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The journey starts!



Chris Hani Primary pupils Sinothando Speelman (Grade 4), Lilitha Mbekushe (Grade 5) and Lathitha Makibi (Grade 4) all set for fun and learning at the BASF Kids Lab in the Monument foyer on Wednesday 7 March. This photo was taken around 9am and their teacher Nonceba Ngemntu explained that they'd left Dordrecht on a taxi eight hours earlier to spend the day in Grahamstown at Scifest. Thousands of visitors, mostly school children, will have experienced workshops, lectures and demonstrations at the 2018 edition of the annual event when it closes at the end of Tuesday. Photo: Michael Salzwedel



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- Look confident.
- Tell someone where you are going and when you expect to be back.
- If you are being followed, head for a crowded place.
- If people start milling around you, it could be a set-up for a mugging.

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'Street committees - taking back our streets.' Photo: Kathryn Cleary

Street committees for safer communities

By KATHRYN CLEARY

On 7 March, citizens from Grahamstown East took part in an exciting event at BB Zondani Hall in Fingo Village. The South African Police Service (SAPS) in conjunction with Makana Municipality launched the community street committees initiative as a way to improve safety and reduce crime.

The initiative serves as a way to empower citizens and encourage visible policing within communities that suffer from high crime rates.

Reverend Gxaleka opened the event by emphasising the importance of building relationships in the community. "We must build relationships so we can speak with one voice," he said. Speaking to the issue of halting crime, he said, "We need people to do umsebenzi [the work]."

Ward Councillors Rami Xonxa and Luyanda Sakata, as well as Mayor Nomhle Gaga were joined in attendance by Brigadier David Kanuka, head of the SAPS Grahamstown Clus-

ter, CPF Cluster Board Chairperson Glenda Duffy, as well as the Director of Community Police Relations, Neil Naidoo.

Naidoo said in his address that the primary objective of Street Committees was to involve communities of a particular area to contribute to a happy, peaceful and productive environment by taking greater interest and responsibility for their community.

The success of these Street Committees hinged on massive community involvement and effective communication with local government departments including the Police Service and other social services, Naidoo said.

"Our structures must have our own protocol as to how we relate to our communities, how we lodge our concerns, obtain information and most importantly our accountability to our Community Policing Forum (CPF) and the community at large."

He said Street Committee members must be selected for their integ-

riety and professionalism and have a clear focus on the interest of the community rather than individual goals.

Some of the key functions of Street Committees:

1. To participate in community police activities
2. Conduct joint foot patrols with SAPS
3. Reporting to the Sector Crime Forums
4. Cooperate with SAPS and CPF
5. Provision of information to SAPS
6. Monitor taverns to ensure that they close on time and they do not sell alcohol to minors
7. Inform the police about the existence of illegal shebeens.

The street committees will be working alongside CPFs and the South African Police Service. Members are mandated to immediately report any crime that they witness or hear about in their community. Street committee members will also

be issued identification cards and notebooks to further carry out their community mandate.

The launch was a huge success, featuring musical performances by Samuel Ntsiko Primary learners, as well as free health care services. Local nursing sisters from Shumane and Joza Clinics offered HIV testing, as well as other vital checks.

Naidoo concluded his address with a quote from Nelson Mandela: "Safety and security do not just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear."

"With vision 2030 of the National Development Plan in mind, it is the hope that the implementation of these vital street committees will bring Makana into a brighter and safer future, free of crime.

"We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear."



FRIDAY 9 March
Cloudy. Light WSW breeze.
Temperature: Min 12°C Max 19°C
Tides: Low 01:33 14:15
High 08:03 20:33

SATURDAY
Cloudy. Light SSW breeze.
Temperature: Min 13°C Max 24°C
Tides: Low 02:32 15:59
High 09:19 23:11

SUNDAY
Fair. Gentle southerly breeze.
Temperature: Min 18°C Max 24°C
Tides: Low 05:20 18:48
High 11:49

WEATHER & TIDES

MONDAY
Fair. Gentle easterly breeze.
Temperature: Min 18°C Max 22°C
Tides: Low 07:04 19:43
High 01:07 13:16

TUESDAY
Clear sky. Light ENE breeze.
Temperature: Min 19°C Max 29°C
Tides: Low 07:50 20:17
High 01:53 14:01

WEDNESDAY
Cloudy. Light SSE breeze.
Temperature: Min 20°C Max 26°C
Tides: Low 08:24 20:46
High 02:26 14:34

THURSDAY
Rain. Gentle SSW breeze.
Temperature: Min 18°C Max 26°C
Tides: Low 08:54 21:12
High 02:54 15:03

FRIDAY
Partly cloudy. Gentle SSW breeze.
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Education Dept red-flags 'spaza' school

By LINDANI DONYELI

A residential tutoring centre that recently opened in Sunnyside suburb believes it's providing a useful service to people wanting to rewrite matric – and provide work for graduates to boot. But a district education official has red-flagged it, warning members of the public not to pay money to unregistered "spaza schools".

Founder of the Resurrection matric school at 29 Hill Street Elvias Ntantala believes he and his team of formerly unemployed graduates are providing a valuable service to people who want to improve on their matric results. Ntantala says the school, which opened on 22 January, provides education to people who have written matric, but haven't achieved an exemption, as well as those who want to improve their results.

Ntantala says their aim is to improve the matric pass rate in Grahamstown and that he believes he has the best revision teachers. The graduates ran a similar programme in Dutywa, Ntantala told *Grocott's Mail*. They also provide self-catering accommodation for girls as part of the programme.

They charge R400 for registration and an additional R550 monthly tuition fee. Self-catering accommodation costs R500 a month. Classes

run from 7.45am to 2pm daily. At the time of the interview, Ntantala said around 30 children had enrolled; however, the school isn't equipped in any traditional way with desks and chairs.

"We don't call ourselves a school because we're not registered as an educational institution and don't have a centre number," Ntantala said.

"There are those who apply to write exams but have no one to help them," said Ntantala. "We don't believe in an age restriction for education. We believe anyone can get an education."

He said he hoped the Department of Education would visit the school, assess it, and help them register and obtain a centre number.

Ntantala said they were giving Grahamstown school children private tuition and used past question papers to assist the pupils in their revision. The teachers were previously unemployed but qualified graduates, he said.

The company started with two people, but now employs seven teachers and a cleaner, Ntantala said.

However, Grahamstown Cluster Manager of the Education Department's Sarah Baartman District, Mluleki Ndabeni warned that attending an unregistered school left members of the public open to exploitation.

"The school is not registered and that is not allowed," Ndabeni said.

He was unimpressed with the fact that they were doing revision with past question papers.

"Anyone can go out and get question papers. These days, you can go and download them," Ndabeni said.

"If you want to run a school, one has to be registered with the Department of Education. Everyone has to go through them."

Ndabeni said he hadn't heard of the school until he was questioned about it by *Grocott's Mail*.

He said the fact that the business was employing people was not enough of an argument to run an unregistered school.

"Opening a school is not like opening a spaza shop," Ndabeni said. "Whatever else is said, people are paying to attend a school that is not registered."

"It's not fair to exploit people like that. If I may say, without generalising, people from the township will take what is happening or hosted in town (inner city) as legit and they are there quick to be victims of bogus schools. "They can be prepared to pay more than necessary as well because they want the best for their kids – but then fall prey to such schools," Ndabeni said.



The Resurrection Revision Centre. The director believes they're offering a service to matric candidates. The Education Department says an unregistered school taking money from parents is exploitative. Photo: Sue Maclennan

Doctors could not have detected Listeriosis sooner

STAFF REPORTER

Health Minister Aaron Motsoaledi says doctors could not have detected the Listeriosis outbreak sooner. Speaking in the National Assembly in Parliament on Thursday, he said the Listeriosis outbreak started in June 2017 and doctors at Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital and Steve Biko Academic Hospital picked it up the following month.

"They could not have picked it up faster. The month of June, according to this analysis, is the month in which Listeria laboratories confirmed cases started differing substantially from the month-to-month figures of 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 itself," he said.

The Minister at the week-

end announced that the source of the outbreak, which has claimed 180 lives so far, was traced back to an Enterprise processing plant in Polokwane.

Addressing MPs on Thursday, the Minister explained that Listeriosis is a disease caused by a bacterium. "Listeriosis is widely found in nature. It can be found in soil, water, vegetation or faeces of some animals," Motsoaledi said

From these sources, it could contaminate food from four different areas: the food production site (farms and abattoirs); food processing factories; food packaging sites or food preparation at restaurants, hotels or individual homes. A person becomes infected when they ingested contaminated food.

The Minister said the disease occurred annually in South Africa and that doctors typically saw 60 to 80 patients per year. This had been the case for the past 40 years.

"The disease is treatable with an antibiotic called ampicillin which is widely available in our health facilities, both public and private," he said.

The Minister said as of 2 March 2018, the number of laboratory confirmed cases had reached 948. Of these 948, a total of 569 patients had been traced with 180 who had unfortunately died.

This constituted 27% case fatalities. The case fatality rate for countries with Listeria was 30%.

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3. A Head of Department must register an independent school if he or she is satisfied that:

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 - (b) the admission policy of the school does not discriminate on the grounds of race; and
 - (c) the school complies with the grounds for registration contemplated in subsection (2).
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Rabies: vaccinate your pet

Pet owners are urged to ensure that their animals are vaccinated against rabies following a report that five cases of the disease in humans have been confirmed in South Africa since December 2017. The National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) said the cases were recorded in patients from Limpopo, Mpumalanga, Eastern Cape and two patients in KwaZulu-Natal. Rabies vaccines are available through all the vets in Grahamstown. The Grahamstown SPCA and the State Vet have also been proactively vaccinating against rabies within the townships and outlying areas as part of our outreach work to help control this risk.

For more information or advice, please contact Grahamstown SPCA or any of the vets in town:

Grahamstown Veterinary Practice on Fitzroy Street, Tel: 046 622 6743

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SPCA TIP
OF THE
WEEK



Mark Thomas

VOX POPS

Just think how you got here...

International Women's Day was celebrated yesterday. Is it necessary to have a day for women? Lindani Donyeli asked.



NOXOLO KELEKETE
PRESCHOOL
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THANDAZILE MADINDA
ARTIST

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LENA MAY
INSTITUTION OF JUSTICE
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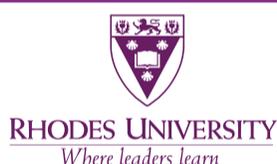
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Tender submission: Tenders must be submitted online through the eProcurement portal. Responses must adhere to the required format, to enable Rhodes University to adjudicate all bids effectively and fairly. Late submission, manual, email, fax and telephonic submission will not be considered.

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STAFF REPORTER

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Grahamstown rabies-free for six years

By KATHRYN CLEARY

Following an announcement by the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) on Wednesday, 7 March, confirming five cases of rabies in humans nationally since December 2017, Grocott's Mail investigated the recent history of rabies in Grahamstown.

A quick investigation revealed positive news – for both Grahamstown's two and four-legged residents! Local State Vet, Dr Gabriel Mutero stated that Grahamstown was rabies-free. "We have not had any cases in 6 or 7 years, and even that was not in Grahamstown but on one of the outlying farms," Mutero said.

Department of Health Spokesperson, Sizwe Kupelo, also confirmed that there had been no recent cases of human rabies in this area.

The NICD's article reported one case of human rabies in the Eastern Cape since December 2017.

The Institute has been approached for more information about this case, specifically where in the Eastern Cape it was reported.

Grahamstown SPCA's Mark Thomas shared some important advice given the Institute's recent news release.

"Pet owners are urged to ensure their animals are vaccinated against Rabies following the report that five human cases of rabies have been confirmed in South Africa since December 2017," Thomas said.

Thomas, who manages the Grahamstown facility, said rabies vaccines are available through all the vets in Grahamstown.

"The Grahamstown SPCA and the State Vet have also been proactively vaccinating against rabies within the townships and outlying areas as part of our outreach work to help control this risk over 2017 and will be continuing this work in 2018."

See the SPCA's Tip of the Week (opposite) for more information about where to have your pet vaccinated.

Dogs and cats

The National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) said Wednesday the cases were recorded in patients from Limpopo, Mpumalanga, Eastern Cape and two patients in KwaZulu-Natal. There was another possible case of rabies in the Free State, however, laboratory confirmation was not possible.

The six suspected cases involved exposures to rabid domestic dogs in three of the cases and domestic cats in three of the cases.

"Another probable case of rabies was reported from the Free State in December 2017, involving a patient that presented and died with the clinical diagnosis of rabies and suffered an exposure to a domestic cat before falling ill.

"In this case, laboratory confirmation was not possible due to the lack of appropriate specimens to do so," said the NICD.

While the six cases involved rabid cats and dogs, other animals may also become infected with the rabies virus and transmit the virus to humans. The NICD said such reports are less common.

The rabies virus is present in the saliva of the affected animal and may be transmitted to humans through bites, scratches or other wounds that break the skin and allow the infected saliva to enter the body.

Rabies can be controlled in animals through the rabies vaccination.

"Rabies vaccination of domestic dogs and cats are mandatory by law in South Africa and the onus is on pet owners to ensure that their pets are vaccinated on schedule. Vaccinate your pets today," the NICD urged.



Staff at IkamvaYouth congratulate high-achieving students who used the Centre as a base to improve their academic performance. Photo: Lindani Donyeli

IkamvaYouth celebrates success

By LINDANI DONNELI

IkamvaYouth recently held an awards ceremony at their Nombulelo Secondary School offices, for top achievers in their subjects, as well as those who regularly attend the fee-free programme.

The organisation offers support to children from disadvantaged communities from grades 9 to 11 in achieving their life and academic goals – whether it's arranging subject tutoring through Rhodes University's Community Engagement programme, or assisting with applications for tertiary education bursaries.

Mihlali Breakfast, who enrolled at IkamvaYouth last year, was named the top student in isiXhosa. He motivated others by saying, "Between life and death, play the character!"

The venue was packed with

students and their parents and one of the moms, Boniwe Mankayi, opened with prayer. Siphezintle Skade, Zimkitha Buthelezi, and Khululekani Mhlana later got to show off their singing talents.

The Grahamstown branch of IkamvaYouth opened in 2013. Branch Coordinator Nompumezo Makinana believes it's not enough to take children into programmes at matric level because it doesn't provide enough time for the kinds of learning processes they encourage.

Discipline is a requirement for participation. "If the child does not come to school, the parents must phone and inform us, not the child," Makinana said. Classes are three times a week and Makinana encourages the parents to follow their children's books and their attendance at school.

"We are not here to make the children pass: we are here to help them to pass," she told parents.

Her advice for the students was to associate themselves with those who are on the road to progress. Mankayi said she appreciated what

the school was doing for their children and that they might instead be spending their time in taverns. Luvuyo Potwana said he decided to send his child to IkamvaYouth after a friend's child passed matric very well after attending sessions there.

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No money for our roads

THE Eastern Cape budget has taken a R13-billion beating in recent years because of an exodus of 300 000 people since 2011.

Tabling the province's R78.2-billion budget in the provincial legislature in Bisho on Wednesday, finance MEC Sakhumzi Somyo said the hundreds of thousands who have left as per the 2011 Census, have contributed to the significant cut in the provincial budget allocation from national coffers. The equitable share has nose-dived while the needs of the province have essentially stayed the same, with the same roads, hospitals, power grids, schools, and so on.

Somyo allocated the lion's share of the proposed budget (75%) to what he called the "apex" departments of Education and Health. While local authorities like the Makana Municipality have little to do directly with these two services, it's not hard to see that both have been anaemic over the past year.

Moreover, even the budget allocation for surfacing of streets, providing street lights and improved power grids will only account for Alice, Kirkwood, Libode, Ngqeleni, Mount Fletcher, Port St John's and Ntabankulu. Needless to say, Grahamstown has been excluded from the next round of infrastructure upgrades even if some of these, like the Regional Roads (with R), belong to the Province.

The general import of all this is simple: the Eastern Cape has not been a nice place to live; and people in towns large and small have been voting with their feet. Readers might recall Western Cape Premier Helen Zille calling people who were flocking to her province from here "refugees" – something that raised hackles across the country – but belied the inequality in service delivery across the Eastern Cape.

Nearer home, it's arguable whether our population has increased from the 2011 census. And if it has increased, it's doubtful that there has been a corresponding expansion of the rates and tax base. If our city fails to attract businesses, it fails to create jobs; and if it fails to create jobs, it joins the long list of small sleepy towns that have been hollowed out over the years because there is essentially nothing going on there.

Grahamstown is extremely lucky to have the National Arts Festival and Scifest Africa which happen every year. It's also lucky to have Rhodes University and several excellent private and public schools. Between those, we manage to mitigate against the disadvantages of being in the Eastern Cape, arguably the poorest province in South Africa.

But we must never take our gems for granted and Grahamstown as a whole needs to take into account the needs of these valuable enterprises.

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LETTERS to the Editor and COLUMNS



The Environmental Learning Research Centre team behind the Amanzi for Food project featured in the first edition of the new Rhodes Community Engagement podcast, 'Engagement in Action'. L to R: Masters student and researcher, Mandilive Matiwane; lead researcher and PhD candidate, Tichaona Pesanayi; and Head of the ELRC, Professor Heila Lotz-Sisitka. The Rhodes Community Engagement Division has launched a podcast they say is aimed at bringing to life the many ways in which the university interacts with communities around it. Called Engagement in Action, the podcast kicks off with the Environmental Learning Research Centre's Amanzi for Food project. Forthcoming episodes will feature, among others, the work of the Pharmacy and Psychology departments and the Vice Chancellor's education initiative. Director of Community Engagement, Di Hornby says, "We have an integrated approach to community engagement at Rhodes. It's not something that's added on, it's woven in to the life of the university. Our focus is on real relationships and genuine, mutually beneficial experiences for everyone involved. We wanted to share some of the exceptional work that is being done. I don't think people are aware of how much happens and how wide ranging the activities are." Engagement in Action is available on the Community Engagement page of the Rhodes website and the Grocott's website as well as in iTunes – where listeners can also subscribe so that every new edition is automatically downloaded to their device. Photo: Supplied

How bicolour became Gogo's problem

Mongameli, pet name Mongs and Fanele were very popular soccer players who enjoyed the admiration of their fans mostly female. Fanele was more popular because he was humble, gentle and very appreciative of the effort that his mother and grandmother made towards his upbringing.

At home he followed a very strict routine, did his chores as laid out by his parents. He learned to schedule his activities, to prioritise them according to the time he had allocated for them.

After soccer practice one afternoon well after 4pm, the boys were sitting at the pavilion reflecting on their day's performance.

Mongs was a brilliant goalkeeper and so complacent about his position and performances that he wondered why Fanele kept reminding him about the jealousy that always prevails even among his own fans, let alone the opponents. Mongs always shrugged it off with a crooked smile and arms arrogantly folded across his chest.

On their way home, they met their coach who was also their register teacher. As he drove away in his fancy sport car, he made a "thumbs-up" sign, admiringly saluting Mongs, who responded in the same way.

Fanele laughed out loud and Mongs said, "And what was that about? I know this guy is said to be a real bully in his home, can never see eye to eye with his wife, let alone his children. His wife drives their kids to school in an old Mazda van.

"Wow!" exclaimed Fanele. "But you seem to be great buddies."

"It is all in the game," Mongs replied, shrugging his shoulders.

"Well, well!" Fanele responded, also shrugging his.

Seven years into his teaching career, the coach worked himself into the position of school principal.

When the announcement was formally made at assembly, Mongs shivered in his shoes and stood there, eyes wide open.

Here, Fanele takes over the story:

Coach retained his position as soccer coach – I had secretly hoped that we would appoint someone else to this position. In fact as principal, he had the authority to lay down his own rules.

Within three months, a lot happened, including a completely different format for admission forms. Our parents were invited to a meeting, which was also attended by members of the School Governing Body (SGB). The chairman's duty was simply to welcome all present and then hand over responsibility to the programme director – who also, strangely, handed this to the principal – who, also with a confused blush, seemed taken aback by the attitude of both the SGB and programme director who was in fact deputy principal of the school.

Mom came home in such a sombre mood, I could not help asking, "And how was it meeting our brand new principal?"

Mom replied: "Ayifuni, wena! Ungadiqheli!"

I apologised because it really was "None of my business."

Mongs and I were delayed in class after school and were late for soccer practice. Coach/principal gave us bicolour punishment. Irrespective of my other duties i.e. home chores and school projects, I had to make bicolour priority number one.

Mom asked me why this was called bicolour. I replied, "Mom, ayifuna wena!"

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NOMONDE OLIVE NGESI



But she wanted to know what Mongs and me were in for. I explained.

"I have to write 'I must never ever be late for soccer practice', each letter in every word written in a different colour," I explained. This had to be repeated to the end of the page and beyond the margin.

"So how are you going to achieve this," Mom asked with a confused frown on her face.

I explained that Gran had offered to do my home chores and I was hoping to finish my homework before supper, then begin my 10 pages of bicolour right through the night. This had to be done neatly; otherwise, I might have to repeat it and perhaps be required to do more pages. Mom and Gran didn't sleep a wink that night and at midnight, Gran brought me a cup of hot black coffee, sat at the end of the table doing her knitting – the scarf she had hoped to finish before winter, a surprise birthday gift for my 16th.

I continued with my punishment and finished at 2.30am, slept on the sofa, woke up at about 4am and dragged myself to our outside toilet. We did not have a bathroom or a shower, but using the hose pipe from the garden tap I treated myself to an amazingly refreshing shower.

At 6am, Gran had tucked my lunch (left over from the supper I could not finish) into my backpack. At 7am, I was waiting for my school transport.

School starts at 7.45am and coach/principal was sitting

at his desk when I entered. I greeted him politely and handed in my bicolour.

On my way to the classroom, I met Mongs who was literally dragging himself to the office. Quickly I asked him if he had finished his bicolour.

He replied, "I am not mad, bicolour is the most hideous punishment I have ever heard of in my whole school life. I am just going to tell him that I could not finish it because life does not revolve around his inhuman and abusive behaviour."

On the way home, Mongs told me he had been instructed to repeat the bicolour and to hand, it in without excuses the next day. He was to be accompanied by his mother, who was told that if Mongs had not done his punishment, he would be suspended.

To cut a long story short, Mongs's mother struggled to have the coach/principal supply a transfer letter to his new school and was compelled to make a verbal explanation about what had happened.

Favouritism, racism and nepotism in our society and communities is a major stumbling block, especially when this extends to the government. Bicolour punishment, I think, evokes hatred and negativity and does very little in correcting the behaviour and character of the victim.

After reading Mongs and Fanele's story I wondered why their SGB allowed themselves to be put in such an embarrassing situation.

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Rhodes hosts high-level Budget debate

STAFF REPORTER
 Rhodes University will next Friday host a high-level delegation from the Department of Treasury to facilitate an in-depth discussion of the 2018/19 budget delivered last month by then Finance Minister, Malusi Gigaba.

The event, the first of its kind to be hosted by the University, will be open to the University community as well as members of the public and civil society organisations in Makana Municipality.

The Budget speech made good on the commitment towards fee-free education by proposing an implementation plan that will guarantee access to higher education and training for all South Africans who qualify, based on merit rather than class position.

The government is committed to spending over R1trillion on education in the next three years. Post-school education and training will

be the fastest-growing spending category in the 2018 budget, with an anticipated annual average growth rate of 13.7%.

A budget allocation of R57bn in the medium term for fee-free higher education and training will be dispersed as R12.4bn in 2018/19, R20.3bn in 2019/20 and R24.3bn in 2020/21.

There is also the inclusion of a R10bn provisional allocation made in Budget 2017.

On the other hand, an announcement on the increase in Value Added Tax from 14 to 15% was made – a first in the democratic dispensation.

What are the implications of these measures and many others for taxpayers and citizens and for reducing inequality and poverty?

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POETIC LICENCE

HARRY OWEN



Coleridge's famous definition of poetry as 'the best words in the best order' has had me thinking lately about just what this could mean. Who decides what is 'best'? The poet? The reader? A literary reviewer?

When I write, I'm constantly searching for words, phrases, lines that 'work' – but I often have no clear idea of how, or why, or even if, they do so. It's a struggle. That's why I almost always leave any draft of a supposedly 'completed' poem alone, put it aside and ignore it for a while, letting my mind loose on something else entirely before returning another time, another day, another week, to face the poem again. Usually, this act of temporary desertion forces me to see the piece afresh – its faults and infelicities of phrasing, shape or expression – and allows me to edit more easily. Sometimes, of course, I re-read with embarrassment, realising that something I'd thought was quite promising either needs a complete revision or is fit only for the bin.

But just occasionally it permits me to recognise a word or phrase that feels exactly right. That is always a pleasing moment. Truth be told, it is often the expression that finds me rather than the other way around.

When it succeeds, I feel (or at least hope) that an image emerges in just the most fitting, compact form to render it sharply memorable without descending into cliché. When, years ago, I first read Ted Hughes's poem 'The Horses', one phrase hit me immediately as exactly, unimprovably right and I have never forgotten it.

Hiking one early morning up to the high moorland tops to watch the winter sunrise, apparently the only moving creature in a dark and petrified ancient landscape, he happens upon a group of horses waiting patiently in the mist for daylight. They are totally immobile, standing as if frozen.

The scene feels almost primordial. The horses stand "megalith-still" as if carved from stone out of the landscape itself. And that's the phrase that has stayed with me. The whole poem is wonderfully paced, and that phrase fits perfectly into its spookily mythic atmosphere.

The Horses

I climbed through woods in the hour-before-dawn dark.
Evil air, a frost-making stillness,

Not a leaf, not a bird—
A world cast in frost. I came out above the wood

Where my breath left tortuous statues in the iron light.
But the valleys were draining the darkness

Till the mooring—blackening dregs of the brightening grey—
Halved the sky ahead. And I saw the horses:

Huge in the dense grey—ten together—
Megalith-still. They breathed, making no move,

with draped manes and tilted hind-hooves,
Making no sound.

I passed: not one snorted or jerked its head.
Grey silent fragments

Of a grey silent world.

I listened in emptiness on the moor-ridge.
The curlew's tear turned its edge on the silence.

Slowly detail leafed from the darkness. Then the sun
Orange, red, red erupted

Silently, and splitting to its core tore and flung cloud,
Shook the gulf open, showed blue,

And the big planets hanging—
I turned

Stumbling in the fever of a dream, down towards
The dark woods, from the kindling tops,

And came to the horses.
There, still they stood,
But now steaming and glistening under the flow of light,

Their draped stone manes, their tilted hind-hooves
Stirring under a thaw while all around them

The frost showed its fires. But still they made no sound.
Not one snorted or stamped,

Their hung heads patient as the horizons,
High over valleys in the red levelling rays—

In din of crowded streets, going among the years, the faces,
May I still meet my memory in so lonely a place

Between the streams and red clouds, hearing the curlews,
Hearing the horizons endure.

Ted Hughes

(from Ted Hughes: New Selected Poems 1957-1994, Faber & Faber, 1995)

Health activist's memoir a call to arms

Book Review: *Healthy Outrage – A lucky life in community health and politics* by Trudy Thomas

Reviewer: ROGER WALSH

I was delighted to be asked to review the above book, as the author Trudy Thomas was the MEC for Health in the Eastern Cape when I first worked in the province as a physician at Cecilia Makiwane Hospital in Mdantsane in 1996. I met her and spoke to her on a few occasions when she was involved in NGO work in East London during the mid-2000s. I was then the clinical manager for Primary Health Care in Buffalo City and her NGO 'Loaves and Fishes' was doing sterling work in the area.

She is a petite lady with a direct manner and a huge appetite for work. She is pragmatic, insightful, feisty and determined. Her empathy and commitment to make a difference to the lives of the poorest women and children is phenomenal. She was a doctor for most of her life and a politician for a short period, but for all her life she has been an advocate for the poor and a civil activist who rolled up her sleeves, and got things done.

She could weigh up a problem quickly, formulate a solution and get it implemented. She kept it simple, which is probably why her political career was short-lived for her, but left a positive legacy for the people she served.

The book is short, concise and written with minimal fuss in line with the



author's character. It starts with a short chapter on her childhood, moves onto her medical training, early hospital career then to her 11 years as a young mother, mission hospital doctor and community activist at St Matthew's Mission Hospital near Keiskammahoek.

The second half of the book recounts her interactions with fellow political activists, such as Steve Biko, and her almost accidental thrust into politics and selection as the province's first MEC for Health in 1994. We learn about some of the positive policies she managed to implement, but also her disillusionment with the ANC in the late 1990s. It ends with some of her prophetic and resolute letters that occasionally were published in the Daily Dispatch during the 2000s.

I enjoyed the book, which is written in plain language. It evoked many emotions, memories and frustrations of my own, similar to those experienced by the author.

Sections of the book pull no punches and are quite graphic, which may upset some sensitive readers. But equally, it may inspire them to become active citizens for positive change.

This is a history book and maps a journey familiar to many health care workers during the past few decades. The title encapsulates the feelings of

swathes of health care workers.

The injustices of the past, that were perpetuated after apartheid by the HIV epidemic and the disgraceful response to it by the government. The advocacy and activism of many that finally led to some positive changes both in health care and social welfare by way of the introduction of the ARV programme and social grants.

The best work done by Dr Thomas and a multitude of health care workers was not their routine daily medical work, but the advocacy and community projects they took on after work.

Dr Thomas contributed massively and was an exceptional doctor, but there were and still are many unsung heroes like her who contribute far beyond their professional work and have integrated and assisted communities beyond health care provision.

This book is a tribute to them, but more importantly this book is an inspiration and a call to arms. It resonates with the recent call by our new president to #send me.

After reading the book, I did wish it could have been longer, with more pages detailing her early life and her battles inside the ANC. The book, as was the case in her life, places Trudy selflessly behind the people she loved most, the poorest women and children of the Eastern Cape.

I hope you read the book and just as Trudy would say, do not make excuses, "Just do it!"



A scene from *FlameBook*. Photo: Jan Potgieter

Burning for answers

STAFF REPORTER

"Fire, capable of both disaster and cleansing, has proved to be the oppressed people's weapon of choice during protest and has become characteristic of the South African struggle," writes Xolisa Ngubelanga about her award-winning work, *Flamebook*, which will be performed in Grahamstown on 20 March.

Ngubelanga is a Master's Creative Writing student at Rhodes University. *Flamebook* premiered at the National Arts Festival and is a 2017 Standard Bank Ovation Award winning theatre production for excellence.

It is written by Xolisa Ngubelanga and

directed by Simphiwe Kaya.

"A detained student leader uses fire to connect the trials of FeesMustFall with that of his father during the state of emergency," Ngubelanga continues.

"On 22 September 2017 the Port Elizabeth City Hall will be marking 40 years since it was burned by a fire of unknown cause. 6 September will be 40 years since the detention of Steve Bantu Biko in Port Elizabeth.

Does Steve Biko's detention and later death have anything to do with the burning of the Port Elizabeth City Hall? No official account of the fire has confirmed or denied this.

"However, as artists and creatives Biko has given us a task."

"Part of the approach envisaged in bringing about "black consciousness" has to be directed to the past, to seek to rewrite the history of the black man and to produce in it the heroes who form the core of the African background." – Biko

Flamebook is a theatre performance that reinvestigates these incidents to see if there is any probable connection between them.

The performance in ILAM's amphitheatre on 20 March is to commemorate International Performance Week which is 20-27 March.

Gtown Kwaito star's legacy lives on



Siyanda Futhufuthu, the late Grahamstown Kwaito star. Photo: Supplied

By AZLAN MAKALIMA

Grahamstown arts community suffered a tragic loss after the passing of local Kwaito star, Siyanda Futhufuthu.

Siyanda Kwaito, 33, was a multi-skilled individual emerging from Grahamstown. He had been into music from his childhood, starting off with friends at high school in 1997 and won several awards.

He recorded his debut single, *Lomntana*, in 2004 and got airplay on national radio station, Umhlobo Wenene, as well as local stations Radio Grahamstown and Rhodes Music Radio.

In 2006, Siyanda won an award in the Grahams-town Universal Youth Group Talent Search. In the same year he won the Makana Municipality Music Competition and his song titled *Intsokolo* was featured on *The Best of Makana* compilation CD.

Siyanda has been performing in and around the Eastern

Cape and was a regular guest artist at the Peace Day music programme, an event hosted by Corinne Cooper of Sonic Art Studio.

In 2010, three of his songs were included in the Eastern Cape Contemporary CD released and sold nationally. He was nominated in the Eastern Cape Music Awards for Best Newcomer and Best Kwaito Artist in 2015.

Siyanda was a hard-working Grahamstown artist who always grabbed opportunities with both hands. He was the only national Kwaito star remaining in Grahamstown.

Siyanda passed away on the night of Saturday 17 February, right after he messaged a lot of people about his nomination for the Eastern Cape Music Awards 2018, for Best Kwaito and Best Male Artist.

Before he died, he performed at a school event at Nyaluzo High School on Fri-

day 16 February.

On Thursday 22 February his family, alongside Grahamstown artists, held a Memorial Service at City Hall, sharing and celebrating precious times with the late Kwaito-star.

There were live performances and his music was played for the audience. On 24 February, he was set to launch his CD titled *Joza My Jozi*. However, the family and artists made his dream come through, with or without him.

The event was held at Olde 65 and all went well. Among the guest artists were, Zeebest, Ntombomxhosa, Kay Kay, Zeezee Da Rapper, Azlan Makalima and Bhodlinggaka.

It was a memorable night, and it felt like the Kwaito-star was still alive, as we were all jamming to his music in between the sets. May his soul rest in peace.

Complex problem-solving, critical thinking, creativity are the key

Expand and deepen the country's creative and cultural economy and create millions of jobs, says Minister Nathi Mthethwa.

STAFF REPORTER

EMPLOYMENT, job creation and the transformative power of creativity were some of the key issues discussed on day-one of the South African Cultural Observatory's (SACO) 2018 international conference currently under way at the Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium in Port Elizabeth.

Under the theme, *Beyond the Creative Economy? Trends and Issues in National and Regional Economies*, the cultural think-tank's two-day conference is tackling big debates surrounding the current realities and future directions of the creative economy. It is interrogating the growing potential of the creative and cultural industries (CCIs) and arts, culture and heritage (ACH) sectors in South Africa and across the globe.

In his keynote address this morning, Minister of Arts and Culture, Nkosinathi 'Nathi' Mthethwa emphasised the need to leverage South Africa's creative capital to expand and deepen the country's creative and cultural economy. This, he said, could potentially lead to the creation of millions of much needed jobs.

"Worldwide, the CCIs are increasingly attracting attention as drivers of economic growth, innovation, and job creation. A 2017 report by the World Economic Forum on 'The Future of Jobs and Skills in Africa' listed the creative industries as one of the 'trending' professions, which had an average growth rate of 7% between 2011 and 2016," he said.

"Similar growth in South Africa at this level would support the National Development Plan's aim to create 11 million new jobs by 2030."

He noted the results of a recent Cultural Observatory employment report which notes the CCIs directly contributed to over 2.5% of national employment, on par with the mining sector. However, the wider 'cultural economy' – including support services – accounts for far more.

"In 2015, the broader 'Cultural Economy', in all its facets, accounted for an estimated 6.72% of all employment in South Africa or just over a million jobs. This figure is indicative of the potential of our golden [creative]economy.

"But employment in the cultural sector is highly dependent on broader economic growth. Because of this, it is time that we started to look beyond the celebration aspects of arts and culture and shift our focus to a holistic socio-economic perspective," Mthethwa added.

Cultural employment

Expanding on the impact of cultural and creative employment in South Africa, Professor Jen Snowball, SACO chief research strategist and economics lecturer at Rhodes University and Serge Hasidi discussed the potential of CCIs to become a key sector in economic development policies and a mechanism to promote social transformation in the country.

Their research mapped current employment in South Af-

rica's creative industries.

"Around eighty percent (80%) of those in CCI occupations are Africans, Coloured, and Indian or Asian.

More than half of all cultural occupations are held by men (57%). A much higher percentage of cultural and creative workers have tertiary education (38%) than non-cultural workers (19.4%).

"Salaries for cultural occupations are also generally higher than for non-cultural occupations, which indicates that the sector can offer viable employment opportunities and decent jobs," Snowball said.

"The results of the study show that South Africa's CCIs make a significant contribution to employment in the country," she said.

Dr Siphso Sithole, an award-winning producer and former Deputy Managing Director of Gallo Music Group, drew attention to the growing impact of the creative economy at a grassroots level though his discussion on Kwa Mai Mai, an informal trade zone in End Street in Johannesburg.

This area has emerged as a dynamic and vibrant informal creative economy built by people from the margins of society who have embraced the opportunities of creative and cultural work.

"This is a multi-ethnic market of South Africans bound together by the spirit of entrepreneurship, creative innovation and a community at work. It is a trade zone of skilled craftworkers and artisans."

Seen at Scifest 2018

Michael Salzwedel captured some of the amazement and excitement of the first two days of Scifest 2018.



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

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Notice is hereby given in terms of section 74(1) of the Makana By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2016) that **Mark Mcadam** has applied to the Makana Municipality, in respect of **Erf 2445** located at **MILNER STREET, GRAHAMSTOWN** for the **Consent use in order to run a Guest House**.

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 **2nd April 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
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The Amarok is marketed for recreation rather than utility. Photo: Daniel Goldberg

All-rounder holds its own

This week the test car belonged to a class dear to the hearts of lots of South Africans. It was a 2018 Volkswagen Amarok. The German hybrid of utility and luxury has and should continue to enjoy vast popularity due to the nature of its build.

By this I mean that the Amarok is not built or marketed as your typical 'bakkie' or farm vehicle, it is marketed as a recreational vehicle. The point of it is to be able to do anything and everything under the sun. Due to this it can make a great companion to daily life, however it might struggle when it comes to the grunt.

I was kindly given the Amarok double cab Highline spec by Market Square Volkswagen on African Street. The model tested came equipped with Satellite navigation, park distance control with a rear camera, and most importantly Volkswagen's 2,0 litre turbo-diesel engine capable of 132kW at 4000 r/min and 420Nm at 1500-2000r/min.

Before we even discuss the car on the road, let's compare

these specs to its competitors. Since The Volkswagen I drove cost R565 100, we will discuss opposition as close to this price as we can. The first car to be compared to the Amarok is the Ford Ranger XLT 4x2, which comes in at R536 900. The Ranger's specs go as follows: 147kW at 3000r/min 470kW at 1500-2750r/min. The Toyota Hilux 2.8 GD-6 RB Raider comes in at R529 300 and produces 130kW at 3400r/min and 450Nm at 1600-2000r/min. For a diesel double-cab, having the lowest torque figure is definitely not a good start.

But in my opinion this car should not be judged by how powerful it is or if it has the best low-range gear ratio. The Amarok is marketed more as a recreational vehicle than a utility vehicle, and it shows it around the city. Immediately it is very noticeable how clear and well-designed the reverse camera is, as well as how visible your surroundings are from inside the cabin. It has an impressive turning circle for its profile and has a very com-

fortable ride, considering that its chassis is set up primarily for rough terrain.

In the city it is really easy to drive around, and the only difficulty in general came with trying to adjust to the width of the car whilst parking. Thanks to the camera and the enormous side mirrors that deceptively take up a lot less space than one would think, backing into spots and manoeuvring are incredibly easy tasks.

It runs into issues on the highway though. There appears to be a minimal amount of road noise audible in the cabin, but enough for it to be noticed. Between putting your foot down and the automatic gearbox shifting down to allow the power to kick in, you have a 2 second lag.

While delayed responses due to forced induction (turbo) are very common, I can't say I am pleased with this characteristic. One final issue I have with the Amarok is that there is not a lot of passenger leg room (very little, to be accurate) and there are no rear curtain airbags.

ON THE
ROAD



Daniel Goldberg

To sum up my experience with the Amarok, it is not a perfect car, it has its flaws. While the Amarok is a very enjoyable car to drive and is overall very good in the city, it is outmatched and outpriced by its competitors in the categories that a bakkie needs to excel in.

My recommendation is that you buy the 2018 Volkswagen Amarok if you are looking for an all-rounder that can take you to the farm for weekends, but keep you comfortable and composed during your commute to work. It is also helpful if you plan on taking the kids to school or to away sports games on the weekend (however the lack of rear airbags is a consideration you need to make when looking at the Amarok).

Stolen vehicle scam alert

By STAFF REPORTER

With the number of vehicle thefts and hijackings increasing across South Africa, an alarming new trend has emerged involving scams directed at the victims of recent vehicle thefts/hijackings.

This according to Hugo van der Merwe, National Manager: Assessing at MUA Insurance Acceptances, who says that the company has already seen multiple instances where policyholders have been targeted by fraudsters following the theft or hijacking of their insured vehicle.

"Shortly after reporting a

stolen or hijacked vehicle to the South African Police Services, a number of policyholders stated that they were contacted by individuals posing as police officers.

In each of these cases, the fraudster informs the policyholder that their stolen or hijacked vehicle had been recovered in a different province or even in a neighbouring country.

The policyholder is then informed that they need to pay fees via electronic funds transfer (EFT) or an electronic wallet in order to have their vehicle returned to them."

Van der Merwe warns that this is not regular police procedure and that individuals should under no circumstances pay these or any other types of fees if they are contacted after a vehicle theft or hijacking.

"These instances have been brought to the attention of the South African Police Service and are being investigated as a matter of urgency. However, if a policyholder is still unsure about whether they are expected to pay any fees, they should first contact their broker or the Commander of the police station where they

originally reported the theft or hijacking of their vehicle to confirm."

He adds that it is vital for all consumers to stay alert, especially if they are the victim of a recent vehicle theft or hijacking.

"All policyholders should be vigilant and not fall into the trap of such scammers. Always remember that if an insured vehicle is in fact recovered, the policyholder will be informed by their respective investigating officer. They will also never be asked to pay additional recovery fees," Van der Merwe concludes.



Graeme College Grade 11 pupils Tristan Banfield (lef), Mhlali Lutya, Matthew Jacobs and Jordan Wolhuter, watch a demonstration of the Van der Graaff Generator. The electrostatic generator uses a moving belt to accumulate electric charge on a hollow metal globe on the top of an insulated column, creating high electric potentials. It produces high voltage direct current (DC) electricity at low current levels. The demonstration early on Scifest opening day, Wednesday 7 March, was at the University of Fort Hare Discovery Centre stand. Photo: Michael Salzwedel

Land matter 'to be handled appropriately'

STAFF REPORTER

"The department is constitutionally enjoined to change the skewed land-ownership patterns while maintaining economic growth, food security, increased agricultural productions which are priorities for the Government and this Department," the Department said in a statement on Tuesday.

Nkoana-Mashabane said she had noted the media discussions and speculation concerning the recent motion passed by Parliament to allow

for the expropriation of land without compensation following the resolution of the ruling party.

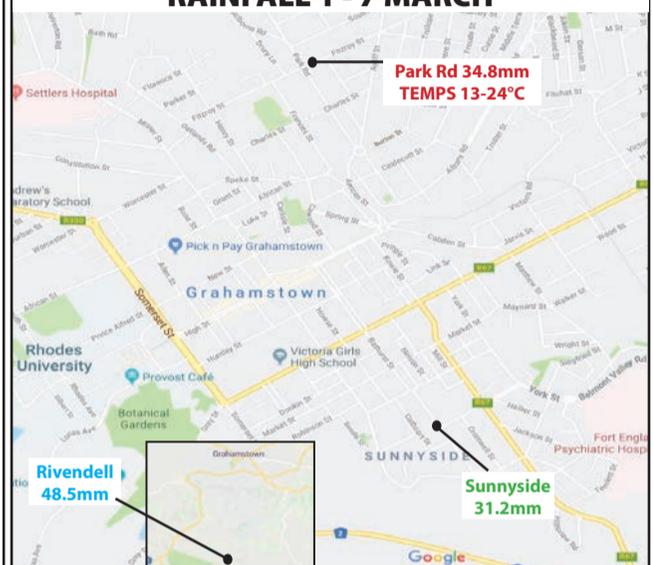
The resolution had established a Constitutional Review Committee to consider all aspects of expropriation without compensation, including the legal and economic aspects and report back to Parliament by 30 August 2018.

The department meanwhile would strive to accelerate land reform within the current policies.

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RAINFALL 1 - 7 MARCH



Making sense of a complex environment

Mike Bruton talks about the role of science festivals in promoting innovation.

This year SciFest is focusing on innovation with its theme, 'Innovation 4.0'. Promoting innovation, and nurturing an ethos of creativity, is a core function of science festivals. Science festivals are events where the construction of meaning takes place and scientific and technological advances are understood in their appropriate contexts. Inventions and innovations play many roles in society. Some improve our efficiency, others soften our impact on the environment and promote sustainable living, yet others facilitate connections between people, things and institutions.

Ultimately humans are 'meaning makers'. We try to make sense of our complex environments and develop tools that ease the way. An inventor, like an entrepreneur, is someone who has the ability to identify opportunities, mobilise resources, and implement actions that take advantage of those opportunities and resources.

This takes courage as they have to endure uncertainty, take risks, and break new ground. Although they are in the minority, inventors and entrepreneurs are the backbone of a country's economic development.

The nature of inventions has changed over time with the rise of computers, the internet, information science and the digital economy. They have transitioned from being tangible devices to invisible cloud-based, digital services and apps on smartphones that engage all our senses. One positive consequence of this development is that many more people are now able to make novel and useful inventions, not just tech-literate engineers.

Increasingly, technology

has become a form of social intervention, even social domination. But, contrary to many predictions, technology has not necessarily widened the digital divide as it has made it possible for more people, especially those in rural areas, to leapfrog into the information age.

This has allowed them to make or receive payments without the intervention of 'big banks', as well as make use of novel decision-making protocols and funding models that allow them to develop enterprises without heavy capital investment.

This development has especially benefited small to medium-sized enterprises and women entrepreneurs, whose technology uptake rates are among the fastest in the world.

Science festivals have a crucial role to play by educating people about the speed and consequences of dramatic technological transitions and the impact that they will have on their well-being and on the health of the environment. They need to lay a solid foundation of understanding that will help their stakeholders to make informed decisions about the many ethical and practical issues that arise from rapid technological advances, as well as wise choices about their future lifestyles.

Science festivals also need to stress the value of ideas. All innovations and inventions are based on an initial idea or insight, and all ideas are potentially useful, whether they are good or bad.

Ignoring ideas just because they appear to be wrong at the time is short-sighted as the history of innovation is full of wrong ideas that provided brilliant insights and became stepping stones to significant later inventions.

Sometimes you first have to be wrong to be right. After all, it has always been the role of innovation to fly in the face of convention.

The usefulness of an idea - whether it prompts further research and rethinking - is far more important than whether it is right or wrong.

Furthermore, no scientist or technologist has ever been right every time. Being wrong is useful as it reminds us of what we don't know (or what society does not need). We need to revel in failure and build a society that is agile enough to respond positively to it.

We need to learn how to fail successfully. After all, a failure is merely an opportunity to start again more intelligently, and the only true failure is not to learn from your mistakes.

The essence of scientific discoveries and technological advances is that they will always be short of the perfect solution and will constantly need to be rethought and re-invented - they will always be 'work in progress'.

The point is that our current discoveries and inventions, deficient as they are, have been good enough to enable spectacular advances in the quality of life of many people.

Peter Diamandis, in his recent book *Abundance*, has pointed out that, over the past 100 years, the human life span has more than doubled, the cost of food has dropped 13-fold, that of energy 20-fold, transport 100-fold, and communication by over 1000-fold, all of which was enabled by technology.

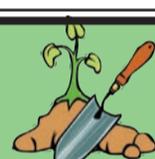
These and many other ideas on innovation are discussed in my latest book, *What a Great Idea! Awesome South African Inventions*, published by Jacana Media in December 2017.



Mike Bruton writes about innovation in South Africa in 'What a Great Idea!'

Photo: Supplied

My Garden



My grandfather, my inspiration!



Mzwandile Ben is growing what food he can in his garden, 'because food is so expensive!'

Inspired by his grandfather, Mzwandile Ben loves gardening and spends most of his free time there. Carrots, tomatoes, onions, chilies, cauliflower and strawberries grow in his patch of ground, alongside flowers, and trees in his yard. He does not believe

in having grass in his yard. He believes in planting something that he can eat. "Food is very expensive," said Ben, who would appreciate if he can be given some seeds to plant.

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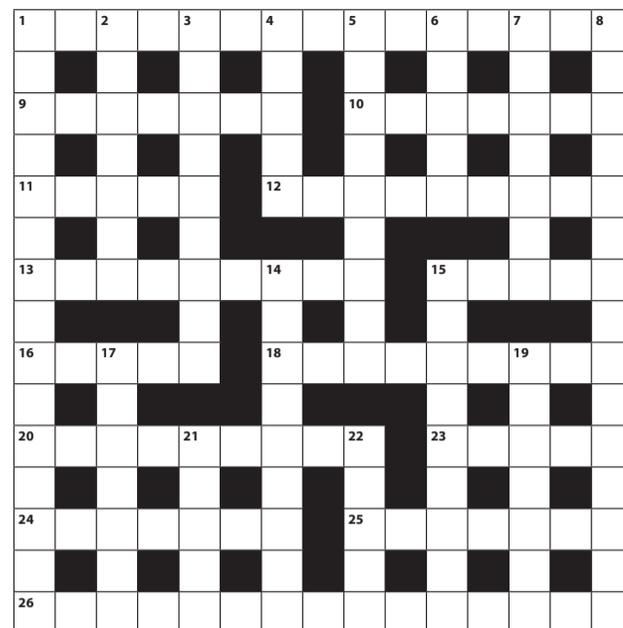
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JDE

The Original South African

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD



JDE 124

ACROSS

- 1 Cranky memoranda sent out by businessman (7,8)
- 9 Vague relation has boundless care (7)
- 10 Left before Right, nation's first light (7)
- 11 Ride around Karoo whose heart is more desert-like (5)
- 12 Fantastic Italian coming, if a little different (9)
- 13 Later the woman hesitates about each foot (9)
- 15 Bring to light dog I had returned (3,2)
- 16 Taking excessive interest in us; why after you are on radio? (5)
- 18 Two heads restrict me - what highhandedness (9)
- 20 Got rid of organ provided? (9)
- 23 Hymn good in desperate context (5)
- 24 Frene "walks in state of freshness" (7)
- 25 She believes a road fog has personality (7)
- 26 Having two flags shows conflicting values (6,9)

DOWN

- 1 Circular took on poor posture (5-10)
- 2 More fortunate last boy replaced last girl, but more horrible (7)
- 3 Pre-prepared cooker all set (4-5)
- 4 Just challenge top management (5)
- 5 Escorts young women after appeal (4,5)
- 6 English and Poles you and I find a bore (5)
- 7 Gathering will settle Home - good! (7)
- 8 Crude mnemonics spot on but not with it (3,6,6)
- 14 Non-U clue hidden in potatoes and nodules (9)
- 15 Nerd wrung out and left on rack (9)
- 17 Resented white serum lung ultimately absorbed (7)
- 19 Hearing story originally related before (7)
- 21 O may be LOVE, with cryptic interpretation (5)
- 22 Demand Ramaphosa restrains the histrionics (5)

Compiled by George Euvrard.

Crossword Solution for last week JDE 123



FRIDAY 9 MARCH

KINGSWOOD JUNIOR MOONLIT MARKET

4:30pm at City Lords Field, Kingswood College. The Kingswood College Junior School parents association invites you to an evening of fun, entertainment, friends and magical memories. Tickets: Available from the Junior School offices or at the gate.

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 nonresidents. Phone for reservation or tickets: Jenny Haswell 073 945 9302.

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

6:30pm at Victoria Girls High School. Victoria Girls High School presents "Through the Looking Glass". Join us for an evening of entertainment. Cost R10pp. Ticket sales available at the door or school office 046 636 1550.

CONCERT IN THE DARK

7:30pm at the Kingswood College Chapel. Relax and enjoy a varied programme of chamber music by composers from the Classical era to the 21st century at this year's Concert in the Dark presented by Kingswood College and St John's Eye Clinic. Cost: By Donation at the door.

PSY SA's 4th BIRTHDAY

8pm at 37 on New. An indoor psychedelic evening hosted with the intention of bringing the Eastern Capes psychedelic community together for an evening of absolute madness featuring local talent from in and around the garden route area of South Africa. Contact: 084 847 0193.

SUNDAY 11 MARCH

CATHEDRAL ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

11am at St George's Hall, High Street. The Agenda, Minutes and Reports for the Annual Vestry Meeting (Book A) have been prepared in advance. Parishioners are encouraged to take the opportunity to read them before the meeting. If you have not managed to pick up a copy of the booklet at one of our services, you can download it: <http://grahamstowncathedral.org/.../02/Vestry-Reports-2018.pdf>.

MONDAY 12 MARCH

INNOVATIVE WORDS: OPEN MIC POETRY

5pm at Nelm. The National English Literary Museum presents an hour of South African poetry inspired by science. Science and poetry have a closer link than you might think. Many poets work in the field of science and technology or are inspired by such themes. The natural world is a constant inspiration for writers. This is an opportunity to listen to some poetry, share poems you love or to read or perform your own work.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY LECTURE

5:30pm at the Hill Street Library Hall. A talk by Jeff Peires entitled, "Conversations with Mandela". Memories of the National Assembly, 1994-1996, by the ANC member for Ngqobo. All are welcome and entry is by donation in aid of the Friends of the Grahamstown Public Libraries. Contact Sue Rionda 046 603 7339

WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH

EAST CAPE WATERCOLOUR ASSOCIATION

9:30am at the Wesley Gardens Hall, Methodist Homes, Port Elizabeth. The East Cape Watercolour Association (friendly, non-professional hobbyists) will be enjoying a "Paint as you Please" session. Visitors welcome. Supplies available for visitors to try your hand. An extensive library of DVDs/books available. Tea/coffee thereafter. Contact Shereen 083 397 5410 or Les on 078 161 0719 for further details.

GRAHAMSTOWN FLYING CLUB AGM

6:30pm at the Club House, Aerodrome. Notice is hereby given for the Annual General Meeting of the Grahamstown Flying Club. Members and other interested parties are welcome to attend. There will be a steak evening after the AGM. RSVP: Lorraine - lorkiw@hotmail.com

THURSDAY 15 MARCH

ALZHEIMER SA EASTERN CAPE REGION CLINIC

9am at Brookshaw Home, 9 Donkin Street. This is a clinic for patients and family members caring for their loved ones suffering from Alzheimer's Disease or any form of Dementia. A multi-disciplinary team is in attendance to help the family diagnose and develop and implement a management programme for the patient. The service is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Contact Dr Heather Rauch 081 350 8079. Bookings essential.

USA LECTURE

10am at the Grahamstown Bowling Club. Speaker: Jeff Peires. Subject: The 1917 Russian Revolution, Part 2. All welcome. Charge R5. Contact Malcolm Hacksley 046 636 1762.

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**.

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Mondays

GRAHAMSTOWN BRIDGE

6:30pm at Grahamstown Bowling Club. Duplicate Bridge. Contact Mary Birt on 083 657 0067.

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

SENIORS BRIDGE AND TEA

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

1 March 2018

6½ Table 27 Board Howell Movement

NORTH/SOUTH

- 1. Ern Van Hille & Sheila Hicks 58.93%
- 2. Margaret Banks & Maureen van Hille 57.50%
- 3. David Gain & Pat Shepherd 55.71%
- 4. Pair 3 44.64%
- 5. Pair 6 44.29%
- 6. Pair 5 38.93%

EAST/WEST

- 1. Derrick Newson & Jay Stauffer 67.08%
- 2. Frank Kroon & Jenny Kroon 54.17%
- 3. Mary Godlonton & Angie Thomson 50.00%
- 4. Pair 12 49.58%
- 5. Pair 10 48.33%
- 6. Pair 9 42.92%
- 7. Pair 14 37.92%

5 March

5½ Table Howell Movement

Pair Names

- 1. Peter Midlane & Mary Schudel 60.42%
- 2. Jo Fitzhenry & Torquil Paterson 59.90%
- 3. Viv Botha & David Gain 55.56%
- 4. Ern van Hille & Maureen van Hille 52.78%
- 5. Derrick Newson & Jay Stauffer 51.56%
- 6. Margaret Banks & Ilva Benyon 51.04%
- 7. Mary Godlonton & Angie Thomson 50.52%
- 8. Pair 1 45.83%
- 9. Pair 8 45.31%
- 10. Pair 2 44.79%
- 11. Pair 3 31.25%



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BADI MBUYISELI GEORGE uhlala kwa 11569 Ext 10, Joza Loc, Grahamstown ungcwatywa ngeCawa umhla we 11 March 2018.
NDWALAZA LUVUYO uhlala kwa 8059 Lingelihle Ext 6, Grahamstown ungcwatywa ngeCawa umhla we 11 March 2018.

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BANGUSHE MCEBISI uhlala kwa 282B Joza Location, Grahamstown, ungcwatywa ngoLwesithathu umhla we 07 March 2018.
NTOLOSI DALUXOLO uhlala ePaterson ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 10 March 2018.
BUQA QALISILE uhlala kwa 113 Njakazi Street, Motherwell, Port Elizabeth ungcwatywa ngoMgqibelo umhla we 10 March 2018.

Death

Warren, Colin Butler 01/11/1943- 06/03/2018.

The memorial service to celebrate Colin's life will be held at the Riebeek East Dutch Reformed Church on Wednesday 14th March at 11am.

KING - CUAN

Beloved husband and soul mate of Charmaine. Loving, caring and precious brother, father and grandpa of Rowan, Nasurette, Carter and Connor, Taryn, Alastair and Makaira, Leard, Zinta and Colbie-Reese passed away peacefully on 6th March 2018. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, 13th March 2018 at 11 am in the Salem Church followed by tea at the Salem Hall. In lieu of wreaths please donate money to Grahamstown Hospice.

Brian Patrick Gaybba 31-10-1939 to 25-02-2018

Passed away peacefully at Brookshaw. Your Love of God, family, friends and community, together with your commitment to live a life to serve others are some of the many memories we treasure. Monika & Richard Gaybba, Jennifer, Dave, Joshua & Luke Stevens. Donations in lieu of flowers to the Grahams-town Feeding Association:

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Reference: your name (if wanted)

2. ANNOUNCEMENT

Notices

COMMEM METHODIST CHURCH- CAKE SALE At Peppergroove Mall. Wednesday :21 March 2018 8:30 to 11:00am. Contact: **Mart Forsyth: 046 622 3985**

GRAHAMSTOWN FEEDING ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 20 MARCH AT 5PM AT HAYTON COMPLEX, HILL STREET. ALL INTERESTED ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND !

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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 Marley and I am a very boisterous, opinionated, overly affectionate people cat and 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 Frans and I am a very friendly and affectionate Sharpei Cross Huskey. I love exercising and really enjoy going out for nice walks. I am very shy and need an owner who will give me plenty of attention and love, I need to be an only dog and am looking for an owner who can give me all the attention I need. I come from a traumatic background which has left my loving family unable to care for me and me without a home. Please visit me at the Grahamstown SPCA or for more information call 046 622 3233.

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 Noon 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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CASE NO: 449/2017

IN THE MATTER BETWEEN:

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And

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Execution Debtor

IN PURSUANCE of a Judgement in the Magistrate's Court for the District of Grahamstown (held at Grahamstown) and Writ of Execution, the goods listed hereunder will be sold in execution to the highest bidder:

DATE OF SALE: 29 MARCH 2018

TIME OF SALE: 10:00 AM
 PLACE OF SALE: STEPS OF THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT, HIGH STREET, GRAHAMSTOWN

ITEMS FOR SALE:
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IN THE MATTER BETWEEN: **BONGANI NCIWA**

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And

SIPHOKAZI MAPHAMBENI

Execution Debtor

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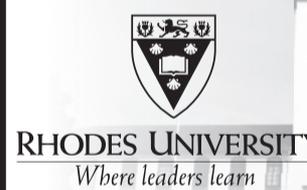
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Vergenoeg

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12.30pm isiXhosa Service

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Team Buco 46 bowling, while Kate and Dot Davies from Taps Inc stand waiting to bowl. Photo: Sue MacLennan

Buco 46 win Night Bowls

STAFF REPORTER

The 24th Pick n Pay Night Bowls tournament came to an end on Friday 2 March after Buco 46 continued their good knockout-stages form by defeating TAPS Inc in the final. Buco 46 beat 3/4 Black Videotronic, Bad Boys in the knockouts before facing TAPS Inc in a evenly-matched final.

In the plate event, Knock Shop

rose to the top, defeating Pam Golding Properties in the final, also on Friday.

Their road to the final passed through St John's First IV, Four Seasons and Pick n Pay.

The final standings of the 2018 Night Bowls have Buco 46, TAPS Inc, Operational Rats, and Bad Boys in the top-four respectively. The plate event has Knock Shop 1, Pam Gold-

ing Properties 2, Makana Brick B 3 and Pick n Pay 4.

Additional winners were: Most Spirited team - Just Property; Hardest Triers - GBS Mutual Bank 1; Friendship Award - Valley Crusaders; 4 Bottles wine - Settler City New Cars.

The Pick n Pay Night Bowls tournament will return in 2019, for a 25th year.

KNOW THE SCORE

Kenrich Pineapple Tournament

DAY 1 FIRST LEAGUE

Southwell vs Cuylerville

(35 overs)

Southwell 84

A.Reed 21 K.Bennett 20

W.Tarr 5/5 (4wickets in 4balls)

R.Beyleveld 2/15

Cuylerville 83

C.Muir 24 G.Clayton 23

K.Bennett 3/9 J.Rodgerson 2/2 A.Reed 2/4

Southwell won by 1 run

Port Alfred vs Rhodes

(48 overs)

Port Alfred 114

J.van Rensburg 32

M.Ngum 23



UKZN take Stallions for a run. Photo: Joseph Baker

UKZN crush Rhodes 48-0

By LUTHO MAGASANA

Rhodes University hosted the University of KwaZulu Natal in a Varsity Shield Rugby match on 5 March and fell to a heavy 48-0 defeat.

UKZN started the match well and showed great energy, with flanker Sphephelo Mabuza getting his first try in less than two minutes. Sphelele Buthelezi successfully secured the conversion to give the visitors an 8-0 lead.

The Rhodents attacked with energy, but UKZN showed their dominance again, with left wing Thobekani Buthelezi running through four Rhodes defenders and landing behind the try-line. Another Sphelele

Buthelezi conversion kick made the score 16-0.

Rhodes played exceptionally well after the water-break, working together and attempting to avoid a white-wash.

Then their inside center, Nicholas Butler lost the ball on the 22, giving UKZN Sphelele Buthelezi a chance to grab it and sprint for the try line. The half-time score was 24-0.

The Natal boys were again all over Rhodes after the break with Byron Booysen, Thamsanqa Shabangu and winger Thobekani Buthelezi showing no mercy with three tries, all converted by Sphelele Buthelezi, taking the score to 48-0.

The home fans' hope for at least one try never materialised.

Rhodes will now get a bye in round five with their next match on 15 March away to CPUT in the Western Cape. Rhodes' last home match of the season will be four days later, when the Stallions host the University of the Western Cape (UWC).

They will be looking to pull out at least one win in the remaining encounters, but it will probably not happen.

Scorers: Tries: Sphephelo Mabuza, Thobekani Buthelezi (x2), Sphelele Buthelezi, Byron Booysen, Thamsanqa Shabangu. Conversions: Sphelele Buthelezi (x6)

Pineapple tournament

By CHESLEY DANIELS

The Annual Pineapple Cricket Tournament in Port Alfred kicked off last weekend, and will be running until next week Saturday with the finals that will take place. This year, the Kenrich Motors Pineapple Cricket Tournament consists of 30 teams, made up of at least 300 players, competing in a total of 42 matches.

These matches will be played on 7 fields under the watchful eyes of 14 umpires. While they'll be supported by an untold number of loyal spectators.

The annual Port Alfred and Bathurst Cricket Tournament is an event familiar known as "The Pineapple Tournament" because of the number of pineapple farmers who have taken part over the years.

The dual name can be confusing for those new to the area, but most understood the essence of the "Tournament".

The first tournament to be staged in Bathurst was held in 1904 at the Bathurst Agricultural Show grounds. Prior to this, the tournament was held at various venues in the area, notably Salem, Upper Kariega, Barville Park, Kasouga and Wesley in the Peddie District. At the tournament in Bathurst 4 teams took part, now 111 years later, there are 30 teams competing in 5 sections.

The tournament is played on a round robin basis. The presentation of the 40 or so trophies and prizes, take place at the Port Alfred Country Club after the final match on Saturday 10 March 2018. The sections are:

- A1 - Cuylerville 1, South-

well 1, Port Alfred 1, Rhodes 1

- A2 - Sidbury 1, Manleys 1, Grahamstown XI, Salem 1
- B1 - Station Hill, Cuylerville 2, Southwell 2, Salem 2
- B2 - Kenton, Manleys 2, Sidbury 2, Port Alfred 2
- C - Shrews, Rainbows, Tiger Titans, Early Birds, PAHS
- Inv - Addo, The Owls, Fort Beaufort, Cathcart
- Others - East Legends, West Legends, Nova, Kenrich Motors

There will also be a Tournament Team selected after the event to play an Annual fixture against the Ngubela XI in September 2018.

Previous Winners for the past five years:

- 2017 - Cuylerville
- 2016 - Cuylerville
- 2015 - Sidbury
- 2014 - Cuylerville
- 2013 - Manleys Flats



Some of the PJ Olivier pupils who took part in the Sarah Baartman Athletics meeting in Port Elizabeth included Shirley Retief (left) who took Bronze in the 1500m and Silver in the 3000m; and Sihle Makebengu (2nd Right), who won two Bronze medals in 200m and 400m. Photo: Supplied

Ndwayana ready to take on Memela

By CHRIS TOTOBELA

Our very own professional boxer and champ Mzoxolo Ndwayana is hard at training preparing for his next fight on the 30 March at the Orient Theatre in East London against Ntuthuko Memela from KZN. The two boxers will be exchanging blows in an 8 rounds welter-weight contest.

Ndwayana left Grahamstown four months ago to join trainer Saun Smith in his gym in pursuit of his dream of becoming the SA champ. Ndwayana says it was never an easy decision to leave his home town but had no choice as he felt that there were no opportunities here.

He also stated that he felt that he was not appreciated here as he struggled to secure sponsorships and had nothing to show for his efforts.

Other boxers are well appreciated by their municipalities. They get help with things such as houses, transport, nutrition etc, but that was not the case in Grahamstown. Speaking about the upcoming fight, Ndwayana said, "I have trained very hard for the fight and I am ready as



Mzoxolo Ndwayana is hard at training preparing for his next fight on 30 March at the Orient Theatre in East London against Ntuthuko Memela from KZN. Photo supplied

always for this fight and do not know much about my opponent except that he is a south-paw. Anything can happen in this fight and I have prepared to go for the full eight rounds, but if an opportunity comes up to stop him I will grab it with both hands".

Ndwayana also thanked all his supporters here in Graham-

stown and said they must feel free to interact with him on facebook. He also encouraged other boxers in Grahamstown and Sarah Baartman region not to give up no matter how hard the situation is. Ndwayana's last fight was on the 8th of December last year where he defeated Uyanda Nogogo of East London on points.

Harcourts

HERO OF THE WEEK

RU women's ballers

Titians coach Xolisa Kula (left) with the Eastern Cape Females Club Champions Trophy. With him are Nomonde Simelane with her All Star trophy, and Katlego Mphahlele with the MVP award. Photo: Samantha Carolus

By GARFIELD KHANYILE

What a way to start the season for the Rhodes Titans (women). Going on to win the Women's Eastern Cape Club Championship is some achievement.

A 12-strong team saw off the PE Commets 39-29 to secure a final-berth against the University of Fort Hare Tigers. After a thriller of a match the Rhodes Woman's Titans won that 58-45. These women deserve to be Harcourt's Hero of the Week after this sensational run.

Coach Xolisa Kula mentioned that the girls stepped onto the court with a

winning attitude. Win they did, too.

The more experienced members of the squad, such as Katlego Mphahlele, Nomonde Simelane and Youlanda Samboko, all stepped-up and guided the Titans to a well-deserved title.

Mphahlele was named the competition's Most Valuable Player (MVP), while both Simelane and Samboko both received All Star trophies. "You ain't seen nothing yet," appears to be the mantra of these young women. We can't wait to see them grace the court again as they prep for the USSA Qualifiers in the weeks ahead.

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Cricket Festival

The St Andrew's College first XI visited St Albany College in Pretoria last weekend to participate in an Independent Schools' Cricket Festival. The Grahamstown boys were tested in a two-day game against Michealhouse (draw), before taking on St David's Marist (lost), and going up against St John's (rained out) in the final match of the weekend.

Lions Roar

The Emirates Lions remain unbeaten in the newly reduced Super Rugby competition. In a thrilling Jukeski derby, the Lions ran out 49-35 victors over the Bulls in Pretoria. In other South African Super Rugby action, the Sharks drew 24-24 against the New South Wales Waratahs in Sydney on Saturday, while the Stormers went down 45-28 to the Crusaders in Christchurch.

National Swimmers

The South African National Aquatic Open Water Swimming Championships were held at Marina Marinique in Jeffrey's Bay on 3-4 March. The event hosted over 180 swimmers including international athletes from Hungary, Germany, Azerbaijan as well as the World's 25km women's champion from Brazil. Joshua Orsmond represented NMBA in both the 3km (41:05.5) and 5km (1:08:50.0) events, finishing 46th in both events. Shaelyn Walker represented NMBA in the 3km (44:03.5 - 48th) and 5km (1:15:12.7 - 37th).

Blitsbokke Tops

The South Africa Rugby Sevens team are clinging on to top spot in this year's HSBC Sevens World Series, after another unsuccessful tournament, which saw them end in fourth place. They lost a semi-final 12-10 against Argentina, and 26-22 to the Flying Fijians in the bronze playoff. The Blitsbokke will look to improve on their performance this weekend when they take part in the Canadian leg of the World Series.

Jo'burg Water Polo

The Kingswood 1st and U15A Girls' water polo teams competed in the St Peter's and Crawford Lonehill tournaments respectively last weekend. Both local teams competed well against squads from around the country; but had a mixed bag of results. The 1st team finished the tournament 15th out of 28 teams, while the U15 side placed 17th of 24.



Luzuko Vulindlu crosses over the line for one of the Kings' six tries against the Dragons in their Pro14 encounter. Photo: Daniel Goldberg

Vulindlu sparks Kings' first win

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

The Southern Kings defeated the Dragons, from Newport in Wales in spectacular style on 2 March in Port Elizabeth, their first home game in the Pro14 since mid-January. The Kings won by a massive 45-13 margin at the Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium.

This was a special occasion for the home fans, as it would forever be known to as the day that the Southern Kings won their first Pro14 match.

The hero of the day for the Kings was non-other than Grahamstown's own Luzuko Vulindlu, who not only scored a brace of tries for the home side, but won man of the match as well.

The Dragons dominated the first half, scoring the only points in the first half an hour, and taking a lead of ten points through a try, conversion and two penalties all scored by Dorian Jones.

Vulindlu would score the first of his two tries in the first half, with

Masixole Banda giving the Kings the lead at half time with a converted try of his own. This meant that the teams went into the sheds with the score reading 14-13 in favour of the hosts.

The Kings would open up the floodgates in the second half, however; scoring 31 unanswered points. Vulindlu added his second try just after half time, while Ruaan Lerm, Anthony Volmink and Bobby de Wee all added tries to the tally.

Kurt Coleman kept a 100% record by converting every try, and scoring a

penalty in the second half, taking the scoreline out to 45-13 for the home side.

After the Match, Kings' coach Deon Davids was full of praise for his side. "It's always nice to taste success; it has been tough. It's important to enjoy the journey and take all the lessons in. We've got something to look forward to and the win came at the right time."

The Kings will be looking to add to this win, when they host Treviso, from Italy, on 24 March.

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FRIDAY 9 MARCH

TENNIS:

- DSG U13 B vs Hermitage House - Home - 13:45
- St Andrews College 1st team vs Selborne College - Away - 06:00
- Kingswood (Boys & Girls): 1st Team Selborne/Clarendon Doubles Tournament (EL) - Departs 05:30
- Kingswood (Girls): 2nd Team vs PAHS (Away) 14:00
- Kingswood (Boys): U15A & B vs Graeme - Knowing Cup (Home) 15:00; U11A vs Port Alfred (Home) 14:00

SWIMMING:

- Graeme College: Foundation Phase Splash Gala - 09:30-11:00

ATHLETICS:

- Eastern Cape Champs Heats (PE)

GOLF:

- Interschools (Belmont) 12:30

HOCKEY:

- Kingswood (Girls): EP U18 Trials (Collegiate) - Departs 12:30

SATURDAY 10 MARCH

CRICKET:

- Graeme College vs St Andrews College: u13A, u11A, u9A - h; u13B, u11B, u13C, and u11C - (SAC)
- Graeme College vs Old Boys - (Graeme)
- St Andrews vs Grey High School (PE): 1st (Home), 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, U15 A, U15 B, U14 A, and U14 B - (Home & Away) - 09:30
- Kingswood College vs Pearson High: 1st XI (Away) 09:00; 2nd XI (Game) 09:00; 3rd XI (City Lords) 09:00; Colts A (Away) 09:00; U14A (Knight) 09:00
- Kingswood College vs Selborne: U13A (Away) 09:00; U13B (Home) 09:00; U11A (Away) 09:00; U11B (Home) 09:00; U9A (Away) 09:00

WATER POLO:

- Kingswood vs Graeme College: U15 - (Kingswood)

TENNIS:

- Kingswood (Boys & Girls): 1st Team Selborne/Clarendon Doubles Tournament (EL)

ATHLETICS:

- Eastern Cape Champs Finals (PE) 08:00

BASKETBALL:

- Kingswood (Boys): KC EC Championship (Home) 08:00

HOCKEY:

- Kingswood (Girls): EP U18 & U14 Trials (Collegiate) 08:00

SUNDAY 11 MARCH

HOCKEY:

- Kingswood (Girls): EP U16 Trials (Collegiate) 08:00

SQUASH:

- Kingswood: EP 1st Round Trials

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