



# VVE MAASDAM



# NEWSLETTER

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*Through this newsletter we provide you with some information about the Maasdam Owner's Association, the building and its neighbourhood. This newsletter and other information about (living in) the Maasdam can also be found on our website; [www.vvemaasdam.nl](http://www.vvemaasdam.nl).*

### **Message of the board concerning the corona virus**

Due to the corona virus, we have now entered a period that no one has foreseen and never thought would be possible.

This is most unfortunate, but as the board of the owners association, we would like to ask you all to take proper care of each other in our building; be advised to keep proper distance (also in the elevator), coughing in the arm/elbow and to refrain from shaking hands.

Furthermore, it is everyone's responsibility to deal with this properly. From our side we asked our janitor Jack to daily clean the door handles and elevator buttons.

Residents that depend on third parties outside our building for purchases, collecting medication, or otherwise, are invited to inform us as soon as possible. We are pleased that several other residents are volunteering to provide support (see the notice below on the residents group app).

We do not know what lies ahead of us in the coming period, but we know that this will also pass.

### **The Helmersstraat Residents WhatsApp Group**

Because of the corona crisis, we would like to bring a previous message from an earlier newsletter to your attention: one of our residents volunteered to manage a WhatsApp group that allows a more direct communication among residents. This can also be used to help out each other when needed. This concerns two WhatsApp groups:

#### Emergency group app Maasdam.

There may be occasions where, as residents of the Maasdam, we want to reach each other immediately. Examples of possible situations: intruders in the building, car lights left on, elevator problem, etc. This app group will be meant only for urgent matters. The group administrator will help prevent that the group gets used unnecessarily. If you join this group, the intention is that you leave sound or tactile notifications on, to guarantee that the objective of the app group—to immediately reach each other—is indeed met. Essentially, this What's App group should remain unused for weeks or even months.

#### Chat group app Maasdam.

In this group app, everyone will be able to get in touch with fellow residents. A real chat channel, so to speak. If you are looking for specific tips and tricks for your apartment or balcony/terrace/parking space/basement storage, if you would like to give away furniture or other items you no longer use yourself to other residents, or if you are in need of help due to illness, etc. You can put this app group on mute, so that you are not disturbed by incoming app messages. In principle, the group administrator

does not take an active role, he will only ensure that the app remains respectful.

If there are enough residents who are interested, both group apps will be set up and managed by Erik van Berkum, apartment 105, phone [+31] 0653637389. To register, just send an app to this phone number with your name and apartment number. More people per apartment are welcome to join.

### **Contact with the board**

These WhatsApp Groups are outside the responsibilities of the board, and as such the board is not involved with the contents of these WhatsApp groups. For questions to the board and to technical committee, you can continue to use the following email addresses:

- [bestuur@vvemaasdam.nl](mailto:bestuur@vvemaasdam.nl)
- [techniek@vvemaasdam.nl](mailto:techniek@vvemaasdam.nl)

### **Board change**

Following the most recent general meeting, there has been a slight change in the board members and their tasks, as follows:

Harrie Vugts – chairman

Miriam Visser - Secretary

Robert-Paul van de Wel - Treasurer

Peter Steinz - general board member & camera surveillance garage

Bram Deurwaarder - general board member & technical committee