

SAYANG *Sembawang*

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KEEPING OUR HOMES CLEAN TOGETHER!



Make Sembawang Special

Check out the "Keep Clean, Singapore" events in Sembawang GRC on page 3





Dear Residents,

With the recent rise of COVID-19 cases, I would like to thank all residents for their understanding as we adjust to the new safe management measures.

Some residents expressed concerns about the spread of COVID-19 in their blocks. In order to minimise the risk, Sembawang Town Council has taken extra precautions, such as increased frequency in cleaning and sanitising high-touch surfaces with a special antimicrobial coating to all lift buttons. In addition, we also have hand sanitisers in our lifts for residents' use.

One significant event that took place this quarter was the annual "Keep Clean, Singapore" initiative. Although the events held at each division had to be downscaled compared to previous years, I would like to thank residents who turned up and participated in the litter-picking events. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our cleaners once again for their hard work and dedication in keeping our estates clean for all.

In line with International Women's Day, a Women's Weekend was also held in Sembawang GRC. A full day of programmes targeted to inspire and empower women was organised for the ladies in Sembawang GRC. If you had missed the event, read on to find out more.

As we also continue working towards improving our Town for you, we have highlighted some of the latest upgrades across Sembawang GRC in this issue. We hope that these new enhancements will benefit and bring convenience to our residents.

Do also check out our newly re-launched website that features a fresh new look and provides a more user-friendly experience for residents looking for services and information online from the Town Council.

Take care and stay safe!

Vikram Nair
Chairman of Sembawang Town Council

Para Penduduk yang Dihormati,

Dengan peningkatan kes COVID-19 baru-baru ini, saya ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada para penduduk kerana memahami situasi sementara kita menyesuaikan diri dengan langkah-langkah pengurusan selamat yang baru.

Ada dalam kalangan para penduduk yang menyuarakan kebimbangan mengenai penyebaran COVID-19 di blok perumahan mereka. Untuk mengurangkan risiko, Majlis Bandaran Sembawang telah mengambil langkah berjaga-jaga tambahan seperti peningkatan frekuensi membersihkan dan membasmi kuman permukaan sentuhan tinggi dengan lapisan antimicrobial khas pada semua butang lif. Selain itu, kami juga menyediakan cecair pembasmi kuman dalam lif untuk kegunaan penduduk.

Salah satu acara yang telah diadakan pada suku kedua tahun ini ialah inisiatif tahunan "Jaga Kebersihan, Singapura". Walaupun acara yang diadakan di setiap kawasan dikurangkan berbanding tahun-tahun sebelum ini, saya ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada para penduduk yang hadir dan ikut serta dalam acara memungut sampah. Saya juga ingin mengambil kesempatan ini untuk mengucapkan terima kasih sekali lagi kepada para pembersih kita atas kerja keras dan dedikasi mereka dalam menjaga kebersihan estet untuk kita semua.

Selaras dengan Hari Wanita Sedunia, satu acara hujung minggu bagi wanita telah diadakan di GRC Sembawang. Program seharian yang bertujuan untuk memberi inspirasi dan memperkasakan wanita telah dianjurkan untuk para wanita di GRC Sembawang. Sekiranya anda terlepas acara itu, teruskan membaca untuk mengetahui dengan lebih lanjut.

Kami juga terus berusaha untuk meningkatkan Bandar kami untuk anda. Kami telah mengetengahkan beberapa peningkatan terkini di GRC Sembawang dalam isu ini. Kami berharap peningkatan baru ini dapat memberi manfaat dan menjadi kemudahan kepada para penduduk.

Lihat juga laman web kami yang baru dilancarkan dan menampilkan wajah baru yang segar serta memberikan pengalaman yang lebih mesra pengguna bagi penduduk yang mencari perkhidmatan dan maklumat dalam talian daripada Majlis Bandaran.

Jaga diri dan jaga keselamatan!

Vikram Nair
Pengerusi Majlis Bandaran Sembawang

亲爱的居民

我国最近新增多起确诊冠病19病例，为了配合新的安全管理措施，我们也在生活与工作中做出相应的调整。我在此衷心感谢所有居民的谅解与配合。

有些居民对于冠病19病毒在他们所居住的组屋区传播开来的可能性表示关注。三巴旺市镇理事会为了有效降低病毒蔓延的风险，已采取更多的预防措施，例如为整座组屋的高触碰表面增加清洗的次数及进行消毒，并为每座电梯所有的按钮涂上特别的抗菌消毒涂层。除此之外，我们也在电梯内放置消毒洗手液，提供居民使用。

这个季度备受瞩目的活动应该是一年一度的“保持清洁，新加坡”运动。尽管各社区的活动规模比起往年大幅缩小，但我还是由衷感谢出席捡垃圾活动的居民。我也想借此机会一再感谢清洁工友为了保持市镇干净所付出的辛劳与奉献精神。

为了与庆祝国际妇女节的活动接轨，我们也在三巴旺集选区举办“妇女的周末”活动。在一整天的节目里，激励三巴旺所有妇女们，并赋权于她们，改善自身的生活品质。如果您错过这项活动，可以翻阅刊物，了解更多详情。

在我们继续为您提升市镇质量时，亦会在这期刊物，聚焦覆盖三巴旺集选区已竣工的翻新工程。我们恳切希望这些新的基础设施能为居民带来贴切的利益及便利。

您也可以浏览我们重新设计的网站，它不仅会让您耳目一新，同时还为居民提供相关服务和关于市镇在线的讯息，它将会令人有更满意的用户体验。

珍重和注意安全！

维凯
主席
三巴旺市镇理事会

அன்பார்ந்த குடியிருப்பாளர்களே

கொவிட்-19 கிருமிப்பரவல் அண்மையில் அதிகரித்து வரும் இவ்வேளையில், புதியபாதுகாப்புநடைமுறைகளுக்கு உட்பட்டு, புரிந்துணர்வுடன் நடந்துகொள்ளும் குடியிருப்பாளர்கள் அனைவருக்கும் எனது நன்றியைத் தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறேன்.

குடியிருப்பாளர்கள் சிலர் தங்களது அடுக்குமாடிக் கட்டடத்தில் கொவிட்-19 பரவக்கூடிய சாத்தியம் குறித்து அக்கறை தெரிவித்துள்ளனர். இந்த அபாயத்தைக் குறைக்க, செம்பவாங் நகர மன்றம் கூடுதல் முன்னெச்சரிக்கை நடவடிக்கைகளை மேற்கொள்கிறது. அதிகமாகத் தொடர்பும் மேற்பரப்புகளை அடிக்கடி சுத்தப்படுத்தி கிருமிநீக்கம் செய்யப்படுகிறது. குறிப்பாக, மின்தூக்கிகளில் உள்ள அனைத்து விசைகளிலும் சிறப்பு நுண்ணுயிரிக்கிருமித் தடுப்பு மருந்து பூசப்படுகிறது. அதோடு, நமது குடியிருப்பாளர்களின் பயன்பாட்டுக்காக மின்தூக்கிகளில் கை சுத்திகரிப்பானும் இருக்கிறது.

இந்தக் காலாண்டில் நடைபெற்ற நிகழ்ச்சிகளில் "சிங்கப்பூரைத் தூய்மையாக வைத்திருப்போம்" வருடாந்தர நிகழ்ச்சி குறிப்பிடத்தக்க ஒன்றாக அமைந்தது. ஒவ்வொரு தொகுதிப்பிரிவிலும் முந்திய ஆண்டுகளைவிட சிறிய அளவில் நிகழ்ச்சிகள் நடத்தப்பட்ட போதிலும், நிகழ்ச்சியில் பங்கெடுத்து, குப்பைகளைச் சுத்தப்படுத்தும் அங்கங்களில் கலந்துகொண்ட குடியிருப்பாளர்களுக்கு நான் நன்றி சொல்ல விரும்புகிறேன். நமது குடியிருப்பு நகரங்களைத் தூய்மையாக வைத்திருக்கக்கூடிய உழைக்கும் துப்புரவாளர்கள் அனைவருக்கும் எனது நன்றி.

அனைத்துலக மாதர் தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு, செம்பவாங் குழுத்தொகுதியில் மாதர் வார இறுதி நிகழ்ச்சியும் நடத்தப்பட்டது. செம்பவாங் குழுத்தொகுதியில் வசிக்கும் பெண்களுக்காக, பெண்களுக்கு ஊக்கமும் சக்தியும் அளிக்கும் நிகழ்ச்சிகள் நாள் முழுவதும் நடைபெற்றன. அந்நிகழ்ச்சியை நீங்கள் தவறவிட்டிருந்தால், தொடர்ந்து படித்து தெரிந்து கொள்ளுங்கள்.

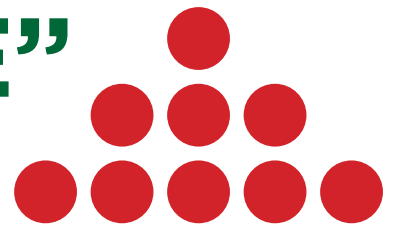
நம் நகரை உங்களுக்காக மேம்படுத்த நாங்கள் தொடர்ந்து முயற்சி எடுத்து வருகிறோம். செம்பவாங் குழுத்தொகுதியில் அண்மையில் நிறைவடைந்த மேம்பாடுகளில் சிலவற்றை இப்பதிப்பில் காணலாம். இந்த மேம்பாடுகள் குடியிருப்பாளர்களுக்கு நன்மையும் வசதியும் அளிக்கும் என நம்புகிறோம்.

நாங்கள் புதிய தோற்றத்துடன் அண்மையில் அறிமுகப்படுத்திய இணையப்பக்கத்தைக் காணத் தவறாதீர்கள். நகர மன்றத்தின் சேவைகளையும் தகவலையும் இணையத்தில் தேடும் குடியிருப்பாளர்களுக்குப் புதிய இணையப்பக்கம் வசதியாக இருக்கும்.

பத்திரமாகவும் பாதுகாப்பாகவும் இருங்கள்!

விக்ரம் நாயர்
செம்பவாங் நகர மன்றத் தலைவர்

“KEEP CLEAN, SINGAPORE” 2021 IN SEMBAWANG GRC



The “Keep Clean, Singapore” initiative returns to Sembawang GRC this year. It is a nationwide campaign that aims to inculcate a shared responsibility to keep our estates clean. We also take the chance to recognise the hard work of our cleaners who tirelessly contribute to the cleanliness of our town.

The initiative was held across the different divisions in Sembawang GRC. Residents and their respective MPs gathered for a litter-picking exercise at common areas of the estates. The MPs also presented awards to the best cleaners who have performed exceptionally as a form of our appreciation for their continued efforts in keeping Sembawang GRC clean for all. Let us keep in mind that we all have a part to play in keeping our environment and estates clean!

ADMIRALTY



CANBERRA



WOODLANDS



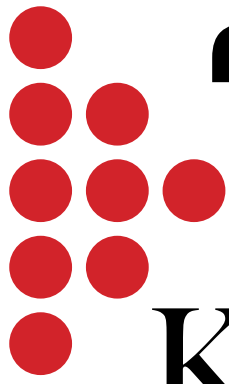
SEMBAWANG WEST



SEMBAWANG CENTRAL



On 3 January 2021, Sembawang Central held a Tree Planting Day. MP for Sembawang Central division Minister Ong Ye Kung, together with residents, planted Happiness and Chiku trees into the green landscape of our estate, further beautifying the surroundings.



“THANK YOU” TO OUR CLEANERS

Keeping our estates clean and green for all is no easy feat. Our cleaners keep our neighbourhood well maintained for our residents to comfortably live in. In honour of the “Keep Clean, Singapore” initiative in April, we highlight some of our cleaners who have shown outstanding performance and have gone the extra mile for our residents in the line of duty.

HAVE A STORY
OR COMPLIMENT
TO SHARE?
DROP US A
MESSAGE HERE!



Photo: Ms Dorothy

**MR MD SHYKOT ISLAM AND MR SAHADAT HOSSAIN
MAMUN — ADMIRALTY DIVISION**

“These are the two town council cleaners who made the effort to help me fish around the rubbish bin to find my phone. It is really great staying in a HDB where people around me are so helpful. And this is not the first time; I have been helped many times in my 12 years of being here. All thanks to my Sembawang Town Council.”

- Ms Dorothy, Admiralty Resident



**MS MASNAH BINTE MUNKUS —
SEMBAWANG CENTRAL DIVISION**

“You have a pleasant and honest staff. I commend her efforts as I see her in the early mornings to late evenings and never slacking. She is a keeper! Do let her know we appreciate her dedication towards her job.”

- Mr Azril, Sembawang Central Resident

**MR SOBHAN ABDUS (SUPERVISOR, LEFT) & MR MIZAN ABDUE
ROB (CLEANER, RIGHT) — SEMBAWANG WEST DIVISION**

“We would like to extend our gratitude to the cleaner and supervisor for keeping our common area clean. We have been staying here for the past 24 years and are very pleased with the upkeep of the environment. Please let them know we really appreciate their hard work. Thank you very much.”

- Madam Loke, Sembawang West Resident



SEMBAWANG GRC'S HARI RAYA CELEBRATION

goes online!



SCAN TO WATCH THE GEMA SYAWAL 2021 VIRTUAL CELEBRATION!

Sembawang GRC celebrated Hari Raya virtually as a community this year. On 28 May, residents joined the Gema Syawal 2021 livestream event that was held on MP for Sembawang GRC (Woodlands) Ms Mariam Jaafar's Facebook page.

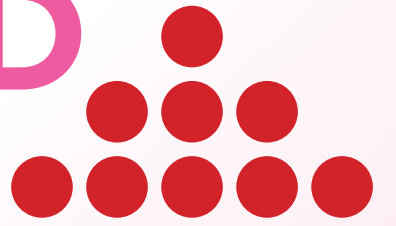
The e-celebration was full of merriment with song and dance performances by various Muslim artistes. In one of the entertainment segments, Ms Mariam showcased her vocal talent, singing an original song called "Raya Sikit-Sikitlah" by Mawar Berduri, 2KangKata, and P-Eye (feat. Kakak MJ).

MPs for Sembawang GRC also joined in on the festivities. They took a personality test to find out "which Hari Raya kuih are you?" while sharing fun facts about themselves, and entertained viewers as they played games that tested their knowledge of Hari Raya customs and foods. Before the segment ended, our MPs also conveyed heartfelt Hari Raya wishes to our Muslim residents.

Lucky draws were held throughout the night for residents to win attractive prizes like a leather sofa, Prism+ Smart TV and more.



WOMEN'S WEEKEND IN SEMBAWANG GRC



International Women's Day is celebrated globally every March to commemorate the achievements of women. The women of Sembawang GRC came together to celebrate the occasion on 6 & 7 March, with events and programmes aimed to empower, enrich, and energise them.

MPs for Sembawang GRC Ms Mariam Jaafar and Ms Poh Li San also joined in the meaningful festivities that occurred over the weekend.

SUNRISE YOGA AND MEDITATION



SCAN TO WATCH
WHAT WENT
DOWN DURING
THE EVENT



The weekend started with a sunrise yoga and meditation session at Woodlands Waterfront Park led by Dr Marlene Teo.

"DRESS FOR SUCCESS" DONATION DRIVE



A pre-loved clothes donation drive was held from 27 February to 2 March. This initiative aims to help women dress for success in finding jobs, while keeping in line with the theme of sustainability. On 6 March, Ms Mariam, alongside other volunteers, helped women style outfits to complement their personalities.

POWER UP, LADIES



What better way to feel empowered than by exercising? Joined by Ms Mariam and Ms Poh, together with women of Sembawang GRC, it was a fun-filled day with Zumba, Piloxing, Circuit Challenge and yoga.



Appreciating the speakers of the Women's Health & Wellness segment



Empowering women by educating them on women's legal rights



The four mumpreneurs sharing their journey of starting their own companies



Panel discussion by a group of women from different backgrounds on providing employment opportunities and caring for differently-abled children



This segment teaches women how to achieve financial independence and retirement adequacy

SG WOMEN'S FESTIVAL:

Inspiring and Empowering Women of Sembawang GRC

SG Women's Festival 2021 was held on 7 March at Woodlands Community Club. Commemorating International Women's Day 2021, the festival also went virtual for residents who want to learn from the comfort of their homes. A spectrum of topics was offered over six sessions, ranging from women's health and wellness, make-up tips, financial planning, providing employment opportunities for differently-abled children to entrepreneurship.

Experts from various fields shared first-hand knowledge and pragmatic advice to better prepare women for future challenges. The festival set a precedent for inclusiveness and gender equality where men also came forward to share their expertise and recognise women's achievements.

"We have a great line-up of programmes that will help equip and empower our women with different skill sets. Most importantly, we can create this community where people share and exchange knowledge, experience and help everybody learn and grow over time and be even more prepared

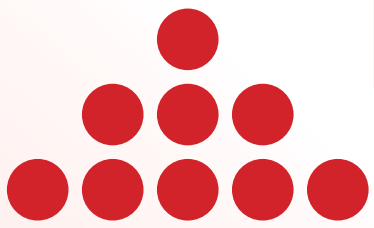
for the future," said Ms Poh Li San, MP for Sembawang GRC (Sembawang West), in her opening address.

Poignant yet uplifting moments punctuated the sessions. Mr Low Sie Cheong, a Breast Cancer Foundation volunteer and widower, mentioned that he paddled with breast cancer survivors regularly. "They are a bunch of ladies that I deeply respect. Initially I thought I support them, I paddle with them. But deep inside, I know, they inspire me. Instead of them drawing energy from me, I actually draw a lot of positive energy from them. That's how I move on."

Another resident, Mdm Val Giam, was delighted that women's contributions were recognised by their male counterparts. "What Mr Low shared touches me because there are a lot of things we do for the sake of our family. It's good to know that we are appreciated."



On 6 March, also in conjunction with International Women's Day, Sembawang Central and Sembawang West partnered with SembWaste Pte Ltd to hold a recycling drive in the respective divisions. MPs for Sembawang GRC Ms Poh Li San and Minister Ong Ye Kung participated in the events. Both drives collected a total of 2.78 tonnes of recyclables from residents.



NEW UPGRADES IN SEMBAWANG GRC

Town improvements are important to meet the needs of residents through the enhancement and addition of new amenities and facilities, such as playgrounds, fitness corners, linkways, and more. Check out some of the upgrades in our neighbourhood!

FUN FOR YOUNG ONES



Children's Playground at Blk 467 Admiralty Drive MSCP Roof Garden



Children's Playground near Blk 332 Sembawang Close



Children's Playground near Blk 787D Woodlands Crescent



Playground near Blk 620 Woodlands Drive 52



Playground near Blk 631 Woodlands Ring Road



Playground near Blk 689E Woodlands Drive 75

FOR THE FIT AND SPORTY



Fitness Corner at Greenwood Sanctuary at Admiralty Garden



Fitness Corner near Blk 320 Sembawang Close



Children's Playground near Blk 332 Sembawang Close



Fitness Corner near Blk 689 Woodlands Drive 75



East Canberra Sports Park near Blk 108A Canberra Walk

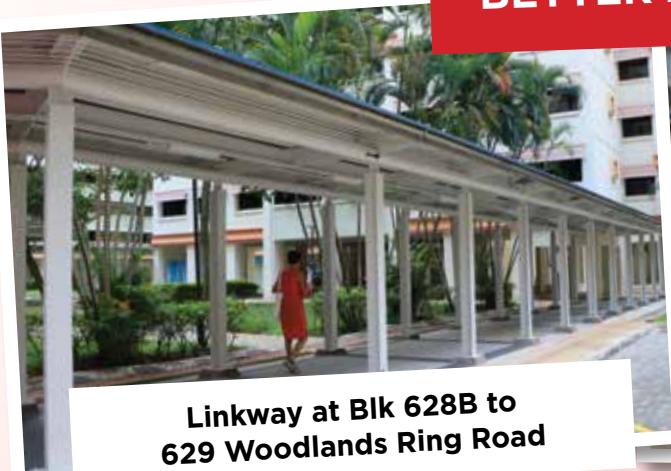


Elderly Fitness Corner near Blk 773 Woodlands Drive 60

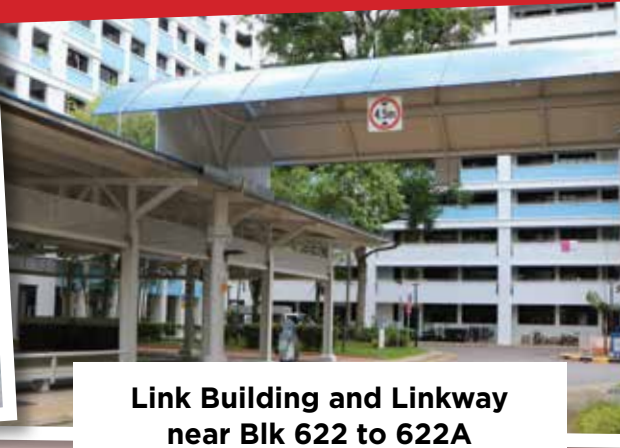


Fitness Corners at Canberra Park near Blk 365B/C

BETTER ACCESSIBILITY AND CONNECTIVITY



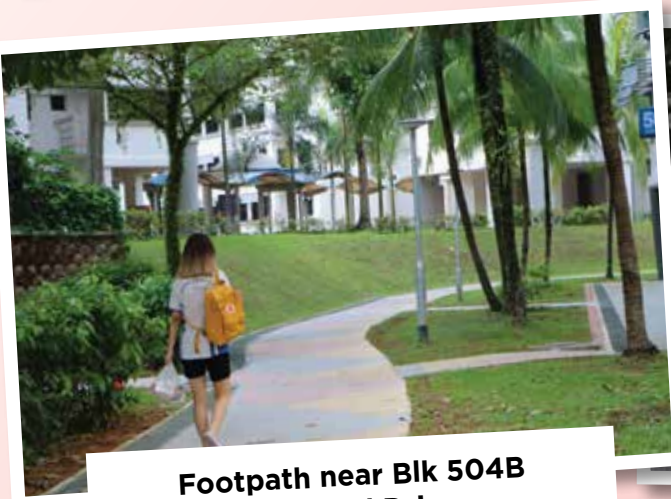
Linkway at Blk 628B to 629 Woodlands Ring Road



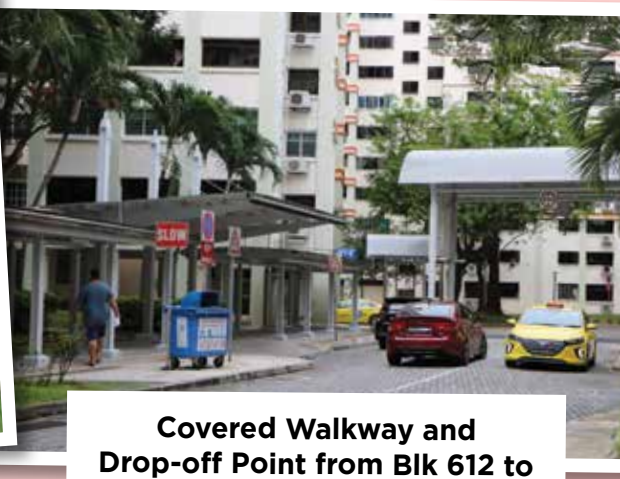
Link Building and Linkway near Blk 622 to 622A



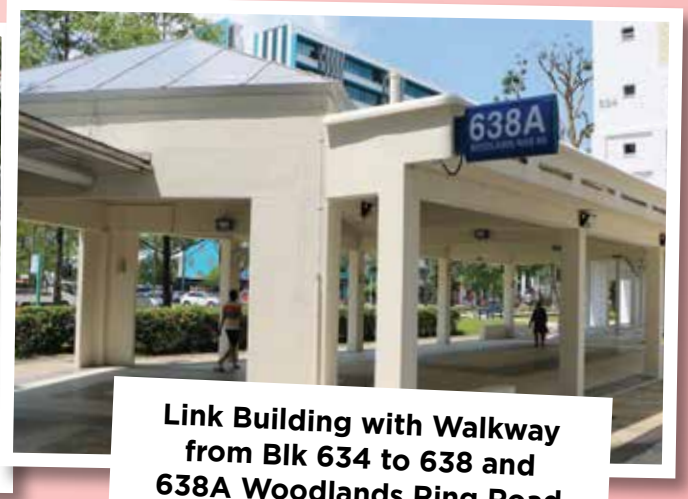
Covered Linkway at Blk 404 to 404A Admiralty Link



Footpath near Blk 504B Montreal Drive



Covered Walkway and Drop-off Point from Blk 612 to 614A Woodlands Ave 4



Link Building with Walkway from Blk 634 to 638 and 638A Woodlands Ring Road

STAY TUNED FOR MORE TOWN IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS HAPPENING IN SEMBAWANG GRC!

EXCLUSIVELY ON



Check out our popular Facebook posts for this quarter! and follow us to stay updated on the latest community news and happenings in Sembawang GRC. Scan the QR codes to go straight to the posts!

MINISTER ONG TRIES FOOD RECOMMENDED BY GEN Z



PICNIC SPOTS IN THE NORTH



NEW ADDITION IN SEMBAWANG GRC



Connect with us today!

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SEMBAWANG GRC GARDENERS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

YOU CAN ALSO TAKE PART IN THIS INITIATIVE BY GROWING YOUR VEGETABLES AT HOME AND SHARING YOUR HARVEST WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS!

Sembawang GRC "Gardens Give Back" programme was launched on 28 February this year. This meaningful initiative was brought about by some 250 residents working across 23 community gardens in Sembawang GRC. They donate their harvest to needy and elderly homes on a regular basis.

LIKE 'SEMBAWANG GRC GARDENERS' NETWORK' FACEBOOK PAGE IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT GARDENING ENTHUSIAST



SCAN TO WATCH
THE WINNERS
SHOW THEIR
APPRECIATION
TO THEIR
NEIGHBOURS



GOOD NEIGHBOURS BY NEIGHBOURS

Sayang Sembawang launched the "March On, Sembawang" campaign in the month of March, in efforts to spread positivity and forge stronger bonds within the community. Residents were asked to share a compliment about their neighbour on what makes them extraordinary. Winners of the campaign received a gift voucher and they also got to deliver their message with a surprise gift hamper to their neighbour.

Shirley Yee (Winner) & Mu Lan (Complimented Neighbour)



"It was 2008. The shoes outside my house were burning because some people smoked on the corridors and threw the cigarette butts into one of the shoes.

Thankfully, my neighbour, Mu Lan, rushed to my house immediately and informed us. My husband extinguished the fire before things got worse. I am very grateful for her bravery, for risking her life to save us."

Evelyn Goh (Winner) & Ms Yati (Complimented Neighbour)



"I want to thank my neighbour's helper, Ms Yati. She is friendly, cheerful, and very helpful. She has always been helpful. When she cleans and washes the floor in front of her unit, she will also wash the front of my unit. One day, my union sent me a box of cheesecake from Cat & Fiddle. It was meant to be a surprise appreciation gift, but no one was home. Immediately, I thought of my opposite flat neighbour, Yati, and I asked the delivery guy to pass it to her. She even thanked the delivery guy. Once delivered, the delivery guy WhatsApp-ed me. Then he sent me a second message to say: 'Good kampung spirit. You have a good and helpful neighbour.'

Indeed, I am grateful to Yati. Every time she sees me, she will greet me. Whenever I am not at home, she will always help to receive my parcels. I am really thankful to Yati. Thumbs up for Yati."

Faith JieYi (Winner) & Ruth and husband, Alex (Complimented Neighbour)



"My neighbour is really extraordinary. She had an idea to pack goodie bags with me to give out to the residents in our block despite her busy schedule. She often takes time off to ensure our neighbours are doing well. Thank you, Ruth Tan!!"

Sharine Lim (Winner) & Uncle Joe (Complimented Neighbour)



"We have been neighbours for seven years. Uncle Joe has demonstrated love and care to my family. We often seek his help to collect daily newspapers and look after our plants when we are away on holiday. He never fails to fulfil his promises diligently. Many times, while getting food for his own family, he will think of us and buy boxes of colourful *ang ku kueh* ('red tortoise cake') for my boys after knowing that my boys love them. We were most touched when he delivered bowls of Mr Bean's *Tang Yuan* 汤圆 (glutinous rice balls) to us on *Dong Zhi* 冬至 (Winter Solstice Festival) last year. On Chinese New Year, he will never forget to set aside angbaos for my boys. We are really blessed to have him as our neighbour. He has truly demonstrated the values of being a good neighbour — friendly, caring, loving and willing to share. We love you, Uncle Joe. You will be retiring soon. We wish you good health and stay safe."

SEMBAWANG GRC

Through the Eyes of Students

SCAN THE QR CODES TO VIEW MORE OF THE STUDENTS' PHOTO ESSAYS

Students from Republic Polytechnic's Diploma in Mass Communication submitted a series of photo essays depicting the beauty of Sembawang GRC. Check out their entries that have made it on our Facebook page.



A HIDDEN WONDERLAND GETAWAY

BY: BHAIRAV N NADARAJAH, KOH XIN JIE RAIYI, NUR SHIMA SHAHIRA BTE ANUAR, TOBEY CHUA SI-LIANG

In Singapore, we often find it hard to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city. At Jelutung Harbour Park, there is a literal oasis of water and recreational activities. On top of that, it gives the community a place to relax and unwind.



BRIGHT SMILES: Enjoying their time after school, these students wear bright smiles as they spend time at the water park, well-equipped with water guns to battle it out with each other. (Photo: Raiyi)



WATER FOR SNAPS & PLAY: Water isn't just fun, but intricate. After a splash, capture the water bubbles and droplets to make something creative out of it.

A RECREATIONAL GEM: Surrounded by HDB blocks, Jelutung Harbour Park is a recreational oasis for people in Sembawang GRC to loosen up and have fun. From exercise areas to playgrounds, this park has everything one would need to relieve stress. (Photo: Shima)



A WONDERLAND IN VISTA PARK

BY: MUHAMMAD QASIMI REDHA B ROSLIE, LIM KIA YEE, NUR IRDINA BTE MOHD FADZLI, YASHASWINI D/O JAYABALAN

Located in the heart of Woodlands South, Vista Park is a hidden gem unknown to many. Woodlanders will be enthralled by the park as they relive their childhood, immersing themselves in aspects of the Alice in Wonderland-themed playgrounds.



THE PLAYING CARDS: Loyal servants and guards to the Queen of Hearts come to life in this park. They surround the space and serve the residents enjoying the playground. (Photo: Jia Yi)



A WONDERLAND FOR ALL AGES: Located directly in front of Woodgrove Secondary School, this magnificent playground is home to people of all ages to immerse themselves in fun. Students can have fun and unwind with their friends after school. (Photo: Jia Yi and Irdina)

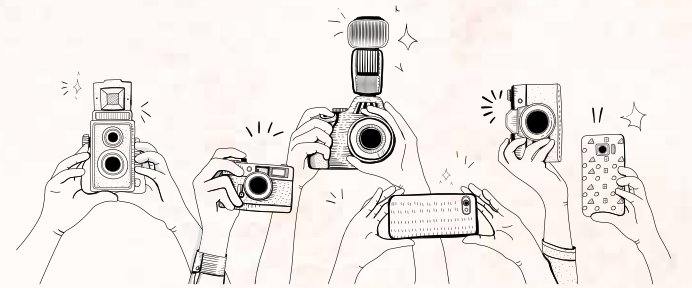


RELIVING ANIMATION IN REAL LIFE: The sign "Down The Rabbit Hole" marks the entrance of the playground. It evokes a sense of excitement in people when they step into the remake of their childhood movie. (Photo: Jia Yi)

CAPTURING GRATITUDE, RESPECT, AND COMPASSION

Sayang Sembawang x Canberra Secondary School Photography Contest

A photography contest was held in collaboration with students from Canberra Secondary School in April. Students were to submit a photo, accompanied with a caption, that encompasses the theme G.R.C. – Gratitude, Respect, and Compassion. Photo submissions were then uploaded on the Sayang Sembawang Facebook page where residents could vote for their favourite photos!



By Dejun & Jayden

“This photo is about me and my friend after school cleaning the classroom, this shows our gratitude towards the cleaners in the school who had worked very hard after our lessons are over. We also want to show compassion to our school cleaners to keep the school clean and tidy so that the cleaners will have an easier task the next day.”



By Marisa Tan Min Shyuan & Low Jing Rou

“This photo shows someone reaching out with their hands, expressing their gratitude towards the other person. The way they hold each other’s hands makes it feel warmth and assurance, knowing that they’re not alone. The flower also represents hope and cherished friendships.”



By Jarif & Samson

“This photo is about my friend, Shakir, talking with Jun Meng who is disabled. I saw them talking near the canteen and they looked very happy. I offered to take a photo. After that I helped Jun Meng to push the wheelchair to the canteen.”



By Lam Xin Yi & Loh Siew Yi

“As we look across the sea, we see our neighboring country. We used to travel there frequently and take this convenience for granted. However, in this time of uncertainty due to COVID-19 pandemic, we are isolated within our own country. We are grateful that we are still able to sit here in the park and enjoy the scenery. We need to be more compassionate and respectful to one another especially in times like this. Together we can overcome this hardship!”



By Ananya P & Sasmita R

“‘Be kind, be compassionate. Open your heart to help someone who is struggling to see the beauty in life again.’ This is a quote that we strongly believe in as it really describes us. We have always believed that mental health matters. We strongly believe that we need to give ourselves permission to unplug and regroup without feeling guilty and that we cannot be there for others if we do not take care of ourselves first. Through this picture, we wish to convey the message that you don’t have to be positive all the time. It’s perfectly ok to feel sad, angry, scared, or frustrated. Having feelings doesn’t make anyone a ‘negative person’ it makes you human. And that it’s ok to seek help. Being compassionate can really make a very big positive impact on people’s lives and help them for the better.”



By Nur Tamara Jessenia & Syafiqah Binte Rohaizam

“Comforting a friend in need is one of the many forms of compassion. In this picture, three fingers with faces and limbs drawn on them are seen hugging each other, with the pair at both sides seemingly cheerful whereas the one in the middle adorns a frown on their face, tearing up. This visualises a scenario of two friends comforting another friend who is feeling under the weather. We believe that spreading compassion enables others to grow as a person. Brightening up someone’s day will encourage others to do so as well, thus spreading the value around. If more people continue on the acts of compassion, we believe that the world would be a nicer place.”

STEPPING UP COVID-19 MEASURES IN OUR ESTATES



During this pandemic, Sembawang Town Council has intensified efforts on cleaning and sanitising areas to ensure that our Town remains a safe space for our residents. Some of the efforts include:

- ✓ Playground facilities and fitness corners are disinfected once every two days.
- ✓ Cleaning and wiping of high-touch surfaces, including lift buttons, lift panels and railings in and outside lift cars, are being done three times a day – in the mornings, afternoons and evenings. (To increase the safety of residents, a special antimicrobial coating is also used in cleaning efforts, which is effective in controlling and rupturing the target organisms upon contact. With a single application, this protective coating will be effective on treated surfaces for up to 90 days.)
- ✓ For other high-touch areas such as tables, chairs and letterboxes, cleaning and sanitising are done twice a day.
- ✓ Hand sanitisers are also placed in every lift in Sembawang GRC for residents' use. These bottles are refilled every alternate day.



While the Town Council ensures the safety of your environment, you can do your part by washing and sanitising your hands regularly and avoiding unnecessary contact with high-touch surfaces. Stay safe, stay healthy and take care!



COVID-19 SUPPORT MEASURES

On 28 May, the Ministry of Finance announced that support measures will be enhanced for affected businesses and individuals during the Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) period. Read on to find out how you can benefit from the grant.



COVID-19 Recovery Grant (CRG)



- **[New]** CRG (Temporary) (CRG-T) to provide one-off support for lower- to middle-income workers who are significantly affected by Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) measures and are currently not receiving CRG support:
 - Up to \$700 for employees placed on involuntary no-pay leave for at least 1 month.
 - Up to \$500 for employees and self-employed persons facing income loss of at least 50% for at least 1 month.
- **[Ongoing]** CRG to help lower- to middle-income workers who are financially impacted over a sustained period by COVID-19 in 2021:
 - Up to \$700 per month for 3 months for employees who have lost their jobs or are placed on involuntary no-pay leave for at least 3 consecutive months.
 - Up to \$500 per month for 3 months for employees and self-employed persons facing income loss of at least 50% on average for at least 3 consecutive months.
 - Eligible workers can receive a maximum of 2 tranches of support, totalling 6 months (excluding CRG-T support).



COVID-19 Driver Relief Fund



Drivers to get \$750 per vehicle per month, up from \$450, from 16 May '21 to 30 Jun '21.

Suspension of MOE Loan Repayment and Interest Charge




Suspension of loan repayment and interest charges for Tuition Fee Loans, Study Loans and Overseas Student Programme Loans for all autonomous university and polytechnic graduates extended by four months, from 31 May '21 to 30 Sep '21.

SEMBAWANG TOWN COUNCIL LAUNCHES NEW & IMPROVED WEBSITE


 Learn about us


 Check out town improvements, upcoming developments and more

 View services available for our residents

SCAN TO VIEW OUR NEW SITE



 Read the latest community news and happenings

 Locate us or let us know if you have any feedback

 Try out the new interactive map



Feedback reporting made simple through OneService Lite

Sembawang Town Council is partnering the Municipal Services Office (MSO) to pilot OneService Lite at selected blocks in Sembawang GRC. If you are living in one of these blocks, you may have noticed a new signage at your lift lobbies for feedback reporting through OneService Lite.

OneService Lite allows you to simply scan QR codes located at areas with high footfall, such as your lift lobbies, to submit feedback. This saves you the hassle of downloading the OneService App, or finding out which agency, Town Council or hotline you should report your case to.

The top neighbourhood issues that you can report through OneService Lite are:

- Dirty Public Areas
- Lighting Maintenance
- Common Area Maintenance

To receive case updates, simply leave your phone numbers and register on the OneService App with the same phone number.

**Scan QR Code
扫描QR码**

to report on cleanliness, lighting and common area maintenance issues!

如果您发现组屋区里的环境脏乱，电灯发生故障，或公共设施破损失修，请扫描QR码通知我们！



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欢迎使用一联通QR版。让我们来处理您在社区里发现的问题。

发现问题的地点:

 354B ADMIRALTY DRIVE
Lift Lobby A

问题类别:

环境脏乱

电灯不亮

公共设施破损失修

请提供详情:

请提供更多详情，让我们更快地处理和解决您的问题。


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Submit Case

You are submitting a case for:

 354B ADMIRALTY DRIVE
Lift Lobby A

Type of case:

Dirty Public Areas

Lighting Maintenance

Common Area Maintenance

Provide details of the issue:

Give more details so that we can attend promptly to your case.

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When did you see it?

OneService Lite is currently available in Mandarin at selected blocks with higher proportion of Chinese residents. SBTC and MSO will study the outcomes before commencing subsequent pilots in Malay and Tamil, and scaling up to more areas.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	NAME OF EVENT	TIME	VENUE
ADMIRALTY FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE CC AT 6891 3430			
7 Aug 2021	Admiralty National Day Celebrations	6.30pm to 8.30pm	Virtual

PLEASE VISIT THE 'OUR ADMIRALTY' FACEBOOK PAGE FOR EVENT UPDATES

CANBERRA FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE CC AT 6755 6369			
19 Jun 2021	Residents' Get-Together – Talent Show (finals)	7pm to 9pm	Blk 416 Canberra Road
25 Jun 2021	Canberra Valorant Competition	9am to 9pm	Online (E-Gaming)

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SEMBAWANG CENTRAL FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE CC AT 6758 4183

PLEASE VISIT THE 'SEMBAWANG CENTRAL COMMUNITY' FACEBOOK PAGE FOR EVENT UPDATES

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NEWSLETTER QUIZ

These sentences have appeared somewhere in this newsletter. To win, simply write down the page number and headline of the story in which the sentence can be found. For example, the answer to the sentence "They donate their harvest to needy and elderly homes on a regular basis." would be "Page 10: Sembawang GRC Gardeners Give Back To The Community". All entries should reach the given address below latest by 31 July 2021.

It is a nationwide campaign that aims to inculcate a shared responsibility to keep our estates clean.

Answer:

The festival set a precedent for inclusiveness and gender equality where men also came forward to share their expertise and recognise women's achievements.

Answer:

With a single application, this protective coating will be effective on treated surfaces for up to 90 days.

Answer:

Great prizes to be won:
6 LUCKY WINNERS WILL GET \$45 EACH!

**Winners will be issued cheques*

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS IN THE LAST CONTEST:

- Puteri Nurni Bte Khairudin
- Michelle Lim Jia Min
- Yeoh Hui Fang
- Jasmine Teo Yi Lin
- Yip Soon Keong
- Noraini Bte Sudri