

It took nothing short of a miracle to save the life of a 15-month-old baby after the child fell into a 20 meter deep borehole on Thursday (16 March). Phokeng K9, Phokeng Visible Policing, the K9 units from Tshwane, Mahikeng and Vryburg were joined in the rescue operation by police divers from Potchefstroom, as well as the rescue teams of Royal Bafokeng Reaction and Implats. Rustenburg ER 24 and Royal Bafokeng Emergency Services also played a major role. Read the full story in this week's Rustenburg Herald. (Photo: Supplied)

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Impala makes strides in the fight to end Tuberculosis

Impala Rustenburg is committed to improving the health and safety of its employees and mine-communities. This is what has prompted Impala's proactive approach in the global fight to end tuberculosis.



What is Tuberculosis?

Tuberculosis, otherwise known as TB, is a **lung disease** caused by bacteria called Mycobacterium Tuberculosis



TB usually settles in the lungs



Causing damage which can

make it hard to breathe

Did You

Know?

Impala's TB incidence rate is 224 per 100 000 people (2022)

The South African estimated incidence rate is 537 per 100 000 people (2022)

The regular screening of employees and contractors is a major contributor to



How is Impala Fighting TB?

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Employees including contractors are screened and x-rayed annually for TB and are screened for TB/HIV at every visit to our primary healthcare clinics



Wellness teams educate our employees and contractors about TB/HIV and provide voluntary counselling and testing



TB positive employees are admitted, **treated and educated.** The importance of adherence and completion of TB treatment is strongly emphasised



The **Impala track and trace team** traces contacts of TB-positive employees and refers them for screening



Impala partners with **Tapologo Home-Based Care** to fund the training of community care workers to identify early signs and symptoms of TB and other diseases

Impala's lower prevalence rate.



The South African National Aids Council (SANAC) will be hosting the 2023 World TB Day on 24 March 2023 at Tlhabane Stadium, Rustenburg. Join us at this event as we strive to raise awareness.

Impala – working together to create a better future.





It's tails up for Arend Avenue Project - soon to be completed

Water Services to Arendskloof and surrounding town house complexes have been fully restored by early Thursday afternoon. The project is unlikely to continue for more than next week, Rustenburg Herald was told. By early next week only the repair of Arend Avenue road will remain.

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Residents of Arend Avenue and surrounding town house complexes can indeed sigh with relief with the news that the municipal water supply to Arendskloof and Santa Monica town house complex has been restored just before 14:00 on Thursday afternoon.

Residents will be elated to hear that the sewerage line has been repaired, reconnected and is functioning as it should, Henry de Kock of MCivils told us on Frideay morning - not even a week after the project commenced on Monday morning of last week.

Initially the project was expected to continue for very close to two weeks, if no serious challenges occurred, Rustenburg Herald was told. By Friday morning a team of workers were currently involved in the clean-up and rehabilitation of the area, we were told.

Residents are advised to keep watching Rustenburg Herald's Facebook pages for regular updates on the progress of the project.

The project is expected to be fully completed and rehabilitated within a day or two.

Flagrant rapist caught

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The Rustenburg Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offences (FCS) detectives are grateful for the assistance rendered by members of a local security company, that lead to the arrest of a notorious rapist.

The man managed to flee after raping a woman on a game lodge on 7 March. The incident on the lodge on the R24, outside Rustenburg happened at around 14:30.

The victim, a 51-year old employee at the game lodge, was overpowered and threatened at knife's point and ultimately raped. She managed to pull off the suspect's balaclava, and recognised her attacker. After the ordeal she fled and called for help.

"The police and local security personnel were alerted and an immediate search for the suspect commenced. Security personnel managed to follow up information received from the public and the suspect was apprehended on 9 March, just two days after the crime reported,"Rustenburg Police was Spokesperson, Capt Elsabé Augoustides told Bonus.



Focus on cable theft, infrastructure damage

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - North West Crime Prevention conducted an awareness campaign on non-ferrous metals at the Rustenburg Civic Centre Banquet Hall on Tuesday.

The campaign was hosted under the auspices of the District Commissioner of Bojanala Sub-District 1, Major Mosimanegape. The Acting District Communication of Bojanala District 2, Brigadier Ntoagae, the station commander of Rustenburg, Brigadier Pheto, Provincial Head of Crime Prevention, Brigadier Molate, Provincial Head of Corporate Communication and Liaison, Brigadier Mokgwabone and Brigadier Wagner of Legal Services also attended the event.

External Stakeholders, mining representatives and Rustenburg Business Forum representatives were also part.

The aim was to raise awareness on the theft of non-ferrous goods. When delivering the purpose of the day address, Brigadier Molate said theft of non-ferrous metals is a threat to the country and that the fight against this should be intensified.



Elizabeth Mokone, Stephen Motlogeloea, Col Marilette Myburgh and Warrant Officer Marius Viviers at the start of the campaign on Tuesday morning (14 March).



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Workers and engineers of MCivils working on the sewerage and fresh water installations at the Arend Avenue Disaster area on Friday morning.

DA concerned by RLM's issues with fuel

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The DA in the Rustenburg Local Municipality is concerned over reports that there is a lack of fuel for municipal vehicles responsible for delivering services to residents.

Service delivery in Rustenburg is already near collapse, and a fuel shortage will be disastrous, DA Cllr Luan Snyders said. The DA received confirmation from unit managers that they are struggling to fill up tanks to respond to basic service delivery needs, like repairing water and sewage leaks, electricity blackouts, and refuse collection.

Rustenburg residents have been without electricity and water supply for days. This has a big financial impact on families who had to throw spoiled food away. This is in stark contrast to DA-run municipalities, where the residents are prioritised for quality service delivery. The DA will write to the Acting Municipal Manager, Radinaledi Mosiane, and the Mayor, Cllr Sheila Mabale Huma, urging them to take urgent steps to address the fuel shortage and present it to Council at the next sitting. The DA will continue to fight for improved service delivery to Rustenburg residents, Cllr Snyders concluded.



According to Capt Augoustides, the man was arrested near Lehurutshe.

The suspect, who has previous convictions, appeared in the Rustenburg Magistrate's Court. the case WAS remanded until Monday (20 March). The suspect remains in custody.

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DEPARTMENT RE-ENGINEERS EXTENSION SERVICE TO ADVANCE **AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY**

The North-West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (NWDARD) has intensified efforts to transform agricultural extension to advance production in the province. The Department hosted a 3-day Extension and Advisory services Lekgotla from 01-03 March 2023 at Woodlands Country Lodge near Parys. Key to the discussions of Lekgotla were issues around reviewing the implementation model of extension services in order to enhance its impact. Amongst those who attended provincial Extension Practitioners, Extension Managers, Departmental Senior Management, Academia and Agricultural-related stakeholders. Beneficiaries of government interventions invariably identified extension and advisory services as a challenge and a contributory factor towards the minimal impact of government agricultural programmes. It is on this basis that the Department has undertaken the process of identifying how extension services can be more effective and efficient in that the Provincial Extension and Advisory services Lekgotla was necessary to develop better strategies in order to respond to farmers' needs.

Emphasizing on the purpose of Lekgotla, the Head of Department Mr Thupi Mokhatla said it was important to host a conversation that will yield a turn-around in agricultural extension in the province. "We need to look closer in our efforts and steer them towards better co-ordination of actions regarding Extension Policy implementation, as well as other policy documents," Mr Mokhatla said.

He further said the first step was to identify the challenges impacting on Extension services and to provide possible solutions. HoD indicated that the NWDARD was to also align Extension service to the provincial refocusing strategy and the National Agro-processing Master Plan (AAMP). In setting the tone for Lekgotla, MEC Desbo Mohono called for Extension and Advisory Services officials to be revolutionaries with responsibilities to the people. She said it was necessary for them to look into their contribution.

"Do you see your role as central to the development of your people; the alleviation of their poverty day to day life and the assurance of sustainable food security?" She asked as she reiterated on the

NEW APPROACHES, METHODS AND PRINCIPLES CRITICAL TOWARDS DELIVERING AN EFFECTIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

An Agricultural Science qualification often seems to be an absolute key toward work as an agricultural extension officer. In practice it has been evident that over and above a qualification, many extension officers need skills as well as new innovative ways to perform their duties.

Professor Simon Letsoalo of the North-West University has asserted that new approaches, methods and principles are key to the work of an extension and advisory services official. He was reflecting on the Academic Perspective on Extension Practitioner Training, a presentation he delivered during the Provincial Extension and Advisory Services Lekgotla hosted by the North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development from 01-03 March 2023. Professor Letsoalo reiterated that because of the dynamics of the agricultural sector and the various levels of farming community it was imperative that the Extension practitioners have "a bag" of necessary skills in order to effectively render services. Extension comes in many sizes and shapes. There are many approaches and it is important that the extension officers apply approaches to the relevant commodity. The general extension approach is commonly used by may not be relevant to many other farmers as it is an approach that assumes that technology and knowledge that are appropriate for local people exist but are not being used by them. The approach is usually fairly centralized and government-controlled Success is measured in the adoption rate of recomnendations and increases in national production. Other approaches look into commodity specialization and are relevant for increased production. Although the expectation in many cases is about in-

North-West University is prepared to work with the North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development to have a curriculum that will carry skills and knowledge and allow participants to demonstrate and practice the acquired skills.

On the other hand, Extension methods comprise the communication techniques that can be adopted by the practitioner and the farmer. This would basically facilitate farmers' decisions whether or not and how to adapt to certain suggested ways of farming. When equipped with agricultural methods, Professor Letsoalo indicated that it gets easy for an extension officer to pull an appropriate technique for each and every farmer.

Amongst the key principles is that extension should assist people to make their own decisions amongst various alternatives put before them. Professor Letsoalo indicated that practitioners should be able to let go of farmers. "You cannot be advising one farmer for over 10 years. There should be a time when you let go of farmers. The intention is to help farmers to improve their productivity of their agriculture and to develop their abilities to direct their own future development," he said.

He added that it was also critical to look into methods, approaches and principles that are aligned to the changing environment.

The North West provincial Extension and Advisory Services Lekgotla was aimed at identifying how extension services can be more effective and efficient. The contribution of academics was identified as imperative towards extension re-engineering efforts.

need to keep strengthening the sector towards desired professional standards; to build an attractive image for the sector; to compare notes and reflect on how far they have come and to learn and grow our skills and knowledge base. She conceded that the sector is not without its challenges and opportunities which range from technology, financial and other material support, geographic spread, turnaround times and others.

She concluded by emphasizing the officers find space to be closer to beneficiaries of government services

"A revolutionary must be able to move freely amongst his people and be one with them as fish is with water," she said. The NWDARD further plans to host An Extension and Advisory services Symposium which will involve farmers and extensions services officers together and getting views towards agricultural production. For now the Department will draw an action plan which will assist to address issues raised during Lekgotla and advance new approaches towards seamless extension service.



Left: MEC Desbo Mohono addressing the Extension and Advisory Services Lekgotla which took place at Woodlands Country Lodge recently

PRECISION AGRICULTURE **NOW FOR A BETTER FARMING TOOL**

The North-West Provincial Extension and Advisory Services Lekgotla has acknowledged that precision agriculture is a better tool for extension officers in line with the new technological advancement experienced to date. As part of the Lekgotla hosted by the North-West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development from 01-03 March 2023, an array of stakeholders participated in an effort to bring about a collaborative effort towards transformation of the extension service which is meant to ultimately impact on the agricultural production and economic contribution thereof.

As part of their contribution towards the Lekgotla, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has introduced precision agriculture as a better tool for farming. The system, which is digital by nature, allows extension officers to rely on data collection methods to address farmerS needs. Dr Sabelo Madonsela of CSIR said the system will

fact that the system would be accessed remotely means the tool is much relevant to the emerging farmers.

In essence, precision agriculture is the application of data information to optimize complex farming systems. Dr Madonsela said the focus with it is on access to data and the application of it in smart ways." The process involves smart farming operations to obtain real time data about availability of resources, soil conditions, climate/weather, condition of the crop, markets etc and smart systems to respond to threat," he further clarified.

He said with efforts to transform extension service it was important for the department to look into the tool that was going to assist to observe, measure and respond to field variables in crop growth parameters to optimize return on inputs while preserving resources.

Dr Madonsela indicated that the system will incorporate inputs of what extension practitioners want





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GOVERNMENT, MINING AND HOSPITALITY INDUSTRIES PLEDGE TO WORK WITH FARMERS TO BREAK BARRIERS OF ACCESS TO MARKETS

It is time to break all barriers preventing smallholder farmers from accessing the market so they can sell their products and create more jobs for our people. This was a consensus at the Provincial Agricultural Market Access Summit organized by the North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in partnership with the Sun City resort that was held in Rustenburg from 26-28 February 2023.

Themed "Linking North West Smallholder Farmers to Market", the summit's objectives were amongst others to provide a platform at which stakeholders can discuss and exchange ideas on how to access and supply markets such as the hospitality and the mining industry and to provide an opportunity for all role players in the sector to interact for better understanding of market requirements.

The summit assembled key stakeholders such as farmers, organized agricultural formations, mining companies and representatives from the hospitality industry to have a conversation on issues and challenges facing farmers with regard to access to market. One of the farmers, Mpho Bogatsu who is a beekeeper in Ditsobotla, said she welcomes the initiative by the Department for organizing the summit. She however, like many other farmers, said one of the challenges they have is access to the market. "We really need access to these markets. We are able to produce but we need these markets to open up and buy our products," Bogatsu said.

Her fellow farmer, Lesego Moeng from Moruleng Village near Rustenburg shared Bogatsu's sentiments. "As long as they can avail information and what is needed for one to supply them we can supply. With that information, I believe that we can do better," Moeng

Delegates at the summit received presentations on various topics such as requirements for sustainable agro-processing business, agricultural market access for smallholder farmers and market opportunities for smallholder farmers.

Commenting on the three day summit Julius Ramotse from Sun City said the resort greatly appreciates for being part of the summit where potential markets. government and farmers came together to confirm the critical role agriculture is playing in the economy of the province.

"The Provincial Department of Agriculture and Rural Development's significant role as liaison and facilitator between agriculture and markets is confirmed again at this summit and is very encouraging. We as the Sun City resort are open for engagements with our local producers and we are looking forward to working with them in future," Ramotse concluded.

When speaking on the last day of the summit, MEC Desbo Mohono said she was happy that the Department managed to bring together smallholder farmers and industry-related experts as well as potential markets together under one roof for the transference of knowledge and networking.

She said what is needed now is action. "Our farmer's want action not just black and white documents that are just going to be filed. Economic growth and emancipation in the North West province will increase and open new markets for products of our farmers which are the back-bone to this important transition," Mohono





Group photo taken after the three day Provincial Agricultural Market Access Summit organized by the North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development in partnership with the Sun City resort that was held in Rustenburg from 26-28 February 2023.

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The committee will consolidate all the recommendations and action

plans from the commissions into a programme of action [POA]. • The Sun City Resort will lead the first phase of visitations of farms in the Baianala by the heavitality industries and the mining industries Bojanala by the hospitality industries and the mining industries.

The Department will roll out the Agricultural Market Access Programme

emphasized

Mohono also encouraged farmers to seize opportunities availed during the three day gathering

to access funding to expand their crafts. This Department is intending to take this initiative to districts where farmers will again be afforded the opportunity to engage with the potential markets.

Participants also learned more about how

SUMMIT YIELDS EXPECTED RESULTS

The recent Provincial Agricultural Market Access Summit that took place at Sun City Resort and organized by the Department for farmers, yielded the much-expected results with farmers expressing gratitude and enthusiasm to collaborate in order to meet the demand of specified products as well as market standards to have their produce at the Resort menu for the thousands of guests it hosts yearly Farmers and the department seized the networking opportunity to establish a relationship with mining houses and Sun City and that has seen two farmers who exhibited their products at the summit getting access to supply the Resort's restaurants with their products which meet the markets standards and requirements.

Presenting at the inauguration of the three-day gathering on the Agricultural Market Access for Smallholder Farmers, Mr Stern Manthata from the National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development emphasized on the importance of having off-take agreements with the identified market. "Often times farmers find themselves with produce that gets spoiled because they do not have a market to supply to, leaving them with a loss. The only way to make sure all they produce is sold is by securing a market by having a binding agreement that once harvesting takes place the commodities should be delivered to the client whilst it is still in the expected condition thus ensuring that industry standards and quality are met," emphasized Mr Manthata.

Linking farmers to the market by affording them the opportunity to present their product capacity through commissions was an effort appreciated by stakeholders.

The commission on red meat expressed the need to have quality control beginning from the farm throughout the value-chain right up to delivery to the end user, whilst the commission on grain processing accentuated how they will collaborate with each other to supply clients with their grain of choice.

Grain producer, Seitshiro Mozzart Marumoloe of Boripane Enterprises who hails from Springbokpan in the Ngaka Modiri Molema District spoke on organizing themselves as a cooperative and investing in reaching out to the market to be able to supply. "We have quantified what is necessarily needed out of our concept to be able to supply what is needed out of this particular market. The simplest and best way to be able to afford a large market is to collaborate to be able to reach out to this opportunity which is the market as farmers. We are investing in the process by working as a team by bringing resources together to plant, harvest, process, store and transport what is needed out of our concept" said the young farmer.

MARKET ACCESS SUMMIT INSTILLS HOPE FOR MANY SMALLHOLDER FARMERS



Tshepo Moitlobo. Moitlobo (on your right) with a colleague at the recent summit organised by the Department. She is into poultry and also plants vegetables such as tomatoes and chilies. She also processes these vegetables to produce chili sauce and tomato jam. She commended both the Department and the Sun City Resort for organizing and hosting a summit of this extent for them as smallholder farmers where they were able to engage with potential markets.

The agricultural markets are characterized by dominance of larger commercial producers, whilst the smallholder producers are grappling with significant barriers to entry into the market sphere

Smallholder producers face challenges of compliance to quality standards, poor access to markets, technologies and skills which results in failure to beneficiate. But many young farmers who were part of the recent three day summit say the gathering was a great platform for them not only to network but to learn as well.

One of them is Timothy Mogale from Goedgevonden near Ventersdorp town. imothy is a beekeeper. He is operating his beekeeping business Moatane Atang from his family house in Goedgevonden. He sells his honey to fellow villagers. He is one of the producers who is eager to penetrate the market to sell his products. He praised the Department for organising such an informative summit. "The summit was very interesting,' Mogale said

The other young farmer who was part of the same summit organized by the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development with support of Sun City Resort is Tshepo Moitlobo. She is a young female farmer from Rietvlei near Rustenburg.

She commended both the Department and the Sun City Resort for organizing and hosting a summit of this extent for them as smallholder farmers where they were able to engage with potential markets. Moitlobo is in poultry and also plants vegetables such as tomato and chilies. She also processes these vegetables to produce chili

sauce and tomato jam. She also farms with goats and cattle. With regards to markets, Moitlobo had

this to say, "It is not always easy for us as smallholder farmers to sell our products but I am hopeful that after this summit things will change for the better," said Moitlobo. She sells her products to community members and to local vendors in her village She also has a small market for goats in the be implemented to help them as farmers.

neighboring province of Gauteng. "The summit was very informative and of immense value to us as farmers from across the province. The emphasis was on access to the markets and the need for us as farmers to work together. There is so much that one has learned from this convention," Moitlobo highlighted.

She went further and said the knowledge and the interactions she has had with her fellow farmers will go a long way in helping her personally as a young farmer in taking the next step in her farming journey." Moitlobo said

For other young and upcoming farmers, Tshepo Moitlobo said they should not be discouraged by anything. "Farming is not an easy space but with determination, anyone can make it." She emphasised. Maitlobo has received extension and advisory services from the Department and she is more determined and positive that the resolutions taken at this summit will

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Impala Rustenburg has continued with its support of the health of surrounding communities by donating 5 000 rapid HIV test kits to Tapologo Hospice.

Tapologo, as a non-profit organisation, gives home-based care to many people in the Bojanala communities.

These test kits provide a rapid screening result for people wanting to know their current HIV status and for people who may have signs and symptoms which may be HIV related.

The first step in the successful management of HIV is knowing one's status and these kits now enable health care workers to do this for their patients.

Says Mark Munroe, Chief Executive at Impala Rustenburg, "At Impala, we are committed to supporting the health and wellbeing of our team and of the local community. This initiative follows our previous efforts to assist our minecommunities with COVID-19, and we are proud to continue our work in helping those in need. We believe that by working together, we can make a real difference in the fight against these diseases."

Rustenburg Photographic Society

BONUS - RUSTENBURG -Rustenburg Photographic Society held their monthly meeting for March on Wednesday 15 March and the winners in the Open Category were: Senior winner - Gerrie Botha with "Blommetjie" and Junior winner -Christa Mynhardt with "Collecting Pollen".



Senior winner - Gerrie Botha with "Blommetjie".





Timbati Veld Market an inspiration



These Zumba girls - a local fitness and dancing group - had all the lazy bones inspired with their workout at the Timbati Veld Market in Cashan x 4 on Saturday. Yes Madam, the group of open to all ladies who wish to dance their way to being fitter. From left are Santelle Janse van Vuuren, Lizl Mostert, Elize Swart, Leigh-Anne le Roux, Irma Nel and Karien Davis.



Isn't modern technology just a wonderful thing? Sarie Viljoen and Anton Zandberg of Pretoria with a scale model of a Honda Shadow of which each and every part was printed on a 3D printer and assembled afterwards. This project kept Anton busy for no less than 400 hours. This was one of the wonderful and interesting items which were available at the Timbati Veld Market in Cashan 4 at the latest market on 11 March. Prospective exhibitors are reminded of the next Timbati Veld Market which will be an "Easter Market" on Saturday, 8 April. Keep watching Bonus and Rustenburg Herald for more information.



Church 4 Bikers and Community - it's time for change

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - In May 2009 Pastor Sakkie/Desiree Holtzhausen planted the first Biker Church in Rustenburg after they received the calling by the Lord to do so, it was at first quite challenging, especially to win the Biker community's trust and to let them know they are accepted in a church environment where they would not be judged.

About four years ago there were two other Bikers churches established in Rustenburg and they knew they had to move on. God lead them away from the bikers, even though their hearts were with them and always will be. They moved into serving the community with emotional healing etc. They changed the ministry name from Church 4 Bikers, to Harvest time Fellowship/Oestyd Gemeenskap and had no venue due to circumstances. They found a venue at Kroondal Meule. Kroondal Meule is now a Takeaway/Coffee shop and also caters for functions, it is run by David, Ockert and Krappie. They thank them for the use of the venue every Sunday at 09:00. Everyone is welcome to join them, services are mostly in Afrikaans, but they are bilingual as well. They thank the Lord and Saviour for His guidance and support for all these years and thank Him for all the souls they have touched in 14 years.

For more information please contact Pastor Sakkie at 073 305 5038 or Desiree at 073 353 5038.

Pictured is Mark Munroe, Chief

Executive at Impala Rustenburg.

with representatives from the

Impala Hospital and Tapologo

(Group Executive for Health

Stephen Blakeman (Chief

Executive Officer, Tapologo)

Hospice. Back: Dr Jon Andrews

and Safety, Impala Rustenburg),

Centre: Mr Malepane (Hospital

Manager, Impala Rustenburg),

Emmah Mokwena (Community

Moagi (Impala Rustenburg),

Mark Munroe (CE, Impala

Care Worker, Tapologo), Dr Bogosi

Rustenburg), Mr Malapile (Clinics

Manager, Impala Rustenburg).

Front: Malindi Fouche (Finance

Manager, Impala Rustenburg),

Eunice Kgomo (Community Care

Worker, Tapologo), Sr Basetsana

Rangoaga (Nursing Services

Manager, Tapologo)

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Junior winner - Christa Mynhardt with "Collecting Pollen".

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Job Shimankana Tabane Hospital opened a new pharmacy at the Mental Health Unit. The pharmacy is operational from 06 March and will solely service patients and mental health care users only. The operating hours are 07:00 -16:00, Monday to Friday. The addition of another pharmacy in the hospital forms part of the multi-disciplinary team approach in accelerating quality health care to community members and to a larger extend hospital patients. The pharmacy services 75 mental health patients on average - daily and will also help in decongesting the Outpatient Pharmacy. In total the hospital now has three pharmacies.



Pictured here are Pastor Sakkie Holtzhausen, David Agrella, Ockert Upton and Desiree Holtzhausen.

New vehicles, new teams and class shuffles

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The Nkomazi 400, the first round of the 2023 South African Rally-Raid Championship, scheduled to take place on 24 and 25 March in the Malelane area in Mpumalanga, promises to be an exciting event and the results can cause a ripple effect on the rest of the season.

Giniel de Villiers and Dennis

Murphy. (Photo: Andre Schoeman)

While an array of new vehicles will be in action at national level for the first time, new driver and navigator combinations as well as team movements in the different classes, will heighten the level of excitement. Add to that the fact that the popular Nkomazi 400 event has not been on the national calendar for six years, a winning recipe is on the cards for the season opener.

The spectacular results of South African competitors in the recent Dakar Rally combined with the performance of locally

produced racing vehicles is still fresh news and these factors will no doubt contribute to an action-packed weekend where teams will take on 415 testing kilometres in the beautifully scenic Malelane area.

There are no changes to the look of the three Toyota Gazoo Racing SA teams, who will be competing with the Dakar Rally winning DKR Hilux T1+. Giniel de Villiers will be defending his overall drivers' title together with

regular navigator, Dennis Murphy while Henk Lategan, and the 2022 navigators' champion, Brett Cummings will again aim to add to their three previous titles. Guy Botterill/Simon Vacy-

Lyle have shown that they have what it takes to win and their goal will be more regular podium results.

The Nkomazi 400, with support of #TeamHilux Rally-Raid and Nkomazi Fuel, starts on Friday, 24 March at 12:30 with a 65-kilometre Pirelli Qualifying Race to determine the starting order for the main race on Saturday. The Start/Finish, Race Headquarters and Designated Service Point (DSP) will be at the Nkomazi Fuel & Gas Depot approximately four kilometres

from Malelane.

The leading team will start the main race on Saturday at 08:00 from the same venue and will return to the DSP for a compulsory service break after completing the first of two 175km loops. The race will finish at the Nkomazi Fuel & Gas Depot where the podium ceremonies will take place.

Enthusiasts can follow the race on the RallySafe App that can be downloaded from the iStore and

Google PlayStore while spectators will have access to various vantage points along the route to view the racing action. Route maps will be available on www.sacrosscountryracing.co.za

#ConquerTheMonster in 2023!

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - Returning to the ATKV Buffelspoort on Saturday 3 June, the North West Province's most revered one day MTB race, the Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic is the perfect challenge for 2023!

The Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic caters for mountain bikers of all ages and capabilities. Entrants can choose between a Marathon (± 65 km), Half Marathon (± 33 km), Fun Ride (16km) and a Kids Event (2.5km) that showcases the Magaliesberg's most spectacular routes.

Irrespective of the distance entered, mountain bikers can expect a fantastic day out on the trails with exciting challenges and awesome rewards. The Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic has earned its stripes as one of the North West Province's most revered one day MTB races. The Marathon is renowned for its 'Monster Climb' up Breedts Nek. If you #ConquerTheMonster you'll have bragging rights for a year. Each event, however, incorporates the best trails on offer in the Magliesberg and mountain bikers can expect an exciting on-route challenge. Trail runners are also invited to join in on the fun with the Fedhealth Platinum Trail Run taking place at the same venue on Sunday (4 June). Adventure seekers of all ages are invited to enjoy an active weekend away with family and friends.

For more information and/or to enter the Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic visit www.stillwatersports. com or email entries@stillwatersports.com.



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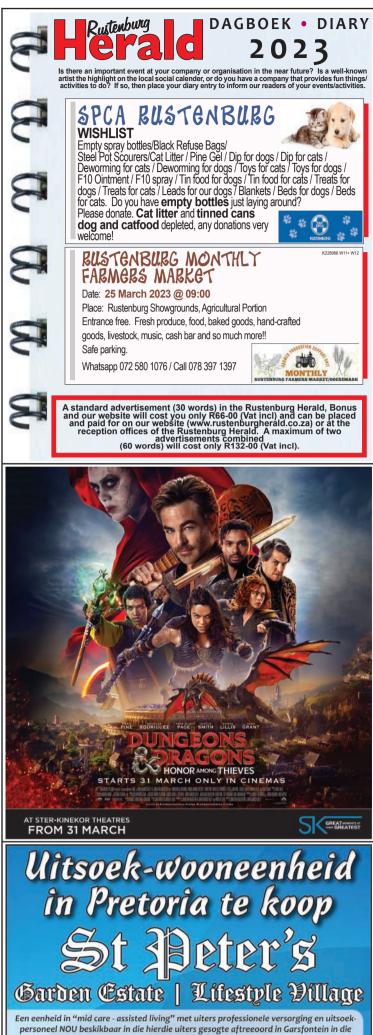




The start of the Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic. (Photo: Tobias Ginsberg)



Mountain bikers of all ages in action during the 2022 Fedhealth Magalies Monster MTB Classic. (Photo: Tobias Ginsberg)





Congratulations to the Norie ambassadors for the month of February, proudly sponsored by Debonairs Pizza.

North West Primary Schools Athletics

The Bojanala Primary athletes who represented the District at Potchefstroom on 3 March - 41 of these athletes have advanced to represent Team North West at National level in KZN.

Vlaklaagte Plaaswag MTB & Trail Run

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The Vlaklaagte Plaaswag MTB & Trail Run Adventure will be taking place on the farm Hoogenbomen in the Lindleyspoort area on Saturday 1 April.

Come and join Vlaklaagte with your friends and family for a fun-filled day with the most scenic cycling/running routes all on gravel roads in the bush with the Magalies and Pilanesberg in the background. The event is in support of the Vlaklaagte Plaaswag community. Cycling: 30km & 50km (R250); Walk/Running: 10km & 21km (R200); Free 5km walk. Prizes and medals available. Enter at MyActive (bit. ly/3xYcVJI). Contact 083 275 3278 for more information.

Eenheid geskik vir 'n enkeling of egpaar. Moenie hierdie unieke geleentheid deur u vingers laat glip nie!

Ooste van Pretoria

Menlyn en verskeie inkoopsentrums en baie goeie hospitale is net 'n klipgooi ver.

Skakel Lynette op 082 877 0231





The Street Rod Nationals will take place over the Easter weekend, April 7-10. Rod & Mod Klerksdorp will host the event on the beautiful sports grounds of Hoërskool Klerksdorp. Entries from as far away as Cape Town, Gqberha and East London have already been received. Local businesses will also be exhibiting their wares and there will be lots of lucky draws for the visitors. Children will also once again have their play corner with a bouncy castle, face painting and much more. Make a day – or even a weekend – of it!



Larissa van Deventer (15), took part in the u/16 age group at the ASA-ANWN club athletics provincial championships, held at the Royal Bafokeng stadium on 11 March. Larissa won gold in high jump and silver in the 200m sprint. She is included in the u/16 team taking part in the Club nationals 23 - 25 March at the Msunduzi Athletics stadium in Pietermaritzburg, KZN. She will also take part in the SA Schools nationals 2 - 5 April. The national championships will be held at the Herman Immelman stadium in Germiston, Gauteng.



Men's netball nationals held here

BONUS - RUSTENBURG - The Men's netball National Championships will be held in Rustenburg at the end of the month. The Senior and U23 championships will be held from 27 March to 1 April. It will be hosted at the Royal Bafokeng Stadium. Tickets for the event is available on nwc2023.org.za



ROYAL BAFOKENG STADIUM - NORTH WEST

27 MARCH - 1 APRIL 2023

#MensNationalChamps



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Kopo eno e tsentswe mo webosaeteng ya NERSA, www.nersa.org.za, kafa tlase ga ditsebe tsa puisano.

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