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There is little doubt that an enjoyable and carefree (not to mention affordable) retirement option would be at the top of the list of just about everyone at some stage. But the road to a trouble free retirement is often riddled by obstacles and potholes. In this edition of AgriPulse, elderly people who have already begun planning of their retirement or who should be doing that soon, will find interesting reading with various articles and advice on how you should plan for your retirement and what the different options are. The photograph above was taken at the Wigwam Retirement Village, just outside Rustenburg in North West. This look special, doesn't it?



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The Indian Runner Duck

AGRI-PULSE - RUSTENBURG - The Indian Runner Duck is an Asiatic light weight duck, lays white or tinted eggs, drake weighs 1,6 to 2,3kg and the duck 1,4 to 2kg.

The Indian Runner is upright and active, the body 50 to 80 degrees when on the move, but when standing attention or is excited or specially trained for the show pen, it is almost perpendicular. The body is slim, elongated, rounded, but slightly flattened across the shoulders. The tail is almost in line with the body, slightly elevated or tilted upwards. Wings small, tightly packed to the body, tips of the flights of the wings crossing each other over the rump, skull flat on top, bill strong and deep. The neck is long and slender, almost in line with the body.

Total length of a drake from the top of the head to the middle toe is 65 to 80cm and the duck 60 to 70cm.

Colours of the Indian Runner are black, chocolate, Cumberland blue, fawn, fawn and white, mallard, Saxony, trout, white, apricot, blue dusky, khaki and silver. (Photos: www)

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Wigwam Retirement Village probably your best option

AGRIPULSE – NORTH WEST – The vision of a couple of businessmen of Rustenburg to develop the well-known Wigwam Hotel into a retirement village for people over 50, has culminated in a success story that is well-known if not popular, throughout the entire North West province.

Since the opening of the resort just over five years ago, the Wigwam has reached numerous milestones in becoming one of the most preferred retirement options in the province. Still today, the Wigwam Retirement Village offers opportunities and options to suit the tastes and pockets of most people. Here, units of different size are available on a for sale or to rent basis. Because the Wigwam is a sectional title development, we also have opportunities for investors wishing to buy

Management is particularly proud on the Care Unit where a team of dedicated care givers are taking care of residents with special needs. Phase 1 of the Care Unit is already fully occupied and phase 2 of the development is now ready to be occupied. Here, support is mainly in the form of the home care model.

The team focuses largely on independence in order to maintain a high quality of life. Services offered include Alzheimer/Dementia Clinics with geriatric specialists on site. Support groups for families who have been impacted by the disease, meet on the monthly basis. None of these activities would have been available without the Wigwam's partnership with multi disciplinary medical experts.

In addition to doctors and pharmacists consulting at Wigwam, the resort offers the services of labour therapists, a physiotherapist, biokinetics and reflexology. Wigwam is particularly proud of its

Lifestyle Consultant who works with groups on a weekly basis but also sees individuals on a regular basis. Other popular services and treatments that are available a permanent basis include hare and nail and feet care services and treatment, massage and skin

In its development state, the Wigwam Retirement Village has followed the European/American model. Strong family ties are maintained throughout and the resort offers a wide range of services, in particular for all residents to receive family or friends – even at the braai areas or at the pool. Wigwam simply offers a totally different atmosphere and services than anything you will find in the North West province, or the country, for that matter.

Wigwam's management is proud of a particularly active group of residents. The resort's Sport and Social Club is quite active and weekly activities include line dancing, squash, tennis, pool, hiking/walking, handcrafts and sewing opportunities, art classes, Bible study, library services and can you believe it, yes, even pigeon racing.

Wigwam is surrounded by spectacularly beautiful natural settings and breathtaking scenes – take our view of the Magaliesberg for instance and imagine the mood. Also don't forget the resort's stunning replica sized church based on the historic Dutch Reformed Church in Rustenburg where church services are held on Sundays.

For more information on why the Wigwam Retirement Village could be your very best option for an enjoyable and care-free retirement, visit our website (www.wigwam.co.za) Facebook page (Wigwam Estates) or call Chris Cilliers on 082 577 0291 of Vanessa Durand on 081 049 7907.

Constitutional Court ruling a crucial victory for water rights holders

AGRIPULSE - NORTH WEST - Agri SA and the South African Association for Water Users Associations (SAAFWUA) welcome the decision of the Constitutional Court to dismiss the appeal by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in a crucial victory for the holders of water rights in South Africa. The Court conclusively ruled that water rights holders are entitled to transfer such rights in accordance with the provisions of the National Water Act. It also confirmed that receiving financial compensation for transferred water use entitlements is neither prohibited nor unlawful in South Africa.

The unanimous verdict, of the Constitutional Court delivered by Judge Madlanga, follows the November 2021 victory by the applicants in the Lötter, Wiid and South African Association for Water Users Associations (SAAFWUA) matters in the Supreme Court of Appeal.

The matter emanated from a circular issued in January 2018 in which the DWS determined that water use entitlements could not be transferred. The circular contradicted the provisions of section 25 of the National Water Act as well as the DWS's own interpretation of the law and its established practices in water use entitlement transfers. dating from 1998 when the Act came into

Agri SA supported and paid for the legal costs in the Lötter and Wiid matter from the

"Agri SA's view on the necessity of being able to transfer water use entitlements in

accordance with section 25 of the National Water Act has now finally been affirmed by the Constitutional Court," says Janse Rabie, Agri SA Legal and Policy Executive. "The ability to transfer such entitlements from one person to another, and from one property to another, is crucial with respect to efficiency in the use of water, the value of farmland, and to property entitlements in general. To that end, this judgment vindicates our steadfast resistance to government's continued assault on property entitlements.'

According to Nic Knoetze, CEO of SAAFWUA, the organisation decided in 2018 to ask for a declaratory court order because the interpretation of sections 25(1) and 25(2) had a negative impact on the water user (irrigation farmer) and the Water Users

Association (WUA) or Irrigation Board. The judgment by the High Court forced the applicants (Lötter and Wiid whose cases Agri SA financially supported, and SAAFWUA) to appeal. "The favourable ruling by the Constitutional Court will now enable WGVs and Irrigation Boards to manage water effectively and sustainably at the local level."

Agri SA's president, Jaco Minnaar, congratulated and thanked the applicants and their legal teams for staying the course in this vital matter. "The Constitutional Court's ruling stands to benefit the agricultural sector on various fronts. Agri SA will continue to engage with and influence government to create and maintain a regulatory and policy environment and society in which all farmers can thrive."



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First Quarter Moon 13 April



New Moon 20 April



Third Quarter Moon 27 April

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Raisins South Africa Agriculture Graduate Symposium



MS Mase Manopele, MEC of the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development speaking at the symposium.

By: Simone Oliphant, Raisins SA

AGRI-PULSE - KAKAMAS - The Northern Cape Government who support on-the-job training for unemployed agriculture graduates, aiming to boost youth and women participation in the sector had it first symposium that sees 74 graduates finishing the program in March of 2023.

The symposium signaled the end of the two-year program where graduate interns were placed with various commercial farmers, micro farmers, agriculture division within banks as well as other agriculture commodity houses.

Raisins SA, who plays a key role in the program, hosted a successful symposium for two days attended by almost 90 delegates. The event took place at the newly constructed Vine Academy & Model Farm in Kakamas. Raisins SA partnered with various institutions and stakeholders in the agriculture sector to ensure the success of the program.

According to the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development MEC, Ms Mase Manopole, the agricultural sector in the province is currently facing a crisis.

In a bid to address the crisis, one of the action points was aiming to get more young people involved in the agricultural sector. The program is focused on equipping unemployed agriculture graduates with the necessary skills to start their own agribusinesses.

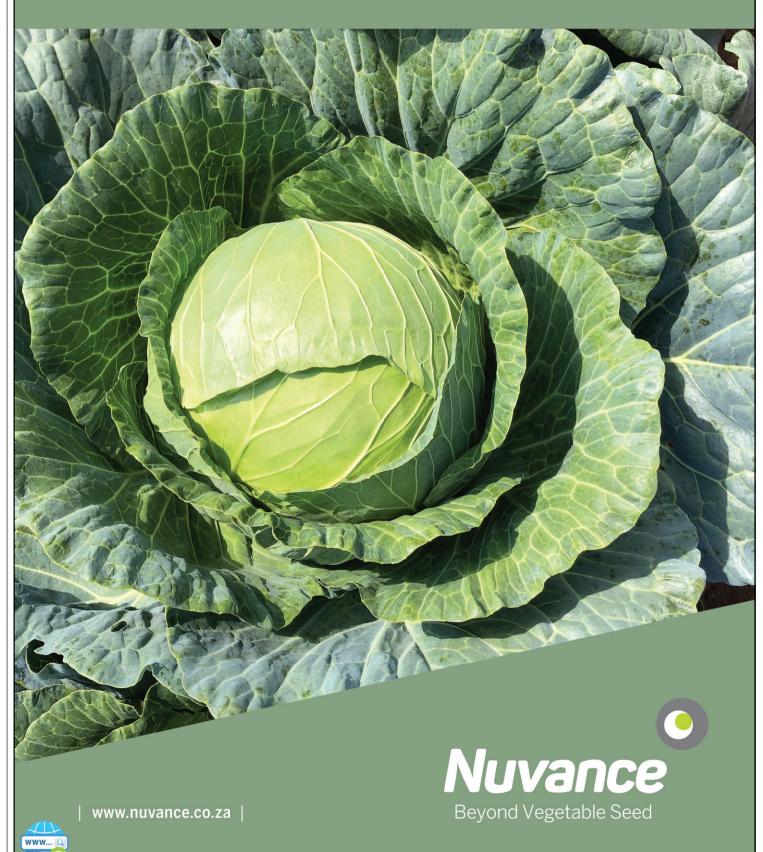
The symposium created a platform where graduates could showcase their entrepreneurial skills, paving the way for the establishment of their own agribusinesses.

The overall two-year placement was a success with 35 graduates being permanently employed at the end of the program.

The graduates were given an opportunity to say how the program changed their lives, and for those not permanently employed, the program laid the steppingstones toward self-employment within the agriculture sector during the two years. Graduates were also given an opportunity within group feedback sessions to mention the strengths and challenges about the program and to provide insightful input on how the program can be constructed or adjusted going forward.

Raisins SA was commended by representatives from the NAMC with the great job they did with hosting the event attended by key players in the industry.





Weed Control in Plastic Mulch Systems

Weed control in vegetables grown on plastic mulch is often more complex than with non-mulched vegetable systems. Weed management under the plastic, in the plant holes, and in the non-mulched areas must be considered separately.

AGRI-PULSE - Plastic mulches are used in many commercial vegetable operations to promote early growth and help increase yield potential. Weed management in plasticulture systems is more complex because there are three areas (under the plastic, plant holes in the plastic, and non-mulched areas between beds) where weed control is needed (Figure 1).1,2 Also, there are fewer herbicide control options, cultivation between rows is more difficult, and there can be a greater potential for crop injury.1

Season length and canopy structure should be considered in weed management decisions.

Long-season crops (melon, pepper, tomato, and watermelon) can require three to four months of weed control. Weed management strategies feasible in a field of staked tomatoes may not be possible in a watermelon field during the vining stage.3

MULCHES

Plastic mulches are often used to increase soil temperatures and stimulate early-season crop growth, but they can also provide weed control within the plant rows.4 Black plastic is good at suppressing weed growth because it blocks sunlight that stimulates the germination of some weed seeds and is needed for photosynthesis. Many annual weed species are suppressed under black plastic. However, the warm, moist conditions under the mulch can stimulate the germination of yellow nutsedge. Also, the light, which typically stops the upward growth and initiates leaf formation, is absent, which allows nutsedge to continue upward growth, resulting in them piercing the mulch layer.2

Sunlight penetrates clear and white (but not white on black) mulches, allowing weeds to grow under the plastic. Clear mulch can result in greater soil heating, but it does not control weeds. Coloured and IR mulches provide some of the additional soil warming benefits but block the wavelengths of light used for photosynthesis, resulting in better weed control.1,2



WEED CONTROL UNDER PLASTIC MULCH

Optimizing weed control under mulch requires good soil preparation. It is best to apply herbicides after forming beds but before laying the mulch. However, this can be difficult when using equipment that shapes beds and lays plastic in one pass. It is best if soil-incorporated herbicides are applied and incorporated AFTER bed formation but before laying the mulch. Incorporating herbicides before bed formation can result in higher than recommended rates of herbicides in the bed soil and herbicides incorporated too deeply in the soil, resulting in crop injury.1,2 Also, applying herbicides to the entire field before laying the mulch can result in breaks in the weed barrier at the edges of the mulch strip when the soil is tilled to bury the plastic mulch.

Some references state that overhead irrigation or rainfall of at least 12.5 mm is needed to activate the herbicides under the mulch. Others indicate that the condensation that forms under the mulch is often enough to activate herbicides.1,2 It is possible that the volatilization of herbicides under the mulch can result in crop injury. Growers should consult product labels for recommendations or restrictions related to the use of herbicides with plastic mulch and conduct small-scale tests before large-scale applications to help avoid crop injury. Soil fumigants applied through drip irrigation can provide good weed control, depending on the products used and weed species present. The wet edge of the irrigation front should reach the sides of the bed to ensure complete coverage.2

WEED MANAGEMENT IN PLANT HOLES

Controlling weeds that emerge from plant holes can be difficult (Figure 2). Herbicides applied under the plastic can provide some control, but sunlight reaching the soil in these holes may allow weeds to germinate and grow. Removing weeds by hand is often the best option for plant holes. Weeds growing in plant holes can affect some crops more than others. A North Carolina study found that tomatoes were not substantially affected by weeds growing in the holes, while melons showed a 40% yield reduction and peppers showed a 73% reduction.1





WEED MANAGEMENT BETWEEN BEDS

Weeds also need to be managed in the non-mulched areas between beds. Management options in this area include herbicides, cultivation, mowing, and dead and living organic mulches. The stale bed, preemergence, and post-emergence stages of weed management all need to be considered.

Herbicides can be applied to the inter-row areas as stale bed treatments. Care needs to be taken if applying pre-plant herbicides before laying plastic for the reasons mentioned above. Broadcasting pre-plant herbicides over the whole field after the mulch has been laid is also not recommended. Herbicides applied to the mulch can be washed into plant holes with rain or overhead irrigation, resulting in herbicide concentrations substantially higher than what is recommended.1,2 Soils treated with herbicides also should not be used to mound around emerged seedlings or transplants.

When possible, lay mulches several weeks before planting or transplanting to allow weed seeds to germinate. Cultivation and banded applications of herbicides, such as glyphosate and paraquat, can be used as stale bed treatments. Check product labels for timing restrictions and allowed crop uses.1,2,3 These types of herbicides will not provide any residual weed control.

Cultivation or subsequent banded herbicide treatments will likely be needed to help manage weeds as the season progresses. Cultivations should be shallow to prevent bringing up weed seeds deeper in the soil profile. Post-emergence herbicides should not be applied to the plastic mulch because they can wash into the plant holes and may cause crop injury. Banded applications should be made with fully shielded sprayers (front, back, and sides) to prevent the herbicides from coming into contact with the cash crop. Backpack or handheld sprayers can also be used for targeted applications. Applications should be made when wind speeds are low to help prevent drift. Targeted sprays or hand weeding may be required at the edges of the plastic mulch.1 Glyphosate and other translocated herbicides should not be used for post-emergence treatments because contact with any part of the plant can result in injury to the whole plant or plant death.

MOWING, ORGANIC MULCHES, COVER CROPS

Researchers, extension specialists, and growers have been evaluating the use of organic mulches, mowing weeds, and planting cover crops between rows to manage weeds in plasticulture systems. While showing some promise, evaluations have shown that these forms of management may not provide adequate control. A Delaware-based study evaluated the use of living mulches (cover crops) between rows in plasticulture watermelon systems for weed management. Results showed that living mulches could lower total weed biomass between the rows. However, they did not adequately manage weeds or eliminate the need for other forms of weed control.5 Other studies have found that cultivation and dead organic mulch provided better weed control than living mulches or the mowing of weeds between rows.4 The presence of living mulches and mowed weeds were also associated with yield reductions of some types of crops in some years of the study. It was hypothesized that the living mulches and mowed weeds may compete with the cash crop for resources such as nitrogen and water. Using living mulches, dead mulches, and weed mowing treatments may have additional benefits, such as protection against soil erosion, adding organic matter to the soil, and the increased biodiversity of the system.

CONSIDERATIONS

Weed management in plasticulture systems is complex, and growers should start planning early and carefully consider the various options available. Check regional production and pest management guides for recommendations on herbicides for specific crops and weed species. Not all herbicides can be used under plastic mulch, so growers should consult product labels for application recommendations and restrictions. When treating selected areas, such as under plastic mulch or only non-mulched areas, acreage calculations need to be adjusted. For example, in a system with 75 cm mulched beds and 75 cm inter-row areas, only half of the total field area will be treated during applications to under-mulch or between-row areas. Therefore, only half of the amount of herbicide will be needed. Residual herbicides may be difficult to use if different crops are grown in a small area. When treating row middles between two different crops, the herbicide selected must be registered for use on both crops.1.2.3

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Serious drought in three provinces

AGRI-PULSE - Agri SA is appealing for help as three of the country's provinces are in a grip of long-lasting drought.

The Northern provinces have been experiencing above normal rainfall and floods, while the "three Capes" are in serious need of rain. The recent heavy rains in the Eastern and Western Cape brought relief, but many farmers need urgent help.

According to Andrea Campher, manager: risk and disaster unit, as of February/March 2023, the Western Cape, Eastern Cape and Northern Cape provinces are in a grip of a long-lasting drought.

"This is due to below-normal rainfall in the winter rainfall regions in the Western Cape as well as insufficient rainfall in the summer rainfall districts. Currently, approximately 284 farmers require urgent assistance in the affected provinces. The Western parts of the Eastern Cape have been experiencing severe ongoing drought conditions for a number of years. These persisting drought conditions have no end in sight, making it very difficult for livestock farmers in these areas to carry on with their day-to-day farming activities.

"The need to assist some of these agricultural associations experiencing these drought conditions are crucial, and therefore urgent assistance is required in order for them to obtain the necessary resources to carry on doing business as normal. Fodder being sourced needs to be transported long distances and therefore Agri SA would like to support these associations with transport costs. The following Agricultural Associations are severely affected: Cockscomb, Fullerton-Miller, Steytlerville and Willomore.'

There are some 120 farmers within these four agricultural associations who are affected, and therefore an amount of R165 000 will be needed to cover the total transport costs.

The Agri SA Disaster Relief Foundation (DRF) was established in 2021. The aim of the DRF is to provide disaster relief to the agricultural sector in South Africa, especially pursuant to natural disasters such as droughts, storms, floods, fires, and diseases or infections to the detriment of farmers and farmworkers, animals of all kinds, related agricultural commodities and the environment. Due to bureaucratic red tape and insufficient budgeting by the government, the private sector started to contribute towards disaster aid for the benefit of the agricultural sector in conserving food security.



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NWWAU Platina Conference "Christmas in March"



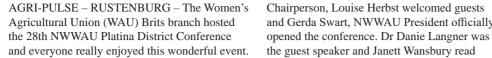
From left back are Elize Schutte (Sonneblom District Chairperson), Hester Koegelenberg (Verwes District Chairperson), Istella van Rhyn-Nel (Provincial Liaison Officer), Louise Herbst (Platina District Chairperson) and front from left Maatje Hobson (Provincial judging panel co-ordinator), Cindy Coetzee (SAWAU President) and Gerda Swart (NWWAU President).



Knitting: From left back are Rolien Scholtz (Derby - fourth), Elsa van Rooyen (Marikana - fifth), Hansie Tereblanche (Derby – sixth) and front from left Carien Roos (Brits – second), Francis Liebel (Marikana – first) and Antonette Antha (Mosaïek



Crochet: From left back are Verona Loots (Mosaïek - fourth), Lena Pieterse (Brits – fifth). Hansie Tereblanche (Derby – sixth) and front from left Elsa van Rooyen (Marikana – third), Francis Liebel (Marikana – first) and Jana Davies (Derby –



Neeltje Louw, Chairperson of Brits branch welcomed everyone and Ds Werner Venter opened with prayer. Platina District

and Gerda Swart, NWWAU President officially opened the conference. Dr Danie Langner was the guest speaker and Janett Wansbury read "Jaffie – Eitemal". Everyone enjoyed Petra van Vuuren's talk. Romanza writer Elsa Winckler talked about her new book. The highlight of the conference, the prize-giving took place and as usual the articles were of outstanding quality. Congratulations to all the ladies. Francis Liebel of Marikana branch took the honours for most points. Not only did Brits branch hosted a spectacular conference, they also took the prize for the branch who showed the most growth as

well as the branch with the most points. Neeltje Louw, Chairperson of Brits branch received the prizes with pride and thanked all her members for their hard work. Next year's conference will be held in Derby and their Chairperson, Rolien Scholtz invited everyone to be present.

"Christmas in March" was a real festival!



Theresa Lodewyckx of Mosaïek branch received her 13 year award from Lettie de Bruin.



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vear award from Lettie de Bruin



Neeltje Louw (Chairperson Brits), Gerda Swart (NWWAU President), Elsa Winckler (WAU Writer of the Year), Cindy Coetzee (SAWAU President) and Louise Herbst (Platina District Chairperson)



Neeltje Louw (Chairperson Brits branch). Dr Danie Langner (guest speaker) and Fia van der Merwe (Vice Chairperson Brits branch).



received her 10 year award from Lettie de Bruin.



Madeleine van Heerden (Groot-Marico – Most creative article) and Francis Liebel (Marikana hand craft and lady with most points).



Creative writing: Back row Carmen Fletcher (Brits – fourth) and front from left Verona Loots (Mosaïek - second), Ita Viljoen (Brits - first) and Antonette Antha (Mosaïek - third)



Platina management: Martie de Jager (District Liaison Officer), Rolien Scholtz

(Secretary), Verona Loots (Vice Chairperson), Elaine Smit (Treasurer), Elsa

van Rooyen (District judging panel co-ordinator) and front from left Louise

Herbst (District Chairperson), Cindy Coetzee (SAWAU President) and Gerda

Painting: Back row Louise Herbst (Brits – third) and front from left Fia van der Merwe (Brits - second), Annelie Coetzer (Brits - first) and Christelle Buys (Brits – fourth)



Embroidery: From left back are Lena Pieterse (Brits – fifth), Elaine Smit (Brits – fourth) and front (Groot-Marico – fourth), Netta Louw (Volmoed Elsa van Rooyen (Marikana – third), Madeleine van Heerden (Groot-Marico – first) and Francis Liebel (Marikana – second)



Sewing: From left are Madeleine van Heerden - fifth) and front from left Magda Owgan (Brits second), Francis Liebel (Marikana – first) and Fia van der Merwe (Brits - third).





Photography: From left are Charmaine Coetzer

(Kashané - sixth), Santie Bingle (Rustenburg -

third). Antonette Antha (Mosaïek - sixth) and

Janett Wansbury (Brits - fifth)

Baking: Back Neeltje Louw (Brits – fifth) and front from left Joan von Maltitz (Volmoed – second), Charmaine Coetzer (Kashané - first) and Verona Loots (Mosaïek - third)



are Charmaine Coetzer (Kashané - fourth), Carien Roos (Brits – fifth), Natalie Brummer (Brits – sixth) and front from left Charlotte Koen (Volmoed – third), Karin Brits (Brits – first) and Aneska Smal

From left Charmaine Coetzer (Kashané - bottled/

baking), Francis Liebel (Marikana – knitting/



Ann Fitzgerald (Rustenburg – third), San Pieterse (Brits - first) and Chere Cocklin (Marikana -



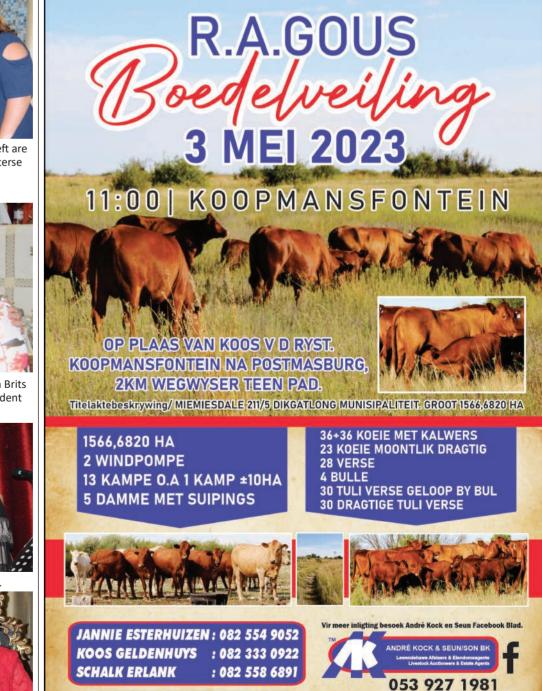
Pictured here are Neeltje Louw, Chairperson Brits branch (Brits most points) and SAWAU President











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Understanding life rights

Find the retirement option that bests suits you

Retirement is often called the golden age, a time when you either stop working or cut down on your working hours and have the time to do those things you could never fit into your busy lifestyle. Once viewed as a period of decline, it is now seen as the start of an exciting new chapter. However, it takes some careful thought to ensure you maximise your golden years. Deciding where to live is one of the most important decisions an older person will make. Once you have worked out your finances and know what you can afford to spend on a home, you need to explore the various retirement housing options. Those with fewer resources might choose rented accommodation in a retirement village. This option has many benefits, including being in a community of people of a similar age to you, security and the peace of mind that the levy you pay will cover many of your home's maintenance needs and possibly also your water and electricity. Often, additional services such as podiatry will be available in the village, there may be a village nursing sister and transportation may be offered to nearby shopping centres. People in need of more care may choose an old age home. Bedrooms may be single or shared and bathrooms may be en-suite or shared. Lounges and dining rooms are shared. Many municipalities provide subsidised housing in old age homes for people with limited resources. The retirement trend worldwide is towards lifestyle estates. These offer independent living in a secure environment. Lifestyle estates incorporate a range of amenities, such as a clubhouse,

restaurant and sporting facilities and are usually set in beautiful landscapes with parks and other outdoor gathering places. Most offer medical facilities and services, and some offer frail care facilities should residents no longer be able to live independently or need to recuperate after illness or an operation. Assisted living enables a person to stay in their own home and remain fairly independent for as long as possible, by having a visiting or live-in carer.

Determine your needs Use this checklist to help choose

your new home:

- Is the developer/organisation financially sound?
- Is there excellent security for a lock-up-and-and-
- •Are basic on-site healthcare services offered?
- Are external home healthcare providers allowed? Is frail care available if needed?
- Are cooked meals available?
- Is the levy affordable for what you get?
- Is there a sense of community?
- Are there on-site activities or social clubs?
- Is the environment suited to your lifestyle?
- Is the estate close to shops?
- Is it close to a place of worship you would like to
- Is it close to main transport routes?
- Is it close to other amenities you need?
- Is there internet connectivity?
- May visitors stay overnight? Are pets allowed?
- Are existing residents happy?

When it comes to buying your retirement home, you need to decide between the freehold, sectional title and life right models. While the first two options are generally well understood, the life right model often causes confusion. "Purchasing a life right means you will acquire, for a capital sum, the right to occupy the housing unit for the remainder of your life. This right is not the same as ownership of a property, but is similar to the rights of a long-term lease," says Peter Quinn, CEO of non-profit organisation Rand Aid Association. The housing unit remains the property of the developer. "You, therefore, do not receive a title deed and transfer duty is not applicable." In essence, life right ownership is an investment in a carefree lifestyle, security and peace of mind.

What's the difference between a life right and a sectional title?

Once sectional title units have been built, the developer packs up and leaves, leaving the long-term management of the retirement village to its body corporate, which elects trustees, explains Quinn. "The trustees are normally fellow residents who then appoint a managing agent."

With life rights, the developer remains involved 'with a high level of interest in the resale value of the units'. In this way, residents enjoy occupation for life without the hassle associated with property ownership.

What happens when you die?

Upon the death of the life-right holder or the last joint life-right holder, the right reverts back to the developer, who will resell the unit. Developers must disclose upfront if the original purchase price - or a percentage of the original price – will be paid into the deceased's estate.

Need to know

Just Property advises that life right purchasers do the following:

- · Ask for an in-depth breakdown of the T&Cs, rules and regulations, as these differ from place to place.
- Determine if you will be allowed to modify your home.
- What levies are applicable, and what do they cover? Knowing what your monthly levies cover will make it much easier to budget and plan your monthly living expenses. It will also give you a good way to compare value for money in different retirement estates.

Life right pros

Chartered Wealth Solutions says the life right option is generally more budget-friendly than full ownership, especially on a monthly cost basis, for the following reasons:

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- * Life rights units are often sold at a lower cost than outright ownership units.
- * Levies cover all external maintenance, security, perhaps a meal a day, care of the garden, a swimming pool if there is one, and all communal areas.
- * No transfer fees are paid upon purchase.
- * No rates and taxes need to be paid every
- * If you run out of money, most villages will not throw you out. The cost of your

care is deducted from the capital amount you paid upfront or you may be offered more affordable accommodation within the estate. Life right cons

Be aware of these disadvantages, says Just Property:

* Cannot be inherited: Life rights apply to the life-right holder and their spouse only, and can't be endowed on the passing of the liferight holder

- * Be careful of the pay-out model: Different resale models determine what percentage of the original price, as well as the profits after resale, will be paid out.
- * Strict rules on occupancy: Only the life right-owner or nominated occupant may live in the purchased unit.







28th Conference of WAU Verwes District

AGRI-PULSE – MAKWASSIE – The Makwassie branch of the WAU Verwes District hosted the 28th Conference on 1 March. The official opening was done by NWWAU President Gerda Swart. The guest speaker of the day was Elmien Botha and Riana de Villiers was re-elected as Vice Chairperson. Membership awards for 10, 30 and 40 years were received by Ans Aucamp, Riana de Villiers and Ronel Fourie. The prize-giving was again the highlight of the event and articles entered were of outstanding quality.

Flowers: Tienie Lewis (first), Hanri Strydom (second), Retha Retief (sixth), Riana de Villiers (sixth), Gerlien Strydom (fourth and Lourinda Byleveld (fifth).



Hand craft: Hantie van Vuuren (first), Marlene Schutte (second), Frieda Nel (third), Maureen Blom (fifth), Elsie Marx (fourth) and Marlie Bergh (sixth).



Marie Claasens (first), Ceciel van Heerden (second) and Miemie Conradie (third), Elsie Marx (fourth) and Susan Dekkers (sixth)

Knitting:





Creative writing: Marelize Duminy (first), Esmé Barnard (second). Constance Choudhry (third) and Hantie van Vuuren (sixth). Constance Choudhry (first) and Hantie van Vuuren (second) also did very well in Painting.



Preservation: Tillie Dupper (first), Ceciel van Heerden (third) and Riana de Villiers (sixth), Elmie Bergh (fourth) and Annatjie Erasmus (fifth). Riana de Villiers (Setlagole) also received Best judging report.



Sewing: Maatje Hobson (second) Riana de Villiers (third), Maureen Blom (fourth), Elna Flynn (first), Elsie Marx (fifth) and Tienie Lewis (sixth) Maatie Hobson also received baking first.

Branch with best performance: Setlagole
– Maatje Hobson (branch Chairperson),
Maureen Blom (Houmoed) and Elmie Bergh (Leeudoringstad).
Maatje also received the award for the branch (Setlagole) with the most entries and Elmie received the award for the branch (Leeudoringstad) with the most members recruited.





Best Liaison report: Ina van der Klashorst (Delareyville).



Crochet: Lizelle van Tonder (first), Maureen Blom (second), Elsie Marx (third) and Constance Choudhry (sixth). Lizelle also received the prize for most outstanding article and Maureen received the prize for the most points



Photography: Lizelle van Tonder (second), Hanri Strydom (third), Lourinda Byleveld (fourth) and Riana de Villiers (sixth).



Embroidery: Rentia Aucamp (first), Maureen Blom (second) and Constance Choudhry (third).



Best Branch Chairperson report: Trudie Breedt (Makwassie) and Ansa van Rensburg (Stella).

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• 30 – 40 min TOTAL TIME: 45 min

1 big sized chopped onion 2 teaspoons crushed garlic **DIRECTIONS:** 1 chopped green pepper

INGREDIENTS:

cheese

4 tins Tuna in water

500 ml fresh cream

1 teaspoon Paprika

Salt and pepper

Olive oil

2 teaspoons chilli flakes

½ teaspoon cayenne pepper

8 large eggs

1 cup grated Cheddar or Gouda

1 punnet white button mushrooms

or 1 tin of creamy mushrooms

- Grease a medium sized casserole dish with either butter or olive oil. • Drain the water from the tuna
- and in a large bowl, mix the tuna and cheese. Set the bowl aside.

• Pre-heat the oven on 180 C.

Fry the onions for 3 – 5 minutes.

• 15 min

Cook Time:

- Add the garlic, green pepper and mushrooms to the onion and fry until soft.
- Add the paprika, chilli flakes and cayenne pepper. Fry until the spices are well mixed.
- Add the onion, green pepper and mushroom mixture to the tuna and cheese. Stir until well mixture.
- Mix the fresh cream and eggs together and season with salt and pepper to your desired taste.
- Combine the creamed egg and tuna mixtures and mix well.
- Pour the mixture into the greased dish.
- Bake for 30 to 40 minutes, or unit a knife comes out
- Remove tuna bake from oven, cool down, garnish and enjoy with a salad or fries of your choice.











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Ron van Heyst, owner and cheesemaker of Magalies Kaas with some of his dairy cows.



At the helm of affairs at Magalies Kaas is the dynamic couple, Lize and Ron van Heyst. The diversity of cheese is infinite, Lize made this cheese cake with a few of their own cheeses and says such a cheesecake is a very popular delicacy these days for various



Baldadig, Rammetjie-uit-nek, but Klopdisselboom



Buchurand Dairy in Boegoeberg, but it was just more than two years ago that I first made our own cheese in Bokfontein," says Ron. "We initially started with an ice cream factory in 2010 and still produce our own product, Eskimo Toffees, which is distributed nationwide. One thing led to another and yogurt and all our cheeses followed."

> Under the guidance of Hans Keller, South Africa's own cheese guru and Barbie Pretorius from Grootplaas Cheese Academy, in Hartbeespoort, Ron took a refresher course and the two cheesemakers at Magalies Kaas, Hein Engelbrecht and Duane de Beer also received training at

This driven team of cheesemakers boasts no less than 35 unique, home-made gourmet cheeses with genuine Afrikaans names such as Windgat (cumin flavoured), Tammeletjie (honeysmeared cheddar), Koekeloer (with olives) and Agteroormoer (with sun-dried tomato).

With a mischievous smile, Ron says that they can also make English cheese. "But it will be more expensive," he teases with a twinkle in his eye.

In addition to the gourmet cheeses, the cheesemakers also specialize in making cheddar, gouda, Emmentaler, haloumi and feta.

In the dairy, milking takes place twice a day and looking at the excellent condition of the cows, it is no wonder that 400 litres of milk are processed daily.

Making cheese is a long but rewarding process and as Ron says, the main ingredients for a good cheese are time and quality.

Making cheese is a passion, an art and a

The basic principles of cheese making have been the same since the process began centuries ago. Although the process will vary according to the type of cheese, all cheeses goes through the steps of heating, setting, forming, salting and

Starter culture is added to milk to convert lactose (milk sugar) into lactic acid. This process changes the acid level of the milk and starts the process of turning milk from a liquid into a solid.

Coagulant is added to further encourage the milk to curdle. Curd is cut with the help of a knife or an instrument that looks like a rake. The salt that is then added, also acts as a preservative so that the cheese does not spoil during the long months or years of aging.

The cheese is placed in a mould to shape it into a specific shape and then the cheese is left to mature at around 14°C.

Whether it's a Banggat-, a Vloermoer-, a Skobbejak- or a Pierewaaier-cheese, all the cheeses at Magalies Kaas, Plot G45, Bokfontein are fantastic and can be purchased on the farm at their coffee shop, De Moer.

For more information about the unique cheeses and other products, call Lize on 073 307

AGRIPULSE – BRITS – Fanfokkentasties, no it's not a swear word, it's actually a delicious word as it's the name of one of Magalies Kaas, just outside Brits in Bokfontein's gourmet cheeses - a smoked vellow cheddar.

AgriPulse visited Ron and Lize van Heyst on their farm, at the foot of the Magaliesberg, and just like the warm, generous aroma of their own home-roasted De Moer-coffee, the hospitality of these former residents of Boegoeberg, in the Northern Cape, is just as generous and overwhelming.

Over a cup of Boeretroos, Ron and Lize passionately talked about their dairy farming - from the ground to the mouth, everything happens on their farm.

"I learned how to make cheese in 1996 at



Magalies Kaas's two cheesemakers, Hein Engelbrecht and Duane de Beer.





Eight beekeepers compete at third Africa Regional Apimondia Symposium

AGRI-PULSE - DURBAN: Eight North West Beekeepers competed in various categories of the 3rd Africa Regional Apimondia Symposium at the Durban International Convention Centre (ICC) during the last week of March contestants from across the African Continent competed with their bee products for judging by Honey Judges and Stewards Guild of South Africa.

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Tina Lear, a recognised honey judge said the significance of the competition was to encouraged beekeepers to be fully involved in the entire apiculture value-chain and ensure that they comply with the global standards as honey/ bee product manufacturers and

entrepreneurs. "We currently have products such as beeswax, propolis, raw honey, natural skincare products and mead - an alcoholic beverage made by fermenting honey mixed with various ingredients such as fruits, spices, grain or hops. Three prize winners will be announced per category and we are looking forward to meeting the winning producers as the judging is anonymous," said Tina.

North West MEC for Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD), Desbo Mohono explained that the Department deemed it fit to have representatives from the province partaking in the competition as it expose them to the apiculture sector standards and

requirements of packaging; consistency and colour of different types of honey; aroma and flavour as well as getting recognition for their commitment

"As an expert in the bees industry currently in the process of recruiting and transferring stewardship skills to emerging apiculture farmers from the province so that they can benefit from the diverse opportunities that are available in the sector, it is important to have young black females occupying this space and showcasing the value of this skill," MEC said.

Currently one of the beekeepers,

Kenalemang Mooketsi from Lichtenburg, was undergoing skills transfer training as a steward that assists in the judging of the bee products.

"I am very excited about the opportunity that the department has presented me with because as a second time overseer in this competition I continue to learn a lot about the industry requirements. Mead is one other bee product I am looking forward to acquiring the skill and knowledge to evaluate as it involves capturing accurate sensory perceptions and then comparing them against style guidelines," said the North West steward



Kenalemang Mooketsi, Tina Lear and Mamongane Mohotlheng adjudicated the Honey, Mead and Bee Products Competition under the Honey Judges and Stewards Guild of South Africa.



North West beekeepers participated in the Honey, Mead, and Bee Products Competition and were awarded in various categories including a First Prize in 3D Art for Mmatau Mosiane. Other prizes awarded were Second and Third in Select Honey, as well as the Beeswax Wax Block Category.



