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ARBOUR DAY



From left: Roosevelt Academy learners, Lwanda Dubazana, Katlego Mukhufi, Omaatla Mabe, and Wanisallshe Marange.

YOUNG MINDS AND GREEN THUMBS

Thabazimbi – On Tuesday 5 September 2023, *Platinum Bushvelder* paid a visit to Roosevelt Academy where the school marked National Arbour Month, which is celebrated annually from 1 to 30 September. This young school, having opened its doors only in January 2023, teaches eager learners from Grade RR to Grade 7. With the aim of highlighting the crucial role of trees and forests, the learners planted a Moringa Tree at their school premises. Why a Moringa Tree, you might ask? Grade 7 pupil Katlego Mukhufi enthusiastically shared: “Moringa leaves are crammed full of vitamins and minerals. Plus, they help lower your blood sugar levels. How amazing is that?” Equally enlightening was Roosevelt Academy educator Reinette Nell, who took the opportunity to provide a mini-history lesson. “Arbour Day dates back to 1872 in the United States. A man named J. Sterling Morton initiated the event because he saw the enormous benefits that trees could offer—everything from soil protection to shade. Arbour

Day was later implemented on South Africa in 1983,” said Nell. The initiative underlines the academy’s commitment not just to education in the classroom, but also to practical, life-enhancing knowledge. It was a hands-on experience that connected the students with nature, all the while equipping them with a valuable understanding of environmental stewardship. A big round of applause to Roosevelt Academy for encouraging young minds to think about the planet. After all, as the kids learned, caring for the environment is not just good for the Earth—it’s good for us too.



Planting the baby Moringa Tree.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A WATER USE LICENCE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 21 and Section 41(4) of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998), as amended, as well as in terms of Section 17, 18 and 19 of the Regulations Regarding the Procedural Requirements for Water Use License Applications and Appeals (GN 267 of 24 March 2017) that an Integrated Water Use License Application will be submitted to carry out the following activities:

Project description:
The abstraction of water from boreholes for agricultural irrigation as well as the storage of water in off-stream earth dams

Water uses triggered:
21(a): The abstraction of groundwater from boreholes
21(b): Storage of water in off-stream earth dams

Properties: Portion 6 of the farm Kaaldraai 321
Proponent: Van den Brink Boerdery (Pty) Ltd
Coordinates of site: 24°34'6.78"S | 27°12'43.45"E
Contact Person:
Mr SJ Jansen van Rensburg
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JVR Water Consultants (Pty) Ltd

Should you wish to provide any comments, concerns or objections to this application please provide your written comments, concerns or objections to the contact person listed above **on or before the 8th of November 2023**. Should you wish to request additional information regarding the application please contact the contact person listed above. Should you require additional information it must be requested and commented **on by 8th November 2023**. No comments received after the 8th of November 2023 will be included in the application.

Triggered!

[Letter to the Editor]

BOOM EPP

Thabazimbi - I'm writing to address a concern that's impacting both my peace of mind and the harmony of our community. Lately, there's been a recurring issue with a nearby house whose residents are frequently absent. Unfortunately, their home security alarm is overly sensitive, leading it to sound off for extended periods, causing significant disruptions for all of us. Despite the security company's best efforts, they're struggling to promptly resolve the problem due to the residents' frequent absence.

This repetitive alarm has become an ongoing source of frustration for our entire neighbourhood. I urge fellow homeowners and renters to take a moment and properly set up their security alarms before embarking on extended trips away from home. It's crucial to ensure these systems aren't triggered easily by common events like moving branches, pets, or minor household activities. This simple precaution can go a long way in preventing unnecessary alarm activations that disrupt our daily lives. Let's collaborate to uphold the peaceful atmosphere of our neighbourhood and guarantee that we all relish a serene living environment. Your attentiveness to this matter will undoubtedly contribute to a more harmonious and secure community for everyone. **#OnAlert!**

Is my child allowed to report bullying to SAPS?



Thabazimbi – To confirm whether bullying could be reported to the South African Police Services (SAPS), *Platinum Bushvelder* reached out to police spokesperson colonel Adele Myburgh on Tuesday 5 September 2023. According to Myburgh: "Cases of bullying can be reported to SAPS for investigation, if the act is considered a criminal offence, for example, assault with the intent to do grievous bodily harm, common assault, intentional damage to property, and the wilful injury to someone's dignity (crimen injuria). Children under the age of 18 can report to SAPS with the assistance of a legal guardian. Of course, bullying should be reported to the school, but severe cases may be reported to SAPS for investigation. SAPS will notify a social worker to assist with the investigation, and further measures will be taken according to the specifics of each individual case".

HOMEOWNERS URGED TO BE VIGILANT DURING PROPERTY VIEWINGS

Thabazimbi -The surge in crime rates has become a concerning issue for many, particularly for homeowners and property sellers. An unsettling incident earlier this year highlights the need for increased caution.

An elderly woman was approached by a group consisting of two women and a man, claiming to be prospective buyers of her home. They told her they had scheduled a viewing through her estate agent and assured her that the agent would join them shortly. Trusting their words, the homeowner agreed to show them around, focusing especially on the property's borehole, a feature they expressed interest in.

However, while she was engaged with two of the supposed buyers, the third took advantage of her trust, sifting through her house and stealing valuable jewellery. The trio then hastily exited the property, assuring the woman they would call later to discuss the sale—only they never did.

On Wednesday 30 August 2023, Dunamis Properties agent Nickey Cronje commented on this concerning episode, stating, "It's an agent's responsibility to inform clients not to give anyone access to the property for viewing unless the agent is present. If buyers approach you, you need to refer them to your agent so they can make an appointment."

So, homeowners and sellers, please heed this advice. Always ensure that your estate agent is present during any property viewing, and never allow unscheduled visits, however convincing the potential buyers may seem.

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LOCAL AUTHORITY NOTICE

SECOND ROUND OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROGRAMME FOR IDP/BUDGET/PMS 2024/2025

Notice is hereby given that the Mayor, in terms of Section 29 of the Municipal Systems Act No.32 of 2000, will be engaging communities on the IDP/ Budget/PMS 2024/2025 Public Participation Programme. Community members and stakeholders are invited to attend as per the below schedule:

Date	Venues	Cluster	Time	Activity	Target Group	Resource needed
07/08/2023 (Done)	Council Chamber	N/A	10:00	IDP/Budget/PMS Steering Committee	All Directors, All Managers, PMT, EXCO, 1 SAMWU, 1 IMATU	N/A
15/08/2023 (Done)	Thaba Park	Stakeholders	10:00	IDP/Budget/PMS Rep Forum	All Stakeholders (internal & external)	N/A
28/08/2023 (Done)	Council Chamber	N/A	11:00	Council Consultation	All Ward Councillors, 2 Ward Committee, and All CDW's	N/A
17/09/2023 (Sun..)	Skierlik Open Space	Ward 1	10:00	Public Participation	Makoppa, Rooibokkraal, Mokobane, Cumberland, Reenpan, Heuningvlei, Hoopdaal, Skierlik Informal Settlement	Transport
18/09/2023 (Mon..)	Regorogile Community Hall	Ward 1, 10 &12	17:00	Public Participation	Ext 4 & 5, a portion of Ward 1, Ext 3 & 1, Matikiring, Appiesdoring	No transport
19/09/2023 (Tue..)	Raphuti Open Space	Ward 4	17:00	Public Participation	Raphuti, Leeukrans, Koedoeskop, Madoing, C-Mine	No transport
20/09/2023 (Wed..)	Ipelegeng Community Hall	Ward 9	17:00	Public Participation	Iscor, maspala, Gabotha,	Transport
21/09/2023 (Thurs..)	Northam TLC	Wad 7	17:00	Public Participation	Block 1 – 5	No Transport
26/09/2023 (Tue..)	Jabulani	Ward 6, 11	16:30	Public Participation	Jabulani Informal Settlement, andsurrounding areas, Rethabile	No transport
27/09/2023 (Wed..)	Northam Lapa	Ward 8	17:00	Public Participation	Northam Ward 8, Ext 2, Ext 6 & Lefika	No transport
28/09/2023 (Thur..)	MC Civils	Ward 5	17:00	Public Participation	Northam Ward 5, Block 7 Mojuteng, Hellen Park (ext 16 & 17)	No transport
29/09/2023 (Fri..)	Smashblock Sports Ground	Ward 3, 5, 6, 8 (sebilong section)	17:00	Public Participation	Smashblock, informal settlement, sebilong Chromite Village, Kaaldraai,	No transport
30/09/2023 (Sat..)	Rooiberg	Ward 4	10:00	Public Participation	Rooiberg, Rooiberg Informal Settlement, Kromdraai	No transport
01/10/2023 (Sun..)	Dwaalboom Clinic	Ward 5	10:00	Public Participation	Dwaalboom, Swartklip, Maroelasfontein, Grensvinkel	Transport
02/10/2023 (Mon..)	Thaba Park Sports Ground	Ward 2, 12 (town portion)	17:00	Public Participation	Thabazimbi Town,Spitskop, Zimthabi, Marakele, Thabazimbi Extension 35, 36, 37 and Medivet	No transport

For more information contact, Acting Manager IDP, Ms. Nancy Malebye @ 014 772 2295 or 071 871 1241 / 083 552 1740

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Thabazimbi/ Kempton Park - On Saturday 26 August 2023 Shihan Peet van Breda participated in a sword kata at the Great North 3 in Kempton Park where he received a gold medal. Pieter Volschenk also participated and received a silver medal after completing three kickboxing fights with 2 rounds each. Well done!

HFM se eerstespan krieketdogters skyn in 2023

Thabazimbi – Hoërskool Frikkie Meyer (HFM) spog met hul eerstespan krieketdogters wat jaarliks nuwe hoogtes bereik. Ons wens die span alles van die beste toe vir die seisoen! 'n Spesiale dankie aan OBARO Thabazimbi vir hulle voortgesette borgskap. Die skool waardeer die bestendige ondersteuning en die noue vriendskap wat OBARO Thabazimbi met Hoërskool Frikkie Meyer deel.



Voor van links: Chanique van Niekerk, Lene Lategan, Arnette du Plessis, Leili Steenkamp (kaptein), Simoné van Dyk, Nicole Terreblanche, Marioné Mostert, en Luane van der Neut.
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HFM se eerstespan seuns krieket blink uit met dank aan OBARO

Thabazimbi – Met trots kyk Hoërskool Frikkie Meyer na hulle eerstespan seuns krieket en hulle stuur alle gelukwense vir 'n suksesvolle 2023 seisoen.
'n Hartlike dankie gaan aan Daniël Gildenhuys van OBARO Thabazimbi vir sy volgehoute borgskap, hierdie keer in die vorm van splinternuwe baadjies vir die span. Alle voorspoed aan die krieketmanne vir die jaar wat voorlê!

Hier is die span wat ons skool met trots verteenwoordig:

- Jaco Coetzee
- Driekus du Plessis
- Edward Terblanche
- Johan Briel
- Andries Herman
- Tiaan Swanepoel
- Jason Smith
- Lourens Pieterse
- HW du Plessis
- HP van Heerden
- Ruben Venter
- Kea Mholo
- MJ Kloppers
- Ethan Smith



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Rhinos' grit and glory in Carlton Cup finals!

Setaria – Saturday 2 September 2023 was an intense day of rugby at Bushveld Park, Seteria, as the Northam Rhinos Rugby Club's various teams showcased their skill, passion, and determination in the Carlton Cup league finals. The Rhinos' first team locked horns with the formidable Naka Bulls in what turned out to be a gripping contest. Fighting valiantly to the last whistle, the Rhinos fell just short with a final scoreline of 24-28.

In another captivating match, the Rhinos' 3rd team displayed unwavering resolve against the Hollywoodbets Harlequins.

Despite their spirited performance, they couldn't quite bridge the gap, ending with a score of 20-31. Providing a silver lining to the day's proceedings, the Rhinos' 4th team took on the Hollywoodbets Harlequins and triumphed, registering a convincing victory of 37-19. The day may have had its ups and downs, but the Rhinos' spirit remains unbroken as they look forward to the next match with renewed vigour.



Ruggas!

Rugby Wêreldbeker

Die 2023 Rugby Wêreldbeker skop Vrydag aand, 8 September 2023, af met die openings *game* tussen die gasheerland Frankryk en Nieu-Seeland. Die Bokke speel Sondag teen Skotland vir hulle begin van die toernooi om hulle titel te verdedig. Die Bokke is een van die gunsteling tesame met Frankryk en Ierland.

Bepalings:

Vrydag 8 September

- Frankryk 21:15 Nieu-Seeland

Saterdag 9 September

- Italië 13:00 Namibië
- Ierland 15:30 Roemenië
- Australië 18:00 Georgia
- Engeland 21:00 Argentinië

Sondag 10 September

- Japan 13:00 Chile
- Suid-Afrika 17:45 Skotland
- Wallis 21:00 Fidji



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Kontak ons gerus: 014 772 1539



Die personeel se kinders het ook lekker saam gespeel!



Ons sien uit daarna om in die komende jare ons klante met Thaba Solar se professionele diens te bedien. Kom besoek ons gerus by die nuwe perseel op die hoek van Loodstraat en Warmbad Weg. Ons wil graag ons *demo* sonkrag "container" aan jou wys; dit bevat 'n 100 kWa FreedomWon Lithium Battery asook 'n 50 kW-inverter. **Sien jou daar!**