

The cat that got the cash!



Ron Weissenberg and Tim Bull from the Makana Revive (yellow T-shirts) citizen action group celebrate Shattercat's achievement in raising funds to fix Grahamstown's potholes with PG Glass owner Tim Dold and staff members Kevin van der Merwe, Ronelle Botha and Penny Nelson. Story on Page 2. Photo: Sue MacLennan



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Bob Dyubulu checks a pump draining a huge hole at the west end of Worcester Street, as Victor Ngumbela checks on progress at the site. Some residents at the Smokey Moon Backpackers property beyond the yellow barrier were trapped and unable to get to work, fearing that the road was too perilous to drive on. Ngumbela said the stormwater pipe channelling a natural stream under the road was blocked on the north side of the road and a pipe had burst on the south side causing the flooding. He said the pipe had been replaced and once the water was drained, the Makana team would fill in the car-sized hole to make the road safe to drive on again. Photo: Sue MacLennan

Shattercat boosts pothole repair fund

By SUE MACLENNAN

When Grahamstown's most famous feline hit the fundraising trail last week, his owner, Grahamstown businessperson Tim Dold, never imagined Shattercat would get much past the R10 000 mark, let alone crack the R12 300 he'd raised by yesterday.

Two weeks ago, a plan long in the making finally came together. Funded by donations from Grahamstown residents and businesses, citizen action group Makana Revive hired a Jetpatcher machine from East London to professionally repair some of Grahamstown's notorious potholes. Starting in Albert Street in Fingo Village, the four-person team has gone on to deal with main CBD access roads High Street and African Street, as well as Templeton Drive and Park Road, among others.

The work began in the week Makana Municipality announced they had just received R3.5 million of their equitable share to rehabilitate roads around Grahamstown, with the support of Mamlambo Construction. Then, after just two days in office, acting municipal manager Ted Pil-

lay confirmed he would be budgeting close on half a million rands to secure the Jetpatcher's services for a further three weeks and see through what citizens started.

The Jetpatcher, working optimally, has the capacity to fill 10 cubic metres a day, provided it has the support of ground staff. That's 150-200 potholes a day, said Makana Revive spokesperson Ron Weissenberg.

But, Weissenberg said, "We were hoping to fill potholes, not craters."

Some of the potholes are so big that one alone can swallow half a cubic metre of the tar and aggregate mix.

It had also been difficult to secure reliable municipal input, Weissenberg said and in addition to the R20 000 a day cost of the machine and its crew, Makana Revive has also been forking out R3000 a week hiring casual labour to provide the logistical support the operation requires. The machine operates Monday to Friday, and when the additional support staff isn't available, expert time is wasted on sweeping and clearing the road surface before and after the operation.

Students return for safer O-Week

By KATHRYN CLEARY

As Grahamstown's population swells during Rhodes O-Week, so can the risk of crime. In past years, students have carried traumatic O-Week memories, with reports of robberies, violent harassment or sexual assault. Now, residents and businesses have taken the town's safety into their own hands.

Posters on the sides of rubbish bins near New and Somerset streets warn that 24/7 CCTV cameras in the area are monitoring crime. The Makana Revive initiative was finalised in early 2018 and the citizen action group's chairperson Ron Weissenberg said O-Week would be a good test.

Grocott's Mail spoke to first-year and returning students about how O-Week safety. First-years Roche Williams and Yandiswa Tembe had positive O-Week experiences.

Williams said she felt safe and was given ample advice about campus and town. Tembe said her house committee had been helpful, adding to her welcoming first week in Grahamstown.

Returning student Sniko Lukubeni agreed O-Week was safer, especially with the presence of CPU on campus.

Two students said they had heard of a first-year being sexually assaulted

during O-Week and had been afraid to go out. Grocott's Mail cannot confirm this information at this time.

Sade Sandham, co-manager of The Rat and Parrot said, "One thing we have noticed [is that] the first-years seemed to be more geared up as to what to expect. In previous years they were walking around with cellphones in their back pockets, talking on their phones, being very oblivious to potential dangers. We have noticed that has definitely improved."

She said businesses were also more prepared for O-Week this year. "Bigger nights we got extra bouncers, we asked Hi-Tec to do more visible policing as well as the police. We are in further talks with getting CCTV cameras around town [and] Makana Revive has become quite a big part of that."

"It's not just the businesses: the residents themselves have gotten involved in the safety of the town as well as the students."

SAPS spokesperson Captain Khaya Thonjeni said during O-Week the Grahamstown Cluster reported one burglary, one theft out of a motor vehicle, one general theft and one kidnapping and robbery (no injuries, cellphone stolen).

Grocott's Mail if he raised R10 000 for the potholes fund. To Dold's alarm, people came to donate to the pothole fund within hours of Shattercat's call on social media. Shattercat surpassed the target in less than a week and Dold was obliged to reveal his rash promise to the Grocott's Mail editor. By yesterday, with R12 380 banked in the Makana Revive account, Shattercat had solicited around 30 willing donors.

Now Dold has challenged Shattercat to reach the target of R20 000 by the end of this week – and it looks like the fame alone will be enough encouragement for the feline fundraiser.

Dold said members of the public were welcome to drop off their donations to the fund at PG Glass in Bathurst Street (and don't forget to greet Shattercat while you're there!) Donors get a receipt and the funds are deposited into the Makana Revive account on their behalf.

Contributors who would prefer to pay directly into the Makana Revive account should obtain the account details from the Makana Revive Facebook page: bit.ly/MakanaRevive



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Tides: Low 10:44 22:58
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SUNDAY

Rain showers. Gentle breeze, NW.
Temperature: Min 18°C Max 34°C
Tides: Low 11:16 23:26
High 05:13 17:21

WEATHER & TIDES

MONDAY

Cloudy. Gentle breeze, SSE.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 22°C
Tides: Low 11:49 23:56
High 05:44 17:53

TUESDAY

Fair. Gentle breeze, easterly.
Temperature: Min 17°C Max 23°C
Tides: Low 12:24
High 06:18 18:27

WEDNESDAY

Cloudy. Moderate breeze, ESE.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 20°C
Tides: Low 00:28 13:03
High 06:56 19:06

THURSDAY

Partly cloudy. Gentle breeze, ENE.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 29°C
Tides: Low 01:05 13:49
High 07:40 19:54

FRIDAY

Rain. Gentle breeze, westerly.
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Tides: Low 01:51 14:54
High 08:41 21:05

Temperatures and tides were correct
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City moves to regulate car guards

By KATHRYN CLEARY AND SUE MACLENNAN

Criminals in Grahamstown are using car-guarding as a cover according to acting director of public safety and community services, Coenraad Hanekom – an assessment supported by recent reports on social media. Hanekom presented a report on car-guarding in Grahamstown to the Social Development Portfolio Committee during its meeting at City Hall on Wednesday.

According to Hanekom's report, fake car guards are openly selling drugs at certain venues; women are aggressively targeted for tips and vehicles are deliberately damaged.

Since pavement parking meters were phased out in Grahamstown in 2002, two attempts to systematise parking in the CBD had been attempted, Hanekom wrote. In 2002/2003 and 2016/17 companies used hand-held devices operated by parking marshals. The second company's contract was cancelled by Makana in April 2017 "due to various problems".

This week, the Chief Traffic Officer reported back on re-

search he had undertaken in other centres to try and come up with a workable system for Grahamstown.

"Car-guarding is often unregulated, but some towns have tried to introduce some regulation through a vetting process," Hanekom said. Vetting and oversight was carried out by the police, or private security companies, in conjunction with traffic departments.

"But these are loose arrangements," Hanekom said, "because if there's a problem down the line, someone must take responsibility."

He said discussions with the Local Economic Directorate had begun about formalising the industry to some extent. The police in Grahamstown would be happy to do the vetting, Hanekom reported, and businesses would contribute to buying special equipment such as bibs. There was also pressure from the Private Security Regulatory Authority (PSIRA) to formalise the industry.

"The problem is our guards come from the poorest of the community," Hanekom said. "They can't afford to pay for registration or training."

The meeting raised concerns about liability both to the public, and to the car guards and Councillor Brian Fargher said legal advice must be sought.

On 11 February, a resident reported on social media being violently threatened by a car guard outside Checkers in High Street. The woman claimed she was sworn at before the 'car guard' drew a knife, threatening her and a student accompanying her. Concerned and angry citizens soon flooded the post with comments. Harassment by street persons is an ongoing issue in the Grahamstown CBD, affecting all members of the community including local businesses.

This issue was not salient with all car guards, however. Some residents said they had never experienced any form of harassment or violence, but rather the car guards were often polite.

Comments on the post suggested that these "thugs" be immediately reported to SAPS, and that official 'car guards' be mandated to wear name tags. Certain businesses such as The Rat and Parrot, have regulated



Car guards in High Street Thursday 15 February 2018 Zandile Mxube from Bathurst (orange bib) and Ayanda Tywakadi from Tanty. 'We need training so we can be permanent and get a job' – Ayanda. 'They must give us name tags so people can see who you are and what part of the street you're supposed to be in'. Photo: Sue Maclellan

car guards they have known for several years, which helps eliminate aggression and harassment.

A citizen pointed out that security guards are required by

law to register with the Private Security Industry Regulatory Authority (PSIRA), and that car guards should have similar protocols.

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Coastal & Environmental Services

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: MAKANA RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 41 (2) published in Government Notice No. 326 under Chapter 6 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No. 107 of 1998 and subsequent amendments) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (as amended in 2017) of the submission of an application for the Amendment of the Makana Residential Development, Grahamstown, Eastern Cape Province (DEDEAT Reference: EC04/LN2/M/11-97) Environmental Authorisation (EA).

LFDGT 2016 (Pty) Ltd. ("the Applicant", previously the Belmont Development Company (Pty) Ltd.) has approval for the construction of the Makana Residential Development. This development is being proposed on Albany Erf 8045 (old golf course) on the outskirts of Grahamstown.

EOH Coastal & Environmental Services has been appointed to undertake the application for the Amendment of the EA on behalf of the Applicant. A Full Scoping and EIA Process was undertaken in accordance with the NEMA (Act No.107 of 1998 and subsequent amendments) EIA Regulations (2010) and was authorised by the provincial DEDEAT on the 6th of November 2013. The initial proposal was based on the Residential Development tying into the existing municipal services, once the upgrade of the Waste Water Treatment Works (WWTW) was completed and once there was sufficient capacity, as specified in the current EA, but (as a new alternative) the Applicant is proposing the construction of Lilliput Systems to service the phases of the Residential Development. The EA conditions pertaining to the aforementioned services therefore require amendment.

Please register as an interested and affected party should you wish to receive notification throughout the process. For more information, registration as an I&AP or submission of written comments contact by post, fax, phone or e-mail: **Rosalie Evans**: 13 Stanley Street, Richmond Hill, Port Elizabeth, 6001 | Fax: +27 (0)86 604 8781 | Tel: +27 (0)41 585 1715 | E-mail: rosalie.evans@eoh.co.za

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Mark Thomas

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No Makana shake-up say ANC, DA

By SUE MACLENNAN

This will be a year of instability for local government according to ANC Chief Whip in Makana Mabhuti Matyumza. He quickly explained to senior councillors and officials at a meeting yesterday in the council chambers that wage negotiations among employees would loom large on municipal agendas.

However, whatever rumblings labour might generate said Matyumza, there would be no shake-up in Makana Municipality as a result of former president Jacob Zuma's resignation. He was speaking to *Grocott's Mail* in an interview after chairing the Infrastructure and Technical Services Portfolio Committee meeting. *Grocott's* asked the local ANC and DA how the national transition to Cyril Ramaphosa, sworn in as President yesterday, would affect local politics.

"We don't anticipate any changes locally – either politically or administratively," Matyumza said. "That is speaking as chairperson of the Makana sub-region as well as Chief Whip of the Makana caucus in Council. I can't speak for the provincial government, though."

He said the ANC in Makana welcomed Zuma's resignation. "We are happy he has shown maturity as a disciplined cadre."

But the party's policies remained the same irrespective, he said. "Ramaphosa will still be carrying out the policies of the ANC."

He said the party's national executive committee would address members in the Sarah Baartman Region tomorrow.

"What is new is that the ANC in the Province has agreed to intensify caucus support for the Makana caucus," Matyumza said.

Regional Secretary Scara Njadayi, in a statement issued by the party's REC yesterday, said they welcomed Zuma's resignation, which was long overdue. They had sought a shift leading up to the ANC's (2012) Mangaung conference, "based on the observations that there were rogue elements happening under his leadership".

Njadayi said Ramaphosa was faced with the enormous task of stabilising collapsing State Owned Enterprises, boosting the economy, promoting investor confidence and curbing corruption.

"Obviously he has to appoint capable and credible ministers who can carry out the task diligently and restore South Africa to [a place that is enticing to the] continent and the world."

Njadayi said the people expected that the ANC policies of expropriation of land without compensation and free education would be translated into government in order to achieve radi-

cal socio-economic transformation. *Grocott's* asked DA spokesperson in Makana, Mlindi Nhanha, if the moves at the top were likely to make Makana Municipality function better or worse, given factional rifts in the majority party that formed faultlines to the top.

"Something very drastic has to obtain in Makana if we are to become more functional. It's something more than lip service, unfortunately, it's in the hands of the governing party," Nhanha said.

"I'd better not comment on internal ANC matters enough to say, at provincial level there are signs that a big axe is hovering. Let's wait and see where will it fall."

How did the DA anticipate Ramaphosa's presidency would translate down to local government level in terms of policy and service delivery?

"We are a little sceptical since he sat in Zuma's cabinet for four years and also was an ANC NEC member for many years and didn't raise a finger. If he does the right thing, we will support him. But if it's more of the same, we will oppose him as we opposed Zuma. I am not so optimistic about policy shift translating into improved service delivery, because it's the same faces in office."

At the time of going to press, Makana's acting municipal manager had not yet replied to our question whether, if Zuma were prosecuted on corruption charges, Dr Jacob Zuma Drive would be renamed or his Freedom of the City status in Makana revoked.



IMPACT OF SANRAL'S DRAFT TRANSFORMATION POLICY

From October to December 2017, SANRAL took to the road to engage stakeholders on its long-term strategy and draft transformation policy. This followed the launch of the strategy by Transport Minister Joe Maswanganyi and CEO Skhumbuzo Macozoma on 29 September 2017.

The strategy will guide SANRAL's activities through its third decade of growth as it continues to plan, develop and manage South Africa's national road network. It represents a re-examination of SANRAL's core values and positions the agency within a rapidly changing global and regional economic environment. It builds on SANRAL's major successes of the past 19 years, but also takes into account the sweeping changes in technology that have an impact on the engineering, construction and related industries, and the fundamental reassessments of South Africa's socio-economic priorities that are currently underway.

The strategy together with the draft Transformation Policy were shared with stakeholders at workshops that were rolled out across the country - from Makhado to Polokwane, Mthatha to Mafikeng, Kokstad to Kimberley. Nearly 2 000 people attended the 34 engagements country-wide. There were numerous questions ranging from operational issues such as SMME development on a specific project, to high-level ones around procurement.

The sessions made it clear that the agency is committed to the transformation of the construction and related sectors. These sectors have an impact on millions of South Africans.

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President Jacob G. Zuma might have been invoking the essence of those words when he fell —rather defiantly— on his sword in a late-night resignation speech on Wednesday (14 February). The president, who had just hours earlier indicated that he would not resign because "I've done nothing wrong," perhaps realised that he had been deserted by the majority of South Africans, at least half of his comrades in the ruling ANC, and certainly by the structures of the country's Presidency.

With corruption charges almost certainly awaiting him on the other side of the resignation, it is perhaps not surprising that Zuma put up such a spirited fight against any attempt to ask him to step down. In the end, it took just 58 days from the day Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma (his preferred candidate to lead the ANC) lost at the party's 2017 elective conference, to the day Zuma exited himself.

Zuma will not admit this, but it is an open secret why he preferred his ex-wife to become ANC president (and presumably state president in 2019). For a start, the general thinking was that she might help him avoid possible jail terms arising from his alleged association with the Brothers Gupta and others; as well as the soon-to-re-opened arms deal case in which an associate of his was convicted for having "a generally corrupt relationship with Mr Jacob Zuma".

The Zumas have children together, and a President Dr Zuma could have been forgiven for pardoning the father of her progeny, because it is unlikely the children would ever forgive her if she did not when she could.

It is important for *Grocott's Mail* to reflect on such a weighty national issue because every South African is weighing in as well; and because we want the record to show that we were aware of what was happening in the country on Valentine's Day 2018.

President Zuma's resignation has also finally focused our collective mind on issues of corruption, impunity and gross misuse of public funds at a time when South Africa is just beginning to recover from the effects of the global financial crisis of 2007.

Here in Grahamstown, residents have also been similarly so strident in their railing against poor service delivery, that the Sarah Baartman District seconded Ted Pillay as Acting Municipal Manager, with a mandate to turn around the city. Pillay will have to confront a huge and expanding debt, decaying water, sewage and road infrastructure and an extremely sceptical audience in the residents of Grahamstown. However, the very act of sending Pillay to Grahamstown was a strong signal that those with political power acknowledge the severity of Makana Municipality's problems and are at least willing to show that their best person is on the job.

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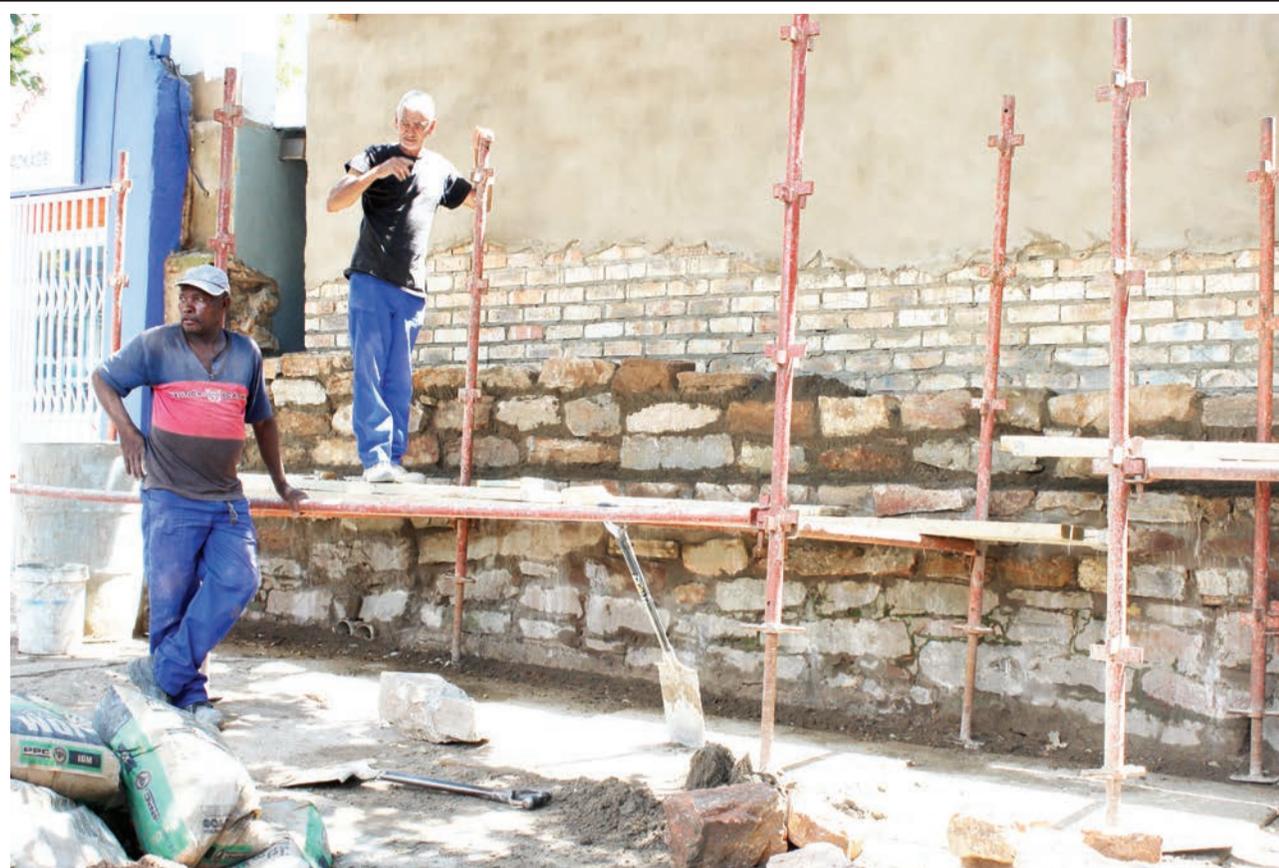
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LETTERS to the Editor and COLUMNS



Builders remake the stone wall at the Drostdy Arch end of High Street this week. Several residents and readers have contacted *Grocott's Mail* (as well as the owners of the premises), concerned that what they valued as a historic structure appeared to have been destroyed. Next week in *Grocott's Direct* – our email newsletter – we'll give you the low-down on the wall – with information and comment from a historian, a councillor and Makana's town planning department, along with a full explanation of what happened, and the developments on the property, from the owner and the contractor. To sign up for the *Grocott's Direct* weekly emailed newsbrief about what's happening behind the scenes in Grahamstown, please visit www.grocotts.co.za and sign up for our newsletter (right-hand-side of the home page). Photo: Sue MacLennan

Littering on Hill Street

This letter is addressed to students coming from the East Cape Midlands College in Constitution St, walking towards central Grahamstown along Hill Street:

While it's lovely to see students strolling up and down Hill street during the course of the day, I am disturbed to see how many students simply discard the packaging from their takeaway lunches onto the sidewalk / onto the road / onto the grass verges alongside the pathway.

PLEASE! Take your litter with you, and discard it into a dustbin.

Surely we all understand the current dire strait of our environment?

Dawn Long

Ugly bricks outrage in High Street

A great deal of hard work is currently being done to restore Grahamstown to an attractive city once again. It should be a place where tourists would like to linger. We are therefore horrified to see that at the top of High Street, where two of the city's oldest houses face each other, a stone wall has been removed. It must have been one of Grahamstown's oldest stone walls and it has now been replaced by ugly bricks fronting what we are told is to be yet another shopping complex, completely destroying the remnants of a charming garden.

Who committed this outrage? Was permission sought? Where is the voice of the Heritage committee? Is History so easily destroyed?

Rosemary and Malvern van Wyk Smith

Communities partner across continents

In last week's edition, *Grocott's Mail* reported on an exciting community partnership between Syracuse, New York and Grahamstown in the article "US town, Grahamstown in storytelling project".

This week marked the start of this (hopefully) engaging and enlightening project. After conversing with members of the Syracuse and Grahamstown communities, it has become clear that these two towns have many similarities. Both consist of a rich university high up on a hill that overlooks an impoverished community.

Both communities suffer from inequality, poor service delivery, as well as educational and digital divides. With that, *Grocott's Mail* has partnered with an inner-city community newspaper in Syracuse, *The Stand*, to partake in a weekly media exchange that will work to unify, educate and enlighten both communities by sharing stories.



Each week *Grocott's Mail* will feature a story submitted to us by *The Stand* and vice versa.

We will explore themes such as expression, education and community building.

It is our hope that our reader's will enjoy the content and gain valuable insight into another part of the world.

For more information about the Your Town, Our Town media exchange, please WhatsApp *Grocott's Mail* at 076 733 1770 or message us on our Facebook page, *Grocott's Mail*.

Read more: bit.ly/YourTownOurTown1

Your health in your hands – Ruth Woudstra

'Take a deep breath' might be regarded a clichéd suggestion, and is often the last thing you want to do when feeling anxious or stressed.

And yet, the fact that the breath is arguably the body's most powerful healing force, means there's a lot to be said for starting with the basics.

Think for a moment about the fluctuation of your energy levels during the day. How are they affected by your work, diet, and sleep patterns? What about thoughts and emotions? Any imbalance in lifestyle and stress can drain your energy in the short term, and disease later.

Breathwork, however, can reverse this process and allow your vital energy (also known as chi, ki or prana) to flow more freely. If you enjoy routine, you can start your day with some breath exercises, or work a few conscious breaths in before meals. If you are more spontaneous, pause during the day when you feel you need it, close your eyes and take a few

deep breaths. As for technique, there are many to choose from. One of my favourites is the 'four part breath' where you inhale for four counts through both nostrils, retain the breath for four counts, exhale through the nostrils for four counts and hold the breath out for four. Just four rounds can leave you feeling centred, relaxed, and at peace. Deep breathing in general may also leave you filled with a sense of well being and more in command of the self.

We often tend to hand the responsibility for our health to someone else: the doctor, the pharmacist, even an alternative healer. But before venturing down any of these avenues, it is well worth going back to the nuts and bolts of healing. The breath can help reconnect our mental, physical and emotional selves in a matter of moments, and is not only free, but at our disposal 24 hours of the day.

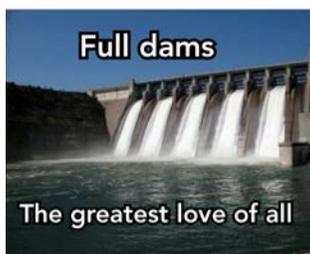
Read online at bit.ly/2EmVl8B

Congratulations to our Valentine's competition winner!

On Tuesday 13 February, Grocott's Mail ran a competition on Facebook for a R300 dinner voucher to Oscar's Country Cafe. The question was: What is the greatest love of all time?

One had to comment with a meme or photograph. The person with the most creative image and caption will win a R300 dinner voucher to Oscar's Country Café.

The winner was announced on Wednesday afternoon (Valentine's Day!) and it was



Onelisa Mellela Mcimbi
Above is her winning creative meme. She was later rewarded with a voucher and large sums of rainfall!

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Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 59 (1) and 68(1) of the Makana By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2016) that **ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE PROPERTY TRUST** has applied to the Makana Municipality, in respect of **Erf 2201** located at **HOLLAND STREET, GRAHAMSTOWN** for the **REZONING & SUBDIVISION**.

The application will lay open for inspection at the Town Planning Department ("BAB Office") in Joza, daily from 08:00 to 16:00 with Ms N. Ncilata, 046 637 0424/8.

Anyone who has comments or objections to the application is invited, according to section 98 to do so in writing. The application is open for inspection during office hours with Ms Ncilata.

Closing date for objections is **16th March 2018**

In terms of Section 21(4) of the Local Government Municipal system act, 2000 (act 32 of 2000) people who cannot write may approach Ms Ncilata to assist them to put their comments or objections in writing.

On behalf of:
MR. D.M. PILLAY
ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER



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Oku kukwazisa ukuba uMasipala wase Makana ufumene isicelo esenziwe ngokwecandelo **59(1) and 68(1)** lase Makana uMthetho kaMasipala loCwangciso lweMihlaba noLawulo lokuSetyenziswa koMhlaba (2016), elo ngu **ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE PROPERTY TRUST** bafake isicelo kuMasipala wase Makana, ngokubhekiselele kwisiza **Erf 2201, e HOLLAND STREET, GRAHAMSTOWN, ngenxa yoKUCANDA NOLWAHLULO**.

Isicelo sikwavulelekile ukuba sihlolwe kwi-ofisi yocwangciso lwedolophu zase ("ofisi BAB") eJoza, yonke imihla ukusuka 08:00 ukuya 16:00 Ms N. Ncilata, 046 637 0424/8.

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Umhla wokuvalwa kokungeniswa kwezichaso yi **16th March 2018**.

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Gemma Pogidin of Makana Municipality's Town Planning Department.

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MANAGING THE PROJECT
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Clockwise from left: BU CO 46 Bathurst Street sales staff Shaun Sawyer (white shirt), Johan Kemp, Lindani Yaka, Vincent Jeggels, Alex Banfield. Well trained staff can give home builders valuable advice. Photo: Sue MacLennan

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MSA 200 C - BG	36 V	3.3 kg	R 4,995.00
HSA 66	36 V	3.1 kg	R 3,945.00
HSA 86	36 V	3.3 kg	R 4,245.00
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MSA 140 C - BG	36 V	2.8 kg	R 3,895.00
BGA 56	36 V	2.1 kg	R 2,095.00
FSA 56	36 V	2.5 kg	R 2,395.00
HSA 56	36 V	2.9 kg	R 2,895.00
AL 101	220 - 240 V	0.7 kg	R 580.00
AK 10	36 V	0.8 kg	R 1,095.00
AK 20	36 V	1.2 kg	R 1,595.00

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MODEL	POWER OUTPUT	WEIGHT	PRICE
FSA 65	36 V	2.7 kg	R 3,195.00
FSA 85	36 V	2.8 kg	R 3,095.00
FSA 90	36 V	3.2 kg	R 6,795.00
FSA 90 R	36 V	2.8 kg	R 6,595.00
FSA 130	36 V	4.5 kg	R 7,295.00
FSA 130 R	36 V	3.9 kg	R 7,095.00

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BGA 45 Cordless Blower 2.0 kg • 18 V • 38 m/s	HSE 42 Electric Hedge Trimmer 3 kg • 0.42 kW

MODEL	POWER OUTPUT	WEIGHT	PRICE
FSA 45	18 V	2.3 kg	R 1,795.00
HSA 45	18 V	2.3 kg	R 1,795.00
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BS 50 Petrol Blower 3.7 kg • 0.7 kW	BG 56 Petrol Blower 4.2 kg • 0.7 kW • 64 m/s	HS 45 Petrol Hedge Trimmer 4.6 kg • 0.75 kW

MODEL	POWER OUTPUT	DISPLACEMENT	PRICE
MS 170	1.3 kW	30.1 cc	R 2,395.00
FS 38	0.65 kW	27.2 cc	R 1,745.00
HS 45	0.75 kW	27.2 cc	R 2,095.00
BS 50	0.7 kW	27.2 cc	R 2,195.00
BG 56	0.7 kW	27.2 cc	R 2,295.00

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AL 300 Charger 1.2 kg • 220 - 240 V	

MODEL	POWER OUTPUT	WEIGHT	PRICE
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BGA 100 (opt. only)	36 V	2.5 kg	R 4,295.00
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AL 100	220 - 240 V	0.72 kg	R 615.00
AL 300	220 - 240 V	1.2 kg	R 1,195.00
AP 100	36 V	0.8 kg	R 1,195.00
AP 200	36 V	1.2 kg	R 2,695.00
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BGE 71 Electric Blower 3 kg • 1.1 kW • 65 m/s	HSE 42 Electric Hedge Trimmer 3 kg • 0.42 kW

MODEL	POWER OUTPUT	WEIGHT	PRICE
FSE 60	0.54 kW	3.9 kg	R 2,645.00
BGE 71	1.1 kW	3.0 kg	R 1,295.00
HSE 42	0.42 kW	3.0 kg	R 1,795.00

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FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY

ART EXHIBITION BY JEAN ENDER

From 9am at Moffet on Main Lifestyle Centre, Walmer, PE. Solo art exhibition by Jean Ender, excellent local oil and watercolour artist, to be held from 6 February until 20 February outside Art on Main. All welcome. Times: Mon to Friday: 9.00am to 5.30pm. Sat/Sun: 9.00am to 5.00pm. Phone: 041 367 1863

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

5:30pm at the Albany Club, High Street. The topic will be "Grahamstown 50-60 years ago. Grahamstown today. What's the difference.

SATURDAY 17 FEBRUARY

ALBANY HORTICULTURAL AND LILLIUM SOCIETY TALK

2.30pm at the Botany Lecture Theatre. Prof Roy Lubke will be giving a talk on South African Botanical Artists and Wildflowers of the Southern Drakensberg. There will be refreshments served afterwards. For more information contact Heather SurrIDGE on 079 587 9077.

CALEB VAUGHN-JONES CONCERT

7pm at the Kingswood College Chapel. Kingswood launches its Innovation, Creativity and Entrepreneurship programme with the Music School's Arts in Residence project. Caleb will be performing at this concert. He will be accompanied by JF Viljoen. Tickets cost R80 for adults, R20 for scholars/students and they are available at the door of from Alke Bradfield a.bradfield@kingswoodcollege.com or 046 603 6670 at the Kingswood Music School.

TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

ISEA CREATIVE WRITING COURSE STARTS

6.30pm at ISEA, St Peter's Building, Rhodes University. The course is facilitated by Paul Mason, Mangaliso Buzani, Shirley Marais, Carol Leff and guest writers. There are fifteen weekly two-hour sessions on Tuesdays from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Cost is R850. Enquiries Carol 046 603 7241 or email isea@ru.ac.za

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY

USA LECTURE

10am to 11am at the Grahamstown Bowling Club. Speaker Ingrid Schudel. Subject Tai Ching/Taiji. All welcome. Charge R5. Contact Malcolm Hacksley 046 636 1762.

ALZHEIMER SA EASTERN CAPE REGION

3pm at Brookshaw Home, 9 Donkin Street. This is a support group for family, friends and caregivers of those with Alzheimer's Disease or any form of Dementia. Speaker "Werner de Jager, Attorney on Legal Issues and Dementia. Contact Heather Rauch 081 350 8079.

FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY

5 THOUGHTS ON PARENTING BY REV TIM MARSHALL

5.30pm at the Wyvern Club, Kingswood College. Invest 60 minutes to sharpen your parenting skills and invest in your children. R40 per person. Children welcome. RSVP essential at Kingswood Junior School Reception or email t.marshall@kingswoodcollege.com for sign up link. Closing date 16 February 2018.

FRIDAY 2 MARCH

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

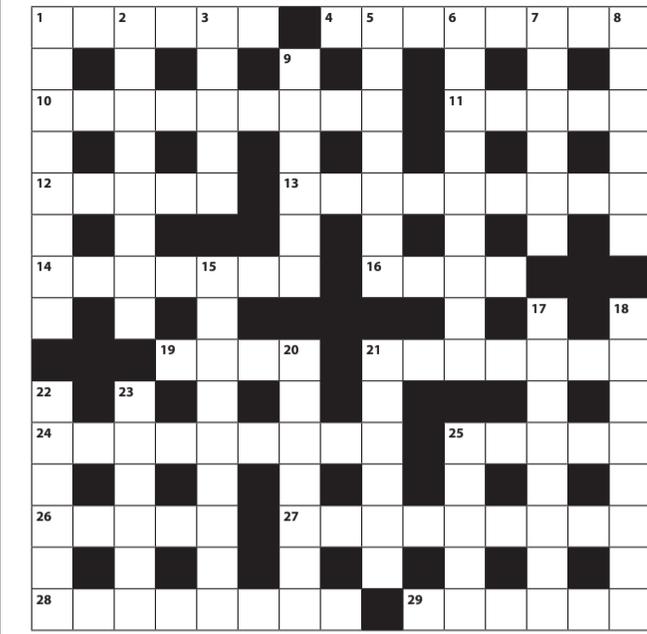
5.30pm at the Commemoration Methodist Church. All women are invited to join this world-wide annual service of prayer for our world and its countries. For more information contact Marj Forsyth 046 622 3985

FRIDAY 9 MARCH

SOMERSET PLACE FUN EVENING

6pm at the Grahamstown Bowling Club. Sing-song, quizzes, noot-vir-noot, a special guest appearance by Grahamstown's Opera Soprano, Emma Farquharson, Lorraine at piano once again. Please bring a small plate of finger food. Open bar. Cold drinks will be provided. Cost is R25 for residents and R40 for non-residents. Phone for reservations or tickets: Jenny Haswell 073 945 9302

JDE CRYPTIC CROSSWORD



JDE 121

ACROSS

- 1 Against poetry, mostly by you and me (6)
- 4 Sticking to commercial trial on radio (8)
- 10 Quietly leaves highest office for Nkandla? (9)
- 11 Spine-tingling opening Maori dance for king (5)
- 12 Huge honour to be given direction (5)
- 13 Memory aids men struggling to mint first coins to go into circulation (9)
- 14 Scenic routes of French outings (7)
- 16 When cold, wear one (4)
- 19 Leave, alone in the old empty Kariba (4)
- 21 Referee to give muti, without consulting initially (7)
- 24 Goes round Golden Circle sectional housing (9)
- 25 Invalid shows us the bay (5)
- 26 Church worker stands in front of tree (5)
- 27 Story of a doctor, a horse and a fool (9)
- 28 Relations with ouma, father and son (8)
- 29 Encountered molten ore - a real fireball (6)

DOWN

- 1 Damn, President Z's core character drove me crazy! (8)
- 2 Pay these in visit with assembled press, etc. (8)
- 3 International organisation's rights are excessive (5)
- 5 Do nothing in the dams (3,4)
- 6 Positioned scene baked by Northern Cape journalist (9)
- 7 Land boxer in it, a ... (6)
- 8 ... lawned Greek Embassy, but no English doctor (6)
- 9 Aroused seamen - they make us run! (6)
- 15 Found soil in shifting dune (9)
- 17 Average prick uses common language (8)
- 18 Two terms for translated Meesters (8)
- 20 Let everyone get married, safeguarding love (7)
- 21 Charm postgraduate from Edinburgh (6)
- 22 Computer problem after qualification causes irritation in retirement (3,3)
- 23 Eastern Cape maze construction is rash (6)
- 25 Loud large instrument attained through lucky accident (5)

Compiled by George Euvrard.

Crossword Solution for last week JDE 120



Sudoku

Complete this Sudoku correctly and drop it off at Grocott's Mail in the box at reception at AMM building, Upper Campus, and win a **R50 meal voucher** sponsored by **Revelations Coffee Shop.**

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SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

7:30pm at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Learn Scottish Country Dancing in a friendly social setting. Beginners welcome. Contact Val Hodgson 046 622 2308

Tuesdays

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2pm at Christ Church Speke Street. Come and boost your weekly bridge. Join our 10 to 20 cheerful, friendly players. Cost R10 per person per week. Contact Maureen 046 622 5215.

Thursdays

GRAHAMSTOWN BRIDGE CLUB

1:30pm at Grahamstown Bowling Club. Duplicate Bridge. Contact Mary Birt 083 651 0067.

Bridge Results

Bridge 8 February 2018

7 Table 21 Board Mitchell Movement

NORTH/SOUTH

1 Peter Midlane & Mary Schudel	57.54%
2 Val Buchner & Jenny Haswell	55.16%
3 Naomi Dower & Heather Inge	52.78%
4 David Gain & Jenny Emslie	51.59%
5 Pair 7	48.81%
6 Pair 3	43.25%
7 Pair 4	40.87%
EAST/WEST	
1 Mike Dacombe & Shirley Shaw	56.35%
2 Pauline Henson & Allon Poole	55.56%
3= Maureen Clayton & Pat Shepherd	51.19%
3= Ilva Benyon & Maureen van Hille	51.19%
5 Pair 13	48.02%
6 Pair 8	45.24%
7 Pair 12	42.46%

12 February 2018

5½ Table 27 Board Howell Movement

Pair Names

1 Torquil Paterson & Peter Midlane	65.63%
2 Val Buchner & Jenny Haswell	61.46%
3 Pat Shepherd & Ilva Benyon	59.38%
4 Margaret Banks & Maureen van Hille	53.13%
5 Mary Schudel & Jo Fitzhenry	52.60%
6 Jenny Emslie & Sally Moss	50.93%
7 Pair 7	47.92%
8 Pair 10	46.30%
9 Pair 6	39.58%
10 Pair 3	37.50%
11 Pair 4	35.94%

New Polo's pure evolution

By DANIEL GODBERG

This week the test car being reviewed was the all-new, redesigned Volkswagen Polo TSI for 2018. The car belongs to the Highline spec category, with an all-new 1.0 litre TSI engine designed to keep fuel economy as low as possible while maintaining a reasonable power output, as the new engine produces 85 kW at 5000 r/pm with 200Nm of torque being available as low down as 2000 r/pm.

The new Polo's appearance is striking to say the least. It appears as an evolution of the old Polo, in that all of its design serves to improve on that of the previous. The interior is luxurious and easily gives the driver the feel of a pilot in a cockpit.

The infotainment system is German in nature - it's efficient and has clearly been through a couple thousand assessments before being set into production. It took me less than 20 seconds to add a Bluetooth device following which my music auto played into the cabin.

The speakers, like the infotainment system, have clearly been thoroughly checked

through by their German automaker.

This car is designed to be a city run about, and essentially be perfect for student life. Dealers have been describing it as a companion to everyday life, and the best one for the money.

Base price for the Polo Trendline starts at R235 9000, with the Comfortline going for R264 700 for the manual and R280 700 for the DSG variant. So far the GTI and R model ranges have not been released, however the manual Highline starts at R286 200 and DSG at R302 200.

What makes a city car good? City cars are the most difficult to quantify as the criteria is so vast. City cars in summary need to simply be light on fuel, comfortable to sit in and drive, and easy to park. Immediately I loved the seat in the Polo, it walks the perfect line between comfort and support.

The clutch is a work of art by Volkswagen and a massive improvement on the old one. Gone is the ridiculously high bite-point however torque seems less accessible with the new clutch, as I learnt on the

infamous Beaufort/Somerset street intersection.

On the highway the Polo is comfortable, and road noises are kept to a minimum, noticeably less than the previous model. It cruises along and is extremely capable of maintaining highway speeds as well as accelerating to overtaking speeds.

Around areas like Grahamstown, suspension is vital. The self-proclaimed pothole capital of South Africa is known for ruining control arms, springs and shock absorbers alike. Volkswagen has clearly built the New Polo to take a beating, as the seamless ride and clearance over bumps illustrated during the review.

To sum up my experience with the all-new 2018 Volkswagen Polo, it is pure evolution from the previous model. Volkswagen have branded it as the New Polo however almost every aspect of the new car is designed based on the previous car with the mindset of improving on it. From the start I loved the car and could see the effort by the German automakers to truly make a consumers' car that would function as a pure



The brand new VW Polo looking striking in front of Rhodes University Great Hall. Photo: Daniel Goldberg

companion to everyday life. Every aspect of the New Polo has been thoroughly designed and redesigned to make sure it does nothing but make your life easier. As a consumer, it is your choice whether to opt for

the Conceptline/ Trendline's 70kW or Highline's 85kW output, as both should serve as reliable and tough hearts of the Polo, however my personal recommendation goes to the Highline's massively impres-

sive 85kW TSI engine. It thoroughly impresses any of its drivers and feels extremely capable, especially owing to the fact that it is a 3 cylinder turbo built to feel as if it's closer to a 4 cylinder engine.

High water tariffs as Day Zero looms

By SUE MACLENNAN

Day Zero for Makana Municipality is three months away, if the current rate of water usage continues, according to Infrastructure and Technical Services Director Dali Mlenzana.

Speaking at the Council's Infrastructure and Technical Services Portfolio Committee meeting yesterday, he said measures were in place to reduce water usage; however restrictions were difficult to enforce and relied on social pressure among residents.

The dam levels recorded in yesterday's agenda were: Settlers Dam 19.8% and Howieson's Poort 76%, with the total number of days of water available from both dams 132 at current water usage rates.

Additional water restrictions immediately effective when it comes to using treated municipal water include no use of hosepipes except for fire-fighting purposes - plants may be watered only using a hand-held container and no sprinklers or irrigation systems. All borehole users must register with the Department of Water and Sanitation.

Steep tariffs were set out in the meeting documents that will see residents paying up to R13.87 and businesses R17.31 a unit for usage above 51kl/per month during critical periods, such as when Howieson's Poort is less than 30%.

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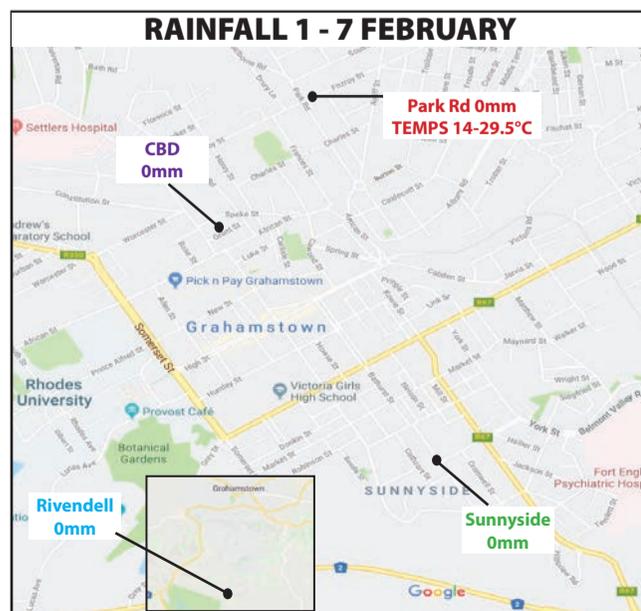
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Nkohla in Sunnyside Garden walking around before she chooses what she wants.

Vuyelwa Nkohla is the first Grahamstown resident to win with Sunnyside Garden Centre this year. The garden supplies centre is giving away an R50 voucher every month to the Garden of the Month (as featured in *Grocott's Mail*), and Nkohla has just scooped the February honours.

"Thank you Sunnyside Garden Centre," said an overjoyed Nkohla, "and thanks to *Grocott's Mail* because without them I could not have found the voucher."

Nkohla was chosen from gardeners whose patches have been featured in *Grocott's Mail*. She used her voucher to

buy seeds so she could produce again.

Said Malcolm Southey, owner of Sunnyside Garden Centre: "We encourage people to use the space that they have and keep on working in their gardens, produce food and enjoy working their gardens." Southey also encouraged gardeners to stay positive in dry times and save as much water as they can for those times. He also encouraged residents to grow their own veggies. "We are going to give people vouchers once every month, to support this cause," said Southey.

Text and Photo: Lindani Donyeli

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Sunnyside Garden Centre

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1. PERSONAL

Funeral

Siyakubonga Funeral



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MANCAM PHINDIWE

FLORENCE uhlala kwa 18 "E" Street, Fingo, Grahamstown ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 17 February 2018.

MAHLATHINI NKOSEKHAYA uhlala kwa 19 Nkonjane Street, Grahamstown ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 17 February 2018.

ADAM MZAMO EDMUND uhlala kwaQamnyana Loc, Peddie ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 17 February 2018.

BOUWER KOOS uhlala Endlovini Riebeeck East ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 17 February 2018.

GAZO DANISILE uhlala kwa 1490 New Rest, Marsell, ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 17 February 2018.

Death

Thelma Martha Neville (nee Thorndike)

Born 21st July 1916 Passed away 4th February 2018 at Brookshaw Home Grahamstown. The funeral service for the late Thelma Neville (nee Thorndike) will be conducted in the Cathedral of St. Michael and St. George in High Street Grahamstown at 11 am on Saturday 17th February 2018. The interment will be private.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT

Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, PROTEA GROUP. Drinking problem – get help from us! Meetings 7.30pm, Monday night at the Princess Alice Girl Guide Hall, African Street, opp BP Garage.

Furniture Auction

17th Feb, 10am. The Drill hall. Hill street. Weatherleys couches, lounge suits, coricroft table and 8 chairs, 1964 Datsun bakkie, side by side quad, outdoor Furniture, couches smalls and much more. Registration from 9am. Viewing to take place during the day on Friday. Contact Craig on **0763123514** for any more info.

KNOWLES AUCTION

Saturday 24 February 2018. Scout Hall, African Street Time: 10am Contact Mike 046 636 1137 073 264 8845

GRAHAMSTOWN FLYING CLUB - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given for the Annual General Meeting of the Grahamstown Flying Club to be held at the club house at the aerodrome on Wednesday, **14 March 2018 at 18.30.** Members and other interested parties are welcome to attend. There will be a steak evening after the AGM Please RSVP to Lorraine on **lorskiw@hotmail.com**

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Contact information: phone: 046 6223233 – call this number for all emergencies too, a voice message will give you the on call number; email: spcaght@gmail.com

We are running very short on food supplies and have received into our care an exceptionally high number of dogs, puppies, cats and kittens who desperately need our help, please help us with any food donations. These can be dropped either to the SPCA directly or to Madhatters Coffee Shop, Blu Robin and Pam Golding.

Cats and Dogs: We have a wide selection of Kittens and Cats, Dogs a couple of Puppies to adopt please visit the Grahamstown SPCA to meet them and for more information **Cat of the week:** Hi...my name is **Chilli** and I am very loving, playful ginger cat who adores nothing more than to play and be given lots of affection, I am looking for the ultimate loving and caring family to call my own. To meet me, please visit the Grahamstown SPCA or for more information call 046 622 3233.

Dog of the week: Hi, my name is **Daisy** and I am a very demanding and exercise loving Chihuahua. I love exercising and really enjoy getting out and going out. I am highly intelligent and need an owner who will give me plenty of attention and exercise, I am looking for a family who will love and care for me. Please visit me at the Grahamstown SPCA or for more information call 0466223233.

Thank you very much to the Grahamstown community for your continued food donations. Blu Robin, Madhatter's Coffee Shop and Pam Golding Grahamstown are very kindly acting as pet-food drop off points.

Kennel Sponsorships are still available for only R850 for a year! Thank you to Grahamstown Vets and Ikhala Vets for your continued support. We are very pleased with all the young people becoming involved with the Grahamstown SPCA, thank you all for all the help you give us and the time you spend with the animals. Thank you to DSG girls for coming up to the SPCA, walking and socialising the animals and for helping with dog dipping.

Please come and visit our thrift shop and you can also buy books in aid of the SPCA from Madhatters Coffee Shop in town and Noom Coffee Shop in the industrial area.

Look in our facebook 'Adoptions' photo albums, to see who has found their forever home.

Visit our SPCA shop on site! All books only R20! Boarding fees: Dogs- XL R55; L R53; M R47; S R42; Puppy or Cats R39. We desperately need fundraising ideas. Please call 046 622 3233.

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8. LEGALS

ESTATE LATE

In the Estate of the late **Priscilla Hall, Identity number 3903270075080**, married out of community of property (without accrual), retired of **25 Henry Street, Grahamstown**, who died at Grahamstown on the 11th July 2017.

Estate No: 2623/2017

The First and Final Liquidation and Distribution of the Master of the High Court, Grahamstown, for a period of three weeks reckoned the 16th February 2018.

WHEELDON RUSHMERE & COLE

Attorneys for Executrix 119 High Street GRAHAMSTOWN (Ref Mrs SL Froneman/ Ronel)

ESTATE LATE

In the Estate of the late **Denzil Graham Mark Pringle, Identity number 3611065003080**, married out of community of property (without accrual), retired of **2 Sandalwood, Somerset Place Retirement Complex, Lucas Meyer Avenue, Grahamstown**, who died at Grahamstown on the 18th April 2017.

Estate No: 1414/2017

The First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Account in the above Estate will lie for inspection at the Office of the Master of the High Court, Grahamstown, for a period of three weeks reckoned from the 16th February 2018.

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Attorneys for Executrix 119 High Street GRAHAMSTOWN (Ref Mrs SL Froneman/ Ronel)

Cinema under the Stars moves indoors due to rain

STAFF REPORTER

Organisers have moved Cinema under the Stars from Fiddlers' Green to the Monument

Foyer this weekend due to a very soggy field following the welcome rain Grahamstown has received in the past few days. The Monument will also be home to the Supurban Market on Saturday afternoon before the movies.

The fun kicks off on Friday with the screening of *The Secret Lives of Pets* – an animated comedy about the lives our pets lead after we leave for work and school; followed by *The Martian*, the tale of an astronaut (Matt Damon) who relies on his ingenuity to survive after being stranded on Mars. Please note that, unfortunately, the previously advertised screening of *Avatar* has had to be cancelled.

On Saturday at 7pm, the prequel to *Monsters Inc* lights up the big screen, *Monsters University* followed by the cult classic *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. Word is out that many Grahamstown folk are planning to dress of the occasion!

On Saturday afternoon, the Monument amphitheatre will open at 2pm for the SupUrban Market, which consists of stalls selling crafts and goods like plants, furniture, toys, books, vinyl, baked goods, vintage clothes, art, decor items etc. and there are food stalls, hen-na, music. All the stallholders are local and goods are either homemade or second hand - so this is a great opportunity to support local.

On both evenings, pop corn, soft drinks, boerie rolls, burgers, waffles, smudge, fudge and beer, wine and cider will be on sale – courtesy of Round Table, Shakespeare Tavern and the SupUrban Market. Pack your duvets and cushions and head to the Monument for supper and a film!

Tickets for the films are just R30 for adults and R20 for children, pensioners and students – for one film or BOTH. The Box Office will open be from 5.30pm. School and group bookings by calling 046 603 1103 – ask for Akhona or Kate.

TAKE A CHILD TO THE MOVIES

We have invited children from the Ikhaya Yoliso Foster Homes and Sun City After Care to the early movies on both nights. If you'd like to help, please drop us an email – kate@nationalartsfestival.co.za. Sponsorship for transport, tickets and a meal is R60 per child.

FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIES

Friday 23 February they will be screening *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* at 7pm in the Olive Schreiner Hall at the Monument.

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A burning desire to write

By CAROL LEFF

The ISEA short course in creative writing was launched in 1997 by writers Robert Berold and Colleen Higgs.

The aim of the programme was (and continues to be) to encourage the unique talents of participants, eliciting, supporting and developing the kind of writing their particular bent made most salient for them.

While classes are conducted in English, writing in mother tongues is encouraged wherever possible and mentoring in Afrikaans, French, Portuguese or isiXhosa is made available as required.

No formal qualifications are necessary, with the only requirement for admission to the course is the burning desire to write.

Several participants have gone on from the short course to successfully complete their Masters in Creative Writing at Rhodes University. It is particularly gratifying that some participants in the short course writing programme have gone on to become established writers, like Siphwiwe Mahala, Simphiwe Noluts-

hungu and Nadine Botha. The success of the course is evident in other ways, too.

One writer, Mike Watkins, started his quirky and successful "Poetry on Demand" stall at the Bathurst Farmers' Market, where his customers, from all walks of life, wait for their personalised poems whilst sipping his freshly brewed coffee!

And then there's Unathi Slasher, who has just released his first novella, *Jah Hills*...

NOW READ ONLINE:
bit.ly/GrocUnathi

Miles Keylock caught up with Rhodes Creative Writing graduate Unathi Slasher to find out more about his first novella, *Jah Hills*, published this month by Black Ghost Books.

The work has been described as "a dizzying investigation of life, death and those of us who will never die, a fever dream, and a sprawling inquiry into belief and resistance that re-imagines and subverts Nguni folklore" to write what he refers to as the "Unlanguaged World that is South Africa today".



Unathi Slasha has just released his first novel.

Photo: Supplied



LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 59 (1) of the Makana By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2016) that **CKEM INVESTMENTS (Pty) LTD** has applied to the Makana Municipality, in respect of **Erf 6713** located at **JENNER ROAD, GRAHAMSTOWN** for the **SUBDIVISION**.

The application will lay open for inspection at the Town Planning Department ("BAB Office") in Joza, daily from 08:00 to 16:00 with Ms N. Ncilata, 046 637 0424/8.

Anyone who has comments or objections to the application is invited, according to section 98 to do so in writing. The application is open for inspection during office hours with Ms Ncilata.

Closing date for objections is **16th March 2018**

In terms of Section 21(4) of the Local Government Municipal system act, 2000 (act 32 of 2000) people who cannot write may approach Ms Ncilata to assist them to put their comments or objections in writing.

On behalf of:
MR. D.M. PILLAY
ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER



ISAZISO SASEMTHETHWENI
Oku kukwazisa ukuba uMasipala wase Makana ufumene isicelo esenziwe ngokwecandelo 59(1) lase Makana uMthetho kaMasipala loCwangciso lweMihlabanoLawulo lokuSetyenziswa koMhlaba (2016), elo ngu **CKEM INVESTMENTS (Pty) LTD** bafake isicelo kuMasipala wase Makana, ngokubhekiselele kwisiza **Erf 6713, e JENNER ROAD, GRAHAMSTOWN, NGOLWAHLULO**.

Isicelo sikwavulekile ukuba sihlolwe kwi-ofisi yocwangciso lwedolophu zase ("ofisi BAB") eJoza, yonke imihla ukusuka 08:00 ukuya 16:00 Ms N. Ncilata, 046 637 0424/8.

Nabanina onezimvo okanye inkcaso yesicelo uyamenywa akwenze oko, ngokutsho kwecandelo 98, ngokubhala isicelo esikwavulekile ukuba sihlolwe ngexesha lomsebenzi kuye uMs Ncilata.

Umhla wokuvalwa kokungeniswa kwezichaso yi **16th March 2018**.

Ngokwemigaqo yeCandelo 21(4) loMthetho weNkqubo kaMasipala kuRhulumente weNgingqi, 2000 (uMthetho 32 ka-2000) abantu abangakwaziyo ukubhala bangeza ku Ms Ncilata ukubancedisa ukuze amaqabaza okanye izimvo zabo ngokubhala.

Endaweni ka:
MR. D.M. PILLAY
OLIBAMBELA KAMASIPALA

CHURCH SERVICES

ABUNDANT LIFE WORSHIP CENTRE
- Kuyasa School Hall
10.30am Morning Service - Pastor NC Julius 079 496 4256
AFM OF SA - God's Glory Assembly - Indoor Sports Centre - Ext 6
9am Youth and Sunday School Services **10am** Morning Service Pastor B.L. Kutu 082 828 6194
AGS/AFM EL SHADDAI (Former AOG Church, Blackbeard Street)
10am Morning Service
Pastor Pieter Swartz 082 414 7711
Elders: Dennis Goliath 073 272 8112
Ronnie Scheepers 083 610 2926
BODY OF CHRIST INTERNATIONAL RAINBOW MINISTRIES - Makana Hall
9am Children Ministries
9.30am Intercession
10am Sunday Service
Apostolic MM Mngongo 071 906 4286
BOWKER STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
10am: Sunday Service - Pastor: Eugenio Nel
CATHEDRAL OF ST MICHAEL AND ST GEORGE
7.30am Holy Eucharist (SAPB)
9.30am Sung Eucharist (AAPB)
6.30pm Student Service
CHRIST CHURCH - Speke Street
8.30am Sunday: Holy Eucharist with Hymns (APB 1989)
9am Wednesday: Holy Communion
Vic Graham 076 098 5763
CHRIST EMBASSY CHURCH - 19 African Street in Princess Alice Hall
9am Morning Service
Pastor Stewart 078 875 0319
CONQUERORS COVENANT CHURCH - Nombulelo Hall, Joza
10am - 12pm Sunday
Nceba Ngeju 073 653 2655
EMMANUEL ASSEMBLY - 12 Paton Place, Vergenoeg
10.30am Morning Service
5.30pm Evening Service
Pastor Apost NJL Williams 084 226 2457
EVERY NATION CHRISTIAN CHURCH - VGHS Hall, Beaufort Str
9.30am Morning Service
12.30pm isiXhosa Service
6.30pm Evening Service
046 622 3426
FRONTIERS CHURCH INT - VP School Hall, Beaufort Street
9.30am Dave Koch 084 470 2095 or 046 636 7815
FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF GOD - 11 Caldecott Street
9am Morning Service and Promised land (Sunday School)
6.30pm Evening Service
Pastor JJ Botha, 046 622 5949 or Email: fullgospelchurch@telkomsa.net
SHALOM REVIVAL MINISTRIES - 8073 Lingelihle Loc Ext 6 Joza
10am Morning Service
Pastor TP Dube Ngcayisa 083 671 9686
GRAHAMSTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH - Bathurst Street
9.30am Morning Worship and Sunday School Every 1st Sunday Communion
6.30pm Evening Service every 3rd Sunday Communion
11.30am Kariega Church 4th Sunday only
GRAHAMSTOWN CHRISTIAN CENTRE - Lucas Meyer Ave
9am Sunday Worship
Pastor D Hagemann 046 622 3309
GOD'S KINGDOM INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP - 8 Frere Street
7pm Wednesday **10am** Sunday
Mrs Mildred Oosthuizen
046 622 6655 or 079 475 0868
JABEZ HOUSE ASSEMBLY - Sun City community creche
10am Morning Service **6pm** Evening Service
Pastor T Smit 079 622 9812
MARIYA uMAMA weTHEMBA MONASTERY - Highlands Road - Holy Cross Benedictine Monks
9am Holy Eucharist
046 622 8111
METHODIST CHURCH OF SA
Commem **9am** English Service
Wesley **9am** English Service
Sole Memorial **10am** Afrikaans Service
St. Mark's **11am** Afrikaans Service
St. Mark's **6pm** Afrikaans Service
NEREDUITSE GEREFORMEERDE KERK - 38 Market St
9am Erediens, aand selgemeentes 046 622 4598
NEREDUITSCH HERVORMDE KERK
9am Every Sunday erediens - Port Alfred 2nd and 4th Sundays
11am Eredienste Cannon Rocks
Prof John Gericke 046 624 9025
PEACE OF CHRIST MINISTRIES AND PRAISE - Nduna 1, Ext 1, Joza
9am Kidz Church **9.30am** Intercession **10am** Sunday Service
Pastor PP Pango 082 662 9422

PINKSTER PROTESTANTE KERK
- Brushwood Farm, industrial area, behind Ght Prison
9am Sondagskool **10am** Oggenddiens **7pm** Aanddiens
Shawn Warren 082 808 6136
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RIVER OF LIFE - Assembly of God cnr Hill and Huntley St
8.30am MORNING ALIVE (Worship service & Kidz Church)
10am Worship Service & Kidz Church
6pm Dynamic Evening Service
Pastors Innocent and Milcah Matepo. 046 622 3626
ROCK OF AGES CHRISTIAN CHURCH INTERNATIONAL - Duna Library - Joza
10am: Sunday Service
Past FW Arendse 072 118 9049
SALEM CHURCH
8.30am Dr John Westwood
SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH - next to Pick n Pay
9.30am Sabbath School (Saturday)
11am Worship Service
ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH
9.30 am Sunday Service
ST BARNABAS (Alicedale)
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J Olckers 082 601 9665
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9am Eucharist with hymns - APB1989
Fr Eric Kelly 046 622 4552
ST CLEMENT'S CHURCH - (top end of High Street, next to Railway Station)
9am - Holy Eucharist
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10am Second Sunday of month.
Contact R Wilmot 0825796886 or P Rose 082 801 1353
ST MOSES CHURCH OF CHRIST IN ZION OF RSA - (9772 Manka Veleleni Street, Vukani Location)
Sunday 11am to 1.30pm **Wednesday** 6pm to 7.30pm
Siyabulela Mnyakama 073 961 7839
ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Joza)
8am Mass
ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Albany Road)
10am Sunday Mass
6pm Tuesday service
ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (47 Hill Street)
8am Sunday Mass. -046 622 2808
ST PETER CLAVER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Raglan Road)
11am Mass
ST PETER'S (Sidbury)
10am Every 1st Sunday.
R Hart 042 235 1250 or Rev Isaias Chachine 071 005 0185
THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION OF AFRICA (Z Street, Joza)
10am Sunday School,
11am Service
Rev KA Ndaleni
THE ROCK FAMILY CHURCH (1 Dundas Street)
8.30am - Sunday Services
Makana Library
Shaun Brandon 073 227 9143
THE OLD APOSTOLIC CHURCH IN ZION OF SA (behind Benjamin Mahlasela High) - **11am** Sunday Service, **6pm** Wednesday service
Archbishop NT Chrisjan 083 363 1073
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (6 Bennett Str)
9am Sundays 046 622 5705
THE UPPER ROOM, W.O.W MINISTRIES
7pm Monday: Bible Study - 19 Frere Street; **7pm** Thursday: Holy Spirit Evening - Antics Centre, Albany Road
5.30pm Sunday: Evening Service - Antics Centre, Albany Road
Ev. Jenfred Engelbrecht 083 204 4456
TIBETAN BUDDHIST MEDITATION CENTRE - 19 West Street
Tuesdays 6pm - 7pm Meditation
Sundays: 9am - 10am Green Tara
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (Hill Street) **9.30am** Morning Worship and Sunday School
6.30pm Evening Service
Church Office: 046 622 4254
Rev Boitumelo Gaborone 081 554 5485
UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (Albany Road)
9am Sunday School, **10am** Morning Service, **6pm** Evening Service
UNIVERSAL CHURCH OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD (UCKG) 33 Beaufort Street
Week: 6am, 7am, 10am, 3pm, 5pm
Sat: 7am, 10am
Sun: 8am, 10am, 1pm
WAY OF GOD MINISTRIES (Ext 6, next to Joza Indoor Sports Centre)
10am Sunday Service 6pm. Apostle PS Ngqezana 084 824 2363

Isandlwana Historian captivates local audience



Local history buffs and pupils of St. Andrew's College and the Diocesan School for Girls (DSG), were left awe-struck by Historian Rob Caskie, on 8 February. With just a stick as a prop, Caskie used his extensive knowledge of South African history to recount the 1879 battle of Isandlwana between British and Zulu forces, keeping his audience spell-bound for an entire hour. If you're interested in purchasing any of Caskie's books or DVDs, please email Gary Frayne g.frayne@sacschool.com as costs are less with a bulk delivery order.
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Coach Katywa appears ready for his first season at the helm of the Rhodes First XV. Photo: Supplied



Joshua Parsons, the Rhodes first XV captain. Photo: Supplied

RU Stallions ready for Varsity Shield

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

The Rhodes Stallions are about to enter their second year of The Steinhoff Varsity Shield. Come Monday 19 February, the Great Field will be home to the Stallions' first game of 2018 against FNB TUT.

This year is an important one for the Stallions, with promotion/relegation being the main focus of the season. In 2017, Rhodes finished dead last after failing to win a single game.

The Stallions' 2018 captain is second row veteran of two years, Joshua Parsons. Often described as a workhorse on the field, the appointment of Parsons as leader is a popular one. The general consensus is that his appointment should pay off during what will be a long and gruelling Varsity Shield campaign. This year there are three home and three away games, ending off with Rhodes at home against UWC on 19 March.

The pre-season has included two training camps, with the first one taking place over three weeks December and the second one completing the month from 7 January.

"The guys have been working hard, you know," Par-

sons said "We've been in the gym... training getting our bodies conditioned, building our armour... working on our skills, trying to get our patterns going. So I think the pre-season's been good. There was a good turnout, obviously recruiting was a bit tough for the team but we just made do with what we've got."

Parsons also indicated that their game plan is based on "suffocating the opponents when they have the ball. When they're in possession they mustn't have any time to make decisions. We're using our defence as a weapon."

The RU captain also has lofty goals.

"I can see the final and I want it. It's important to set your goals high because if you shoot for the moon and miss, you'll land in the stars."

For 2018, Qondani 'Carlos' Katywa has been drafted in as the new head coach, with his main goal being to avoid relegation from The Varsity Shield.

"My primary goal is to avoid relegation, as that is the purpose of my employment," he said. "We have outlined three to four games we are looking to win to hold our place and impress in the competition."

"It's unfortunate that we are playing them in the final round," he said, of the class against a much-fancied UWC side. "Their systems have been in place for years and they are currently pumping with momentum. However, we have outlined our games we are focusing on and UWC is not one of them. But no matter the opponent we will always be up for it. That same point different against UWC won't happen again, it will never happen again."

Fixtures are as follows:

- 19 February: Rhodes vs TUT (Home)
- 22 February: Rhodes vs WSU (Away- this match is being televised on Supersport)
- 26 February: Rhodes vs UFH (Away)
- 5 March: Rhodes vs UKZN (Home)
- 15 March: Rhodes vs CPUT (Away)
- 19 March: Rhodes vs UWC (Home)

The Rhodes Stallions have trained hard in the pre-season to eliminate the weakness from 2017, but they're still an enigma. Residents are urged to come out and support them for the home games, no matter the final score.

JUST SAY IT!

Love me... love my sport!

With Valentine's Day this week, we asked around the sporting community whether or not sport was seen as a good or bad thing in a relationship. Here are the different takes on sports relationships from around the town.



BUSI MANTAWULE
SOCCER PLAYER

"Yes it is on my side because in sport you get to learn a lot how to communicate in a good manner. Sport teaches you as a person to be able to deal with so many kinds of attitudes - although I am not sure in what way! Sport is a key to meet new people and challenges."



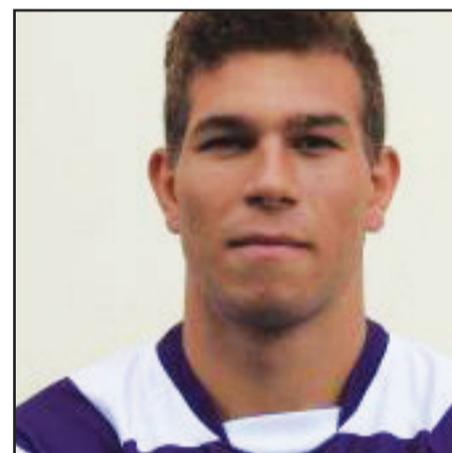
TERRI-LYNN PENNEY
ATHLETE

"Sport is good for a relationship... As a married couple we [Terri-Lynn and her husband, Stephen Penney] always train together, motivate and support each other in training and racing."



LUTHO SINGATA
KARATEKA

"Tricky question. Sport is something that brings people together and in sport people can learn their strengths and weaknesses. So I think it is a good thing for a relationship."



JOSHUA PARSONS
RUGBY PLAYER

"I think sport is good for your relationship because your [partner] can come and support you. I mean for myself and my rugby has been a group effort really with my girlfriend. She helps me with nutrition... sometimes when I don't feel like training, she'll be the one to get me up and motivate me. The only thing is it can be difficult to give up, your time with your [partner], but if they want you to succeed, they will understand and support that."

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Makana Brick wish Rhodes Rugby the best of luck with Varsity Shield! We will be supporting you every brick of the way!

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Milani Jack from Nombulelo High School goes in the U14 boys 100m. Photo: Lindani Donyeli

Southwell, Cuylerville race for top spot

By CHESLEY DANIELS

Southwell 1sts and Cuylerville 1sts recorded impressive GCB 1st league bonus point wins over Port Alfred and Manleys Flats respectively in Grahamstown Cricket Board fixtures took place over the 10-11 February weekend.

There were also wins for Sidbury 1st over Salem, Station Hill 2nds over Cuylerville, Southwell 2nds over Early Birds and Sidbury 2nds over Titans.

The race to clinch the GCB 1st league title between Southwell and Cuylerville will go down to the wire. The two will face off in the last fixture of the season at Southwell, with the winner being crowned GCB Champs.

Southwell is currently on 29 points and Cuylerville on 26; although Cuylerville have to win to stand any chance of winning the league.

Southwell 1st (17) can also win the GCB Bathurst league if they beat St Andrews in their last fixture on Saturday. There are a few games left for the GCB 2nd league as things are also heating up in the title race between Rainbows (40), Station Hill (38), Shrews (35) and Cuylerville (33), setting up an exciting two weekends ahead.

Cuylerville 1st vs Manleys Flats

Cuylerville went to Manleys with one thing on their minds-to win with a bonus point, which they did, although they had to fight hard for their three-wicket win.

Manleys batted first and were bowled out for 155 (35.2 overs). Captain Francois Van Rooyen top scored with a fine 40 runs, while veteran Andrew Marshall (28), Bryon Wakeford (28) and Curtis De Vos all contributed with the bat. Charlie Muir was the pick of the Cuylerville bowlers with impressive 5/25 (9.2).

James Renton picked up two wickets each too. Cuylerville lost early wickets as Manleys looked to take control of the game.

But in came brothers Brandon Handley (33) and Kyle Handley (32), to swing the momentum back in to Cuylerville's favour.

Neil Van der Linde (25) and captain Steven Gornal (15), added invaluable knocks to secure the win. Cuylerville scored 156/7 (34.5) and also received a bonus point.

Salem vs Sidbury 1sts

Sidbury posted a huge 313/6 in their allotted 50 overs against home side Salem.

Huge Savage 93 (7x4, 7x6), Cameron De Wet 69* (6x4, 1x6) and Greg Evans 45 (6x4, 1x6), were in devastating form with the bat.

Leard King 2/36 (10), Ivan Marais 3/47 (10) and Buster Brotherton 1/41 (10), bowled well for Salem. Salem lost wickets at regular intervals in reply and were eventually bowled out for 162 (34).

Chris Van der Meulen 48 (8x4) was their stand-out batsman for Salem. Wade Golightly 4/39 (10) performed exceptionally well with the ball. Sidbury won by 151 runs and a bonus point.

Port Alfred vs Southwell

Southwell went down to the coast and finished off matters in no time against Port Alfred 1st.

The travellers batted first and scored 219/9 (50) on a slow pitch, with Daine Kruger (49), Johan Du Preez (22) and Chris Fredericks (27) among the run scorers. Port Alfred were bowled out for a mere 100 runs in 37 overs. in reply.

Jeff Tarr took 5/14 (10) and Frederick Rubidge 2/11 (5) for Southwell, who won

by 119 runs and bonus point. There were also wins for Station Hill 2nds over Cuylerville, Southwell 2nds over Early Birds and Sidbury 2nds over Tiger Titans.

Station Hill picked up a bonus point victory over Cuylerville 2nds, winning by 113 runs. Southwell romped home by nine wickets against beat Early Birds. Sidbury defended a strong lead to beat Tiger Titans by 109 runs, while the final match of the weekend between Makana Sona and Willows was rained out. As the season draws to a close, here is a look at the most recent league tables:

GCB 2nd League

- Rainbows 40 (10)
- Station Hill 38 (9)
- Cuylerville 33 (9)
- Shrews 31 (8)
- Kenton 26 (10)
- Salem 25 (9)
- Southwell 23 (10)
- Sidbury 17 (9)
- Manley Flats 16 (9)
- Tiger Titans 11 (9)
- Port Alfred 10 (9)
- Early Birds 5 (10)
- GCB 1st League
- Southwell 29 (7)
- Cuylerville 26 (7)
- Salem 22 (8)
- Sidbury 25 (8)
- Willows 17 (7)
- Manley Flats 10 (5)
- Port Alfred 8 (7)
- Makana Sona 7 (7)
- Rhodes 2 (5)

Bathurst 1st League

- Southwell 17 (4)
- Cuylerville 17 (5)
- Manley Flats 14 (5)
- St Andrews 11 (5)
- Port Alfred 10 (4)
- St Andrews 5 (3)
- Station Hill 1 (5)

Central Albany 1st League

- Salem 20 (5)
- Kingswood 14 (4)
- Willows 11 (4)
- Makana Sona 9 (5)
- Sidbury 6 (4)
- Kenton 0 (3)

Trying Stars too bright for Brumbies

By CHANEZ SIAAS

The Brumbies 1st XV and their 1st reserves lost 29-15 in an intense early afternoon game against Trying Stars on 10 February at the Grahamstown Oval.

The game intensified as both teams attempted to dominate, with Trying Stars at 12-3 by half-time, the Brumbies' only points coming from a successful penalty kick by Duane Brown.

Their efforts did not reflect on the scoreboard, however, with the Trying Stars again dominating game and essentially camping in the enemy's half and the Brumbies being forced defend for most of the second half. It was only the last minute interventions of Shanton Witbooi and Chad Gill that that helped a little, just as hard as they did in a previous game against Rhodes.

The two tries for the Brumbies charged the disappointed fans, and sadly, Brown could only convert one of them. It was way too late by then for the Brumbies.

The final score in the pre-season encounter then was Trying Stars 29-15 Brumbies.

SPORTS RESULTS

Cricket:

St Andrews vs Grey

College:

- 1st XI (79/8) Lost by 5 wickets to Grey College (81/5).
- 2nd XI (141/4) Won by 6 wickets against Grey College (139/6).
- Boys-U15A (124/3) Lost by 5 wickets to Grey College (125/5).
- Boys-U14A (116/8) Lost by 2 runs to Grey College (118/7).

Kingswood College:

- Kingswood 1st XI (115/6) vs SAC (129/4) (CSA T20)
- Result: Kingswood lost by 14 runs
- Kingswood 1st XI (197/8 dec) vs Woodridge(117/6)
- Result: Match Drawn
- Kingswood 2nd XI (94 all out) vs Woodridge (93 all out)
- Result: Kingswood won by 1 run
- Kingswood 3rd XI (167/3 in 20 overs) vs Graeme (120/6)
- Result: Kingswood won by 47 runs
- Kingswood 3rd XI (144 all out) vs Otto du Plessis 1st XI (145/6)
- Result: Kingswood lost by

4 wickets

- Kingswood Colts A (119/9) vs Woodridge (84 all out)
- Result: Kingswood won by 35 runs
- Kingswood U14A (115 all out) vs Woodridge (90 all out)
- Result: Kingswood won by 25 runs
- Kingswood U13A (82/2) vs Woodridge (81 all out)
- Result: Kingswood won by 8 wickets
- Kingswood U11A (129/2) vs Woodridge (127/6 in 35 overs)
- Result: Kingswood won by 8 wickets

Water Polo:

U14 Water Polo day (9 February):

- St Andrew's Boys-U14A 3-4 Grey High School
- St Andrew's Boys-U14A 10-0 Stirling High School
- St Andrew's Boys-U14A 9-4 Kingswood College
- St Andrew's Boys-U14A 9-0 Merrifield College
- St Andrew's Boys-U14B 0-14 Grey College
- St Andrew's Boys-U14B 0-15 Selborne College
- St Andrew's Boys-U14B 2-3 Hudson Park High

Harcourts HERO OF THE WEEK

Lutho Singata

This week's Hero of the Week is Rhodes University student and RU Shotokan Karate Club President, Lutho Singata. The Karateka was recently awarded a trophy for Best Senior Male Karateka at the 2017 SAS-KA National Championships.

Singata secured the prestigious award after winning six medals at last year's Championship which included three gold, two silver and and a bronze medal. Capping off a great year for Singata were the gold, silver and bronze he won at the UWKSA National Championships last March. In addition, he also became the first Rhodes Karateka to win the prestigious Male Senior Kumite (fighting) event at the 2017 SECKO Karate Championships which was held at the Fish River Sun Hotel.

Beginning to study karate as a means to live out his father's former ambitions of studying karate, Singata believes that karate is a way of life that teaches discipline, concentration and endurance. Singata believes his karate has helped his academic career at Rhodes.

He has also remained humble, despite all this success.



Lutho Singata posing with his multiple awards from last year. Photo: Supplied

"It felt good because mostly it shows in my karate," Singata said about the recent award, "although winning is not about awards but doing your best and how good you think

you have done. Awards are just symbols of the hard work you put in." Singata hopes karate will continue to teach him to be a better man and citizen.

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Aphelele Tyelbooi launching one of Pirates' attacks. Photo: Sue Maclennan

Love and Peace falls to ferocious Pirates

By CHRIS TOTOBELA
On Saturday all our three local teams were in action in their SAB regional league fixtures. In the first game Sakhulutsha defeated United Eleven from Bathurst by 2 goals to one, with Lindokuhle Mdoko scoring a brace. The second game saw two times New year's cup champions Maru taking on Eleven Attackers in the local derby. The game started with both teams still weighing each other's strength. It was always going to be a battle of midfield as both teams have very good and skilful midfielders who are comfortable on the ball.
 Both started going at each other at high pace and Attackers nearly opened the scoring when a well taken

free kick was pushed over the crossbar by Maru goalkeeper. Playing with the wind on their faces Maru did very well to absorb the pressure and also had chances of their own to score.
 The game was very tense and competitive with emotions as well. Hard and dangerous tackles flew all over the field. Both teams played very good and entertaining football but failed to make it count. Halftime score 0-0.
 In the second half Maru started dominating the midfield with some neat passes and took the game to Attackers. With only six minutes into the second half Maru received a free kick on the right side of the field which was played to the far post and met their captain who unself-

ishly played it across the face of goal and was scrambled home by Libona Nondlwana for the game's opener. Attackers made some changes and started pushing more bodies forward in search of an equaliser and were caught by a quick counter attack and a good cross from the right wing was tapped in by the ever alert Liyabona Nondlwana. Attackers struggled to contain the Maru midfield and afforded them too much space on the ball which proved to be very suicidal as they conceded an own goal after one of their midfielders headed the ball past an advancing keeper into an open net to give Maru a 3-0 lead. Maru just kept on piling the pressure on their opponents and ran rings around their

defence and also had time to grab a fourth one through the boot of their substitute Masixole Adonis who fired a rocket from the distance and gave the keeper no chance at all. Both teams gave the football lovers a great game with all ingredients of a good derby.
 On Sunday Makana LFA premier league log leaders City Pirates faced Love & Peace in league game.
 Both teams enjoy hard running football and it was no surprise to see them going at each other from the first whistle. Pirates had the first opportunity to open the scoring but the striker shot wide.
 Love & Peace created chances of their own as well.
 On the 13th minute of the game Pirates beat an offside

trap and the keeper left his goal posts to intercept the through pass but unfortunately his clearance bounced off an onrushing striker and was finished off by Thabo Rafa who just pushed the ball into an open net.
 This seemed to spur Love & Peace as they started playing some good football keeping their opponents's defence on their toes and soon equalised with a thunderous shot after some neat passing on the left side, Siyamtanda Mkaliphi caught the keeper off his line and left him for dead as the ball flew into the roof of the net to level the score. It was pound for pound as both teams threw everything at each other but failed to capitalise on the chances created. Halftime score 1-1.

Kings to George
 The Southern Kings have announced that their match against Irish club, Munster, on 7 April will be held at Outeniqua Park in George. This will be the first time that George hosts a match as part of the international tournament, and only the second home match the Kings will have played outside Port Elizabeth in the Pro14. The first away-from-PE match was against Ulster, which was played at the Wolfson Stadium in KwaZakhele earlier this season.

Comrades entries
 The official 2018 Comrades Marathon substitution process opens at the end of March. This process allows for a runner who has not entered to substitute an entrant who has withdrawn, or intends to withdraw from this year's Comrades Marathon. The process runs for a full month, opening on 26 March until 25 April.

Super Rugby
 The new-look format of Super Rugby will kick off this weekend with two matches featuring South African teams scheduled to start the season. The opening game sees the Stormers host the Jaguares at 3.05pm while in the only other fixture of the weekend, the Sharks head to Johannesburg to take on competition favourites the Lions at 5.15pm.

Proteas' pride
 The Proteas will look to play for pride when they take on India in the fifth and final ODI of the series today (Friday 16 February). India have already secured a 4-1 lead. The final clash will be held in Centurion, with first ball scheduled for 1pm.

Madibaz host
 The FNB Madibaz face Wits in their third Varsity Cup match at Madibaz Stadium in Port Elizabeth on Monday 19 February. After losing their opening encounter against University of Cape Town, the NMU outfit suffered a close 38-37 defeat to Central University of Technology in Bloemfontein this week, leaving them marooned near the bottom of the log; and only ahead on points difference against University of Pretoria (who have lost all three matches they've played).

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Hi-Q SPORTS DIARY

FRIDAY 16 FEBRUARY
Water Polo:
 • St Andrew's College and Kingwood College in Vides water polo tournament - 15 Feb - 17 Feb
 • Kingswood (Girls & Boys) 2nd Team in Oakhill Chukka Festival (Knysna) - 15 Feb - 18 Feb
 • Graeme College 1st Team in Oakhill Chukka Festival (Knysna) - 15 Feb - 18 Feb
 • DSG 2nd Team vs St Dominic's Priory (09:55) and Collegiate Girl's High School (2.35pm)
 • St Andrews College U18 A vs Grey College (8.20am), Selborne Collegians (10:20) and Glenwood High School (2.20)

Cricket:
 • Kingswood U13A Independent Schools' Cricket Festival (Cape Town) - 15 Feb - 18 Feb
 • St Andrews vs Queens College - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, U15 A, U15 B, U14 A and U14 B

Tennis:
 • Kingswood (Girls) 2nd vs PJ Olivier (Away) 3pm; U15A vs Clarendon (Away) 2pm
 • DSG Girls U13B vs Hermitage House (Away) 1.45pm

• St Andrews 1sts vs Queens (Neutral) 2pm

Squash
 • Dave Hodgson Festival: Kingswood College Girls vs Clarendon (Home) 2pm; Kingswood College Girls vs GHT Invitational (Home) 4pm; Kingswood College Girls vs Collegiate (Home) 7pm

SATURDAY 17 FEBRUARY
Water Polo:
 • Kingswood (Girls): 1st vs Alex Road (Alex Road) 10.30am; 1st vs NMU (Alex Road) 12.30pm; U15A vs Alex Road (Alex Road) 8.30am; U15A vs Alex Road 2nd (Alex Road) 11am; U15A vs Pearson (Alex Road) 12pm; U14A vs Alex Road (Alex Road) 9am; U14A vs Pearson U15B (Alex Road) 11.30am
 • DSG: 1sts, 2nds, 3rds, U18 B, U16 A, U15 A, and U14 A in various matches between 8.30 and 2.35pm.

Cricket
 • Kingswood College: 1st XI vs Cuylerville

(Gane) 9.45am; 3rd XI vs St Dominic's Priory (City Lords) 9.30am; U13A Independent Schools' Cricket Festival (Cape Town); U13B vs Herbert Hurd (Home) 9am; U11A vs Herbert Hurd (Away) 9am; U11B vs Herbert Hurd (Home) 9am; U9A vs Herbert Hurd (Away) 9am

• Graeme College vs Westering (u13A, u11A, u9A (Away); u13B, u11B (Home))

• Graeme College vs Alex Road (1st, u15A (Home); 2nd, u14A (Away))

Basketball
 • Kingswood (Boys & Girls) vs Mdantasane Fastshooters (Home) 9.15am

Squash
 • Dave Hodgson Festival - Kingswood College vs Grahamstown High School (Home) 07:30 Kingswood College vs DSG (DSG) 10.15am

Golf
 • Port Alfred Schools' Golf Festival (Port Alfred)

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