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Vaalwater

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IN REMEMBRANCE



Jackie Blignaut was vir 20 jaar 'n inwoner van Thabazimbi en is op Sondag 25 April oorlede. Sy sal onthou word as 'n liefdevolle vrou wat haar medemens altyd eerste gestel het. Haar geloof in God was 'n inspirasie vir almal om haar. Haar afsterwe laat 'n leemte in die Thabazimbi gemeenskap.

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PRINSLOO FACING DEATH THREATS

Pretoria – The video of a foiled heist, in which a driver and his colleague fended off heavily armed robbers who repeatedly shot at their vehicle, has gone viral.
On Thursday 22 April, Leo Prinsloo and his colleague Lloyd Mtombeni found themselves under a hail of bullets while travelling in their armoured vehicle along the N4 highway near Pretoria. During the attack, which was captured on the vehicle's dashcam, the robbers continuously shot at the vehicle in an attempt to force it to stop.
However, Prinsloo – a former South African Police Services (SAPS) special forces officer for 12 years – demonstrated nerves of steel and kept on driving as the attack intensified. The robbers eventually gave up and fled the scene. This was after Prinsloo stopped his vehicle and got out to confront them. Prinsloo, who is now reportedly facing death threats, has been praised for his heroic efforts during the attack. He is definitely the type of guy you would want on your side if the popo hits the fan.



Leo Prinsloo and his colleague Lloyd Mtombeni.

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³⁶As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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WEATHER REPORT LIMPOPO THABAZIMBI

Friday	07	May	2020	25°C - 10°C	Rainfall probability
Saturday	08	May	2020	24°C - 8°C	2 %
Sunday	09	May	2020	24°C - 6°C	Sunrise 06:35
Monday	10	May	2020	24°C - 7°C	Sunset 17:39
Tuesday	11	May	2020	25°C - 7°C	

At time of print

FINANCIAL INDICATORS

ZAR/USD	14.24
Rand/Pound	17.17
Rand/Euro	19.76
Rand/Aus Dollar	11.05
Dollar/Pound	1.39
Pound/Euro	1.15
Gold	1 812.70
Platinum	1 247.15
Palladium	2 939.50

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YOUR FRIDAY FUN FACT

Did you know?
Candy floss (cotton candy) was invented by a dentist named William Morrison. The ironic part is that candy floss is basically sugar which everyone knows is a dentist's arch enemy...

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“The violence and destruction committed in Vaalwater today is completely unacceptable and the majority of our residents across our communities reject these actions. The police must maintain law and order,” the mayor said in a statement dated 3 May. The statement also noted that shops, municipal infrastructure, and vehicles were vandalised, tyres were burnt, stones were thrown, and several people sustained injuries. A man on his way to town for work was robbed, beaten, and ended up in hospital.

MEANINGFUL SOLUTIONS, ONLY A STONE’S THROW AWAY

According to social media, all the entrances were blocked off by stones, tyres were burnt, and some even set their rubbish bins alight to barricade the roads. Most shops were forced to close. In one case, employees and customers were locked inside a supermarket to avoid vandalism. The police were forced to use rubber bullets to disperse the protestors. The mayor was set to address the protestors on the afternoon of Monday 3 May, but cancelled due to the violence.

During protest actions on 5 May, police once again intervened, and rubber bullets were flying. By 6 May, and at time of going to press, protestors were at it again. Social media reported that protestors demanded the release of those arrested and stated that some of them were minors who weren’t even part of the protest. Meanwhile, the mayor and councillors met with grieved community members at the community hall on 5 May, without reaching a consensus.

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AMBUSHED WHILE TENDING TO HIS SHEEP

Brits – A 43-year-old farmer, Pier Schutte, was shot while tending to his sheep at around 18:00 on Wednesday 5 May on his farm near Dikhololo, Brits.

The farmer was busy at the sheepfold, about 800m from his home, when he was ambushed by an unknown number of perps. Police spokesperson colonel Adèle Myburgh confirmed that the man was shot twice – once in the chest and once in the back.

Schutte managed to return fire, upon which the attackers fled. He sustained serious injuries and after being stabilised, was airlifted to a hospital in Johannesburg.

This is the second attack this year on Schutte on his farm. It is unclear if anything has been stolen and no arrests have been made thus far.



Two unions demand 15% wage increase from Eskom

SA – Eskom would like to inform the public of the commencement of regular wage talks with the company's recognised labour representative unions, which started on 4 May. The talks are scheduled to end on 3 June 2021. Wage talks may be unpredictable and, depending on the positions taken by the parties, could result in tensions arising. Eskom would like to assure the public that it will do everything possible to attempt to reach consensus that is financially sustainable and in the best interest of its employees and the country.

During the talks in the Central Bargaining Forum, Eskom will engage with the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), the National Union of Metalworkers of South Africa (NUMSA), and Solidarity, to determine the conditions of employment and wages for all non-managerial employees.

Eskom press release extracts, 30 April



PLEASE SPONSOR FIREFIGHTING CLOTHING AND PPE

Thabazimbi – The THABA Fire and Rescue Volunteer Fire Department (TFR) is a group of brave men and women who (30-strong), voluntarily on their own time and dime, serve the community in all types of emergencies ranging from firefighting to home invasions and motor vehicle accidents. TFR is a registered non-profit company and have five responder vehicles. They require funds or sponsorships for equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), and additional training for new members. This will also greatly increase their response time in an emergency as more of our volunteers would be equipped with the right tools to assist. "Our biggest concern now is the safety of our team. We are in dire need of fireproof clothing and gloves," said THABA Fire and Rescue director Pierre Loots. For more information contact directors Pierre on 083 603 5678, Kobus Malan on 083 728 0838 or Chris Loots on 076 579 2402 or email thabafireandrescue@gmail.com.



TFR members urgently need fireproof PPE.

Dont be the next victim! Farm supervisor attacked

Thabazimbi – The supervisor of a farm in Diepkuil, north of Thabazimbi, was assaulted by three men at his home on Friday 30 April. In an interview with *Platinum Bushvelder*, he said he woke up to the sound of his dogs barking. As he got up, he realised the power was off.

As he opened his door to go and investigate, he was hit over the head with a blunt object and he briefly lost consciousness.

The attackers then tied him up before ransacking the house. They attempted to break into the safe but was unsuccessful. The farm supervisor regained consciousness and managed to free himself.

Knowing the farm like the palm of his hand, he ran as quick as his feet could carry him – in the dark of night - to a farmworker's house.

The owner of the farm was alerted, and help was summoned. Matlabas Plaaswag, and the Matlabas PROTO team followed the tracks of the suspects for about 8km where the attackers were presumably picked up by the getaway car. Matlabas Plaaswag would like to urge the community to not leave the safety of their homes if they hear something. It is vital that you send out a distress call.

Do not mute your emergency WhatsApp groups.

A big thank you to everyone who responded, including the Thabazimbi and Hoopdal Police. Police spokesperson constable Titus Khumalo confirmed that a case of assault to cause grievous bodily harm is being investigated.



Voer vir 'n Boer

Rustenburg – Voer vir 'n Boer is gestig deur 'n paar Rustenburgse besigheidsmanne om boere in droogtegeteisterde areas te help met voer vir hul vee, kos vir hul gesinne, en die basiese behoeftes van hul werkers. Voer vir 'n Boer is afhanklik van skenkings. Hulle beplan 'n uitreik na Loeriesfontein om kos en ander noodsaaklikhede aan boere en hul werkers te oorhandig op Vrydag 9 Julie. Wat kort hulle broodnodig?

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Fuel price drop... in the ocean.



SA – Fuel prices have made a turnaround from last month, with (slight) across-the-board price reductions in all fuel types expected when the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy announces adjustments for May. Petrol is expected to be cheaper by around 13 cents a litre, with diesel showing a 32 cents-a-litre drop and illuminating paraffin down by 23 cents.

As we head into winter, South Africans who use paraffin for lighting, cooking, and heating especially will no doubt be glad at this news. For its part, the Automobile Association (AA) is hopeful the recent streak of price stability will continue to provide more price relief to fuel users in the short to medium term.

AA press release extracts, 30 April

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My veearts het egter aanbeveel dat sy lewe gered was deur eiers, maar dat jy dit nie vir diere moet toedien as hulle stuiptrekkings begin kry nie. Dit kan dalk veroorsaak dat hulle verstik en dan kan die gif vinniger na die longe versprei. Jy moet dit vang voor die konvulsies begin.

Maar daai dag het dit Wagter, wat met een voet in die graf gestaan het, vinnig uitgehelp. Blykbaar help dit ook vir katgriep as jy dit met blousel en klein bietjie whisky meng... maar maak eers 100% seker by jou veearts voor jy net enigiets vir jou diere gee. Selfs al werk dit, maak maar altyd eerste 'n afspraak by die dokkie, al is dit net vir jou eie gemoedsrus.

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Aldus Bye-Unie SA voorsitter Johan Wehl, vernietig gifstof in die landbou bedryf die byepopulasie. Hy sê dat 'n lid voorverlede week gekla het dat nagenoeg 41% van haar swerms dood is na bestuiwing op 'n enkele graanland.

Byeboere is in staat om produksie dramaties te verbeter. "Louheid van politici verklein egter die kans," sê Wehl. Sommige stadsrade wat wel regulasies het vir aanhou van 'n paar byekorwe in woonerwe, het internasionale standarde gevolg. Volgens Wahl maak rade soos Tshwane en George die aanhou van 'n paar korwe in 'n erf, feitlik onmoontlik deur onkundige beperkings.

Spesiale omgewingswetgewing moet uitgevaardig word, wat aanhou van bye in woonerwe volgens internasionale standarde, aan stadsrade voorskryf. Sô 'n wet moet oor die boeg van natuurbewaring gegooi word vir die beste resultate.

Die Bye-Unie doen 'n beroep op die hele byebedryf om tussen Wêreld-Byedag op 20 Mei en die munisipale verkiesingsdag op 27 Oktober op alle vlakke waar hulle inspraak het, hul sterkste moontlike invloed uit te oefen.

Bye-Unie persverklaring uittreksels

MAN ADMITS TO KILLING GIRL

Brits – A 31-year-old man appeared before the Brits Magistrates' Court on Monday 3 May on charges of kidnapping, murder, and defeating the ends of justice – three days after he had led police to the area where the girl's burnt body was found.

The seven-year-old girl's body was found in the bushes at Bafhaung Section, Maboloka near Letlhabile on Saturday 1 May 2021. The girl had been reported missing by her aunt on Thursday 29 April.

The girl was reportedly last seen playing next to the dam in Bafhaung Section with two boys, who revealed that the suspect called the trio to his house and offered them fish. "However, the man told the boys to go and put on their shoes so that he could give them fish. The pair left the girl with the man to go back to their homes to put on their shoes. They returned but found the place deserted," police spokesperson captain Aafje Botma said.

"The boys reported the incident to the victim's aunt, who together with the girl's grandmother, went with the boys to the suspect's home and asked about the girl's whereabouts," Botma added. The mater was reported to the police after the man allegedly told the girl's family that the victim left his place with the other children.

"The girl's father took the suspect to the police station on Friday 30 April 2021. The suspect apparently admitted to killing the girl and took the police to the area where the girl's burnt body was found." Botma said.



Northam Landfill Site

NORTHAM DUMPSITE RULES

Northam – The Thabazimbi Local Municipality (TLM) is hereby giving notice about *sections 14(1), 10(2), 8(1) and 19 (1) of the Thabazimbi Local Municipality Refuse Removal By-law No.2126 of 2012*, regarding illegal and indiscriminate dumping in and outside the boundaries of the Northam Landfill Site along the Northam-Brits road. This act of negligent and unacceptable conduct cannot be tolerated. It is not in the best interest of the well-being of the community and the environment and is at all levels prohibited and condemned by the municipality. Businesses are reminded of their responsibility to ensure that their waste is disposed properly, and in a manner that does not cause nuisance or potential harm to the community and the environment.

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TLM notice extracts, 5 May 2021

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All smoke and mirrors with Northam Landfill

[Letter to the editor]

Northam – What more is there to say about the continuous burning of waste and at the Northam Landfill site that hasn't been said over the past few years – over and over again?

We were traveling from Brits on Sunday 25 April, and I took pictures of the smoke polluting the Northam sky once again. We always hear that the issue is being delt with. I mean... really?

The site is located next to Northam Primary, and close to residential and businesses areas. Do they know what a big health risk this is? Do they even care? When will they find meaningful solutions to this ongoing problem?

Our town smells like a garbage bin and our homes even worse. How can they expect people to invest in a community where you are overpowered by the smell of burning garbage all the time?

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VACANCIES



Eland Platinum Mine is a mining operation which forms part of the Northam Platinum Limited group. It is situated near the vibrant towns of the North West Province—Brits and Hartebeestpoort and Pretoria, the administrative capital city of South Africa. The mine is a high quality growth-enabling asset currently in a development phase and has a life expectancy of 30 year. The Eland mining operation is a shallow hybrid UG2 PGMs reef, built in decline shafts that give access to the orebody reserves.

GES (ELECTRICAL)

GRADE: D LOWER BAND

Role requirements

The successful candidate must have the following basic requirements:

- Grade 12 or NQF level 4 equivalent
- N5/N6 with an Electrical Trade Test (Sec 13 or 26D) or National Diploma in Electrical Engineering
- At least 3 years' experience as an electrical foreman/supervisor
- Extensive knowledge in surface & underground mining electrical reticulation
- Knowledge and experience in maintenance of conveyors belt installation, chairlifts, underground dewatering systems, rock breakers and winch installation. MV Certification
- Foreman certification will be advantageous
- Experience in hybrid mining and Supervisory management skills
- Computer Literate in MS Office

Key performance areas

- Manage and supervise all electrical foremen and their teams
- Planning and execution of all electrical activities in a shaft
- Ensure adherence to Engineering Asset Management Strategy
- Adherence to Engineering Standard and Procedures
- Adherence to Mine Health and Safety Act Regulations

Please attach a comprehensive updated CV as well as a certified copy of your ID and your qualifications.

Applications close: 19 May 2021

Northam Eland will apply the employment equity principles as set out in the company's Employment Equity Policy which is in compliance with the South African Employment Equity Act.

Should you meet all the requirements, please submit your curriculum vitae to HRApplicationsEL@norplats.co.za and please quote the job title and reference number in the subject box. Kindly note that Eland will only correspond with shortlisted candidates. Should you not hear from the company within 21 days after the closing date for application please consider your application as unsuccessful.



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GES (MECHANICAL)

GRADE: D LOWER BAND

Role requirements

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- Grade 12 or NQF level 4 equivalent
- N5/N6 with a Fitter/Boilermaker Trade Test (Sec 13 or 26D) or National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.
- At least 3 years' experience as a mechanical foreman/supervisor
- Knowledge and experience in maintenance of conveyors belt installation, chairlifts, underground dewatering systems, rock breakers and winch installation
- Foreman certification will be advantageous.
- Experience in hybrid mining
- Supervisory management skills
- Computer Literate in MS Office

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Why join Eland Platinum Mine?



Eland Platinum Mine (Eland) is a mining operation which forms part of the Northam Platinum Limited (Northam) group. It is situated near the vibrant towns of the North West Province - Brits and Hartebeestpoort, as well as Pretoria, the administrative capital city of South Africa.

Northam is a primary producer of platinum group metals (PGM) and holds a portfolio of world-class mining operations and projects in two provinces in South Africa - Limpopo and North West.

The Eland mining operation is a shallow hybrid UG2 PGMs reef, built in decline shafts that give access to the orebody reserves.

It makes use of chairlifts to travel into the underground working areas where mining activities which include semi-trackless and conventional stoping are performed.

The mine is a high-quality growth-enabling asset currently in a development phase and has a life expectancy of 30 years. It has a potential to generate a long-term sustainable revenue which will benefit its employees and all stakeholders during its existence.

Eland offers exciting career opportunities in mining. We create a collaborative working environment and an inclusive and diverse culture that encourages and supports excellent performance and innovative thinking.

Our strategic, proactive and functional approach to running our business brings systematization and stability. Therefore, our employees are expected to work a fixed 5-day shift cycle which averages at least 45 hours on double rotational shifts. However, if required, extended work shifts are negotiated well in advance.

If you want a career that makes a real difference towards a sustainable future for you, for our communities and our country at large, then consider joining our winning team today!





Free satellite TV!

Thabazimbi – Thabazimbi Local Municipality (TLM) has described the illegal practice of pasting posters on streetlight poles, stop signs, dustbins and municipal electrical distribution boxes as a drawback to ongoing clean-up initiatives of the local government authority. In many parts of town posters advertising abortions, penis enlargements, and free satellite television have become an eyesore. Those pasting these posters are flouting municipal by-laws, which states that an advertiser must approach the local government authority and follow the proper procedure, which includes paying for the advert. If approved, the advert will be placed at a designated spot. TLM communications manager Joshua Motsomane expressed his concern at how those placing these posters are using the cover of darkness to flout the law. He said such practices are also rife in Northam. “As a municipality, we are very concerned about these illegal notices.” He advised those wishing to advertise to visit the Local Economic Development (LED) unit or the Department of Planning and Economic Development for applications.

Paul Makgamathe (left) and Welheminah Merahe are sick of the filth smeared up all over town.

TEACHER STABBED IN FULL VIEW OF LEARNERS

Brits – Education activist Hendrick Makaneta condemned the stabbing of a female teacher at Tshefoge Primary School near Jericho outside Brits on Monday 3 May. The 47-year-old teacher was allegedly stabbed by her 63-year-old boyfriend – who is also a teacher at a nearby school - in full view of several learners. Makaneta is quoted saying, “Government must take drastic measures to ensure that teachers, school personnel, and learners be safe at all times”. “Schools are supposed to be a safe haven. School governing bodies and personnel must ensure that strangers not enter school grounds,” Makaneta added. However, her boyfriend is not a stranger, so how could it be prevented? Her attacker was overpowered by colleagues and community members and she was rushed to hospital. At the time of going to print, the teacher was still in a critical condition in the intensive care unit. The learners are receiving trauma counselling.



INTERNAL\EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT
Y-Centre Manager- 1 Year Fixed-term contract
Thabazimbi Youth Centre- Limpopo

The New loveLife Trust is an NGO that campaigns with nationwide community level outreach and supports programmes that promote healthy, HIV-free living among South African teens. loveLife has reached unprecedented scale in implementing cutting-edge comprehensive and combined social behaviour change programming face-to-face with adolescents.

The New loveLife Trust is looking to recruit a person to provide leadership and Management of loveLife Programmes at community level. Responsible for the planning, organisation, management and monitoring of youth centre programmes, services and outreach activities as well as training, supporting and mentoring loveLife programme implementers at the Youth Centre. The successful applicant would be required to fulfil the following primary functions in a professional manner and with technical excellence:

- General Management-Input on priorities that will inform the Provincial strategy
- Provide monthly and quarterly reports for Funder reporting
- Brand Management
- Programme Implementation Management- Manage and coordinate programme targets
- Assist with the formulation and attainment of annual programme targets
- Manage loveLife programmes and programmatic activities at the Y Centre
- Ensure loveLife programme resources are available for programme implementation
- Manage all loveLife programme facilities at the youth centre
- Development of annual, monthly, weekly and daily programmes, services and activities schedules for the Y Centre
- Manage gB work-plans and monitor implementation of Y Centre gB programmes
- Ensure quality implementation of the loveLife programmes, services and outreach at the loveLife Y Centre
- Human Resource Supervision- Coordinate groundBREAKER and Mpintshi recruitment at the Y Centre
- Provide on-site personal development training to loveLife groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis at the youth centre
- Oversee the development of monthly work-plans for all personnel
- Conduct performance reviews with groundBREAKERS
- Conduct weekly meetings with the groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis
- Supervise the general assistant, gardener and security officer (where applicable) at the youth centre
- Keep a register of staff attendance at the youth centre
- Training & Development- Identify groundBREAKER and Mpintshis training needs and conduct or plan training accordingly
- Ensure core training intended for groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis are conducted accordingly and within the specified time frames

- Collate training reports
- Oversee logistics for all training related to the youth centre
- Community Mobilisation- Market loveLife programmes and youth centre activities to schools and the community
- Market loveLife programmes to vulnerable children and disenfranchised youth in the community
- Solicit business and academic institution support for youth opportunities in the community
- Work with local community, youth agencies and faith based organisations to establish relationships
- Train community organisations on HIV/AIDS Prevention
- Monitoring & Evaluation- Collect monthly monitoring data for loveLife Y Centre head counts
- Collate, quality check and submit monitoring data to the provincial office by the 21st of every month.
- Keep statistical information of youth traffic in and out of Y Centre (Headcounts)
- Screen and quality check loveLife monitoring data before submitting to the national office
- Logistics and Maintenance Coordination
- Report all malfunctioning equipment and ensure that maintenance of Y Centre equipment is carried out
- Manage Y Centre assets and provide a monthly asset register
- Maintain log sheet for the use of Y Centre vehicles
- Admin & Logistics Management - Identify resources needed to enable gBs and mpintshis to implement programme efficiently
- Ensure management and accountability for funds dispersed
- Manage the financials for the Y Centre e.g. petty cash, requisitions, retail sheets etc.
- Coordinate all administration activities at the youth centre including the safety

Suitable candidates will need to satisfy the following requirements:

- Tertiary qualification linked to programme management, education, policy, business administration. Facilitation skills qualification is recommended.
- 3 years related experience
- Project Management Skills, Facilitation and presentation skills

- Customer Services
- Computer literacy
- Local language proficiency
- Strong decision making, Problem solving
- Ability to interact with people at all levels
- Drivers licence is compulsory

Total remuneration package: R18 627 per month

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INTERNAL\EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT
Administration Clerk / General Assistant – 1 Year fixed term contract Thabazimbi Y- Centre - Limpopo

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The Trust is looking to recruit a suitable candidate to provide efficient and effective administrative support and cleaning services to the Y-Centre. The successful applicant would be required to fulfil the following primary functions in a professional manner and with technical excellence:

- General Administration & Reception duties
- Answering the telephone, deal with basic queries and referrals;
- Taking messages and follow-up;
- Send and receive faxes, record and distribute;
- Record incoming mail, date stamp all items and distribute accordingly;
- Welcome visitors, direct them to the appropriate person(s) or deal with queries;
- Ensure that staff whereabouts are known;
- Maintenance of Y-Centre daily staff attendance register, to be submitted to Administration Manager monthly;
- Ensure that the reception area is kept neat and tidy;
- Typing of regional documents e.g. correspondence; minutes of meetings; proposals, etc.;
- Filing and photocopying of documents as required;
- Bookkeeping-Control petty cash and record the petty cash transactions in the region;
- Pay all accounts and prepare cheques for signing (ensure accompanied by valid invoices and requisition forms);
- Ensure regional office requisitions adhere to the National procurement policy
- Load all requisitions and submit for authorization to Administration Manager
- Preparation of petty cash reconciliation and submit to Administration Manager
- Assist with preparation of finance file with all supporting documents and submit to Administration Manager for sign off.
- Ensure all financial documents are photocopied and filled;
- Assist with running of errands for regional office;
- Ensure compliance to financial controls and contribute to reviews of financial policies;
- Support Administration Manager in ensuring that the regional staff are kept abreast of any organisational communication;

- Ensure communication to all staff in relation to booking confirmations and/or cancellations
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Maintain a filing system for monitoring data;
- Site & Asset Management
- Ensure vehicle log books are filed properly and accordingly;
- Ensure that accidents/theft/damage to vehicles are reported appropriately;
- Reception duties- Assisting with answering calls at reception
- Servicing visitors by backing up the receptionist
- Faxing and photocopying duties
- Receiving and delivering mail
- Always ensure the publication stand at reception is always full
- Preparing meeting rooms before and after meetings
- Ensure all offices, reception and corridors are kept tidy at all times in line with Health & Safety Standards requirements
- Ensure standards of hygiene are maintained and risk of contamination is minimized.
- Empty and wash out bins in all offices
- Kitchen & Catering duties
- Keep the kitchens clean and wipe around kitchen surfaces
- Washing of dishes and utensils
- Check diary for meetings planned and prepare teas and refreshments for all meetings
- Assist with catering at office functions and events
- Toilet Cleaning-Clean lavatory basins with appropriate cleaner provided
- Ensure toilets are clean at all times
- Refill towels in each dispenser
- Support Services and Administration
- Assist departments with filling as requested
- Check if all windows are closed at the end of the day
- Assist with office functions preparations as requested
- Arrange furniture in meeting rooms

Suitable candidates will need to satisfy the following requirements:

- Relevant tertiary qualification
- 3 years Office Administration experience
- 1-year Administration & Bookkeeping experience
- Basic finance management
- Customer Services
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Local language proficiency

- Time management skills, Problem solving
- Ability to interact with people at all levels
- Ability to use office equipment such as fax and copy machines
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Attention to detail, Computer literacy
- Ability to coordinate activities

Total remuneration package: R7 352 per month

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Light at the end of the DNA backlog tunnel



SA – The South African Police Service management can report that great strides are being made to overcome the backlog in DNA testing while the system to track and trace forensic exhibits is now fully up and running.

This follows a reported ‘disappearance’ of millions of forensic exhibits at the National Forensic DNA Database due to the Property Control and Exhibit Management (PCEM) system being shut down by the service provider in June 2020. In fact, these exhibits were stored in the Forensic Service Laboratory Administration System and could only be accessed manually.

Since then, SAPS has worked together with the State Information Technology Agency and developed the Forensic Exhibit Management (FEM) system. This new system, which also has a track and trace functionality, replaced the previous system run by the service provider. The FEM system can now speedily locate the source and storage of the forensic evidence.

The FEM system went live on the Tuesday 6 April and approximately 10 million samples from the Forensic Laboratory Admin System have been loaded into the FEM system where samples can be tracked and traced at the click of a button. Nearly 25,000 new exhibits have also been loaded into this system.

The prioritisation of the DNA samples is already bearing fruits, as recently as 23 April a Benoni man was confirmed a serial rapist after being positively linked to 60 rape cases through DNA identification. This man was arrested earlier this month on a single rape charge and the evidence collected at the crime scene, matched evidence collected in 59 other cases to which this man could then be linked.

SAPS press release extracts

**INTERNAL\EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT Groundsman
(1 Year Fixed-Term Contract)
Thabazimbi Youth Centre - Limpopo**

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The New loveLife Trust is looking to recruit a Grounds-Man in the province mentioned above to maintain cleanliness standards of the Office and provide administrative support to the Y-Centre. The successful applicant will be required to fulfil the following primary functions in a professional manner and with technical excellence:

- Ensuring that the Y centre is clean
- Maintaining plants and laundry
- Executing errands like Photostatting/ mail
- Assisting with catering and other preparations for meetings and workshops during in house training sessions

- Assist with requisitions for materials and replenishing of stocks (promotional & branding materials)
- Assisting with other duties if required to do so

Suitable candidates will need to satisfy the following requirements:

- Grade 12/ Matric
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Prior work experience with regards to cleaning
- Excellent knowledge related to HIV/AIDS

- Self-initiator, pro-activeness, established leadership qualities
- Willingness to work extended hours and over weekends when required to do so

Total remuneration package: R4 411per month

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**INTERNAL\EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT
Y-Centre Counsellor- 1 year fixed-term contract
Thabazimbi Y-Centre- Limpopo**

The New loveLife Trust is youth leadership development NGO that campaigns with nationwide community level outreach and supports programmes that promote socio-economic and healthy, HIV-free living among young South Africans. loveLife has reached unprecedented scale in implementing cutting-edge comprehensive and combined social behaviour change programming face-to-face with adolescents.

The Trust is looking to recruit a suitable candidate to provide face to face counselling to Young people at the Y-Centre, on sexual reproductive health issues and HIV/AIDS. The successful applicant would be required to fulfil the following primary functions in a professional manner and with technical excellence:

- To offer face to face counselling
- Crisis management
- Information dissemination on sexual reproductive health and HIV/AIDS

- Data capturing
- Management of referrals (including identification of and linkages to appropriate resources)

Suitable candidates will need to satisfy the following requirements:

- Relevant tertiary qualification.
- 2-3years experience in counselling preferably with youth
- Excellent knowledge related to HIV/AIDS and Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Excellent listening and analytical skills as well as attention to detail
- Good interpersonal and communication skills to establish a rapport with youth

- Telephone etiquette and telephonic management skills
- Computer Literacy
- Self-initiator, pro-activeness, established leadership qualities
- Ability to work in team environment
- Previous Counselling experience will be an added advantage

Total remuneration package: R12 745 per month

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**INTERNAL\EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT
loveLifestyle Programme Coordinator – 1 Year fixed term contract
Thabazimbi Y-Centre- Limpopo**

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The Trust is looking to recruit a suitable candidate to ensure that all loveLifestyle programmes are implemented in the region so as to meet programme targets and maintain programme quality, in line with National HIV-prevention and Youth Health objectives. The successful applicant would be required to fulfil the following primary functions in a professional manner and with technical excellence:

- groundBREAKER and Mpintshi support
- Recruit, select and induct groundBREAKERS (with Line Managers) in line with National recruitment guidelines
- Develop, implement and manage groundBREAKER and Mpintshi personal development plans
- Guide and assist groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis in the development of workplans (with Line Managers)
- Conduct regular face-to-face and telephonic meetings with groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis.
- Evaluate and give regular feedback on sessions conducted by groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis in school.
- Track groundBREAKER and Mpintshi performance against targets and give regular feedback to them and the Provincial Programme Operations Manager.
- Implement annual groundBREAKER and Mpintshi graduation events with appropriate incentives and ceremony.
- Capacity building of groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis
- Working with the Workplace learning coordinator, ensure that all necessary capacity building interventions for groundBREAKERS are implemented
- Participate in the actual training of groundBREAKERS in line with set calendar of training activities
- Programme Implementation & Outreach activities
- Assist groundBREAKERS and Mpintshis to conduct community mapping exercise for their locations and have these visibly displayed in their hubs
- Work with hub teams to implement relevant outreach activities within their communities

- Serve on Local Organising Committees for all loveLife events taking place in allocated area.
- Support special projects and loveLife alumni-driven projects within the region.
- Manage the integration of the loveLife media campaign with programme implementation.
- Providing the national media team with information on stories, communication suggestions, and youth trends from the identified area.
- Marketing, Advocacy and Lobbying- Develop and implement an Outreach & Marketing Strategy in line with the National Strategy;
- Identify all stakeholders within the region (local government, corporates, community based organisations and non-governmental organisations;
- Contribute to the Development and implementation of a local fundraising strategy in support of loveLifestyle programmes;
- Relationship Management- Develop and maintain an database of all relevant stakeholders;
- Ensure effective communication with programme partners and relevant stakeholders
- Provide partnership management reports to the Provincial Programmes Operations Manager highlighting all successes and challenges related to programme partnerships
- Monitoring, Evaluation and Research- Ensure all monitoring tools are completed accurately and submitted on time.
- Support groundBREAKERS with their mobile monitoring system submissions.
- Support evaluation and ad hoc research projects implemented by loveLife and its partners

Suitable candidates will need to satisfy the following requirements:

- Relevant tertiary qualification (or equivalent)
- 3 years relevant community development experience
- Project Management
- Strong Community Development Background
- Problem Solving and Decision Making Skills

- Excellent Interpersonal and Communication Skills
- Basic Financial Management Skills
- Advanced Computer Literacy – Excel, Word, Outlook, and Powerpoint
- Driver’s License required & Willingness to travel

Total remuneration package: R9 452 per month

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Oom Jan van Zyl groet die Northam/ Swartklip gemeenskap vir Rusoord Ouethuis te Rustenburg.

Koebaai Northam, HALLO Rustenburg!

Northam/ Rustenburg – Dit is met hartseer dat ons Oom Jan van Zyl groet. Hy het op 18 April verhuis om aan te sluit by Rusoord Ouethuis te Rustenburg.

Oom Jan en wyle Tannie Marie van Zyl (oorlede 10 Mei 2019) het diep spore in ons gemeenskap getrap. Hul kinders woon nog in Northam en dus sal hy dan en wan kom inloer. Ja-nee kyk, daardie ferm handdruk en sterk stem sal ons beslis weer hoor!

“Ek het besluit om Rusoord toe te gaan omdat daar baie meer mense is van my portuur. Ek het al heelwat vriende gemaak en ons word lekker besig gehou met verskeie aktiwiteite. Gelukkig kom kuier die kinders gereeld, want dit is mos lekker naby.

Ek het eintlik al einde Maart verhuis, maar het besluit om almal te groet vandag.

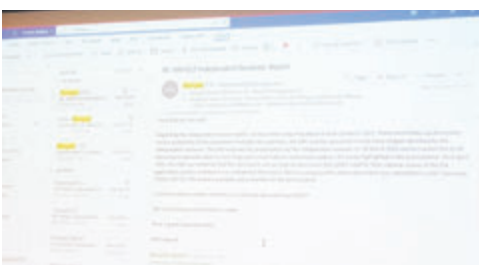
Mens kan mos nie net sommer oppak en loop nie. Ek gaan hierdie gemeenskap baie mis, die mense was nog altyd net goed vir my, en ek wens almal baie seën en voorspoed toe,” vertel ‘n baie emosionele Oom Jan.

HOD bends the rules for the Mucina-Makhado Special Economic Zone

Pretoria/ Limpopo – The Mucina-Makhado Special Economic (MMSEZ) zone was called the largest proposed environmentally degrading development in Africa by Professor Lisa Thompson of the University of the Western Cape at a public participation meeting held on Friday 30 April. Yet the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism has refused to grant access to the independent reviewer's report of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) which taxpayers' money funded. Environmental

lawyer Christo Reeder pointed out that it is unlawful for the report not to have been made available for public scrutiny. The environmental assessment practitioner Ronaldo Retief appointed by Delta Built Environment could not answer why LEDET had granted an extension to improve the "final" EIA report until 31 October 2021 rather than issue a negative decision on the development based on the inadequacies and shortcomings of the report submitted on 1 February 2021. Retief showed the gathering an email sent to head of environmental compliance at LEDET, Victor Mongwe, on 19 April asking for the report to be released. In the email he reminds Mongwe that this request had also been made on 24 March, but no response had been provided by the competent authority LEDET. The participants expressed dissatisfaction with the public participation process including

successful land claimants being side-lined, the consultant not offering translations, and the documents provided being different to the PowerPoint shown. Water, air pollution, jobs for locals, and biodiversity destruction were key issues raised. The participants left feeling that the process was flawed, and consultants were being paid to plaster over the cracks. One of the dissatisfied participants was environmental scientist Dr Cathy Dzerefos representing WESSA. She pointed out that the original EIA had not mentioned mopane worms, an important traditional food occurring in Mopane bushveld. Although Retief indicated that Digby Wells had been commissioned to supplement this inadequacy in the biodiversity study, this would be a flawed study from the outset since the mopane worms would be hidden underground and not visible.



The email message sent to Victor Mongwe and other officials asking for the external review of the contentious Mucina-Makhado Special Economic Zone to be released, which to date has been unanswered.



Ronaldo Retief representing Delta Built Environment.

Bully-parents create bully-children!

Bullying in schools is a global phenomenon that has a huge potential impact on children both physically and psychologically.

Family bullying in South Africa

Bullying in the home can entail physical violence, verbal abuse, or both. In a country struggling with issues such as gender-based violence, extreme poverty, serious violent crime, amongst many other tragic issues, the breeding ground for bullies at home is ripe. A bully is imperious and dominating on a regular basis. He or she humiliates and intimidates others, especially if the target is smaller or weaker. Parents who bully can and do cause emotional and psychological harm to children.

Family risk factors for bullying...

- A lack of caring and connectivity on the part of a parent or parents.
- Domestic abuse.
- Harsh, physical discipline.

Dealing with a parent bully can be difficult. It is a good idea to talk to an authority at school, or even with law enforcement.

Prevalence of bullying in schools

It's reported that as many as 57% of South African learners have been bullied at some time during their high-school careers. When one considers that we have 2.2 million school-going children in this country, those percentages translate into truly staggering numbers.

Bullying and cyberbullying

Bullying is repeated and intentional threats, physical assaults, and intimidation by individuals or a group who exert their real or perceived difference in power or strength on another individual or group. Bullying commonly occurs in schools and can be physical, verbal, social, or electronic aggression.

Mike Bolhuis press release extracts

For more information, visit his Facebook page: MikeBolhuisOfficial

COVID REGULATIONS MAKES YOU FAT

Survey: more than half of South Africans gained weight during the pandemic, 69% bordering on obese



SA – While the intention of lockdown regulations and physical distancing was to contain the spread of COVID-19, the unintended consequences have been an economic crisis, record-high unemployment, and a "plumper" population. A national survey conducted in the last two months among almost 2,000 South African adults paints a dire picture:

- 45% of respondents said lockdown regulations impacted their eating and exercise habits for the worse.
- 44% picked up between 2-5 kg; 15% are 6-10 kg heavier and 4% gained an extra 10 kgs or more.
- 58% of family members (spouse/ children) also packed on a few pounds.
- Increased weight gain in 15% of pets were also reported, which has equally real health consequences.
- 34% said their diet consists mainly of takeout and ready-made meals, while a further 30% said they eat what they can afford since their income has been impacted.
- 42% are exercising less than before the pandemic.
- 59% are currently on medication for a comorbidity such as heart disease, diabetes, or hypertension.

The survey was commissioned by Pharma Dynamics, the largest provider of cardiovascular medicine in the country, to assess the effect of the pandemic and the subsequent lockdown on the nation's eating and exercise patterns. Nicole Jennings, spokesperson for Pharma Dynamics, said they are concerned about the long-term, negative effects that lockdown regulations have on SA's obesity epidemic. "SA's obesity-associated costs already stack up to an estimated R53.9-bn per annum, which puts a tremendous strain on our already fragile healthcare system." "The key to preventing heart disease or a stroke is to manage risk factors, such as high blood pressure, cholesterol and blood glucose levels. Regular blood pressure screening could mean the difference between life and death. In SA, ten people suffer a stroke every hour, while five succumb to a heart attack. Don't become a statistic, get yourself screened," she encouraged. The public can visit either their GP or a pharmacy to have their blood pressure, cholesterol, and glucose levels taken and is advised to do so at least annually.

Pharma Dynamics press release extracts, 3 May

Ambulance coming – veer left or right?

[Letter to the editor]

SA – Whenever I hear sirens, I immediately go on high alert and check around me to see where they are coming from. Because I know every minute counts when it comes to saving lives, so I want to ensure that I am not the one blocking an ambulance. I just wish others had the same courtesy!

Veering to the left or right depends if you are on a freeway or not.

If not on a freeway, veer to the left and let the ambulance pass. Do not pull to the right or stop in the middle lane when there is room to pull to the left.

If on a freeway – make sure you are not in the emergency lane (yellow lane) as it is reserved for police vehicles, fire-fighting vehicles and ambulances.

Regulation 298A of the National Road Traffic Act explains that yellow lane driving is not allowed except for a real emergency like a breakdown, a medical emergency, or if you are rushing to a hospital. It may not be used as a passing lane or as a free way.

Only emergency vehicles may use the yellow lane with the exception of single-lane carriageways. In this case vehicles may move into the yellow lane to allow faster moving vehicles to pass.

So, next time when you hear the sirens, don't be that [insert swear word of your choice here] and move safely out of the way of the ambulance so that they can pass you to save someone's life.

Recycling for a better future!

Thabazimbi – On Friday 16 April the Thabazimbi Local Municipality (TLM) concluded what turned out to be a successful recycling entrepreneurship training. The training, which was hosted by the solid waste unit in partnership with RecyclePaperZA, was conducted over four days to empower local entrepreneurs with knowledge about recycling. Upon completion of the training,

participants were handed certificates of attendance by TLM mayor councillor John Michael Fischer. The municipality is grateful to Joe Peu of RecyclePaperZA, Faith Masiya from the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF), the TLM solid waste team as well as participants from various units of the municipality who participated in the training.



Participants received certificates after completing their training.



Wonderlike nuus – KunsteGrot is terug in aksie!

Thabazimbi – Maak reg vir Kameras Konserte en Kleedkamers met Lizz Meiring wat op Vrydag 21 Mei op KunsteGrot se verhoog sal wees. Die vertoning begin om 19:00 en kosles beloop R130 per persoon. Daar is ‘n beperkte aantal plekke beskikbaar, kontak Rita Volschenk by 083 744 8559 om seker te maak jou kaartjie is bespreek.
Photo: Kameras Konserte en Kleedkamers met Lizz Meiring!

ERDEWERK PRET



VLU Strewe-tak lede se kreatiewe kunswerke.

Strewe – Die Vroue Landbou Unie (VLU) Strewe-tak het op Dinsdag 13 April by Ria’s Pottery Studio vergader. Elke lid het ‘n item gekies en geverf en ‘n kreatiewe oggend saam geniet. Die VLU Strewe-tak het ook gepronk tydens die afgelope konferensie



Alta Eloff spog met hul sertifikaat.

deur weg te stap met die prys vir die hoogste totaal in algemeen en gebak. Die dames se volgende vergadering vind plaas op 11 Mei.

Vir meer inligting kontak Inna Schutte op 082 774 8803.



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INVITATION TO BID

Thabazimbi Local Municipality hereby invites suitable service providers to submit BIDS on:

BID NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT PERSON	CLOSING DATE & TIME	CIDB GRADING	EVALUATION CRITERIA
TECH/21/2020-21	RE ADVERT - NORTHAM EXTENSION 5 UPGRADING OF NORTHAM INTERNAL STREETS (PHASE 2)	Technical Enquires: J. Sifunda: 072 066 9724 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	21 st of June 2021 @ 12h00 pm	6 CE PE or Higher	80/20
BTO/03/2020-21	RE-ADVERT - PROVISION OF TRAVEL AGENCY FOR THE PERIOD IF THREE (3) YEARS	Technical Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	21 st of June 2021 @ 12h00 pm	N/A	80/20
BTO/04/2020-21	RE-ADVERT – PROVISION OF SHORT-TERM INSURANCE SERVICES	Technical Enquires: DM Aphane: 064 687 8899 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	21 st of June 2021 @ 12h00 pm	N/A	80/20
TECH/13/2020-21	RE-ADVERT – CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CEMETRY AT REGOROGILE APPIESDOORING EXTENTION 7	Technical Enquires: J. Sifunda: 072 066 9724 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	27 th of May 2021 @ 12h00 pm	2 CE PE or Higher	80/20
COR/06/2020-21	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MICROSOFT LICENSE FOR THE PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS	Technical Enquires: M. Kamoi: 072 907 2096 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	27 th of May 2021 @ 12h00 pm	N/A	80/20
MM/03/2020-21	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MAYOR’S VEHICLE	Technical Enquires: P.O Mataboge: 082 608 4903 Procurement Enquires: P. Selome: 082 864 8837 B.K. Monyeke: 066 008 3752	27 th of May 2021 @ 12h00 pm	N/A	80/20

Bid documents containing the Conditions of Bid and other requirements in terms of the Supply Chain Management Policy will be downloaded from e-tender Publication Portal at www.etenders.gov.za at no fee, and can also be downloaded from the municipal website at www.thabazimbi.gov.za

Bids will be evaluated under the provision of the following Acts and its Regulations: Municipal Finance Management Act, (Act 56 of 2003); PPPFA; Supply Chain Management Policy of the Municipality in accordance with the Specifications and in terms of **80/20 preferential points system**.

Sealed Bid Documents must be submitted in an envelope clearly indicating, **“BID NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION”** on the outside and must reach the undersigned by depositing it into the Municipal Tender Box, by no later than the date and time stipulated on the above table. All bids will be opened in public at the Municipal Chamber.

The Municipality is not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid and reserves the right to accept any part of a Bid. Bids must remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days after the closing date of the Submission thereof.

Bids which are late, incomplete, unsigned, completed by pencil, sent by telegraph, facsimile, electronically or E-mail and without compulsory required documents will be disqualified.

N.B: NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE [AS DEFINED IN REGULATION 1 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL SUPPLY CHAINS MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS]

LG Tloubatla
Acting Municipal Manager

Kreatiewe kolkuns

Northam – Die Vroue Landbou Unie (VLU) Northam-tak het op Donderdag 15 April vergadering gehou te Swartklip. Bosveld streeksvoorsitter Riana Oosthuizen het die VLU Northam-tak besoek en lede herinner aan die etiket van VLU en waarom die VLU gaan. Sy het ook haar kennis oor gehekelde onderbord plekmatjies gedeel. ‘n Kolkuns werkswinkel is aangebied waar die lede blompotte gemaak het. Kolkuns is ‘n kunswerk wat elk ‘n storie vertel deur die gebruik van verskillende kleure en grootte kolletjies. Om deel te wees van VLU Northam-tak of enige navrae, kontak skakelbeampte Chantell Steynberg op 061 326 2724.



Bosveld streeksvoorsitter Riana Oosthuizen.



‘n Kolkuns blompot.



Asemrowende plot te koop!

Die dubbelverdieping huis beskik oor drie slaapkamers en drie badkamers bo, drie slaapkamers en ‘n studeerkamer onder, oopplan leefarea, eetkamer, kombuis met lieflike kaste, snoekerkamer, speelkamer, stoep, swembad en baie ekstras – vir R5,500,000. **Skakel Marina vd Wateren by 082 550 6649 by JF van Graan & vd Wateren Eiendomme vir meer inligting.**



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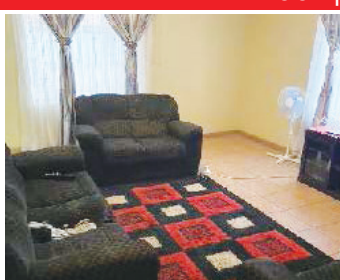


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IN SEKURITEITSKOMPLEKS – 3 SLPK, 2 BADK, OOPPLAN LEEFAREA, 2 M/HUISE
– **R880 000**



2 SLPK, 2 BADK, OOPPLAN LEEFAREA, TOESLUIT M/HUIS, BAIE MOOI TUIN
– **R850 000**



IN SEKURITEITSKOMPLEKS – 3 SLPK, 2 BADK, TOESLUIT M/HUIS, DIEFWERING, VEILIGHEIDSHK
– **R870 000**

GROOT VERSKEIDENHEID PLOTTE & PLASE TE KOOP
VERSKEIE ERWE TE KOOP, ASOOK IN ECO PARK
VANAF R230 000 – R250 000
BOU JOU DROOMHUIS!



Rainbow Cup SA

Stormers vs Sharks
Die 2021 Rainbow Cup het afgeskop op die Kaapstad Stadion tussen die Stormers en die Sharks. Die Kapenaars het van die afkop verwoed ingeklim en was na 12 minute 17-0 voor. Rooi kaarte was weer aan die orde van die dag en die spoedvraat Seabelo Senatla is strafkas toe gejaag. Die Sharks het begin terugveg en met halftyd was die telling 23-12 in die guns van die Stormers. Die tweede helfte het aan die Haaie behoort en teken hulle 21 punte aan om die kragmeting 33-30 te wen. Vir die Sharks het die nuweling slot Reniel Hugo 'n droom debuut gehad en druk drie drieë. Vir 'n slot is dit 'n merkwaardige prestasie of wat ou grote?! Die Sharks speel Saterdag 8 Mei om 16:00 teen die Lions in Durban. Die Stormers pak hul tassies om in Kaapstad teen die Bulle om 18:15 uitdraf.

Bulls vs Lions
Op Loftus klop die Bulle die Leeus 22-9. Dit was 'n game wat nou nie lekker aan die gang wou kom nie... Die Leeus het verwoed verdedig maar op die aanval was daar nie baie planne nie. Die belowende Tiaan Swanepoel is ook nou buite aksie vir die res van die seisoen met 'n ernstige enkelbesering. Dit is 'n groot terugslag vir die Leeus wat alreeds sonder Elton Jantjies moet klaarkom. Die Leeus speel 8 Mei om 16:00 teen die Sharks in Durban. Die Bulle draf om 18:15 teen die Stormers op Loftus uit.

Varsity Cup 2021

RESULTS	FIXTURES
27 APRIL	MONDAY 10 MAY
• Maties 26 - 12 NMU	• Maties vs NMU
• Wits 77 - 7 NMU	• Madibaz
• UJ 34 - 32 Shimlas	• UJ vs Wits
30 APRIL	• CUT vs NWU
• NWU 22 - 20 Wits	• UCT Ikeys vs UWC
• UP-Tuks 0 - 0 UCT Ikeys	• Shimlas vs UP-Tuks
• NMU Madibaz 20 - 24 Shimlas	THURSDAY 13 MAY
• UWC 31 - 5 UJ	• Wits vs Shimlas
• CUT 23 - 18 Maties	• UWC vs CUT
	• NMU Madibaz vs UP-Tuks
	• NWU vs UCT Ikeys
	• Maties vs UJ.

New-Zeeland Aotearoa

FINAL | Saturday 8 May 09:05
• Crusaders vs Chiefs

Australian Domestic

FINAL | Saturday 8 May 11:45
• Queensland Reds vs Brumbies.

Nag ou grote...

Have your say / Sê jou sê

Do you prefer continuous engagement with municipal authorities over protesting?

As of late it seems like the answer to bad service delivery is to close roads, burn tires, or head to the streets with flyers to make yourself heard. Maybe the real answer would be better communication from municipal authorities.



Yes, after a protest there is more damage that needs to be repaired where if we received better communication from the municipality, there won't be a reason to protest.
Leon Scheepers



Yes, it is extremely frustrating if you travel somewhere, and the roads are blocked off due to protesting.
Rina Fraser

Yes, protests ruin our economy. In my opinion the municipality approves a protest too easily. - Anonymous

PUBLIC POLL: THE RESULTS ARE IN!

Do you prefer continuous engagement with municipal authorities over protesting?

NO 79% YES 21%

POLL

Are you on more than 10 WhatsApp groups?

There are groups for work, others to communicate with family and even more to share important information within a community... Using WhatsApp groups has become a vital communication tool in our everyday lives.

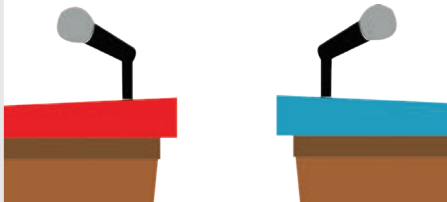
Make yourself heard by sending an email to news@platinumbushvelder.co.za with the following information before 17:00 on Tuesday 11 May:

- Yes, I am on more than 10 WhatsApp groups, or,
- No, I am not on more than 10 WhatsApp groups.
- The reason for your answer.
- A recent photo of yourself (optional) – that we can publish with your answer.
- Your contact details.

If you do not want your answers to be in the newspaper, just reply to the question: YES/ NO.

The results of the votes will be published in our next issue.

PS – You can also give your opinion by commenting on our Facebook post.



Stuur jou event na news@platinumbushvelder.co.za ** Gratis Plasing!

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... Om jou te herinner van komende gebeure...

FUNKSIE	DATUM	LOKAAL	KONTAK
Boeremusiek Fees	8 May '21	Leeupoort: Vakansiedorp	082-781-4695
Golf Tournament	8 May '21	Lephalale: Mogol Golf Club	014-763-4948
Lizz Meiring Live	21 May '21	Thabazimbi: KunsteGrot	083-744-8559
Poker Jol	29 May '21	Thabazimbi: Khaya Kwa	071-898-1032
Fedhealth Magalies Monster	5 Jun '21	Buffelspoort: ATKV Buffelspoort	082-991-0045
Fedhealth Platinum Trail Run	6 Jun '21	Buffelspoort: ATKV Buffelspoort	082-991-0045

Rhinos ready for Centurion



Northam – Northam Rhinos Rugby Club members are confident of achieving a positive result when they come up against Centurion on Sunday 8 May in what is expected to be a thrilling encounter! Rhinos, who have been practicing since February following the South African Rugby Union's (SARU) decision to allow teams on the field under strict COVID-19 regulations, have completed a gruelling eight-week training routine. Rhinos were able to fine-tune their skills during a friendly match they played against North West University on Saturday 1 May. However, Centurion will be a difficult team to

defeat – particularly when one considers they will be playing at home – as both teams look to get their Carleton League campaign on a positive note. While their attention has been on the match against Centurion, Rhinos will also be competing in the Waterberg League where they will be at home against Loskop Rugby Club in their opening match on Saturday 15 May. While no spectators are allowed at the rugby matches at this stage, Rhinos matches will be livestreamed on the club's Facebook page for the benefit of their passionate supporters.



Northam Rhinos Rugby Club's players prepare for their match against Centurion.

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TO ALL THE MOMS OUT THERE.