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GREATER KNYSNA GEARED FOR SEASON

The Knysna Municipality is ready for the influx of summer revellers who have already started arriving in Greater Knysna.

“Holiday season is a special time of the year, and we, as the Knysna Municipality are doing everything in our power to ensure that the season is as enjoyable as possible for all,” said Municipal Manager, Kam Chetty.

Safety and Security

Twenty-four extra Point Duty Officers have been employed to assist with the regulation and control of traffic flow. To aid the safety and security of our visitors and residents, a further 45 Law Enforcement official have been recruited and will be stationed across Greater Knysna.

The Municipal Fire Department will be activating all firefighters and reservists. “We have ensured that all emergency vehicles are serviced and are ready to respond immediately to any emergency situation,” said Chetty.

Lifesavers

As the Sedgefield Fire Station now has its own brand new set of extrication equipment (jaws-of-life), Greater Knysna now has two fully functional sets. “Our firefighting team will be joining Executive Mayor, Eleanore Bouw-Spies in welcoming visitors to Knysna where they will distribute literature pertaining to fire safety and other relevant issues.”

Lifesavers club will be stationed at Swartvei, Sedgefield Lagoon, Myoli Beach, Buffalo Bay, Buffalo Bay Wild, Brenton Beach, Knysna, Noetzie and the Karatara Swimming Pool throughout the season. They will start patrolling these areas from December 9 and remain on duty until January 15 from 10:00 till 18:00. The Blue Flag Beaches (Brenton and Buffels Bay, will each be manned by four lifeguards daily from December 1 until January 31 between 09:00 and 18:00.

All other beaches will have three lifeguards on duty daily and at the Karatara Swimming Pool, two.

Please note that the first point of call for any lifeguards requiring medical, and or other assistance with be the Knysna Fire and rescue Service (044-302 8911). From there the control room will direct the emergency to the relevant response team.

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