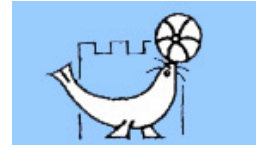


# Robbeburg Newsletter



**Robbeburg International Playgroup**

**[www.robbeburg.com](http://www.robbeburg.com)**

August 2008

Welcome to the August 2008 edition of the Robbeburg newsletter. We are pleased to report that Robbeburg made a small profit in the second quarter of this year. Thank you to all our group leaders for their efforts in gaining new members and in retaining our existing ones.

We have some fun events planned for the second half of this year, starting with our Hallowe'en Party on Sunday October 26 – please keep this afternoon free, more details to follow.

We would like to say goodbye and thank you to committee member Paul Bullas who has returned to Australia and welcome to Anne Hampton who joins the committee as Special Projects Co-ordinator.

As always, if you have any ideas or suggestions as to how we could improve the playgroup please email [co-chair@robbeburg.com](mailto:co-chair@robbeburg.com)

Best wishes

**Claire and Anna, Co-chairs**



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## Yummy Mummies

Congratulations to all our new mums: Daniela and her new arrival, Casey Joy; Sandra and new baby Lily; Maria and her son Daniel; Petrina and daughter Alannah Rose and Vincent and Katie-Lee and their new arrival, Mariah. Good luck too to all our pregnant members. We look forward to welcoming your new babies to Robbeburg soon.

## Robbeburg Publicity

Please help us spread the word about Robbeburg. Take some flyers or cards from the publicity tray and leave them at your doctor's office, consultatiebureau, your local Albert Hein etc – wherever you think we could reach the international community. If you have any ideas on how to expand our publicity drive, please talk to your group leader or email [co-chair@robbeburg.com](mailto:co-chair@robbeburg.com)

## Trick or Treat?

Our Hallowe'en Party will take place on Sunday October 26 from 3pm until 6pm. If any mums or dads would like to volunteer to help organise the party please contact Anne Hampton - [annehamps@hotmail.com](mailto:annehamps@hotmail.com)



## Wednesday Afternoon German Group

Our new Wednesday afternoon German-speaking group began in June and is progressing well. Sessions start at 3pm. For more information contact group leader [maike.wilhelmi@gmx.de](mailto:maike.wilhelmi@gmx.de)

## Toy Cleaning

Thank you very much to everyone who helped with the August toy cleaning. Another toy cleaning session will take place in September, please participate if you can.

## Birthday parties at Robbeburg

Robbeburg is available for hire at the weekend, in the evenings and on selected afternoons. Members can hire the playgroup for 60 euros, the cost for non-members is 80 euros. For more information contact [partybookings@robbeburg.com](mailto:partybookings@robbeburg.com)



## Where shall we go today?

Just 10 minutes walk north of Robbeburg, at the base of the Okura Hotel in Lizzy Ansinghamstraat, is a **Kinderboerderij** where kids can see donkeys, ponies, goats, sheep, ducks, tortoises, rabbits, pigs and geese. When they are tired of looking at the animals there is a sandpit and lots of puzzles and toys. Entrance is free, feed for the animals is 50 cents.

<http://home.wanadoo.nl/kinderboerderijdepij>



If the weather is bad, try **TunFun**, a large underground playground beneath Waterlooplein. The top end of the play park has a ball pit and soft play areas for babies and toddlers whilst the rest of the park has trampolines, climbing cages, football pitches, inflatables, go-carts, bowling lanes and other fun for older kids. Admission is 7.50 euros for kids, adults go free.

[www.tunfun.nl](http://www.tunfun.nl)



East of the city in the Plantage district is the compact **Amsterdam Zoo**. As well as lions, giraffes, elephants, monkeys, sea lions, exotic birds, lemurs, gorillas and crocodiles there are playgrounds, a farmyard, aquarium and butterfly pavilion. Admission is 17,70 euros for adults, 14.50 for children and under 3s go free.

[www.artis.nl](http://www.artis.nl)



A little farther east from the Zoo, the **Tropenmuseum** tells the story of the Dutch colonies and also has sections on Africa, India and South America. A great place for a wet afternoon, there are lots of interactive screens, video displays and things to touch and discover. Saturdays and Sundays usually have kids activities such as mask or hat making and story telling. Admission is 7.50 euros for adults, 4 euros for children and under 6s go free.

[www.tropenmuseum.nl](http://www.tropenmuseum.nl)



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## Want to be Fit, Flexible and Strong?

Improve your flexibility, strength, fitness and good looks in just one short session of yoga at Robbeburg. Seems too good to be true? Well perhaps a little exaggeration, but certainly your strength and flexibility could be improved by a series of yoga classes at Robbeburg on Monday evenings. Classes are run by Daniela Gfeller (Tues morning mum) and are from 7.45pm to 9.15pm. The cost is a mere €10 per session or €85 for a multi entry card covering 10 visits. Please wear comfortable clothes. Mats are available but feel free to bring your own.

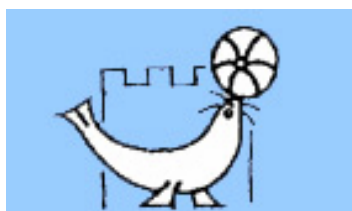
## Any ideas?

The Robbeburg space is currently available on Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. If you would like to start another group, or have any other ideas as to how the space could be used, please let us know.

## The Robbeburg Committee

We are always looking for new committee members, if you are interested in taking a more active part in the running of Robbeburg, please contact [co-chair@robbeburg.com](mailto:co-chair@robbeburg.com)

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