

# Rustenburg Herald's Bonus

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Humans like to keep it cozy during the chilly months. To keep ourselves nice and toasty, we enjoy hot chocolate, wrapping up in blankets and warming up by the fire. But what about our pets? They feel the cold just like us. Despite their fur coats, which act as a layer of warmth and protection, all pets can suffer from the cold. Winter beds for your dog should be snug with warm blankets, raised above the ground to avoid draughts. If your dog must sleep outside and letting them inside isn't an option, provide proper housing - a warm, dry, well insulated spot with warm bedding. Arya Stark Pawsbourne, Rustenburg Herald's media manager's dachshund, would also like you to please think about animals at the SPCA and donate warm blankets to them. You have a great opportunity to ensure a more tolerable winter for humans and animals by supporting 'The Warm Fest' on 8 July, this year hosted by the Waterfall Mall again. Keep an eye on the Rustenburg Herald for more information about this charity drive, an initiative of JacarandaFM's Martin Bester.



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# Danopy Jam is top shelve

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - In 2022 the Royal Bafokeng Enterprise Development (RBED) decided on several projects in order to uplift and empower the community, in particular women.**

Training covered a vast area, gardening, bread baking, weaving, jam cooking and the bottling of fruit and vegetables. Heading the project was Ms Masi Tumagole, the organiser and convener of much of these, notably also the jam cooking classes chaired by well-known Elma Kok.

From a group of 40 women three of them have started their own jam factory under the banner of Danopy Jam. Funds to get going, was the very first problem. Thanks to two businessmen contributing generously towards the project, they got off to a good start.

The second challenge was a market of which the usual weekend markets were inadequate - they simply had to increase their turnover as the volume of perfectly cooked jams rose dramatically. Doors have begun to open to them. Currently the team is supplying Meat World, the Pilanesberg Centre, a prominent grocer store and finally two smallish shops are waiting on deliveries. The ladies who are indeed “cooking” are Happy Poane, Damaria Selemela and Nonkie Motlhaga. Together they are cooking three days per week with facilities ranging from a gas cylinder and a twin-plate oven to other “hardware”. These are brought along every “cooking day”. Then they also have a heavy steel table and chairs where they work shoulder to shoulder with their workers.

From this delightful little factory comes wonderful things! Mandarin jams, marmalades, tomato jams, blueberry jams and of course with the arrival of spring, Strawberries will be on the menu soon. For more information or to be among the first

to order a variety of first class jams, contact Masi Tumagole on 072 045 3063 or Elma on 082 455 5167. You could also use the email address: danopyjam@gmail.com



The ladies behind the success of Danopy Jam - Happy Poane, Damaria Selemela and Nonkie Motlhaga.



Ms Masi Tumagole - patron of the Danopy Jam project.



Danopy Jam's shelves are loaded with the best “home cooked” jam you could imagine.

## Gauteng continues to collect e-toll

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Government’s failure to end e-tolls formally means collection contract continues, says the Organisation Against Tax Abuse (Outa) in a media statement.**

Sanral extended the e-tolls collection contract twice last year, with one extension probably signed after the October 2022 announcement of the end of e-tolls, and another extension may be underway.

The South African National Roads Agency Ltd (Sanral) signed an extension to the e-tolls collection late last year despite government’s announcement of the end of e-tolls and the huge bailout from the fiscus. The current extension is due to run out in “mid-June”, raising concern that another extension may already have been signed.

OUTA has repeatedly called for finality on the e-toll situation and warned against

extending the collection contract. The Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) e-tolls collection agency is wholly owned by the Austrian company Kapsch TrafficCom AG.

The Kapsch annual and quarterly reports record that its collection contract for Gauteng e-tolls was extended twice during 2022. The first extension was sometime between 1 April to 30 September and the second was likely finalised after the announcement of the end of e-tolls. OUTA believes that these extensions are irregular and are unnecessary expenses. We call on the Minister of Transport and Sanral to end the collections contract as unnecessary.

The ETC collection contract started on 3 December 2013 when the gantries were switched on and was supposed to be for a maximum of eight years, including extensions, which took it to December 2021. However, Sanral has repeatedly extended it since then without going through a new procurement process, believed to be partly due to the confusion over the future of the scheme.

On 26 October 2022, Minister of Finance Enoch Godongwana announced the end of e-tolls during the Medium-Term Budget Policy Statement (MTBPS). The MTBPS also included two bailouts for the Gauteng Freeway Improvement Project (GFIP): R23.736 billion to Sanral to pay off government-guaranteed debt and another R3.740 billion moved within the Sanral budget from non-toll roads to the GFIP. Despite Minister Godongwana’s announcement, government has failed to formally end e-tolls or explain the debt situation. Ending the e-tolls requires the Minister of Transport to declare the GFIP roads no longer subject to tolls, which has not been done, so motorists continue to be billed.

Government promised that by the end of 2022 – nearly six months ago – the end of e-tolls would be finalised. “Here we are in June 2023: nothing has changed,” says Wayne Duvénage, OUTA CEO. “Government’s inability to implement its own decisions is at play here. We’ve seen this before, a lot is said and nothing is done.” The e-toll bills still go out every month and a handful of people pay. “We call on government to implement the decision they’ve made, once and for all, so we can bring this debacle to an end,” Duvénage said.

**Notification of Application for Environmental Authorisation, Water Use Authorisation and Air Emissions License (AEL) Processes for the Proposed Expansion of the Blastrite site located on Portion 58 of the Farm Waterval 303JQ, Rustenburg, North-West Province**

Notice is hereby given that Blastrite (Pty) Ltd (the Applicant) has applied for Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above-mentioned project. An EA is required by way of a Basic Assessment (BA) Process, from the North West Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism (NW EDE&T) for listed activities 14 and 34 of GNR No. 983 (Listing Notice 1) in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA). A Water Use Authorisation is required from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in terms of listed activities 21(c) and 21(i) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA). An AEL is required from the Bojanala District Municipality in terms of listed activities 4.20 and 5.2 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act 39 of 2004). Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) by Blastrite to undertake the above-mentioned applications and associated the public participation processes.

The site is accessed from 1<sup>st</sup> Street, opposite Bathopele Platinum Mine in Rustenburg. There are currently stockpiles of platinum slag on site that comes from the Waterval Smelter in Rustenburg and the Mortimer Smelter situated in the Limpopo Province. The Applicant proposes to store in excess of 100 000 tons of platinum slag in stockpiles on site within the existing site footprint and also proposes to install a new grit drier on site to dry the slag material for packaging. There are existing fuel reserves on the site (75.6m³). Additional above ground fuel storage tanks are proposed within the existing bunded area. The cumulative storage of the fuel on site will be above 80m³.

Kindly note that the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) provides more details of the above project and is available for public review and comment from 19 June 2023 to 21 July 2023. The report is available at the Rustenburg Public Library (153 Smit Street, Rustenburg, 2999) and on the Zitholele Consulting's website: [www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/under the heading "Blastrite BAR"](http://www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/under the heading ). Please submit your comments on the BAR by no later than 21 July 2023 to the contact persons/ details as listed below. Information regarding the above processes can also be requested from the Public Participation Office at the contact details provided herein.

All stakeholders that wish to provide comments on the BAR, WULA and AEL process, including this process and stay informed throughout the process are urged to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) by submitting your contact details and interest on the project to the Public Participation Process (PPP) desk at the contact details provided. Alternatively, SMS the word "Blastrite" to 45776. Further communication relating to the project will only be undertaken with registered I&APs. The PPP desk can be contacted as follows: Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd, Ms. Natasha Lalie, P.O. Box 6002, Halfway House, 1685, Tel: 011 207 2060, Fax: 086 674 6121, Email: [blastrite@zitholele.co.za](mailto:blastrite@zitholele.co.za)

**Kitsiso ya Kopo ya Thebolelo ya Dira Tiro mo Tikologong, Thebolelo ya Tiriso ya Metsi le Laesense ya Ditiro tsa go Ntshetsa Digase mo Moweng (Air Emissions License (AEL)) Kopo ya go Atolosa saete ya Blastrite e e mo Karolong 58 ya Polasi ya Waterval 303JQ, Rustenburg, Porofenseng ya Bokone Bophirima**

Go itsistwe fano gore Blastrite (Pty) Ltd (Modirakopo) e dirile kopo ya Thebolelo ya go Dira Tiro mo Tikologong (Environmental Authorisation [EA]) ya porojeke e e umakiwang fa godimo. EA e e thokegang e le ka go dirwa ga Tiro ya Tshetshetsho e e Tlwaelegileng (Basic Assessment [BA]), e kopiwa mo Lefapheng la Porofense ya Bokone Bophirima la Tswalediso ya Ikonomi, Tikologo, Tshomarelo le Bojanala (North West Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism [NWDE&T]) go dira ditiro tse di kwadilweng tsa 14 le 34 of GNR No. 983 (Listing Notice 1) go ya ka Melawana ya Tshetshetsho ya Kamego ya Tikologo (Environmental Impact Assessment [EIA]), 2014 (e e fetotsweng), e e dirisiwang go ya ka National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Molao 107 wa 1998) (NEMA). Go thokwa Thebolelo ya Tiriso ya Metsi e thokwa mo Lefapheng la Tiriso ya Metsi le Ntsholeswe (Department of Water and Sanitation [DWS]) go ya ka melawana ya ditiro tse di kwadilweng ya 21(c) le 21(i) ya National Water Act, 1998 (Molao 36 wa 1998) (NWA). AEL e batliwa mo go Mmasepaleng wa Kgaolo wa Bojanala go ya ka ditiro tse di kwadilweng tsa 4.20 le 5.2 tsa National Environmental Management: Molao wa Boleng jwa Mowa, 2004 (Molao 39 wa 2004). Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd e thlamilwe jaaka Mosekaseki wa Tikologo (Environmental Assessment Practitioner [EAP]) ke Blastrite gore e dire dikopo tse di umakiwang fa godimo le ditiro tsa go tsaya karolo ga morafe tse di tsamaisanang le tsone.

Go tswena mo lefelong leno ka 1st Street, go lebagana le Bathopele Platinum Mine mo Rustenburg. Mo nakong eno go na le mekoe ya matlapana a polatinamo mo lefelong leno a a tswang mo Waterval Smelter mo Rustenburg le Mortimer Smelter e e mo Porofenseng ya Limpopo. Boikaelelo jwa modirakopo ke gore a boloke matlapana a polatinamo a bokete jo bo fetang ditone di le 100 000 mo bobolokelong jwa one mo lefelong le le mo go le le ntseng le le teng, mme o kopa gape go tsenya grit drier e ntsha mo lefelong leo gore e omise matlapana ao gore a pakiwe. Go na le mabolokelo a peterolo a a ntseng a le teng mo lefelong leo (75.6m³). Gape go kopelwa ditanka tsa peterolo tse di mo godimo ga lefatsho mo go lone lefelo le le ageletsweng le le ntseng le le teng leo. Peterolo e e ntseng e bolokwa mo lefelong leo e tile go feta 80m³.

Elatlhoko gore Terafote ya Pego ya Tshetshetsho e e Tlwaelegileng (Basic Assessment Report [BAR]) e naya dintlha tse dingwe ka porojeke e e fa godimo mme e ka bonwa ke botlhe gore ba e sekaseke le go tshwaela ka yone go simolola ka 19 Seetebosigo 2023 go ya go 21 Phukwi 2023 Pego eno e ka bonwa kwa Rustenburg Public Library (153 Smit Street, Rustenburg, 2999) le mo webosaeteng ya Zitholele Consulting: [www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/tlase ga sethogo se se reng "Blastrite BAR"](http://www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/tlase ga sethogo se se reng ). Tswetswee romelang ditshwaelo tsa lona ka BAR e seng morago ga 21 Phukwi 2023 kga bathong ba go ikgolaganngwa le kope/dintlheng tsa go ikgolaganya tse di kwadilweng fa tlase. Tshedimosetso malebana le ditiro tse di fa godimo e ka kopiwa kwa Public Participation Office ka go dirisa dintlha tsa go ikgolaganya tse di newang fano.

Banaleseabe botlhe ba ba eletsang go naya ditshwaelo ka ditiro tsa BAR, WULA le AEL, gammogo le tiro eno le gore ba nne ba na le kitso ka nako yothle ya tiro eno ba kgothalediwa go ikwadisa e le Batho ba ba Nang le Kgathego le ba ba Amegang (Interested and Affected Party [I&AP]) ka go romela dintlha tsa go ikgolaganya le bone le kgathego ya bone mo porojekeng eno kwa ofising ya Public Participation Process (PPP) kwa dintlheng tsa go ikgolaganya le bone tse di newang fano. Ntle le moo, romela SMS ya lefoko "Blastrite" kwa nomorong ya 45776. Puisano e nngwe gape e amanang le porojeke eno e tile go tshwarwa le bo-I&P ba ka kwaditsweng. Go ka ikgolaganngwa le Ofisi ya PPP ka tselo e e latelang: Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd, Ms. Natasha Lalie, P.O. Box 6002, Halfway House, 1685, Mog: 011 207 2060, Fek: 086 674 6121, I-mEil: [blastrite@zitholele.co.za](mailto:blastrite@zitholele.co.za)



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# Hijackings increasing

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The increase in hijackings in the Bojanala district has Police very worried.**

“There is an escalation in hijackings - especially delivery vehicles and trucks are popular targets,” says provincial police spokesperson, Colonel Adèle Myburgh.

On 13 June at midday, a 39-year-old man driving a white Scania Truck, loaded with cooking oil, stopped next to the N4 road, close to the Swaruggens Toll Gate to relief himself. He was allegedly confronted by three suspects, driving a silver Toyota Yaris. They blindfolded and forced him into their vehicle. All his possessions, including personal documents and his cellular phone, were taken. He was ultimately released at an unknown location and managed to contact the police in Swaruggens two days later.

In a second, unrelated, incident reported on 14 June at about 12:00, a 29-year-old driver was driving on the R511 road, near the N4 off-ramp in Brits in his white Toyota Hilux, on his way to deliver medication. Two vehicles allegedly forced him to stop after being boxed in from the front by a Ford Figo vehicle and from the back by a Nissan Almera. After pulling of the road the suspects pointed him with a firearm and forced him into the Almera vehicle, whilst his vehicle was taken. The victim was dropped off at an unknown location in Muldersdrift, where a passer-by assisted him to alert the police.

In another incident reported in Rustenburg on Thursday (15 June) at about 05:30, a 45-year-old victim was driving in his Toyota Fortuner on his way to work. He was allegedly stopped and boxed in by two vehicles (Ford Ranger and BMW) at a stop street on the corner of Boom and Zending Street. Four armed suspects ordered him out of his vehicle and they drove off with his vehicle, leaving the victim next to the road. Also on 15 June, at about 20:15, a 34-year-old victim was driving on the R566 road at Lokgalong in Marikana in a Toyota Quantum. He just dropped off his colleague when a black Audi allegedly stopped next to him and one of the occupants pointed him with a firearm. Three suspects entered the Quantum and they drove off with the victim. The victim managed to open the door of the Quantum and jumped out, whilst the suspects continued to drive off.

Motorists, especially drivers of delivery vehicles are urged to be vigilant at all times.

1. Check that you are not being followed. Always be extra vigilant when leaving malls, your work, or when heading home late at night of early mornings. If you suspect that you are being followed, drive to the nearest police station or any busy public area.

2. When stopping behind another vehicle or

at junctions and traffic lights, leave enough space in front of your vehicle to make an emergency escape if necessary from hijackers.

3. Be cautious while on the road. Know where you are going beforehand, to avoid getting lost in unknown areas. Be mindful of areas where there are high crime volumes and be on the lookout for suspicious vehicles/ persons. Report suspicious vehicles and persons to the police.

4. Do not stop next to the road or give any person a lift. If you have to use a bathroom, stop at a garage/shop, where there are other people around.

## Fraud case vs former director of Moses Kotane Municipality set for pretrial

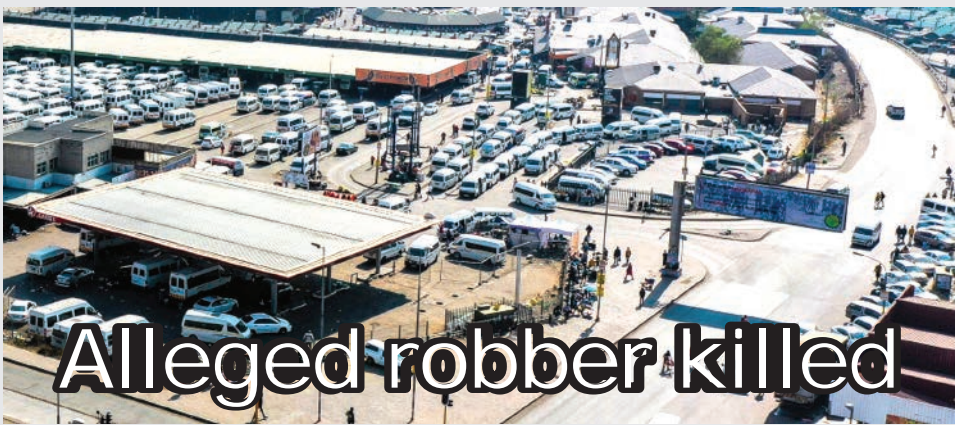
**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The Specialised Commercial Crimes Court sitting in Mogwase, adjourned the case against Gabonewe Ridam Madikela (39), to 23 August for consultation and pretrial conference.**

The matter was set for pretrial, however, her legal team requested a further postponement, to peruse further documents provided by the state. Bail of R10 000 was extended and she has surrendered her passport to the investigating officer. The accused is facing six charges of fraud amounting to over R522 000 - which she received as remuneration for six months, while she was allegedly simultaneously occupying another government post without her employer’s knowledge.

Madikela was arrested by the Hawks Serious Commercial Crime Investigation on 27 March following a thorough investigation into her alleged offence. The arrest emanates from her fraudulent orchestration of theft, involving her salary while she was employed by the Moses Kotane Local Municipality, as a Director of Local Economic Development from April to September 2022. The appointment was to commence on 1 July 2019 to end on 30 June 2024, with an all-inclusive annual salary of over R1 million.

It is alleged that in March 2022, the accused applied for study leave from 30 March 2022 to 24 May 2022, with a confirmation letter from an institution of higher learning. On 29 March 2022, she applied for 39 days of annual leave from 8 May 2022 to 27 June 2022, with the municipality granting her leave on both applications. Towards the end of the annual leave, she submitted sick notes from a private medical facility in Akasia, purportedly issued by her doctor, indicating that she was sickly and hospitalised.

Investigations by the Hawks have revealed that during the period of her leave and purported illness, she was employed by the Department of Water and Sanitation as a Director, while still earning a salary from the Moses Kotane Local Municipality. Investigations reveal that the reasons provided for her leave were false, including supporting documents from the institution of higher learning, as well as the medical certificates she provided as proof. According to Henry Mamothame, NPA Regional Spokesperson, the state is ready to proceed with the trial, as investigations have been completed.



**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - A man died at the Rustenburg taxi rank on Youth Day after an armed robbery at a nearby shop.**

According to local Police Spokesperson, Sgt Ofentse Mokgadi, a gang held up staff of a Pep Stores and robbed them of cash and cellphones

“It is alleged that as the suspects were fleeing towards the awaiting Ford Figo with registration FYK 376 MP, the taxi patrollers spotted and approached them. The suspects then started shooting

randomly and two community members were injured and taken

to hospital,”Sgt Mokgadi said. One of the alleged robbers, who was armed, was cornered by community members and was assaulted. The suspect later succumbed to his injuries.

The police are investigating a case of business robbery, attempted murder and possession of an unlicensed firearm. “The police are appealing to anyone who might have information that may assist in apprehending the suspects to please contact Rustenburg SAPS, or Detective Sergeant Patricia Meko on 082 416 0872.

## Teen stabbing case postponed

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The accused in the murder of Lethabo Sibanda (18) appeared in court again on Monday (12 June).**

Dintle Blessing Tladi (19) was arrested after Sibanda died due to stab wounds he sustained during an incident at the Rustenburg Bus Rank on 2 June.

The Rustenburg Magistrate’s Court has denied bail to Tladi,

standing accused on one charge of murder - on Sibanda - and one charge of attempted murder of another learner.

Tladi will remain in custody while the case is remanded until Thursday, 27 July for further investigation.

## DCS Learnerships scam: Beware!

**BONUS- RUSTENBURG - The Department of Correctional Services (DCS) has noted with dismay that there are a number of ‘faceless-fraudsters’ who have been robbing innocent and unsuspecting job seekers through promising non-existent jobs and Learnership opportunities in the Department of Correctional Services.**

These unscrupulous scammers are using various social media platforms, as well as and calling people. The criminals are believed to be operating primarily in the North West, and then specially targeting people in Mafikeng and Zeerust. The department is appealing to the public to be vigilant and join forces with law enforcement agencies against these bogus advertisements and other related illegal and criminal acts. In addition, the department reiterates that applying for jobs in Correctional Services and in the public sector IS FREE -

anyone asking for money is breaking the law.

The legislation compels anyone with information on a corrupt and fraudulent activity or transaction to immediately report the matter to the nearby police station or any DCS offices and Centers.

For available vacancies or learnership opportunities, Correctional Services uses the mainstream media, the website of Correctional Services and the Department of Public Services Administration (DPSA), as well as the internal email notices to advertise vacancies.

## Adult shop robbed

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - On Sunday 18 June an adult shop in Nelson Mandela Drive was robbed by unknown armed men.**

It is alleged that the two suspectsgain entry to the shop and then used a grinder to open the safe. They stole cash, performance enhancement pills and adult toys before they fled the

scene. The police are appealing to anyone with information about the robbery to please contact Rustenburg SAPS or Detective Sergeant Patricia Meko on 082 416 0872



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Ian Bezuidenhout.

# A HEART-WARMING ACT OF KINDNESS: Charity Golf Day in aid of Kevin Jansen van Vuuren

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Ian Bezuidenhout, whose selfless act of compassion has touched the hearts of many in the community.



Kevin Jansen van Vuuren.

At the tender age of 15, Ian has chosen to forego his 16th birthday party and presents to organize a charity golf day event at the Rustenburg Golf Club on 20 July. His mission? To raise funds for Kevin Jansen van Vuuren, a fellow student at Hoërskool Rustenburg who was severely injured in a recent car accident.

Kevin, a brave grade 12 pupil, has been facing a challenging road to recovery. In light of his medical bills and the financial strain his family is enduring, Ian took notice of Kevin's plight on social media. This prompted him to take action and turn his birthday celebration into a meaningful event that can make a difference.

"We call upon the community to rally behind Ian's initiative and lend their support to the charity golf day. By booking fourball's and sponsoring tee boxes or greens, individuals and businesses alike can contribute to Kevin's cause. No donation is too small, as every contribution will go a long way in providing the necessary funds for his medical expenses.

To ensure transparency and accountability, the funds raised will be managed by JB Inc Attorneys, a reputable law firm in the community. Trust account details will be provided to interested donors who wish to contribute.

"This heart-warming gesture by Ian Bezuidenhout reminds us of all of the power of compassion and unity within our community. It is an opportunity for us to come together and show support for Kevin during his time of need. By participating in this charity golf day, we can make a tangible difference in his life and help alleviate the financial burden his family is facing. Let us join hands, Rustenburg, and demonstrate the strength of our community spirit. Together, we can uplift one another and inspire others with acts of kindness.

Thank you for your attention to this heart-warming event. We look forward to the community's support and generosity, which will undoubtedly make a significant impact in Kevin's journey to recovery".

Bookings can be made at Bianca Gresse - 079 445 9586.



An interesting new development at the Waterfall Mall is into its fourth week (more or less) of what seems to be a total makeover. But there's more, in Rustenburg Herald's edition of this week, we are also taking a view from the proverbial crow's nest - get you copy of Rustenburg Herald this week for more on what is going "up" here.

## Zinniaville Secondary School Golden Jubilee - Celebrating 50 years of excellence

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Zinniaville Secondary School will be hosting a 50 Year Gala Banquet on Saturday 5 August at Hedgehog Nest in honour of all its ex-students, Principal's, Teachers, SGB, parents and entire community.

Zinniaville Secondary School known as Rustenburg Indian School, relocated from the centre of Rustenburg City in September 1972 and was officially opened in August of 1973. This year they are celebrating 50 years of Zinniaville Secondary School's existence. However, the formal education of the Indians in Rustenburg, started way-back in 1924 almost 99 years ago.

Due to the forceful removal of the Indians from Rustenburg via the Apartheid Regime they were relocated to Zinniaville. The school boasts a very proud record of providing excellent quality education over a 50 year period. Influential men and women have gained their Basic Education from this institution to become prominent personalities making their mark on society and the country. They appeal to all ex-scholars and stakeholders to contact the school and provide them with information of your experience at ZSS and how it has shaped you into the person you are today. This information is extremely vital as they will be publishing a one of a kind year book which will be showcasing all Zinniaville Secondary School's achievement for the past 50 years.

They would like their Gala Dinner to be a memorable one – one that will take them down memory lane and allow them to reflect on the importance of Zinniaville Secondary School.

There are limited seats available (only 720). Price per seat is R950 which includes a meet and greet session, cocktails, entertainment, a five course meal and a walk down memory lane.

For any additional donations please contact the Principal, Ms Suliman personally or telephonically. They urge all stakeholders to donate generously towards your Alma Mater.

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# Tackling Cholera at the source

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Cholera used to be a killer of epidemic proportions. In 1817, a cholera outbreak in India continued for almost a decade, killing hundreds of thousands of people. In the mid-1800s, over 15,000 people died from the disease in Saudi Arabia, and a massive outbreak in Russia during the same period would eventually claim over a million lives.**

Even though cholera was partially identified more than 2,000 years ago, it began thriving in the modern era. Dense population levels and inadequate sanitation create colossal breeding grounds for the disease, a highly contagious bacteria that infects our small intestine with toxins.

Things started to change in the 20th century as municipal wastewater facilities and improved sewage systems made piped clean water a reality for most people. Today, we continue to bring that clean water to everyone because it helps eliminate dangerous diseases and improve people's lives.

So, it's saddening to see that cholera has reared its head again in South Africa and families are experiencing traumatic and painful loss of loved ones. This is a critical concern, and while it's crucial to hold authorities responsible for this dramatic step back in modern hygiene, that won't directly help those exposed to this disease.

How can South Africa reverse the Cholera outbreak and prevent it from reemerging? The answers lie with our wastewater treatment sites.

How to Fix Wastewater

South Africa's wastewater sites are in trouble. According to a 2022 report from the Department of Water & Sanitation, 105 out of 115 local wastewater treatment systems (over 80 percent) are in a critical state. These sites often discharge raw or partially untreated sewage into our river systems, exposing the most vulnerable and impoverished to polluted water.

Banishing this disease back to the previous century will take time and effort. But there are interventions at wastewater sites that can change the picture quickly. We can generally group these problems into six areas:

1. Old infrastructure
2. Complex management systems
3. Loadshedding
4. Depleted budgets
5. Lack of skills

Community knowledge Old and ageing infrastructure, such as pumps and pipes, can severely limit a site's capacity, not to mention proper maintenance. Breakdowns lead to less capacity, creating a vicious cycle. Such legacy equipment can be revitalised with modern integrations, such as Internet of Things sensors or modernised with new age solutions\ products geared for optimisation and greater monitoring and control, and ad-hoc hi-tech assessment solutions, such as sonic leak detection balls that identify problems long before they emerge.

Decentralised Treatment: Effluent is a key component for the spread of cholera therefore collecting and treating it quickly and efficiently will minimise the spread. Small package treatment plants can be used closer to the source of effluent to prevent further spreading. Furthermore, clean water can be treated with UV or Ozone or a combination of both e.g.,

tankers equipped with UV units will disinfect and therefore provide safe drinking water. Disinfection at the point of consumption will minimise further contaminations. The same principle can be applied to other water sources for example, rivers.

Complex management systems: Water and Wastewater treatment systems are complex and have many variables, making manual management very technical and challenging. Water data systems simplify management through historical data for trending and current data for real-time AI-enhanced analysis that delivers network optimisation, scenario planning and better decision making. These systems work on devices such as phones and tablets, and can send immediate alerts to authorities.

Loadshedding: Power is crucial to wastewater treatment sites. Loss of power causes devastating knock-on effects, including sewage spillages. Sites can invest in backup power solutions and reduce their energy reliance with more efficient equipment. For example, variable frequency drive pumps and new-generation aeration blowers reliably deliver energy savings of 60 percent and higher.

Depleted budgets: Money is tight, and improving water systems can be expensive. Yet there are some cost-effective interventions. Municipalities can increase revenue through improved metering systems coupled with automated meter readings and proactive condition assessments for detecting leaks and ensuring infrastructure integrity to reduce and prevent non-revenue water. Having a digital approach, municipalities can analyse historical data to discover efficiencies and avoid expensive repairs through preventative maintenance.

Lack of skills: Treating water is technical, and smaller sites, in particular, might struggle for access to enough experts. Water solutions partners can help provide those skills directly and pass knowledge to the site employees. Leading water solutions providers such as Xylem also fund university students' education, ensuring the next generation is ready to step up.

Community knowledge: Wastewater treatment sites are the primary defence against water-borne diseases. But communities can do a lot as well. On the macro scale, they can look after water areas such as rivers and wetlands, and help reduce pollution. On the micro level, they can make direct interventions such as washing hands, boiling water, and using chlorine tablets. It's imperative to work with local communities and share knowledge.

Cholera outbreaks are a symptom of failing wastewater treatment facilities, and the long-term solution is to turn these sites around. We can do this by combining modern innovations in water systems with experience and established infrastructure. South Africans deserve clean and safe water—let's work together to deliver this fundamental right.

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# Amateur Art competition

## - new entries awaited

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Congratulations to Corlia Botha and Mario-lee Visser who were the two winners of our most recent Rustenburg Herald/Bonus' Art competition.**

Corlia and Mario-Lee have walked off with prize-money of R1 000 in cash following the announcement of last week and are among the finalists of the competition's Grand judging at the end of the year, after which two winners of two Pick n Pay shopping vouchers to the value of R10 000 each will be up for grabs.

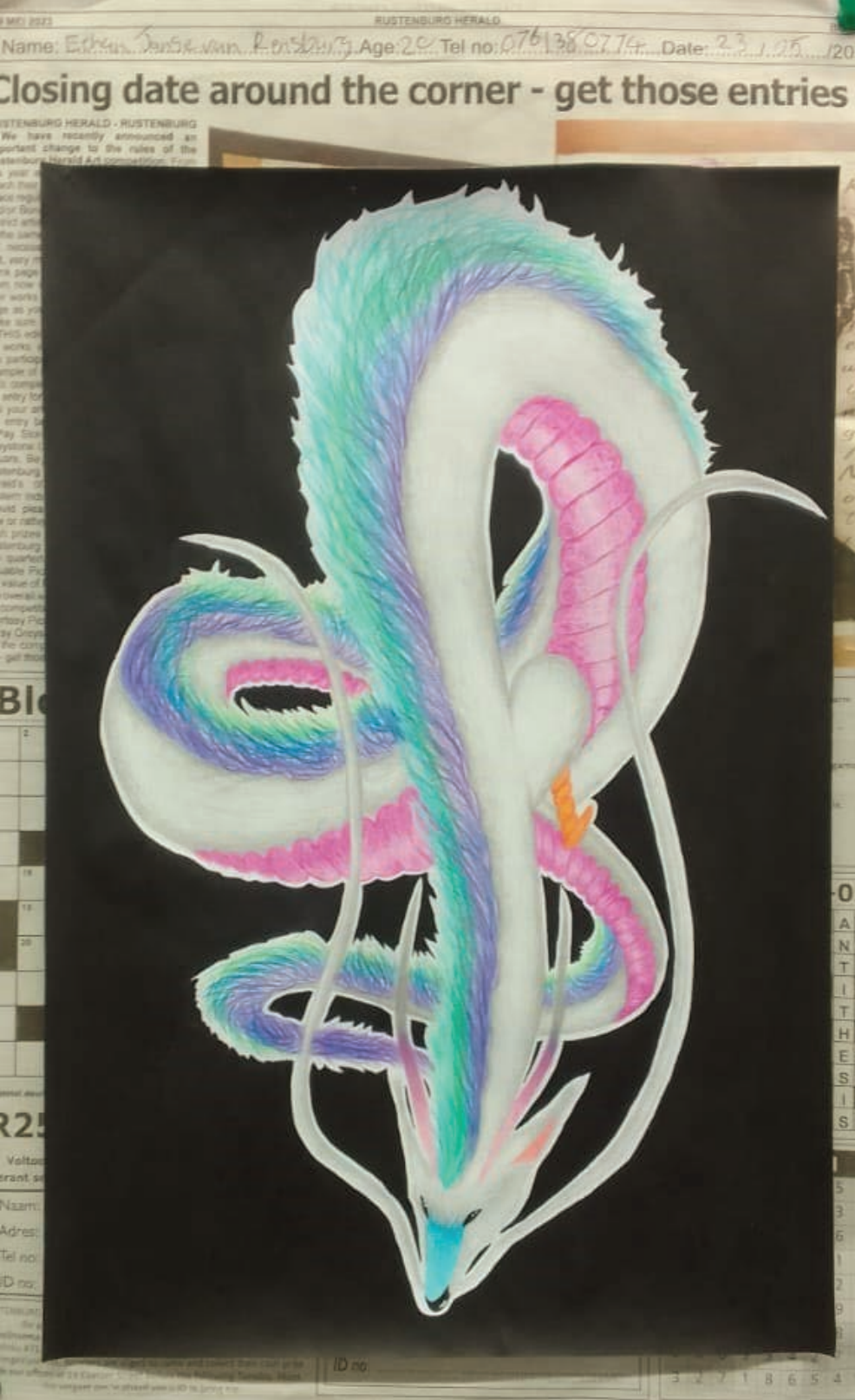
Good news that the new Art competition will officially kick off on Monday, 3 July 2023. To enter - remember the following:

Look for the entry form printed in every week's edition of Rustenburg Herald. Complete this and attach it to your artwork which could be any full page in Rustenburg Herald provided that the name of the publication

and the date are clearly visible. You are welcome to paint the full page with a base colour in white, black or any colour your prefer and to work on the base coat to complete your artwork.

You may enter as many artworks as you wish and there is no entry fee. Keep watching Rustenburg Herald and Bonus for regular news and/or updates on the competition. You can "post" your entries in the entry boxes at the two Pick n Pay stores which are clearly marked

"Art competition" at the art display boards in both Pick n Pay stores. The closing date will be announced at a much later stage. Good luck with your entries.



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Giniel de Villiers and Dennis Murphy. (Photo: Plan C Productions)



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# Rally-Raid teams return to Botswana for a 1000km of desert racing

**BONUS - RUSTENBURG** - Returning to Botswana with the aim to conquer the Kalahari desert, remains a highlight on the calendar of many teams competing in the SA Rally-Raid Championship, and after not competing in the neighbouring country for three consecutive years, it is at last time for the 2023 Toyota Gazoo Racing 1000 Kalahari Botswana Desert Race, the third round of the SARRC that will take place on 23, 24 and 25 June from Jwaneng in the southern part of the country.

The Kalahari Desert in the Upington area was the playground for teams in 2021 and 2022 and the record books were kept updated with the latest results, scores and hours of desert racing experiences after the traditional desert race could not take place in 2020. And after the long wait, it is back to Botswana for scores to be settled and points to be proven while adding more victories for some, will also be on the to-do list.

Giniel de Villiers/Dennis Murphy (TGRSA DKR Hilux T1+) will line up as the team with the most desert race victories including winning at Jwaneng in 2017 and 2018 while they added another victory to their list when they won at Upington last year. They will no doubt be chased by Chris Visser who last won in Botswana in 2019. Visser, together with navigator, Albertus Venter, will give the new Red-Lined REVO T1+ its first taste of the desert and after a successful start to the season, a victory combined with a healthy number of points will suit them perfectly.

Two 2x4 teams will also be in action in FIA T1+. Ernest Roberts/Jaco van Aardt and Dewald van Breda/Stompie Mynhardt will put their CR6 vehicles to the test in

this challenging event which offers them the ideal opportunity to score handsomely in the absence of Trethewey/Roets and Baragwanath/Cremer.

The TGR 1000 will start with a 61km Pirelli Qualifying Race at 12:30 on Friday 23 June that will determine the starting order for the first loop of the race on Saturday 24 June. On Saturday, teams will have to complete two loops of 220km that will take them towards the east of Jwaneng with the results determining the starting grid for Sunday when two loops of 214km await them. For the third and final day, teams will veer towards the west of the town and will return to the Designated Service Point (DSP) at the Jwaneng Sports Complex on both days after the first of the two loops. The Race Headquarters as well as the Start/Finish will be situated at the Jwaneng Sports Complex.

All the action can be viewed from various vantage points along the route. The TGR 1000 can also be followed on the RallySafe App, available as a free download from the Google PlayStore and the iStore while updated information will be available on Facebook: saccsauto; Instagram: saccs\_auto and Twitter: @SACCS.Auto.



Ian and Werner Mostert. (Photo: Plan C Productions)



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