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Saliena Newsletter

A B E T T E R W A Y O F L I F E

Welcome to the Saliena Newsletter!

It

seems like only yesterday that we were basking in the summer sun, but autumn is well and truly with us now. The kids are back at school, and our forest park and gardens are bursting with vibrant oranges and yellows. Here's the autumn news from Saliena.

We recently surveyed

Saliena residents to obtain feedback about our newsletters. Firstly, many thanks to everyone who answered our questions and let us know their thoughts and ideas. We are delighted that you are enjoying the newsletters and want us to continue with them.

We've taken all your comments on board and have made a few changes accordingly. From now on, the most important information and photos will be published on the Saliena website, in the 'News' section www.saliena.com. This information will also be published on our Saliena Facebook page.

The newsletters will also be issued in printed format and hand-delivered into your mailboxes on a quarterly basis – Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter.



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Beer festival

On 5 August, the Saliena Golf Complex hosted the third annual Saliena Beer Festival. This event has grown into a fun tradition, which brings together Saliena residents, their friends and neighbours, and Saliena golf club members. This year, around 60 people at-

tended the event, to enjoy a tasty BBQ, lots of chilled beer, music and great conversation. The event was a big success, with the merriment lasting until well after midnight. We hope to see you all again next year at the Saliena Beer Festival 2012, which will take place in the brand new Saliena park.





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Construction of Saliena park

As reported in a previous newsletter, we have already started construction on the Saliena park project. This green leisure spot will be located at the entrance to our next residential phase - you've probably already noticed the landscaping activity and appearance of new trees. We are making great progress and everything is going according to plan. All earth and landscaping works have now been completed and the pond has been successfully filled. The pavement has also been laid and initial planting of trees and shrubs has been completed.

As the project has evolved, we've made a number of decisions to improve on the original plan. Our main aim is to optimise the park design and make it even more attractive for our residents and visitors. These new improvements have pushed the budget up from EUR 170,000 to EUR 200,000. However, we are happy to bear this cost, as we understand that the park will improve the quality of life for Saliena residents.

In spring 2012 we plan to complete all preparatory works at the park. We will install benches, bike stands and rubbish bins and a new playground. And, last but not least, we will install a spectacular new fountain before the opening of the summer season.

We very much hope you that you will enjoy the new Saliena park and that it will become a popular leisure spot where you can take your kids for a walk, have fun with your friends, and participate in Saliena community events and celebrations.



Streets transferred to Babīte Parish

We are pleased to announce that Babite Council has now finalised its takeover of certain Saliena streets. From 16 September, the council now owns Silarāju iela, Brūklenāju iela, Papardes iela, Mētru iela, Pieneņu iela, Pureņu iela and Veldres iela.

In future, we request that residents with questions concerning the above streets should contact Babīte Parish Council. From our side, the GOLF ESTATE SERVICE company is still ready to offer additional services to residents on these streets in relation to property management and maintenance.



Saliena Wi-Fi Internet

We are continually working to improve the free *Saliena Wi-Fi* Internet service, but we would like to remind you that *Saliena Wi-Fi* is intended for temporary use only. It is a modern amenity for our residents to use whilst 'on-the-go'. Thanks to *Saliena Wi-Fi*, you can read your email whilst out walking in the forest park, or use the Internet whilst watching your kids in the playground. However, we'd like to remind you that *Saliena Wi-Fi* should not be con-

sidered as permanent Internet connection.

At home, we recommend that all residents use *Lattelecom's* very latest optical connection which will provide a stable and fast Internet connection, as well as other services.

If you don't currently have an optical Internet connection and would like to obtain one, please contact *Lattelecom* manager Maija Kuksa on **+371 2977 5344**, e-mail: ag-maija.kuksa@lattelecom.lv

Attention – dog owners

We've received a number of complaints from residents who've seen dogs running around Saliena without a leash or owner. We'd like to ask all dog owners to comply with public regulations and always accompany their pets on walks, preferably on a leash. We understand that your dogs are probably well-trained and non-aggressive, but not everybody knows this, and stray dogs can frighten or injure small children who don't know how to treat animals properly. Dogs can also endanger the lives of themselves and others by running across roads. We also remind you to clear up your dog poop from the pavements and forest paths.

We have a friendly attitude towards pets and their owners and when necessary we have always tried to help find lost pets, but we do ask pet owners to observe the rules regarding pets in Saliena. We'd like to inform you that the Saliena Security team will call out a dog-catching service if they find any stray dogs.

Municipal news

- The first module-type kindergarten in the Baltic States has opened in Babīte. The kindergarten will be offering a place to any child who lives in Babīte/Saliena. Kids born in 2008 from more than 40 families have already been admitted to the kindergarten.

- Great news for swimming fans! After the summer holidays, the Babīte Sports Complex swimming pool in Piņķi has opened its doors. The pool and sauna can be enjoyed by all Saliena residents at discount prices.

- Ice skating lovers will also be pleased to hear that *Inbox.lv* Ice Rink is about to open its season. Anybody with a home address in Babīte/Saliena will be able to go skating completely free of charge. The free skating offer is on Sundays from 15.45–16.45. When planning your skating, we suggest that you call the ice rink's office on **+371 6714 7000** beforehand, just to make sure that there have been no changes to the offer.

That's all for now. We hope you have a great autumn season! From the Saliena team