

For the rest, it is all personal preference, but we would urge you to take a "beanie" for nights and early mornings (remember you lose 25% of your body heat through your head), a tracksuit and spare socks. And don't forget the sunscreen for daytime.

Go and enjoy; you won't regret it.

A little boy went to his dad who was working in the garage and said: "Dad, what's sex?" The father was taken aback, but decided if the lad was old enough to ask, he was old enough to get a straight answer. Steeling himself, he proceeded to tell the boy all about reproduction, marital life and the joys and responsibilities of human relations. When he had finished, the boy was looking at him in wide-eyed amazement.

Seeing the look, Dad asked: "Why did you ask that question?" The boy replied: "Because Mom said to tell you that dinner will be ready in just a couple of secs."



The Executive Committee wish all members of the Durban Ramblers Hiking Club and their families a joyous Christmas and we hope that the next year brings peace and stability to the world, and new friendships with great hiking for ourselves.



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*They stood before those pearly gates, their faces were creased and old.
They meekly asked the man of fate, admission to the fold.
"What have you done?" St Peter asked "To gain admission here?"
"We are Ramblers' Committee members, sir, for many and many a year."*

MEMBERS NEWS

Jean Foster has been ranked 4th in the world rankings for the women's 400 metre track event in the age category 75-79. A fantastic achievement for Jean who her club, the Pinetown & Districts Athletic Club, call their 'Sprint Queen'. See her photo below.

70th Birthday party - what a great bash. Thanks to all the people who helped out. Especially to Anne & Trevor Thompson, Ann Olds, Biff Maggs, Mike Serrurier, Jeanette McMahon, Lois Harte, Mike White, Grahame & Christine Davies, Di & Gerald Hall, Philip Gatenby, Dave & Erica Hancock, Werner Vanslebrouck, and all the Ramblers Committee.

The auction of equipment under the guidance of Mike White raised R1210 for the Club. Thanks to all those who participated and bought items.

Lets have the same great support for the **Christmas Party** on 30th November. For only R50 each you get food, booze, a party and accommodation. See the *Social Diary*.



2003 Subscriptions are due on January 1st. Please make an effort to pay by 31st January 2003. Subscription forms will be sent out with the next magazine in December. There are still many who have not paid for 2002. They will not receive this edition of the magazine. If they still wish to remain members they must get in touch with the Treasurer to sort out outstanding subs.

Diamond Ring lost at 70th Party, by Shirley Radford. The ring might have been dropped on the floor in the hall or the rest room. It is of great sentimental value and Shirley is prepared to offer a R100 reward for it's return.

Cedric Biggs apologises for inconveniencing some of the Ramblers travelling to Injasuti for the August 9 long weekend. He arrived early at the meeting place at the Toll Plaza near Shongweni, and was ordered to leave by the police. He did not have any of the phone numbers of the other travellers and could not tell of his plight. The other cars arrived at the Toll and waited for him in vain. He apologies to all concerned and hopes they understood the problem he had. On behalf of all concerned, Cedric, apology accepted and everything forgiven and forgotten.

Dieter Becker has kindly taken over the portfolio of Day Hike organiser from Margret Kirsten.

1) Because of the climate in Namibia, the Canyon is hiked in winter and takes 3-5 days to cover a distance of 86 km. It is wise to count on doing it over 4 days as this allows a slightly slower pace and more opportunity to enjoy the vast, stunning scenery that you pass through. It is truly magnificent and if you rush through you miss some of the beauty of the huge rock formations and the changing colours and textures of the rock as you progress through.

2) Some people take a small hiking tent to sleep in but we found it unnecessary as the nights are generally mild and you can easily just sleep out in the open. The tent then becomes just extra weight to carry.

3) Water is not a problem, except in unusually dry years, as the Fish River runs along the floor of the Canyon. You can get away with carrying about 1.5 litres of water. However be warned, the water can be polluted, so you will need to add purifying tablets or boil the water – or as one old hand said to us: "You either use pills or lots of toilet paper; we saw the effects of an acute gastro-enteritis attack on one member of our party two years ago and it was not funny.". It would be wise to take anti-diarrhoea pills with you just in case.

4) Keep the weight of your pack down to a minimum. Don't carry more than 25% of your body weight. Be strict with yourself – after all, you have to carry all of it on your back for approximately 4 days. Use lightweight foods such as dehydrated vegetables, 2 minute noodles, Oats-so-easy, Provitas etc. They are light to carry, easy to prepare and filling. Each person has their own likes and dislikes food-wise so decide for yourself, but keep it light and make sure it won't go off. Daytime temperatures can rise quite high.

5) Share essentials with a partner, such as gas stove, billy-can etc. This can be extended to food. It allows you variation in diet or what items you take with you. You can even extend this to your torch and spare batteries.

6) The nights can be very cold and if you are sleeping out under the stars, make sure you have a good but light sleeping bag and if possible beg, borrow or steal a "Thermorest" self-inflating mattress. They are very expensive to buy these days but are light to carry and those who used them found them much more comfortable than the usual blue foam rubber bedroll type.

7) Be considerate of other hikers, and take your garbage out with you. This applies to empty gas cylinders, food containers etc. Too many people don't and it spoils the Canyon. The same applies to toilet functions – use the 'cat method' and burn the toilet paper afterwards. (*Blimey, Lew, 'ow do you train your cat to use toilet paper and burn it afterwards.*) It is very easy to kick a hole in the sand for toilet purposes but please burn the paper and cover the hole afterwards. Too many people don't and it is very unpleasant to come across the signs of where people have relieved themselves.

8) A torch, matches, energy bars, Game powder and a swimming costume are essentials. Also Rockies sandals are useful, either in the evening when you have made camp or for crossing the river if the river should be full. It is a lot easier on your feet to have sandals to negotiate the rocky river with, if the water level is quite high.

Way of St James by Sylvia Nilsen

As a new Ramblers member, I would like to tell you about a fabulous "hike with a purpose" that I have completed with two friends. We did the 1000 year-old "Way of St James" pilgrimage in Spain from The Pyrenees (on the border with France) in the east to the burial place of the apostle at Santiago de Compostela in the west.

The terrain varied from mountainous (up to 5000 ft) with deep valleys and heather-clad hills. Through forests, vineyards, farms and long straight asphalt paths through cultivated fields. We covered the almost 800 kilometres in 27 days, averaging about 30 km each day, hiking in sunshine with temperatures in the 30s or rain, mist, hail and sleet with snowfalls on the surrounding mountains.

May/June is spring in Spain and everything was green with an abundance of wildflowers and birds all along the way. The way – 'camino' – follows as faithfully as possible the same paths the medieval pilgrims trod through ancient villages with centuries old churches, monasteries and castles. One walks along Roman roads and crosses Roman bridges used by Roland, Charlemagne and El Cid.

When you start your hike you are given a "credencial" that you have stamped at various monasteries, churches or hostels along the route. When this is checked at the pilgrim's office in Santiago you are given a copy of a 14th Century document in Latin, the "Composteta", as proof of your completed pilgrimage.

If anyone would like more information on this wonderful hike, please don't hesitate to contact me – tel (h) 267 2059, cel 082 474 8086, e-mail – nilsens@mweb.co.za

Three old men met on a park bench. The first said: "To come here used to take me five minutes; today it took me half an hour. At 85 years of age, my legs are letting me down."

The second replied: "Legs, that's nothing. I used to read the newspaper without glasses, but today even with glasses I can see nothing. At 90 years it's my eyes that are letting me down."

The third said: "Eyes and legs, that's nothing. When I went home yesterday evening after I left you, I said to my wife: "Let's make love. " She replied: "We've already made love today." "At 95 years, my memory's letting me down."

Extract from Letter to Ministry of Labour :- **"I wish to report that tiles are missing from the roof of the outside toilet and I think it was bad wind the other night that blew them off."** (I suspect the letter was written by Clinton.)

Hiking the Fish River Canyon by Llewellyn Evans

Dee and I recently joined a group of 13 people from Windhoek to hike the Fish River Canyon in Namibia. As we have done this hike a couple of times, we thought it may be valuable to anyone contemplating it to read a few of our personal do's and don'ts:-

Injasuti Weekend was a great success. Brian O'Connell led a party of over 30 Ramblers on three hikes from the Injasuti camp site, Grindstone, Wonder Valley Cave and Fergie's Cave. The weather was perfect over the entire weekend and the presence of so many Saturday hikers made the weekend a true club occasion. The Saturday evening get together was enhanced by gallons of glüwein and ribald jokes rattled off by Ann, Clinton, Werner and others. Let's do it again.

Thornridge Farm Saturday Hike. Thornridge Farm in Cato Manor is a strip of pristine indigenous bush with views towards Table Mountain. After a good hike we gathered at the boma overlooking a delightful dam, for welcome beers and a braai. Eddie and Lynne Lion-Cachet, avid conservationists, have developed a nursery specialising in indigenous and 'muti' plants. Lynne runs a tea-garden next to the nursery catering for breakfasts, teas and lunches. We are looking forward to the next hike on this farm in November.

Bill Hyslop and Ramblers from Durban and UK are tramping through the French Pyrenees (at the time of writing). They left on August 27 and return on September 16. Bill, may we have a summary of your trip for the next edition of the magazine?

Tom de Waai sent in some lovely thoughts about how we should try and live our lives. Below is a prayer that he hopes people will take to heart when they are on his hike on October 20th.

*Blessed are they who understand my faltering step and shaking hand.
Blessed are they who know my ears today must strain to catch the things they say.
Blessed are they who seem to know my eyes are dim and my mind is slow.
Blessed are they with a cheery smile who stopped to chat for a while.
Blessed are they who never say you've told that story twice today.
Blessed are they who make it known that I'm loved, respected and not alone.
And blessed are they who ease the days of my journey home, in loving ways.*

Don't worry, Tom, there are quite a few other Ramblers who are just the same, especially in the pub after the hike.

HIKING PROGRAMME : OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2002

Please try to get to our meeting places **at least 10 minutes earlier** so that fees can be collected and lifts arranged timeously. Day hikers, bring 2 litres of water, a hat and a cup for lunchtime tea/coffee. Saturday afternoon hikers, bring 1 litre of water and a snack for half time.

Meeting places: Durban – Musgrave Park, cnr Berea & Musgrave Roads
Pinetown – Union Main Centre, Old Main Road

NB – PLEASE BRING CORRECT MONEY AS NO CHANGE WILL BE GIVEN

DAY HIKE PROGRAMME

All meeting times, unless otherwise stated are:- Durban 08h00, P'town 08h30.

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF HIKE	HIKE LEADER	TEL NOS
Oct 6	Triple Ridges. Before the weather gets too hot, lets do this fairly strenuous hike.	Steve Nel Members R 15 Visitors R20	083 454 0569
Oct 13	Giba Heights & Woods. Medium hike with a steep climb to Clifton lookout before lunch.	Dieter Becker Members R 7 Visitors R 12	031-462 7445
Oct 20	Vernon Crookes Reserve. One of Tom's gentle hikes from the campsite to look for spring flowers, leisurely lunch at the site. Bring tick repellent. Leave Pinetown and Durban at 8:00, meet at exit 104 (N2 Park Rynie, Umzinto turn off) at 8:45	Tom de Waal Members R 26 Visitors R 31 <i>NB entrance R7</i>	031 467 4766
OCT 27	Montezuma. Join the group week-ending at George's farm for the hike from Montezuma into Vernon Crookes Reserve. Different from last Sunday's hike, i.e. not so gentle, in other part of reserve. NB Leave Pinetown & Durbs-7h30	George Archibald Members R 28 Visitors R 33	039 971 1621
Nov 3	Old Baldy. Short but energetic hike, steep climb, but rewarding.	Steve Watson Members R 16 Visitors R 21	031 312 7108
Nov 10	Dung Beetle Hill. Descends into rarely visited part of the 1000 Hills area, after lunch long climb out. Bit of a disaster last time, has been reced since.	Bill Hyslop Members R 10 Visitors R 15	031 262 6792
Nov 17	Umdloti Meander. Moderate hike in forest and on beach. NB. Pinetown 08:00, Durban 08:30	Brian O'Connell Members R 10 Visitors R 15	031 306 0743
Nov 24	Inkonka Meander. Kloof Gorge area – medium hike. Rained off last time round.	Brian O'Connell Members R6 Visitors R11	031 3060 743
Dec 1	Hornet's Kranz. Monteseel area, fairly strenuous and possibly hot.	Dieter Becker Members R 10 Visitors R 15	031 462 7445
Dec 8	Mwabe. Medium hike with good views, overlooking Mlazi river.	Bill Hyslop Members R 9 Visitors R14	031 262 6792
Dec 15	Bhonga – Bhonga. Join Mike and friends (who are weekending there) for an easy hike in this lovely valley. Stop at lunchtime for a BYO braai.	Mike Serrurier Members R 24 Visitors R 29	031 5635871 w 082 822 3106

For hours we trudged on. Ken's famous sense of humour was conspicuous by it's absence. Les frequently said that we should carry on – he was just going to lay down (and die). Heather reasoned with him to keep going.

Suddenly lights came into view across a stretch of water and we marched into camp at 23h45 to our marching song "Hi Ho Hi Ho there's something on your toe. By God your right it looks like sh***, Hi Ho Hi Ho."

Ivan subsequently calculated that we had covered about 60kms, climbed and descended an 11000 feet high mountain and all the intervening hills, in our nearly 18 hours walk.

It is pleasing to note that all of the participants – Heather Gillings, Ken Gillings, Les Petzer, Errol Thring and I, have been taking part in Saturday hikes in recent months.

Ed's Note – Rumour has it that Philip was supposed to have written this tale of great courage tinged with even greater lunacy for the first magazine published in 1977. However Philip's typing is notoriously slow.

A Sunday-school teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. Little Annie replied: "They couldn't get a babysitter."

Weekend at Vergezient in the Oliviershoek Area by Llewellyn Evans

On the Comrades long weekend 6 Ramblers led by Margret Kirsten, plus a visitor named Chris, set off for a weekend of relaxing, hiking and glüwein at Vergezient in the Oliviershoek area of the Drakensberg. The weather was cold and windy and we were hoping for snow, but fortunately we had been promised warm bunkhouse accommodation plus hot showers so this was re-assuring.

The whole experience turned out to be a fantastic one. The bunkhouse was everything we had hoped for, warm accommodation complete with plenty of thick mattresses, lots of hot water in the 3 showers, toilets that worked and two roaring fires to braai on. We hiked each day for the 3 days, following various well marked trails that have been opened up and paths laid out to cover a very varied terrain. We went through grassland, forests, up kloofs and gorges, viewed some bushman paintings and an old deserted mission. The views are spectacular and you can see right across to the Amphitheatre and the whole range of Drakensberg mountains on either side of it. The forests we went through were beautiful with masses of yellow-wood trees and the odd waterfall.

We had no tick problems, lots of firewood provided and even someone to sweep and tidy up after we left. The only downside was that we did not have the bunkhouse to ourselves, but as it can accommodate 20 – 25 people easily, this is understandable. The owner of the farm has made an effort to make it an attractive hiking venue and we really enjoyed it. No snow this time, but maybe next time.

The food was good, the company was great and the hiking terrific. Make a note and go next time.

MEMBERS FORUM

THE WALK by Philip Gatenby

The day began with as magnificent a dawn as is seen at Highmoor. The Drakensberg escarpment occupied the whole western horizon – a mighty wall of rock glowing orange in the horizontal light. At 5h00 there was excited activity as everyone scurried around, having breakfast and preparing for the walk at the same time. The first day of our New Year "berg trip of 1976 was supposed to be spent walking towards the Giant to see how close we could get, but cloud and rain had greeted our arising every morning until this, our last opportunity. We started walking at 6h00. The pace was brisk in the crisp, cool air. The jeep track had a dogs leg in it and the leader, an awkward cuss called Ivan, known for his masochistic excesses (but also for having the b---- to motivate a walk like this), decided to take a short cut through the dew sodden long grass. The wise old dogs at the back stayed on the road and gladly walked the extra few metres to remain dry. Ivan surveyed his wet bedraggled followers with satisfaction and the walk continued.

By lunch-time, half the party had lost interest in walking further. Blistered feet, from the wet grass excursion, being the downfall of several worthy walkers, so, after the snack, they set off to return to camp. The remainder of the trail continued along the contour path past the Giants hut until the bottom of the Giants Pass was reached. This pass is a 45° slope of rock – ranging from beds of tiny chips called scree (crossing these is like crossing a 45° , foot deep blancmange) to huge, multi-ton boulders – the whole taking on the aspect of a landslide waiting for some unwary hiker to set it going. We eventually reached the top of the pass and four people went a little further to one side to get photographs of the Giant. After a few minutes surveying the breathtaking view of the world below us, Ivan approached me, as head of logistics and deputy leader, to go and tell the photographers that he was leaving in 10 minutes.

When I reached the little group, they were in animated discussion as to whether they should complete the trip by going on to the top of the Giant (which looked about 2 kms away across typical escarpment-top veld or return. I gave them Ivan's message and, since it must have been about 15h15, I told them I thought we should be going back. The pro-Giant faction won the day and off they set towards the peak. Common sense said that I should return with the main party – well, we were 9 hours from camp at 15h15, with only the clothes we stood in and the contents of our day-packs. Perhaps I would have let the three guys stew in their own juice, but they had an attractive and admirable lady with them, so, after agonizing for a moment at this lunacy, I thought I had better join them, hoping to improve their chance of getting back to camp.


We reached the top at 16h00 and, after taking a couple of photographs, started the return journey. We stayed together until we had completed the dangerous descent of the pass and then Errol and I increased the pace – leaving the others behind, in an attempt to reach the point where the faint jeep track to Highmoor joins the contour path, before darkness arrived. We succeeded, and after what seemed an age, the others appeared out of the gloom, and we set off using the torches cautiously, to conserve them, and using the grass against our legs rather like cat's whiskers in reverse.

Dec 22	Upper Molweni. Medium hike from Krantzklouf picnic area. <i>R 6 Entrance fee.</i>	Margret Kirsten Members R 9 Visitors R 14	031 765 8052
Dec 25	Christmas party in the wilds. Contact Bill Hyslop for details	Bill Hyslop	031 262 6792
Dec 29	Krantzklouf. Down to waterfall, up the side of a cliff, down to the Molweni for lunch – Medium to strenuous	Dieter Becker Members R 8 Visitors R 13 <i>Entrance – R6</i>	031 462 7445

SATURDAY AFTERNOON HIKES PROGRAMME

These hikes depart from Musgrave Park Medical Centre at 13h30. The cost is R8.00 for transport which is payable to the relevant driver. Hikes marked # involve an entrance fee into the nature reserve. Please bring the correct amount of money as change is not always available – thank you. Hikes marked ** are suitable for beginners. Would those for whom the starting point is not convenient, please proceed to the destination, or phone one of the organisers between 12h00 and 12h45 on the day, to arrange a suitable meeting point.

CONTACT:- Ann – 7671027 Dave – 2668602 Brian 083 35446379

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF HIKE	LEADER
Oct 5	** Longshadow # R6.00. Meet at Krantzklouf Nat. Res.	Sally
Oct 12	**Treasure Beach. Meet at BP garage in Edwin Swales Drive -opposite Makro, at 13h40.	Brian
Oct 19	** Paradise Valley # R4.00. Opening ceremony of bridge that Ramblers have helped construct, followed by hike and an early braai in the Boma. BYO + gas equipment and lights.	Dave
Oct 26	Palmiet. Old New Germany Rd, opp. the Westville Hotel.	Bill
Nov 02	Thornridge Farm, Cato Ridge area # R5.00. Depart St Helier Dam 13h30 (note earlier Time). Bring and braai – BYO chair, gas equipment and lights.	Trevor
Nov 09	Acutts Drive, Kloof. Proceed on Highway through Kloof to Exit 26, Everton Rd, right at top of glide off left into Acutts Drive for 1 km. Park at causeway. Car guard on duty.	Ann
Nov 16	** Virginia Bush. Park at the gate in Kensington Drive.	Brian
Nov 23	Inanda Road Surrounds, Hillcrest area. Proceed on Highway through Kloof, exit Old Main Rd, Hillcrest, right into Inanda Rd, left opposite Kurtlington Estate.	Colin
Nov 30	 Roosfontein. Meet at Westville Prison gates. Followed by Christmas Party at Hillcrest Scout Hall– see Social Diary. Dave & Erica have offered their home for you to wash & change.	Werner
Dec 07	Urhlatuzana Valley. Meet at St Helier Dam.	Brian
Dec 14	MacIntosh Falls & Clifton Heights. Meet- Assagai Hotel	Dieter
Dec 21	Kloof – Mpiti Falls. # R6.00. Meet at Krantzklouf picnic site.	Philip
Dec 28	** Gillitts Farms. Meet at St Helier Dam. BYO sundowners and braai.	Ken

WEEKEND AND TRAILS PROGRAMME

DATE	DESCRIPTION	LEADER	TEL NOS
October 26, 27	Montezuma. A weekend at this popular game farm. Visit old gold mine and Vernon Crookes Reserve with your host, George. Comfortable accommodation at Haven Rock. (Limited Number) To book please call Neville Walmsley on 309 2298	George Archibald	Phone Neville Walmsley 3092298
November 16, 17	Blythedale Beach. Camping. Limited numbers. Cost will be approximately R25 each. R20 deposit required by October 13.	Mike White	Glenys Bentley 564 7632 evenings only after 17h30
December 14, 15, 16	Bonga Bonga. Lovely camping site with bunkhouse in Eston area. Limited to 10 people	Mike Serrurier	Biff Maggs 3121503 a/h 0829006965

A Christmas Story of Hope for All Men, Especially 'Old Farts'.

An 80-year-old man went to the doctor for a check-up. The doctor was amazed at his good health. "To what do you attribute your good health?" He asked.

The old-timer replied: "I'm a Xmas turkey hunter and that's why I'm so fit. I'm up at dawn chasing turkeys up & down the mountains."

The doctor said: "Well, I'm sure that helps, but there has to be more to it. How old was your dad when he died?"

The old-timer said: "Who said my dad's dead?"

The doctor said: "What, you're 80 years old and your dad's still alive? How old is he?"

Replied the patient: "He's 100 years old and, in fact hunted turkeys with me this morning. That's why he's alive. He's a Xmas turkey hunter."

The doctor said: "Well that's great, but I'm sure there's more to it. How about your dad's dad? How old was he when he died?"

The old-timer said: "Who says my grandpa died."

The doctor exclaimed, "You mean you're 80 years old and your grandfather's still living? " How old is he?"

"He's 118 years old," said the patient.


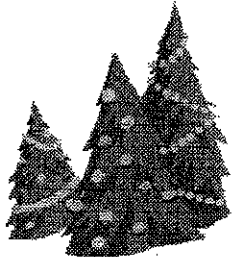

The doctor was frustrated. "I suppose he went Xmas turkey hunting with you this morning, too?"

The old gent said: "No grandpa couldn't go this morning because he got married."

In amazement, the doctor said: He got married! Why would a 118-year-old want to get married?"

The old-timer replied: "Who said he wanted to?"

SOCIAL DIARY

Date	Event
Saturday 19 October 	<i>Bring-and-Braai at the Boma in Paradise Valley to mark the opening of the new bridge. This bridge has been donated by Durban Ramblers to commemorate our 70th Anniversary. Please bring own food, drinks and equipment, also gas lamps if possible. Join the hike and the bridge-opening ceremony that will be a part of the hike. The braai is after the hike.</i>
Saturday 30 November 	<p>Christmas Party time! <i>By popular request we have again booked the Hillcrest Scout Hall. Details as follows:- Cost: R50 per head - please bring your own drinks, glasses and dancing shoes! (NB: 2 bottles of wine per table + pre-dinner champagne & orange juice is included in the cost of the ticket) Time: 18h30 Theme: Blue and White/Silver (dress accordingly if poss) Tables of 8 can be pre-booked, but please make sure you let Anne have the names of <u>all</u> eight guests on your table, in order to avoid confusion over the seating plan.</i></p> <p>A Saturday hike at Roosfontein is planned for that afternoon, so Erica and Dave Hancock (tel: 266 8602) have very kindly offered the use of their home to walkers wanting to freshen up before the party. <i>We've also arranged that people not wanting to drive home after a few drinks can bring their tents and camp in the Scout Hall grounds, so there's no excuse for not enjoying yourselves!</i></p> <p>To facilitate catering, bookings (with cash!) <u>must</u> be made by 15 November. Contact a committee member, or pay by direct bank deposit - details as follows: Standard Bank, Musgrave Road branch Branch code: 04-26-26-10 Account no: 051257653 Account name: Durban Ramblers</p> <p>If you use this method, please don't forget to print your name legibly on the deposit slip, so we know who you are. Anyone with queries or needing directions, please contact Anne on (031) 765-5133.</p>
Tues, 31 December  Happy New Year!	<p>New Year's Eve party <i>A <u>must</u> for your diary - a bring-and-braai at Erica and Dave Hancock's home, theme - The Rocky Horror Picture Show, so here's a chance to indulge your taste for the bizarre! Contact Erica or Dave on 266 8602 for further details. P.S. see Dave dressed up in fishnet stockings and D-cup bra (Yeuk!)</i></p>