



FAREWELL TO A TRUSTEE

We bid farewell to Beverley Schäfer who has sold her Lodge and must accordingly step down as a Trustee in terms of clause 6.9 of the HOA's Constitution.

Beverley was first elected as a Trustee at the Annual General Meeting held in August 2022 and has served as a Trustee and a Pearl Valley representative on the Joint Security Committee since then. We thank her for devoting so much of her time and energy to protecting and advancing the interests of Pearl Valley residents as a member of the Board and wish her everything of the best for the future.

Clause 6.10 of the Constitution provides that the Board may co-opt a Member to fill a vacancy on the Board until the next Annual General Meeting. A further announcement in this regard will be published in due course.

Ivan van Niekerk

Chairman of the PVHOA Board of Trustees



REFLECTIONS ON THE IMPACT OF THE STORM

Just a few weeks ago, we were still publishing appeals to residents to use water sparingly due to the impact of a long, dry summer season on dam levels in the Western Cape. How quickly things have changed!

The severe weather conditions experienced over the past week have caused extensive damage, disruption, and hardship throughout the Cape Winelands region. Major roads remain closed and entire communities are effectively cut off. Local authorities and disaster management teams are working around the clock to bring relief where it is most desperately needed.

In this context, we are thankful to be able to report that Pearl Valley has emerged relatively unscathed. A few trees were uprooted by the strong winds and many of our roads and open areas are now covered with leaves. Some sections of our bike trails are eroded or under water, but we have otherwise not suffered any material damage to property or infrastructure. HOA staff, together with the Servest landscaping team and other service providers, are already hard at work with clean-up operations and necessary repairs.

On Monday afternoon, when the storm was at its peak, the HOA took the difficult but necessary decision to postpone the SGM scheduled for that evening. At the time, we were experiencing heavy rainfall and severe winds. Electricity supply to the Estate and surrounding areas had failed in the morning, back-up systems were running out of power, internet connectivity had become unreliable, and cellphone signal was non-existent in many areas. These were indeed challenging conditions for residents and the HOA, and we appreciate the messages of support and understanding subsequently received from various Members. We must equally acknowledge that a small number of Members were highly critical regarding the power outage and the HOA's communications during this period. In this regard, we can only reiterate that Pearl Valley was but one of many areas impacted by the storm. Drakenstein Municipality was inundated with calls for help from distressed communities in other parts of the region and its communication channels were also impaired. Under the circumstances, it is understandable that the Municipality was not able to give hourly updates or precise timelines for restoring power to the Estate. The HOA fully supports and appreciates the efforts of the Municipality to provide emergency services to all communities in its jurisdiction.

On a positive note, the weather forecast for the next 10 days is currently looking good, and we trust that the SGM will go ahead successfully on the rescheduled date, Monday 25 May, being the earliest possible date in terms of availability of the conference venue and the requirements of our Constitution regarding meeting postponements. There is a high level of interest and engagement amongst Members, with more than 300 having already registered to participate online or via proxies, and we look forward to seeing many others in person at the meeting.

Kind regards,

Greg van Heerden

Estate Manager

REMINDER: PVHOA SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING - NEW DATE

Kindly be reminded that the new date for the PVHOA Special General Meeting is Monday, 25 May 2026.

In-person registration will open on Monday, 25 May 2026, at the Conference Venue in the Pearl

Valley Clubhouse from 17:00.

Online registration remains open. Members who wish to attend online and have not already registered are kindly requested to click on the link below.

<https://reg.lumiengage.com/pearl-valley-2026-sgm>

Registration to participate in the SGM will be approved only for Members in good standing, in accordance with clause 16.2 of the Constitution, and subject to submission of the required supporting documents (where applicable). Only eligible Members will be issued a ballot form to cast their vote, and all votes will be treated with strict confidentiality.

1. [Proxy Form](#) (appointing an individual to vote on your behalf)
2. [Consent Form](#) (when property is owned by more than one person)
3. [Resolution Form](#) (when property is owned by a trust, close corporation or company)

No late registrations will be allowed.

All current proxies and online registrations will remain valid until 25 May 2026, unless cancelled before the Meeting.

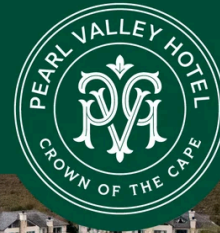
The meeting will commence promptly at 18:00 and will conclude once voting has been completed.

For any procedural enquiries, please e-mail info@pvhoa.co.za.

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