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Donatello*, grower's miniplum tomato of choice

AGRI-PULSE - Brett Miller recently acquired a farm in the coastal belt just north of Port Alfred a few miles off the R72. A farrier by trade and after many successful years working in his profession, he and his wife Sally decided to start farming. With a passion to turn the soil, they started from scratch with only a couple of greenhouses.

Initially, Brett began growing various well-known and marketleading varieties to support his new lifestyle. It was only after a couple of crops that he then contacted Nuvance for advice and variety options. I realised on my first visit that Brett was not going to be easily swayed, but he remained open to different views and suggestions. He was also very willing to look and trial new varieties/options as the local demand for his mini-plum tomatoes grew. Nuvance, with its recent acquisition by Dutch-based Bejo, is now in a leading position to supply varieties of numerous crop categories that can compete equally and often better than some of our competitor varieties. The timing was thus perfect. With the help of our product development manager, Dr Quintin Muhl, we sourced several new varieties and amongst them a phenomenal mini-plum tomato variety which we knew would suit our producer's specifications here in Southern Africa. One of these varieties was the new NTOM005, which Brett agreed to put to the test. The trial was very successful and for his subsequent planting, Brett decided to order a large portion of NTOM005 to supplement his growing orders for miniplum tomatoes.

NTOM005 has been a great success countrywide and was recently submitted for registration as Donatello*. A perfectly sculpted miniplum tomato that is guaranteed to yield. Donatello* has a very good disease package including Tomato Mosaic Virus (ToMV), Tomato Yellow Leaf Curl Virus (TYLCV), Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV), Fusarium (Fol:1) and Nematodes (Ma/Mi/Mj). Key benefits observed by Brett between Donatello* and another market-leading variety were that Donatello* plants were more vigorous, earlier into production and ultimately had the higher yield. Also, Donatello* showed good field tolerance against powdery mildew, whereas Brett had to react with immediate and regular spraying on some of his other varieties to bring the powdery mildew under control. An issue that many growers are familiar with especially along the coastal routes where the relative humidity is often high.

As a developing producer, Brett also grows cucumbers, peppers and regular round tomatoes all under plastic. This diversity of vegetable crops assists him to maintain a progressive cash flow without being dictated by the market of a single crop. Brett also packs all his produce on the farm under the label of 'Chelsea Veg' which also allows him some leverage when it comes to the surrounding markets. Sally is equally invested in the business by keeping the finances in order and the customers content. Often when I'm quizzing Brett on issues of the business regarding costs, he replies with 'just ask Sally' with a gentle

Recently their son Liam also joined the operation and the expansion of their farm continues. We at Nuvance continue to work closely with Brett and Sally and are confident that they will grow the business according to their long-term vision. We look forward to being a small contributor to their success.



Brett Miller and Dr Quintin Muhl (Nuvance)

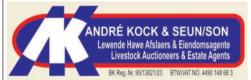


Freshly packed Donatello*.









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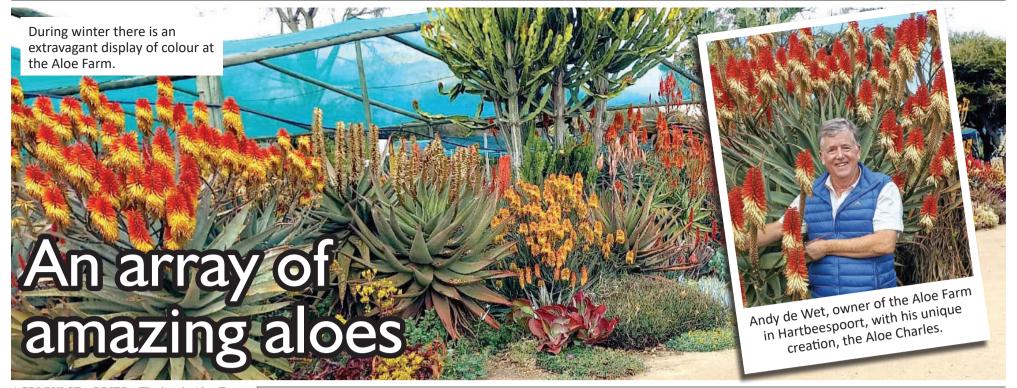
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AGRI-PULSE – BRITS – The iconic Aloe Farm in Hartbeespoort, has several thousand aloes of all shapes and sizes that make a show stopping display with natural African winter splendour at its best.

During winter (July) aloes show off the most when in full flower. They also provide a muchneeded food source for bees and birds during this dry and cold period.

AgriPulse paid the Aloe Farm a visit, in the middle of July and experienced the opulence of blooming aloes in an array of colours, complemented by the symphonic phenomenon of thousands of birds, first hand.

Any de Wet founder and owner of the De Wet group and the Aloe Farm, spoke to AgriPulse and is like a walking library with his botanical knowledge, comparable to geniusness, he shared some interesting information and his passion for aloes.

*The De Wet group are at the cutting edge of horticulture, developing globally sought after new plant varieties, and providing excellent quality products and service to you, their valued customer. The Aloe Farm does wholesale and retail plants, but is also a plant breeding and research nursery working on mainly Southern African plants.

Andy is a qualified botanist; he obtained a master's degree in botany in 1980, but had already began pursuing his keen interest in plant breeding. To date Andy has over 49 years' experience in plant development and selection.

"Aloes have largely been overlooked, yet they have enormous potential as garden plants" says Andy. "Their ability to withstand dry conditions, appealing foliage and amazing diverse floral displays makes them exceptionally suitable in the modern horticultural scene that is always looking for something new."

The original species are adapted to specific field conditions and are often not suitable as garden plants. The work De Wet has put into the improvement of the genus has resulted in the emergence of complex, but amazing hybrids.

All new aloes produced by De Wet Plant Breeders are selected from many calculated combinations for appealing appearance and suitability to general gardening conditions. All the aloe hybrids and selections have been through strict trial and selection procedures for several years to prove their superior qualities before their release. Having seen these varieties you can be safely assured that these are premium products.

One of the most amazing cultivars Andy has created, is the Aloe Charles. "I named it after my father, Charles Andrew de Wet snr," says Andy.

This is the aloe one would use as a specimen focal plant in a succulent or aloe garden bed. It is hardy, grows to about two meters plus and has a single stem which divides dichotomously (a term that describes divided or dividing into two parts or classifications) to become multi headed. It is highly resistant to most aloe diseases, grows moderately fast and easy. The multitude of bicolour flowers in mid-winter makes it arguably the most spectacular aloes in cultivation. For the gardener it is important to know that aloes need mainly three things: full sun, good drainage and rich soil.

For more information visit the website https://www.cndnursery.co.za/the-aloe-farm



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Donatello*







Earliness Very early

Maturity 55 – 60 days

Plant Indeterminate

Fruit Cherry Plum (brix ± 9.0)

Average fruit weight 22 – 24 g

Disease resistance/tolerance ToMV, TYLCV, TSWV, F1, N

Features/benefits Excellent fruit quality combined with high yield

potential. Strong plant growth habit with very early maturity for all major and various climate conditions. Donatello* is suited for single fruit or cluster picking. Double stem pruning is recommended to increase the number of fruits per plant. The fruit are firm and offer extended shelf life.

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"Today wasn't a good day for me. Not that the previous days were any better, but today was even worse.

My two sisters and I were born in a cage and while we were still very, very young, we were separated from our mom. We spent every day getting handled by little children, posing for endless photos, even though it made us very anxious. The kids and their parents enjoyed it a lot, so nobody even stopped to wonder what will happen to my sisters and I when we grew too big to get picked up and petted.

For more than eight months that

Then, this morning men came to fetch us and they brought us to this place where my sisters and I are kept away from each other, each one in a very, very small cage. I can hear my sisters moan; we haven't been fed anything since we arrived. We do not have water in our cages either. My cage is so small that I can barely move.

Maybe they will move me to a bigger cage tomorrow. Perhaps."

This is the fate of many lions born in captivity. If they do not fall victim to trophy hunters, they are killed, slaughtered and their bones are sold as ingredients for Oriental 'traditional medicine'. The reality is that for many breeders, lions are worth more dead than alive.

Siberian tiger is also completely at home here at

his new abode. "We recently had a visitor from

Siberia, and this woman was thrilled to actually

The lovely black leopard that lies contentedly

see a real live Siberian tiger first hand for the

first time in her entire life," says Armand.

under a tree in its camp is the epitome of an

animal in good condition. "But that's not what

he looked like when he arrived here," Armand

recounts. "The animal's owner has died and for

properly. When he arrived here, he was hungry,

And this is where the great reward for

Armand and the rest of the team lies: to see the

opportunity for visitors to see the animals in a

on a project in Botswana where rescued wild

animals can be safely housed. They are also

You can contribute to the well-being of the

animals by visiting Lost Valley. Until it is

you call ahead to make arrangements.

safe environment, but also to make it educational

by providing the opportunity for veterinarians to

Gert, Fransia and Armand are also working

investigating the possibility of releasing cheetahs

officially open to the public, it is important that

Lost Valley's vision is not only to provide the

months there was no one to take care of him

sick and weak."

animals thrive at Lost Valley.

work with exotic animals.

there in the wild.

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Call Armand on 062 230 8760 for more information.

AGRI-PULSE - Now meet Armand Gerber.

Armand's life revolves around protecting

wildlife - lions, cheetahs, leopards, caracals and

even a bunch of tigers and a jaguar or two - and

providing a safe, comfortable environment for

has been able to make a difference for the lives

that aims to make their place of safety a mecca

for endangered wildlife. Armand, Gert Jansen

tirelessly at Lost Valley outside Rustenburg to

Armand fetched from dangerous or unhealthy

conditions. Some of the animals are rescues, but

a lot of them he went to buy at places where the

The animals at Lost Valley are animals that

"Especially some of the lions that now lead

such a good life here were in danger of becoming

victims of the horrific bone trade," says Armand.

And a good life it definitely is. The lions

at Lost Valley are in large, comfortable camps

with rocks on which they can make their best

'Lion King' poses and lie down after dinner to

The tigers are clearly very happy here too.

They frolic in their spacious camp, swim in their

pool and play with balls and other toys. The

van Rensburg and Fransia Scheepers work

create a home for the animals in their care.

animals could not lead a quality life.

proclaim their contentment loudly.

of a few animals, but now he is also part of a trio

On his own, this game ranger and river guide

those he can save.



Gert Jansen van Rensburg, Fransia Scheepers and Armand Gerber hope to make a real, lasting difference in the quality of life of wild animals.



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Lydia Seleka demonstrating how cotton seed and pulp are separated.

Unisa students hosted by ARC Rustenburg for crucial training

AGRI-PULSE – NORTH WEST – A group of 21 students of the University of South Africa (Unisa) have spent two days at the Rustenburg campus of the ARC's (Agricultural Research Council) VIMP division (Vegetables, Industrial Crops and Medicinal Plants) for crucial further training on a number of agricultural practices recently.

The course which ran over two days, has equipped no less than 21 students with important skills ranging from soil types, soil analysis to an introduction to various lesser known crops.

The two day course kicked off with lectures on how to extract soil samples, a visit to the soil laboratory where Ronel Schwan illustrated how different elements such as carbon,

phosphates and calium are analised by means of sophisticated equipment such as the atom absorption photo spectro photometer. This was followed by a lecture by Kwena Mokgoloa to demonstrate to students how hemp is cultivated in glass houses in order to increase seed with regard to the South African cultivars HempSA1 and HempSA2. Another very interesting lecture was at the mini cotton "gin" (mechanical machinery) where Lydia Seleka showed students how cotton seeds are separated from pulp. Messrs William Weeks and Jeoffrey Henshaw of the Department of Agriculture in Potchefstroom have instructed students on the process of "knapsack" calibration as well as the calculation of volumes for insecticides and weed-killers.

This year's course was aimed at fourth year students and has included working on crops such as cotton, tobacco, cassava, sisal, hemp and flax, with additional focus on issues such as spacing, plant population, irrigation, weed and insect control, climate requirements, harvest procedures and methods.

The ARC's team of presenters included Johan de Bruin, Kwena Mokgoloa, Lydia Seleka, Dr Tilla van der Westhuizen and William Weeks and Jeoffrey Henshaw from the Department of Agriculture in Potchefstroom.

For more information on how you and your crops could benefit from the expertise and experience of the ARC's Rustenburg campus – contract Dr Tilla van der Westhuizen on 064 902 9675.



Training on knapsack calibration by the Department of Agriculture in Potchefstroom.



William Weeks (left) and Jeoffrey Henshaw of the Department of Agriculture in Potchefstroom.



Kwena Mokgoloa of the ARC's Rustenburg campus instructing Unisa students on the classification of hemp.









Gerhard Bruwer with learners of Futurum Academy private schools with an agriculture teacher, Marelize Janse van Rensburg.



Rhyk Welgemoed, Gerhard Bruwer, Ivor Price, Pieter van der Merwe, Alewyn Schlebusch, Pieter van Niekerk, Stefan Smith, Elias Kampher and Arno de Kock.



Elias Kampher, Rhyk Welgemoed and Arno de Kock of Rivulis.

Louis van Heerden and Johan Cloete.



AGRIPULSE: VAALHARTS: Vaalharts District Agricultural Union celebrated its 70th anniversary on Thursday (21 July) at The Venue in Hartswater, Northern Cape. The approximately 110 farmers and some of their spouses, agribusinesses and former and current board members of the Agricultural Union were welcomed by Christelle Stoman, Manager of the Agricultural Union. Rev Marias Kluge, minister of Magogong, but also a former Vice-President of Agri Northern Cape opened the event with an appropriate agricultural message. Ivor Price, well-known radio and TV presenter, was the master of ceremonies and, apart from introducing the speakers, also shared his experiences and sensations about farmers throughout South Africa who have appeared in his programmes. The "toeka tot nou" theme kicked-off with a video on display about the emergence of Vaalharts in 1938 when the first settlers were placed there to offer the then poor whites a place to live. The video showed how the construction of canals and dams began as early as 1934. Today, Vaalharts Irrigation System is one of the most widely known, wellknown and most thriving irrigation areas in the country. Pieter van Niekerk, chairperson of the Agricultural Union (2009-2013) paid tribute to all the former board members since its inception in 1952. Previously, the Agricultural Union was known as Vaalharts Farmers' Union but was changed to Vaalharts District Agricultural Union in 2004 to be more comprehensive.

The company Rivulis, specialists in drip irrigation and who also sponsored the day made a presentation. Elias Kampher (Sales Manager Southern Africa) and his colleagues Rhyk Neethling and Arno de Kock informed the guests about their product, especially the latest technology in drip irrigation, the D5000. They also had an exhibition of their products.

Alewyn Schlebusch, chairperson from 2013-2017 acknowledged past and present agricultural businesses that provided a service to the farmers. Some of the best-known agribusinesses that have contributed to the development of the scheme include Vaalharts Co-operative, Langeberg factory, a peanut butter factory, wine cellar, citrus warehouse, nearby cheese factory, ventilation beads, silos and many others. Today, Vaalharts boasts no fewer than nine pecan processing plants, peanut plants, olive factory, citrus warehouses, Vaalharts Cotton, various Lucerne depots, feedlots and many others. Senwes/Hinterland, Obaro and GWK are the three agribusinesses in this area. Gerhard Bruwer, Agri SA Young Farmer of the Year 2021 subsequently emerged as special guest speaker. In a video, Gerhard could be seen why he was named national Young Farmer. Not only does he have a passion for agriculture, but he also makes a difference in his community by running various upliftment projects on his farm. He acknowledges today's challenge but also says that with planning and adaptive farmers will overcome the difficult times, especially with rising fertilizer and diesel prices. As an irrigation farmer from Douglas, he also portrayed Eskom as the greatest challenges to farming sustainably from now on.

Stefan Smith, chairperson from 2017-2021, acknowledged the pioneer farmers who helped develop Vaalharts from a desert area to this particular irrigation area in difficult circumstances. Some

of these pioneer farmers were also present and were able to tell their own stories at the event. Vaalharts has also produced quality farmers over the years. There was Alfons Visser – Agricultural Writers' Association Farmer of the Year winner (2008), Jaco Strauss Agri Northern Cape Young Farmer of the Year. In 2017, he was also named national winner. (2008 and 2017), Joos Mostert Irrigation Barley Farmer (2008), Ben Badenhorst National Barley Farmer of the Year (2009), Louis Claassen – National Potato Nut Grower of the Year (2019), Johan Lategan – Finalist Agri NK Young Farmer of the Year competition (2021), Dewald Dempers - Vaalharts' entry for Agri NK Young Farmer 2022 competition (winner to be named at Congress in August) (2022), Vaalharts Young Farmer Association established with about 50 farmers who are going to tune in (2022). Pieter van der Merwe, current chairperson of the Agricultural Union, concluded the event by saying that the future of agriculture is in the hands of the new generation of farmers. Referring to the young farmers and also the future generation represented by the agricultural class of the local school. Vaalharts Veteran Club kindly came to exhibit their "toeka" tractors and implements. LR Tractors and JSF (Joint Specialized Farming) came to exhibit the latest technology in tractors and implements, representing the "now". There was also an exhibition of historical documents – including minutes of books dating from 1952 until now, books, photo albums

Origin of Vaalharts Irrigation Scheme –

The Vaalharts Irrigation Scheme was geographically possible because the Vaal River flows about 450 feet higher than the Harts River. In addition, there is a fairly low neck in the bulge between Warrenton and Vaalharts. In 1873, these geographical antics were already noted. In 1882-1882 Cecil John Rhodes had the area measured with a view to irrigation, but it was not approved by the then Cape Parliament. However, Cecil John Rhodes started planning the railway line between Kimberley and the then Rhodesia (which would run through the scheme) in 1989. In 1989, the scheme was again measured, but the 2nd Boer War disabled further operations. In 1904, Mr. Goden, Director of Irrigation, once again reported on the possibilities of the scheme. At first it was thought that the storage dam would be built just above Christiana instead of the Vaal Dam as it is today. In 1908, Mr. Kanthack reported detrimental to the scheme because it would be too expensive; smaller schemes would be more economical. During the years 1921-1925, the area was intensively surveyed and the soil structure investigated. After the severe drought and depression years in 1933, it was decided to start the project again. £20,000 has been allocated to start the irrigation scheme. This provided work for thousands of people, who began to build the main canal, division channels and community water furrows. It employed about 1,626 people. In 1937 the Department of Lands began to develop the farming portion of the Vaalharts Scheme by laying out premises and deforestation and levelling of land. The land was first divided into blocks of 180 morg (154 hectares) and each block into six 30-morg (25 hectare) plots. In 1937 the scheme was completed so far that the Department

of Lands could begin placing settlers as probationary tenants. In 1938, the first 80 hooves-dwellers were placed here. From 1939 to 1941, some 304 settlers were placed here. It was then decided that no further settlers would gain ground until after the war so that the ex-warriors, especially of the 2nd World War, might also be eligible

From 1945 onwards, there were again settlers placed here, totaling 1,174 from 1938 to 1951. They were kept under trial in the first few years and helped by the state with tools, seeds, manure, fertilizers etc. Until they became self-employed. Each trial tenant received a team of six oxen or mules, draft tools, ten dairy cows, a light trolley wagon, a one-sided cover plow, a harrow and garden tool such as a shovel, spit fork, rake and watering. The Department of Lands deforested only part of each site and initially only 10 morg (8.6 hectares) could be cultivated. The rest were used for grazing. Joint grazing camps were also made available. Counselling officers provided training to the farmers and in 1938 an agricultural research station was installed along the road to Warrenton to advise the department and farmers. Farmers were initially instructed to produce feed mainly for their animals. This sometimes led to clashes between trial tenants and counselling officers because the tenants wanted to plant cash crops instead. After a trial period of at least one year and a maximum of five years, tenants would be able to purchase the premises and get their deeds for its premises. The early years were difficult. The soil was raw, barren, and the pests filled with multiplication. 7% of settlers left the scheme again. The farmers had other problems. The freak storm that hit the country at the end of August 1943, which also caused exceptionally heavy rain and much damage in Vaalharts, washed away the railway tracks. roads, and fields in places, and some of the low - lying sites were submerged. To prevent similar disasters and prevent waterlogging of the premises, it was subsequently started with the construction of drainage and floodwater vortexes. The runoff from the canals and three-mining ditches transformed the Harts River under the scheme into an ever-standing stream. At Spitskop, a dam with a landslide, was built from which land could be irrigated under the Harts River. When the settlers divided their premises into three parts with one part under Lucerne and two parts under wheat and peanuts, they received lucrative cash harvests. The remaining settlers who stayed, were richly rewarded. Although not yet rich, most of Vaalharts' people are an honest, hardworking, responsible and self-reliant community. The former bland settler cottage was transformed into beautiful graceful dwellings, the trailer gave way to modern vehicles, including some of the more expensive American cars. For many farmers, the animals became too long as drafts and were replaced with tractors and farming was magnified. There are approximately 1 250 sites that, together with the Irrigation Works at Taung, cover an area of almost 40 000 hectares. From the sparsely populated semi-desert, Vaalharts developed into a densely populated and thriving region. (Photos: supplied)



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Baked Camembert and Nut Phyllo Ingredients for 3 servings: Bake in oven at 200°C.

Ingredients:

A round camembert cheese cut into three fingers, two sheets of phyllo cut in half, an egg white beaten, half a cup of chopped nuts (walnuts or pecans), melted butter, beetroot chutney, cranberry sauce and Acai berry powder for garnish.

Method:

Lay phyllo sheet on the table and spread with butter, dip camembert fingers in egg white and then roll in the chopped nuts. Place on the bottom of the buttered phyllo and roll twice over, fold sides in and roll

Brush with more melted butter and bake at 200°C for about 10 minutes until golden brown.

Serve on top of beetroot chutney or any relish of your choice, spoon over some cranberry sauce and drizzle with honey. Use different edible flowers such as basil, mint, lavender or miniature pansies to decorate.

For a plating idea

Click on the video link https://bit.ly/bakedcamembertnutphyllo and create your own masterpiece.

Chocolate Cake recipe without flour and a touch of coffee. Ingredients make six portions and are baked at 180°C.

Ingredients:

125ml water 225g butter

190g sugar

4 teaspoonfuls of ground coffee beans or very fine instant espresso coffee powder,

340g dark chocolate,

five eggs

95g extra sugar.

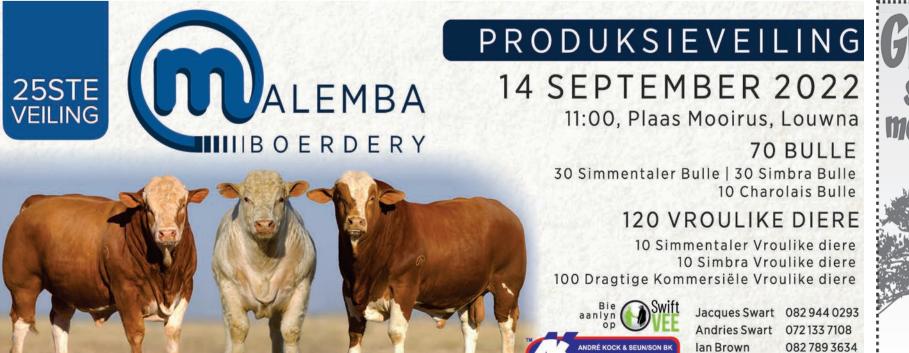
Method:

bring water, sugar and butter to the boil. Remove from heat and add chocolate and stir until dissolved and add coffee. Beat sugar and eggs together and mix through cooled chocolate mixture. Pour into greased ramekins and bake in a water bath (bain-marie) until almost set. Remove and cool. Serve with vanilla ice cream and a gentle sprinkle of fine ground coffee.

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Extension of operations at Tiger Brands' Langeberg & Ashton canning fruit factory a welcome reprieve

AGRI-PULSE – NORTH WEST – Agri SA welcomes the announcement that Tiger Brands will extend operations at its canning factory in Ashton, Western Cape. The decision is a vital reprieve for the sector and for the communities that rely on the facility for their livelihoods. It will also provide time for potential buyers to secure the necessary funding to save the factory.

In addition to the 4 550 workers at the factory, this decision will secure the livelihoods of the farmers, more than 2 000 permanent workers, and countless seasonal workers that also depend on the facility. But the threat is not over; this is a temporary reprieve, not a permanent solution as of yet.

It remains essential that the national and provincial governments support the producers and workers to find an effective solution. R200 – R300 million is a significant investment, and the consortium seeking to save the factory will require support to secure this funding.

The factory is the biggest in the country and its products occupy a niche position in the world market, bringing in hundreds of millions of Rands in foreign currency. It sustains the Ashton community and if it were to close, approximately 300 farmers would have no alternative market for their produce. The factory is also the biggest single source of income for the Langeberg Municipality. Saving the factory is therefore as important for the success of the Agriculture and Agro-Processing Masterplan as it is for the health of the Ashton and Western Cape economies.

In light of all that is at stake, Agri SA will continue to monitor the situation and provide support to the affected farmers to ensure that the factory continues to operate for the sake of the communities of Ashton and Langeberg, and for all the workers throughout the agricultural value chain.



AGRI-PULSE - The Frizzle is of Asiatic origin, found in fair numbers in Southern Asia, the Eastern Archipelago and, at the turn of the century, in Mauritius. The Frizzle is a purely exhibition breed and is notable for its quaint feather formation, each feather curling towards the head of the bird. It is more popular in bantams than in large fowls.

The Frizzle is a heavy breed, soft feather and the eggs are white or tinted (Sitters). Masses: Large cock 3.6kg, hen 2.7kg, cockerel 3.2kg, pullet 2.3kg, Bantam cock 790g max, hen 680g max. The Frizzle is of Asiatic origin, found in fair numbers in Southern Asia, the Eastern Archipelago and, at the turn of the century, in Mauritius. The Frizzle is a purely exhibition breed and is notable for its quaint feather formation, each feather curling towards the head of the bird. It is more popular in bantams than in large fowls.

The male carriage strutting and erect, body is broad and short, breast is full and rounded, wings long, tail rather large, erect, full but loose, with full sickles and plenty of side hangers, lyre tails in males desirable but not obligatory, beak short and strong, eyes full and bright, comb single, medium sized and upright, face smooth, ear-lobes and wattles moderate size, neck of medium

length, abundantly frizzled, legs of medium length, shanks free from feathers, toes four, rather thin and well spread, plumage moderately long, broad and crisp, each feather curled towards the bird's head, and the frizzling as close and abundant as possible.

The female's general characteristics are similar to those of the male, allowing for the natural sexual differences, except that the comb is much smaller and the neck is not so abundantly frizzled.

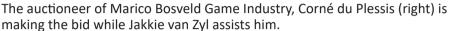
Serious defects/disqualifications are narrow feather, want of curl, long tail, drooping comb, other than single comb, white lobes, deformity of any kind. Any colour of plumage is acceptable and all birds are entered as 'Coloured' at shows. Birds are bred for their unique feathering and not colour. Beak is yellow in the Buff, Columbian, Pile, Red and White varieties and white in the Spangle, Black-Red and Cuckoo. Dark willow, black or blue in other varieties. Eyes is red and comb, face, wattles and ear-lobes bright red. The legs and feet to correspond with the beak. There are variations in leg colour, and yellow legs are frequently demanded in blacks, though not so standardized.

For more information please contact Rustenburg Poultry Club: Hanri at 083 465 1486, Dawie at 071 196 7696 or Marlize at 072 668 1495; Email: rustenburgpoultryclub@gmail.com.











Dedicated team involved in wildlife auctions



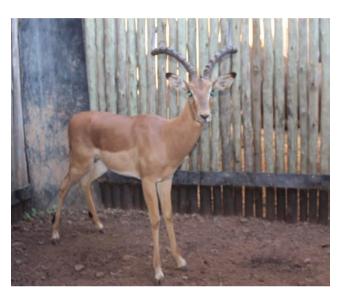
AGRI-PULSE – GROOT MARICO – The Marico Bosveld Game Industry (MBWB) came into existence in 2021 and although the company is only a year old, all MBWB members and staff currently working at the company have been involved in game auctions for years.

Marico Bosveld Game Industry has a dedicated administrative team that has handled all aspects of tame auctions with ease and high levels of professionalism for more than six years and have special knowledge of how game should be caught and handled. Thety also handle the transportation of the game.

MBWB strives at all times to keep up with new trends emerging in the auction industry. So in 2021, with the rapidly changing technology, they also tested an online platform where people can participate in auctions in the comfort of their own homes.

For any inquiries regarding your wildlife needs, follow MBWB on Facebook or call Donna Saayman on 0733968013.

Photo left and right: Some of the different game species that have recently gone under the hammer at auctions.





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