to our everyday life. To bring more partners into the community fabric and to add meaning and personal and social resilience. I think this happened to those who took part or saw what happened during the Akim Camp days ...

So, I can't help but ask myself why not all year round and not just one week a year?

"Bringing life into our home and establish home for life"

**Yoni Brauman.**

**The Essence of the Struggle**

Hanan Shaliv cites the words of Ehud Barak

An excerpt from a response article to Ari Shavit, a journalist and well-known panelist who claims that the centre and the left today have no agenda other than "anti-Bibi" and the denial of the settlers and the "Ben Gvirim".

…And as for the political centre. It is not true that it does not have a dream, values, ​​and a path, and therefore adopted a "negative ethos" against settlers or the ultra-Orthodox. This is not a negative ethos; it is an opposition to the political vision of the settler leaders. A vision that inevitably leads to a non-Jewish or non-democratic state. The centre is not against the ultra-Orthodox, the ultra-Orthodox are brothers and Jews like us. The centre is against the extents of ultra-Orthodox intervention in the public sphere. They expect equality of opportunity and also equality of burden sharing.

The centre's vision is a Jewish, Zionist and democratic state, strong and confident in itself, at the forefront of the advanced countries,a diverse population living in peaceful coexistence, and in the future - in peace with all its neighbours (yes, including the Palestinians) The Israel, which young (Left and center) people believe in and Jewish youth in the world are proud of, is a country that closes gaps between the rich and poor, that gives equal opportunity to every individual and demands responsibility from every individual and every ethnic and religious group.

The leading principles are: First - security before and above any other consideration. Second - the integrity of the people precedes the integrity of the land. Third - the declaration of independence is the value base of Israel and the basis of its constitution. Fourth - the achievements of the state belong to the citizens and they are entitled to enjoy the fruits of their achievements.

**Chanan's remarks**: It is very important to spread, precisely these things among young people and audiences who are confused and disconnected from reality as a result of the general deterioration and endless barbarism and chatter on the social networks, especially in recent years. There are many confused young people...Hanan Shaliv

**A trip to Dor Beach on Friday - 9.9.2022**

**Next Friday 9/9/2022 - departure 14:00**

**Kindly register by Wednesday on the notice board,**

**or on Kehilanet - Sportiyulim**

**Apology from the Edi-tor**

Last week an unfortunate copy/paste error occurred in the fifth line of Rahel's "English is fun" weekly column. The words "… from 18+" "mysteriously" jumped unnoticed from the Sportiyulim message. The words were not part of the original text. We humbly request the author's and readers' forgiveness. We will try to avoid such accidents in the future.

-Ed

**English is Fun - with Rahel**

A little boy goes to his father and asks, "Daddy, how was I born?" The father answers, "Well son, I guess one day you will need to find out anyway."

Your mum and I first got together in an online chatroom. Then I set up a date via email with your mum, and we met at a cybercafé. We sneaked into a secluded room and googled each other. There your mum agreed to a download from my hard drive.

As soon as I was ready to upload, we discovered that neither one of us had used a fire-wall, and since it was too late to hit the delete button, nine months later a little Pop-Up appeared that said, "You've got male."

THE PLAY OF WORDS

**Vowels in order:** At least five English words contain the five major vowels in order: abstemious, abstentious, facetious and parecious.

At least six contain the five vowels in reverse order: duoliteral, quodliteral, subcontinental, uncomplimentary, unoriental and unnoticeably.

**Most letters with one vowel:** The longest common word in English that contains but a single vowel is the nine-letter word *strengths.*

**Letter words:** A number of words, when pronounced, consist entirely of letter sounds - *essay (SA), enemy (NME), excellency (XLNC). The longest such letter string is expediency*(XPDNC).

**Bilingual reversal:** Back in March 1866, there appeared in *Our Young Folks* magazine an extraordinary English-Latin paring that reads forwards in English and backwards in Latin, retaining the same meaning in both languages and both directions:

*Anger? 'Tis safe never. Bar it! Use love!*

*Evoles ut ira breve nefas sit; regna.*

**Most meanings:** The hardest-working word in English is SET, which in some unabridged dictionaries has almost two hundred meanings. RUN usually comes a fairly close second.

**Longest isograms:** An isogram is a word in which no letter of the alphabet appears more than once. The longest English isograms are *ambidextrously (fourteen letters), dermatoglyphics* - the science of fingerprints*, fifteen letters),* and *uncopyrightable (fifteen letters).*

**Most difficult tongue-twister:** Many people consider the *sixth sick sheikh's sixth sheep's sick* to be the most serpentine tongue-twister in English.

**Most consecutive vowels:** Words like *aqueous* and *sequoia* contain four consecutive vowels. *Queueing* contains five in a row, and the word QUEUE has the distinction of being the only English word that retains its original pronunciation even when the last four letters are dropped.

**Longest palindromic words:** A palindrome is a word, sentence or longer statement that is spelled the same when its letters are read in reverse order. The longest palindrome word entered in English dictionaries is *redivider* (nine letters) although some chemistry handbooks include the eleven-letter palindrome *detartrated.*

The longest palindromecluster embedded in an English word is composed of the first eleven letters in *sensuousness.*

*………………MORE NEXT WEEK*

**BEACON ON THE HILL**

**Weekly Program for 4.9 2022 – 8.9.2022**

**every day** 08:30-12:00 from games board Coffee, cake, chats,

                             Ceramics – open to complete work 09:00-11:30

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| **Date** | **Activities** |
| Sunday  7.8.22 | Opening the week - Baking with Monica  Zoom lecture with Galia 9:10 – 12:10  7:00 Ilana Lahav – Feldenkrais (BAO)  9:00 Helen Rosenberg – facial (BAO) |
| Monday  8.8.22 | 9:00 Coffee, cake, chats and games  9:30 Lecture by Zohar Assaf  ”Behind the Songs”  8:30 Limor Mualem – pedicure (BAO)  16:00 – 18:00 Coffee, cakes, chats and games |
| Tuesday  9.8.22 | 9:00 Coffee, cake, chats and games  10:00 Trivia Quizzes with Galia Shemi  9:00 Helen Rosenberg – facial (BAO)  16:00 – 17:45 Ceramics with Miki Touz |
| Wednesday  10.8.22 | 9:00 Coffee, cake, chats and games  MY WRITING 10:00 – GAVRUSH  12:00 Pedicure with Na’ama Baum (BAO)  16:00 – 17:45  Ceramics with Ziv Ben Bassat |
| Thursday  11.8.22 | Coffee, cake, chats and games  9:00 – 12:00 Ceramics with Ziv Ben Bassat  THE FERTILE NATURAL WORLD WITH HAMUTAL 10:00  7:00 Pedicure with Na’ama Baum (BAO)  17:15 Exercises on chairs with Michal Sha’anan |