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PREVENT FIRES



The fire had spread from a mountain in Regorogile.



A lot of manpower and many hours were spent to subdue the fire at Smokey Mountain.

Thabazimbi – Last week an all-consuming fire spread from Regorogile to Smokey Mountain which is situated about 15 kilometres from Thabazimbi. According to founder of Thabazimbi Fire and Rescue (TFR) Pierre Loots, five TFR firefighting units and two units from local landowners responded to the fire at Smokey Mountain on Friday 28 April 2023. The fire is suspected to have started at the mountainous area behind Regorogile days prior to its spread, but because of the terrain, responders were unable to access and squelch its origin. After eleven hours of firefighting at Smokey Mountain, the fire was finally subdued. “We don’t know who or how the fire was started, but the fire at the Regorogile mountain is almost an annual occurrence,” explained Loots. With the start of Thaba’s fire season—from mid-April to end May—*Platinum Bushvelder* sought to enlighten readers by reaching out to Henry Ford, a member of the Thabazimbi Fire Protection Association (TFPA) on Tuesday 2 May 2023.

The role of the TFPA is to educate, inform, advise, consult, represent, and train members.

The National Fire Act requires landowners to have enough trained staff and firefighting equipment to stand a reasonable chance of preventing fires and stopping them from spreading to adjacent properties. Landowners must comply with the Act, whether they belong to a Fire Protection Association (FPA) or not. FPAs help their members to fulfil their legal responsibilities by providing advice and guidance on how to reduce the risk of wildfires.

TFPA is a platform for landowners to coordinate efforts and share resources during fire incidents.

“The Thabazimbi area is prone to wildfires, and as we’ve experienced a lot of rainfall this summer, there is an abundance of natural vegetation which will dry and

ultimately become flammable,” explained Henry who is responsible for TFPA training, “This increases the chance of wildfires which can spread rapidly. We must therefore prepare ourselves for a serious fire season.”

Landowners who are at the heart of potential fire zones can do the following:

- Have a proper fire management plan in place for your property
- Employees must be trained on fire fighting
- Employees must have the minimum personal protective equipment (PPE) for fire fighting
- Employees must have adequate firefighting tools for fire fighting
- Put firebreaks in place (which the TFPA can assist with)
- The making of fire breaks must be finalised before 30 June or before

the fire prohibition period has been declared via your sector leader

- Clear flammable vegetation
- Maintain firefighting equipment
- Get information on the annual fire ban in your area

These are but a few steps that a landowner can take to be better prepared for the fire season. Membership fees depend on the size of a landowner’s property.

For more information, don’t hesitate to contact TFPA secretary Renette Lategan on 083 688 0319, or TFPA member Henry Ford on 079 597 6163, or TFPA Chairperson Chris Liebenberg on 072 638 2388. In case of a fire emergency, or to volunteer to become a TFR member, contact the TFR control room on 063 512 4633, or TFR chairperson Pierre Loots on 083 603 5678.

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BABY/TODDLER 29 July 2023

Photo competition



Photos will be taken
INSIDE MEDHOF PHARMACY
FROM: 9am – 12:30pm

27 May - Saturday
10 June - Saturday
16 June - Friday

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Thabazimbi – Louise van As lost her beloved dog, Mia, who was poisoned on Monday 24 April 2023. Louise, who stays in Bosbok Street, says that four-year-old Mia was a very lovable Great Dane. Louise's loss should not go without warning, as possible dog poisoning could gain momentum during the winter season as many lock their doors a little earlier. With this in mind, it's key to note that poison quickly takes action, therefore it's important to get your pet to a vet as soon as possible. Poison perpetrators commonly use aldicarb also known as 'two-step'. The regulation of this poison is very strict but unfortunately people still manage to get a hold of it. If you can get your dog to vomit, it will help to get some of the poison out. According to veterinary advice, the time you spend trying to give your dog activated charcoal or other remedies could be critical time wasted. You will need to give your dog at least eight activated charcoal pills to make a difference and administering one or two pills to your dog can already be a challenge. The charcoal powder is an easier option because you can mix it with water but getting your dog to a vet should always be your first option. For people who live on farms and who are not close to a veterinarian, a vet can prescribe an Atropine dosage according to the canine's size. However, it is better to administer into the vein as it increases the rate of survival. The best approach is prevention. Keeping your pets inside can help to prevent them from getting poisoned during the night, but perpetrators can still leave poison in the yard, so it's best to scan your yard before letting your dogs out. Dogs can also be poisoned during the day when you're out at work, so it's best to teach your dogs to only eat food from their bowls, or upon command. Also never pick up the poison with your bare hands; always use gloves as the skin can absorb the poison. **If you suspect that your dog has been poisoned, contact Kransberg Animal Clinic on 064 518 3814, or 066 214 5514. Hours are 08:00-17:00 from Mon. to Fri. Sat. 09:00-12:00. After hours contact 071 354 3208.**



Placing an obituary

Announcing the death of a family member is a time-honoured tradition as life should be celebrated and never forgotten. To help you to celebrate the life of your loved one and share details about the upcoming funeral, place an obituary in our newspaper, free of charge. You can include the date of death, details about their life and surviving family members. You can also write a special message, a poem or a prayer. Please include a photo and the date, time and place of the memorial service.

If you would like to place an obituary in *Platinum Weekly / Platinum Bushvelder*, send the information via WhatsApp to 072 482 6871 or email news@platinumweekly.co.za / news@platinumbushvelder.co.za.



THABA FEED THE POOR NEEDS A HAND



Thabazimbi – With many in need, the Thabazimbi Feed the Poor non-profit organisation (NPO) is trying to help the feed the people in Botha Matikiring, a settlement bordering Regorogile.

Thus far, God has provided to most of the charitable kitchen's needs as the NPO has received food, pots and cutlery, a large lockable container, and a good Samaritan has offered to upgrade the road leading to the kitchen. Unfortunately, voluntary hands are hard to come by. Thaba Feed the Poor needs a volunteer to help with cooking and keeping the kitchen clean. **If you would like to experience to joy of giving your time to a good cause, contact Thabazimbi Feed the Poor on 082 893 4208.**

ELKE BIETJIE MAAK 'N VERSKIL



Thabazimbi – Die Thabazimbi Sopkombuis het tans 265 mense wat aan hul afhanklik is vir kos. Om die mense te help het die sopkombuis dringend hulp van die gemeenskap nodig. Hul grootste behoefte op die oomblik is vleis en vars groente, maar enige donasies van kos kan 'n groot verskil maak. **Vir meer inligting oor die Thabazimbi Sopkombuis kontak Riana Bekker op 072 671 9710 of Sanet Maasberg op 083 620 1837. Indien jy 'n bydrae wil maak, lewer graag kos af by 14 Eerste Laan, Thabazimbi.**

VACANCIES

DIENTE WORD DRINGEND BENODIG

Dame vir 'n modelwinkel in Thabazimbi dringend nodig.

Kontak Rosa by 011 814 – 3233/8 of 076 735 2707

MOET:

- Hoogs eerlik
- Sterk administrasie agtergrond
- Sterk verkoops ondervinding
- Dames van die ouderdom tussen 35 en 50 jaar kan aansoek doen.

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL VACANCY WEIGHBRIDGE OPERATOR (REF: LMC 01/2023)

An exciting opportunity now exists to join Limberg Mine (LMC) team as a Weighbridge Operator at Thaba Mine, situated between Thabazimbi and Northam. The position will be offered to a candidate with the following qualifications:

QUALIFICATIONS

- Grade 12
- Computer Literacy
- Weighbridge experience will be an added advantage

YOU CAN APPLY IF YOU ARE:

- A South African citizen
- A local resident
- Flexible Motivated, practical and hands on person
- Safety and Targets orientated person
- A diligent worker who can work independently and with a team
- Willing to work shifts and overtime

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

- Detailed CV
- Certified copy of grade 12 or equivalent NQF Level educational certificate
- Certified copy of ID
- Certified copies of qualifications
- Proof of Residence from the Local Councillor or traditional authority.
- Weighbridge experience will be an added advantage

Pre-screening and psychometric evaluation will form part of the selection process. Only short-listed candidates will be invited to attend a panel interview.

Applicants are to send their CVs accompanied by a suitable cover letter to recruitment@Limberg.co.za by **Friday, 12 May 2023**.

Applicants who do not receive a response for their applications within 7 days after the closing date, may consider their application to have been unsuccessful; submitted documents received will not be returned to the applicant.



EMERGENCY NUMBERS

KIDS!
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My Mommy's number:

My Daddy's number:

My Doctor's number:

Friend/ Family
member's number:

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Thabazimbi SAPS	014 777 3500
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Provincial Hospital	014 777 7000
Thabazimbi Clinic	014 777 1336
Regorogile Clinic	014 772 3178
Amandelbult Hospital	014 784 2828
Medi Clinic Thabazimbi	014 777 2097
CRISIS	
Trauma Rescue	086 178 9911
Thabazimbi Disaster Management	082 079 9335
GPF/Dinare Security/TFR Control Room	063 512 4633
Waterberg Fire Department	082 551 4204
Thabazimbi Local Municipality	082 977 2577 082 797 7008
Fire Protection Association Thabazimbi	078 252 4076
Thabazimbi Traffic Department	083 687 1883
TLM Water Services	083 703 2805
TLM Rooiberg Satellite	082 658 3593
TLM Northam Satellite	082 658 4607
TLM Leeupoort Satellite	082 658 2477
SSSNAKESSS	
Petrus Van Breda	079 897 5611
Peet Van Breda	083 579 3139
Delpot Botma	082 941 4137
Charles Jansen Van Vuuren	074 414 6138
VETS	
Kransberg Dierekliniek	066 214 5514 071 354 3208 064 518 3814
Medivet	014 772 3323 073 500 4818
PHARMACIES	
Medhof Thabazimbi	014 777 1288/87 082 333 8576



Have your say / Sê jou sê

Do you know how to play a musical instrument?

Being able to play a musical instrument is a talent which takes practice and determination. Whether you are self-taught or took lessons, can you play a musical instrument?



Yes. I play drums at church every Sunday.
Evelyn Mogomotsi



Yes. I play guitar and a bit of drums. I was eight years old when I learnt to play and then stopped. But I started again when I was 16.
Annie Saunders

PUBLIC POLL: THE RESULTS ARE IN!

Do you know how to play a musical instrument?

NO 39% YES 61%

Stuur jou event na news@platinumbushvelder.co.za ** Gratis Plasing!			
PLATINUM DAGBOEK			
Leeupoort Parkrun	Every Saturday	Leeupoort: Leeupoort Caravan park	014-735-0970
Mogol Parkrun	Every Saturday	Lephalale: Mogol Club	014-763 2427
Thabazimbi Wildlife Services Auction	17 May '23	Thabazimbi: Show grounds	083-581-7780
Fun Day Cycling	27 May '23	Thabazimbi: Show grounds	071-546-5491
Spit, Potjie & Braai	27 May '23	Thabazimbi: Skougronde	083-603-5678
Thabazimbi Flea Market	27 May '23	Thabazimbi: Thaba Park	082-785-6245
Top Of The Waterberg - Trail Run 2023	27 May '23	Vaalwater: Lindani Game & Lodges	073-179-4313
Thabazimbi Wildlife Services Auction	14 Jun '23	Thabazimbi: Show grounds	083-581-7780
Thabazimbi Flea Market	24 Jun '23	Thabazimbi: Thaba Park	082-785-6245
Thabazimbi Wildlife Services Auction	12 Jul '23	Thabazimbi: Show grounds	083-581-7780

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SUDOKU

WEATHER REPORT LIMPOPO THABAZIMBI			
Thursday	04 MAY 2023	29°C - 13°C	2% ☁
Friday	05 MAY 2023	30°C - 14°C	2% ☁
Saturday	06 MAY 2023	30°C - 13°C	1% ☁
Sunday	07 MAY 2023	29°C - 13°C	13% ☁
Monday	08 MAY 2023	27°C - 12°C	33% ☁

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SOULFOOD

PROVERBS 1

The Beginning of Knowledge

- 1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel:
- 2 To know wisdom and instruction, To perceive the words of understanding,
- 3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, Justice, judgment, and equity;
- 4 To give prudence to the simple, To the young man knowledge and discretion—
- 5 A wise man will hear and increase learning, And a man of understanding willattain wise counsel,
- 6 To understand a proverb and an enigma, The words of the wise and their riddles.
- 7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction.

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USD / GBP	0.80043
Bitcoin / USD	28601
Ethereum / USD	1866.07
Gold \$/oz	2 015.76
Platinum	1 063.30
Brent	75.32
Palladium	1 428.50
Silver	25.22

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POLL

Do you still watch movies at the cinema?

Watching a movie in a theatre has always been a treat as the popcorn, big screen, and surround sound make you feel part of the action. But with modern televisions, it's just as easy to have the same experience from the comfort of your own couch. With that said, do you still watch movies at the cinema? Make yourself heard by sending an email to news@platinumbushvelder.co.za or send us a WhatsApp on 081 579 7000 with the following information before 17:00 on Monday 8 May 2023.

- Yes, I still watch movies at the cinema.
- No, I don't watch movies at the cinema.
- The reason for your answer.
- A recent photo of yourself—so that we can publish your pic with your answer.
- Your contact details.
- Please indicate in which town/ city you reside.

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

P.S. You can also give your opinion by commenting on our Facebook post.



YOUR FRIDAY FUN FACT

Did you know?

Elvis Presley was a natural blonde. He was born with blonde hair which gradually darkened and turned light brown. However, he then started colouring it black, sometimes even using shoe polish.

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Ruggas!

Curriebeker 2023

Uitslae:

- WP 31-7 Blue Bulls
- Sharks XV 24-6 Griekwas
- Cheetahs 33-10 Griffons
- Lions 26-10 Pumas

Bepalings:

Vrydag 5 Mei

- Griekwas 15:30 Lions XV

Saterdag 6 Mei

- Pumas 13:00 Griffons
- Cheetahs XV 15:05 WP
- Blue Bulls XV 17:10 Sharks XV



United Rugby Championship

Kwart finale:

Vrydag 5 Mei

- Ulster 20:35 Connacht

Saterdag 6 Mei

- Stormers 15:30 Bulls
- Leinster 18:00 Sharks
- Glasgow Warriors 20:35



Heineken Championships Cup

Semi-finale:

- La Rochelle 47-28 Exeter Chiefs
- Leinster 41-22 Stade Toulousain



Final:

Saterdag 20 Mei

- Leinster 17:45 La Rochelle

European Rugby Champions Cup

Uitslae:

- Toulon 23-0 Benetton
- Scarlets 17-38 Glasgow Warriors

Finaal:

Vrydag 19 Mei

- Glasgow Warriors 21:00 Toulon



Super Rugby Pacific 2023

Uitslae:

- Reds 31-17 Force
- Chiefs 34-24 Crusaders
- Moana Pasifika 33-43 Rebels
- Fijian Drua 14-30 Blues
- Waratahs 21-20 Highlanders
- Hurricanes 32-27 Brumbies

Bepalings:

Vrydag 5 Mei

- Highlanders 09:05 Chiefs

Saterdag 6 Mei

- Fijian Drua 04:05 Hurricanes
- Crusaders 06:35 Force
- Blues 09:05 Moana Pasifika
- Reds 11:35 Waratahs

Sondag 7 Mei

- Rebels 06:35 Brumbies



Nag ou grote.....

THREE DAYS OF ARCHERY

Thabazimbi – The nine archery students from Frikkie Meyer High school spent their long weekend in sweltering heat and a difficult archery course in Nylstroom. They competed in the ARFAC preparation competition held for three days, 29, 30 April and 1 May 2023. Archery is a game of aiming and shooting straight arrows. The word archery comes from the Latin word 'arcus' meaning bow. Our modern-day archery relies on an archer to have endurance and strong shoulders—a sharp eye in your aiming is also crucial. The field discipline requires stamina (walking approximately 15km) and focus (112 arrows) in one day. Hats off to the young learners who did this 3-day competition! The 3-day course had the new competitors shooting distances of 29m while the more experienced youths tried their hand at the 48m distances. All had tired and sore muscles at the end of three very hot days. It was a good experience to get to know all the archery rules for the field competition. The Thabazimbi Archery Club dominated on the podium with Gary Bauer stepping up to get gold in the veteran freestyle unlimited category. Petrus van Breda (Sanifaa president and from Mocking Jay Archery Club in Kempton Park) came second, and Charles Bester (Thabazimbi Archery Club) came third. 17-year-old Maya Broekhuizen (Thabazimbi Archery Club) outdid the rest of the adult women's class with a 30-point lead and got gold. Well done to these archers! **The Thabazimbi Archery Club gets together every Tuesday at 18.00 at the Koos Cronje shooting range, Spitskop, Thabazimbi. Come join us!**



From Left: Luzaan Grant (Archer's Edge) and Maya Broekhuizen showing off their precision shooting.



From left: Charles Bester (bronze) Gary Bauer (gold) Petrus van Breda (silver).



From left: archers Marjoné Mostert, Marné Furstenburg, Maya Broekhuizen, Andries du Preez, Lourens Mostert, Reinhart Labuschagne, Janco Pieterse, Domonic Claassen, and Jeanmarie Viljoen.

HFM se top tien het baie gesien!



HFM top 10 leerders het verskeie tersiëre instellings besoek.

Thabazimbi - HFM se 2023 top 10 akademiese groep het op Woensdag 26 April vertrek na Pretoria. Die leerders het drie van Pretoria se uitstekende tersiëre instellings besoek, insluitend Sol-tech, Tukkies se Mynbou Fakulteit en Akademia. Daar was tyd gemaak om twee akademiese besoeke af te lê. Marius Prinsloo Orthotics het in 'n uitstekende aanbieding verduidelik oor die verskillende aspekte van prothese. VolumeBuild 3D printing labs is 'n baanbreker in 3D drukkers en produkte. Hul besoek was insiggewend en leerders het nuwe perspektief gekry oor ontwikkelende tegnologie. Daar is natuurlik tyd ingeruim om hoë spoed pret te hê by Swartkop renbaan se Kartzone asook Clay Café waar elkeen kans gehad het om hul kunstige kant te laat blom! Die groep het op hul laaste dag by JackRabbit Chocolate Studio geleentheid gekry om Sjokolade kunstenaars in aksie te sien, en self deel te neem om bon-bons te maak. HFM is dankbaar vir Mnr Booyens en Mnr Steyn vir hul uitstekende bestuursvernuif in klein spasies en druk verkeer.

PIRATES AND CHIEFS RESUME RIVALRY

SA – The FNB Stadium will be the venue of the hugely anticipated Nedbank Cup semi-final clash between Kaizer Chiefs and Orlando Pirates. The two teams—who are among the giants of South African soccer—will play against each other on Saturday 6 May 2023. While the current form points towards a Pirates win, anything is possible in soccer. Kaizer Chiefs fans will be hoping that their favourite team defies the odds by emerging victorious. There are just four teams left in the 2023 Nedbank Cup competition, and the winner of this match will progress to the final. The other semi-final, which will feature Stellenbosch

FC and Sekhukhune United, will be played on Sunday 7 May 2023 at Danie Craven Stadium. The winner of this match will also progress to the final, where they will face either Kaizer Chiefs or Orlando Pirates.

Nedbank Cup Semi-Final Fixtures Saturday 6 May 2023

- Kaizer Chiefs v Orlando Pirates: kick-off at FNB Stadium at 15:00.

Sunday 7 May 2023

- Stellenbosch v Sekhukhune United: kick-off at Danie Craven Stadium at 18:00.



Daar vat hy...

Setaria – Die Carlton-beker liga is in volle swaai en die Northam Rhinos en Northam Wolverines is albei slag gereed vir hul wedstryde op Saterdag 6 Mei 2023. Die Rhinos sal dan teen Centurion Rugbyklub te staan kom, en die Wolverines teen die Grizzlies Rugbyklub. Albei wedstryde sal op hul opponente se tuisvelde gespeel word.

