



MONTHLY NEWS BULLETIN

SPECIAL EDITION

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce our Chairperson – Marc Ryder:

"My wife Lorna and I moved to Pennington in 2005 from Gauteng.

I, like many of my fellow committee members, have no formal environmental background.

I have been involved in clearing alien vegetation in and around the Makamati wetland and trail since I arrived and was assisted by Elsa Pooley in re establishing a section of badly degraded swamp forest upstream of the dam.

More recently, I have been involved in the Impithi Park Garden project.

Having travelled extensively in Africa, I have seen how quickly and permanently man can change a landscape, this drives me to help protect our unique natural areas."

Marc goes on to say, specifically in respect of his appointment: *"Regards and thanks for the vote of confidence, I would not have considered the task, if I was not surrounded by such a strong group, of dedicated & enthusiastic individuals."*



And that takes us on to the roles and responsibilities of the Committee members

Allan Cooper:

- ❖ Treasurer
- ❖ Accounting and finances
- ❖ Legalities specifically relating to tax
- ❖ Drafting staff contracts
- ❖ Liaison: Ratepayers
- ❖ Networking with local organisations

Evelyn Heunis:

- ❖ Project Coordinator: Recycling
- ❖ Project Coordinator: Memberships
- ❖ Liaison: Conservancies and external initiatives
- ❖ Volunteer appreciation
- ❖ New projects

Gordon Lennox:

- ❖ Projects Co-ordinator: Environment
- ❖ Liaison: Umdoni Council Environmental Officer
- ❖ Compiling vision statements & management plans for all projects
- ❖ Impact analysis: Council bye-laws
- ❖ Attending public hearings
- ❖ Casual labour: Allocating jobs
- ❖ Project Co-ordinator: Impithi Park Gardens

Mary McKenzie:

- ❖ Communication
- ❖ Liaison: Media
- ❖ Awareness
- ❖ Planning & organising activities
- ❖ Project Co-ordinator: Impithi Rangers
- ❖ Printing co-ordinator
- ❖ Education

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| <p><u>Clive Quickelberge:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Umdoni Park Forest ❖ Walks, talks and similar projects | <p><u>Marc Ryder:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Chairperson ❖ Project Co-ordinator: Impithi Beach Kiosk |
| <p><u>Terry Wilsenach:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Liaison: Umdoni Trust ❖ Project Co-ordinator: Umdoni Park Forest ❖ General liaison with relevant authorities in respect of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Signage; ▪ Conservancy boundaries, etc. | |

NOTE:

Gordon Lennox is the Project co-ordinator for the Environment. However, this portfolio is applicable to all Committee members and accountability / responsibility will therefore be allocated as and when required



The following are not Committee members.

However, they are an integral part of the ongoing success of the Pennington Conservancy's many and varied projects:

Gail Cooper:

- ❖ Co-ordinator: Kiosk volunteers
- ❖ Team leader: Impithi Rangers
- ❖ Membership administration support / back-up

Shirley Crocket:

- ❖ Team Leader: Recycling

Ian Dockerill:

- ❖ Team Leader: Wetland on Avrille Road
- ❖ Team Leader: Makamati Trail

Colleen Lennox:

- ❖ Team Leader: Impithi Park Gardens

Felicity Pitchford:

- ❖ Secretary
- ❖ Membership administration
- ❖ Website development & maintenance
- ❖ Librarian

Carolyn Schwegman:

- ❖ Team Leader: Nkomba



**"Becoming intoxicated with a dream
gives us the passion to bring it into reality"**

Anonymous

