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Makhanda (Grahamstown) was painted pink on Tuesday 12 March, when thousands took part in the Pick n Pay Pink Walk for Cancer. Fun, smiles and some tired bodies were all in store as the 6.8km fun walk started at Victoria Girls' High School, making its way around Graeme College, and finishing back at VG. More on Page 7. Photo: Sue MacLennan



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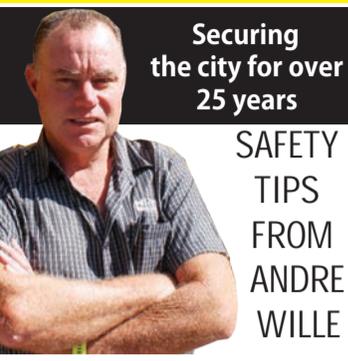
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Wait for licence cards

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

Makana Traffic Chief Coenraad Hanekom has advised local drivers whose licences will soon expire to renew them at least a month in advance. Hanekom spoke to *Grocott's Mail* this week, as the Department of Transport struggles to catch up on a massive backlog of licence card printing. Drivers can expect to wait a number of months before receiving their new licence cards.

A trade dispute between the national department and Driving Licence Card Account (DLCA) in July 2018 resulted in a severe backlog in the printing and issuing of driver's licences. Minister of Transport Blade Nzimande said in a mid-January 2019 statement that 324 000 cards were waiting to be printed. The Department of Transport had issued a directive to provincial and municipal traffic authorities not to penalise motorists who had correctly and timeously applied for their licences to be renewed.

Hanekom acknowledged that the issue has severely affected local drivers waiting for their new licenses. "We still have cards outstanding from July last year that have not been produced," said Hanekom. "It also,

by implication, means that current ordered cards might be delayed."

Hanekom said under normal circumstances, it would take between six to eight weeks to receive a new driver's licence card; however, with the extensive delays, some cards have taken a number of months to arrive. The Makana Traffic Department processes about 10 new applications a day. "The processing of the licensing and card are done online and the files are downloaded every night," Hanekom said. "The process thereafter is out of our hands and we will only received the cards when delivered to us via courier. I am afraid that when it leaves our office it is out of our hands."

Hanekom said drivers whose licences are due to expire soon should renew them at least a month in advance. Doing so would give them four months of grace before their license expired completely, as drivers have up to three months after their license expires to renew it.

There is some good news, however. Hanekom confirmed that currently, the other forms of licensing including license discs, vehicle numbers and traffic registration numbers, have not been affected by the backlog and should be issued within the usual pe-



A traffic officer checks a motorist's driver's license in Makhanda (Grahamstown). Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

riod after application.

"I would recommend that people email me if their card is long outstanding so that we could check," said Hanekom. Make sure to include the ID number of the person in question in the email, which can be sent to CoenraadHanekom@makana.gov.za

In his address in January, Nzimande said, "Where drivers have already been fined by traffic offic-

ers as a result of these delays, they must apply for the revocation of enforcement order through the Road Traffic Infringement Agency (RTIA)." Drivers can fill in the form which is downloadable on the www.aarto.gov.za. The form can be emailed to revocation@rtia.co.za for further clarity on the process.

Applicants can also call the Road Traffic Infringement Agency (RTIA) call centre on 0861 227 861.

Cele addresses police promotions

STAFF REPORTER

Minister of Police, Bheki Cele has called on police management to follow due process in dealing with staff and ensure deserving members are promoted. This came, Cele said in a press conference on Thursday 14 March, as social media reports suggested SAPS members were planning to embark on a strike. Cele said there was a backlog of 69 219 South African Police Service promotions dating back to 2011/2012. Cele said there was currently a backlog in the grade progression of employees between levels 5 and 7.

"We call on the management to follow due process during the promotions and ensure deserving members must be promoted," Cele said.

"We hope that this initiative will boost the morale of our police officers to enable them to execute their task optimally. Going forward we will be working on the embetterment of the member's conditions of employment". Cele said he would be meeting in Pretoria with the station commanders of all of the 1147 police stations in the country, as well as Provincial and National SAPS management, on Monday, 18 March 2019.

"It is also imperative to note that out of the set target of 3500 entry level trainees as announced in the Budget Vote, the SAPS exceeded the target and enlisted a total of 5000 entry level trainees out of a number of 517 000 applicants," Cele said.

"In relation to the recruitment of entry level trainees, we have noted with concern some objections regarding the legitimacy of the SAPS recruitment process from those who have not met the criteria after undergoing a rigorous selection process. The national commissioner and myself are processing this matter in detail internally and will pronounce on a way forward in due course"

He said the promotions process would cost R2 billion.



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Mr M MENE
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high tides 05:16 17:24

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Tides: low tides 11:50 23:54
high tides 05:43 17:53

MONDAY
Thunderstorms. Moderate ENE wind.
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high tides 06:13 18:23

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high tides 06:46 18:59

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high tides 07:27 19:44

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Temperatures and tides were correct at the time of going to press

GRA calls out Eskom threat

STAFF REPORTER

The Grahamstown Residents Association has queried whether Eskom's threat to cut the electricity supply to Makhanda (Grahamstown) is legal, following a recent court ruling, as municipal officials meet frantically in preparation for a special council meeting next week, where they'll be proposing a solution to Makana's snowballing Eskom debt. Eskom confirmed that they have issued a notice of their intention to interrupt Makhanda's (Grahamstown's) electricity supply from the beginning of next month. Makana owes Eskom R90 million.

Replying to Grocott's Mail's query on Thursday 14 March, Eskom Eastern Cape spokesperson Zama Mpondwana said, "Eskom confirms that Makana Local Municipality has reneged on the payment plan agreed to between Eskom and the Municipality.

"Eskom is not at liberty to

disclose customer financial details and views electricity supply interruptions as the last resort action to recover debt owed by the municipality."

The entity issued a notice that was published in regional newspapers on Thursday 14 March 2019. The notice said, "Makana Local Municipality has not remedied the breach of payment agreement as per the suspension notices issued on 19 November 2018. Eskom therefore reinstates its process to interrupt bulk electricity supply to the above municipality and will provide the public with 15 days' notice of the date of supply interruptions. Eskom hereby notifies all parties that are likely to be materially and adversely affected that the contemplated interruption of bulk supply to Makana Local Municipality will commence on 2 April 2019."

According to the notice, in the first week, interruptions

will be from 6am to 9am and 5pm to 8.30pm from Monday to Friday; 8.30am to midday and 3pm to 7pm on Saturdays and Sundays. From 8 April onward, cuts will be from 6am to 8pm every day of the week. "It is to be noted that the times will change to 14-hour supply interruptions until full payment is received or agreement is reached," the entity said.

"Notwithstanding the above proposed indicative times for the interruption of electricity supply, Eskom may, upon 15 days' notice, serve the right to disconnect electricity entirely and indefinitely should the electricity debt situation not improve."

Eskom said it would be undertaking this action in terms of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (Act 3 of 2000).

However, the Grahamstown Residents Association has described Eskom's threat as cruel and unnecessary.

GRA chairperson Philip

Machanick said, "A recent court case in Gauteng ruled that Eskom may not take an action of this nature until it has exhausted all remedies in Sections 41 and 42 of the Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act. We would like to know if Eskom's threat complies with this judgment.

"While we understand their frustration in making delinquent municipalities pay, inflicting this sort of punishment on the community at a time of crisis is cruel and unnecessary," Machanick said. "The Makana CFO Gerard Goliath has only been in his post since December 2018 and needs time to sort out the financial chaos he inherited.

"While Makana has long been dysfunctional, so has Eskom. At least Makana is taking SOME steps to get its house in order, though there is a long way to go to get there. What is Eskom doing?"

Municipal officials have been holding urgent meet-

ings since the announcement today, according to Municipal Manager Moppo Mene.

"Management met this morning when we heard the news. On Friday I will be meeting with the chief financial officer and on Monday senior management will meet again. This is in preparation for a special council meeting to ratify a new payment plan.

"We need a payment plan that corresponds with our financial state," Mene told Grocott's Mail.

In a council meeting earlier this year, Mene warned councillors that the existing Eskom payment plan was unrealistic.

This week he said Makana had made no payments to Eskom in April, May and June 2018.

"I don't know the reason."

He said a December meeting with Eskom Eastern Cape's chief accounts officer to review Makana's payment plan was set to continue early this year. "We're going to write to Eskom to have that meeting," Mene said.

Mene said Makana was not recovering from consumers as much as they were paying Eskom for supply. He blamed old and inefficient power cables and other infrastructure, as well as illegal connections and non-payment by consumers for their revenue shortage.

Should residents be worried? Grocott's Mail asked.

"Yes, they should be worried," Mene said. "We must solve this as soon as possible."

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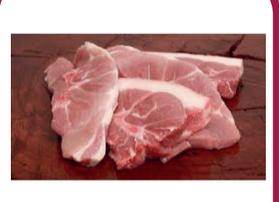
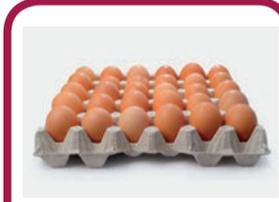
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Researchers, arrests key to saving rhinos

How do we stop rhino poaching? That's what **Lindani Donyeli** asked as the long-running Ndlovu rhino trial finally draws to a close in the High Court in Makhanda (Grahamstown).



TRUDI ADENDORFF
RETIRED TEACHER

Try to educate the East. Rhino horns will make no difference to your health.



LWAZI KOLITI
SOCIAL ACTIVIST

Researchers must play their role in giving us a substance which can be used to render what the poachers want useless, but is harmless to the rhino.



KATHERINE JONES
STUDENT

They must be arrested and more rhinos must be bred in captivity.



LUNGI MAKUBALO
TEACHER

As much as people are unemployed, they should not destroy the environment. Poverty does not mean we must break the law.



NOMAMI MPAKO
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LESEGO SEHEMU
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They must be arrested.



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Fikizolo Primary School Principal Zoleka Kate, Babili Mzimane (Eastern Cape Department of Education Nutrition Project Manager), Nomalungisa Makhubalo (school nutrition co-ordinator at Fikizolo), Yalezwa Mosina (Nutrition Co-Ordinator at the District Office) and Nombeko Madyibi (District Monitor for Nutrition) celebrate the school's second place in the Department of Education's national school nutrition programme. For the full story go to <http://bit.ly/GrocFiki>. Photo supplied

Rain brought little change in dams

This is the first in a series of weekly briefings by the Makana Executive Mayor intended to inform residents about issues affecting them. 'From the Mayor's Desk' will be published in Grocott's Mail.

Dear Residents of Makana Municipality, let me take this opportunity to greet all of you. This week's briefing is an update on Makhanda's water situation.

We are happy to announce that the recent rains have had a positive impact on one of our supply dams; however, it wasn't significant enough to take us out of a state of water crisis.

Howieson's Poort dam as of Wednesday morning was at 24% - up from 18.3% on Friday 8 March 2019. The rain seems to have had no impact at all on Settlers Dam for now, however. Last Friday, Settlers Dam was at 9.3%. On Wednesday 13 March it was 9.2%.

The Waainek Water Treatment Works is not producing at full capacity because there is work being done on the filters. Only four instead of six filters are in use because a contractor is busy refurbishing them. Consequently, the water supply on the western side will be intermittent.

The James Kleynhans (JK) Water Treatment Works is designed to produce 10 megalitres of treated water per day; however with the current challenges it can only produce 5-6ML/day. Only pump set number 3 is operational and is delivering 74.9 litres a second, i.e. 5-6 ML/day.

Pump number 1 was decommissioned on 9 March, as



it was making a loud noise. Amatola Water assessed it on 13 March, and we are awaiting the report on this.

Pump set number 2 has been aligned; however, the mechanical wear-limit switch needs to be replaced. Neither Makana Municipality nor Amatola Water has a spare wear-limit switch in stock; hence we've placed an order for it with Sulzer, the sole supplier. We anticipate delivery in six weeks.

Amatola Water has been seconded to assist at James Kleynhans.

According to Bosch Projects, Phase 1 of the refurbishment project there is 90% complete. The anticipated completion date for phase 1 is May 2019. The contractor is expected to commence Phase 2 in the same month. A portion of Phases 3 and 4 has been included in the Phase 2 emergency work. The balance of the Phases 3 and 4 tender will be out in October or November and construction is expected to start in January 2020.

Drought-relief funding has not been transferred to

Makana yet.

A concrete reservoir has been commissioned in Fort Brown and therefore they shouldn't have any water supply challenges. Additional communal taps were installed in Seven Fountains and additional storage of four 5000-litre tanks was installed in the area, so no supply challenges are anticipated there either.

Vandalism

Acts of vandalism and the internal labour issues are making the water-supply situation worse. A case of theft and vandalism was opened and internal investigations are under way following a break-in at one of the depots. Petrol, oil and the mounted step ladder that is used for throttling at Botha's Hill reservoir were all stolen. The vehicle of the plumber who was assisting at the plant was also vandalised. Alternative arrangements were made to ensure that throttling is taking place every evening at both plants, starting Wednesday 13 March.

Bottled water deliveries have been taking place to

schools and to Scifest Africa. The Gift of the Givers have already drilled a number of boreholes in various parts of town and they continue to do so.

They have drilled four boreholes at Waainek, two at Rhodes University and one more will be drilled at the university. One has already been drilled at Settlers Monument and two at Ntsika Secondary School. They are still expected to drill boreholes in the following areas: four near the Botha's Hill reservoir, one at the Cathedral and one at the prison.

Thirty-two Jojo tanks sourced by the Gift of the Givers have arrived in Makhanda. Once the filtration systems at the Rhodes and Ntsika boreholes are in operation, these tanks will be put up for residents to collect water. The GoG have been donated two water tankers from Isuzu that will be delivering water regularly. These trucks will be filled from the boreholes at Rhodes, Monument and Ntsika and will be used to fill the rest of the Jojo tanks. Residents will be informed where these will be placed as water collection points.

Please do your best to assist us in our efforts to deal with this situation by saving water as much as you possibly can.

Honourable Executive Mayor,
Councillor Mzukisi Mpahlwa

Rhodes to honour five

STAFF REPORTER

Five remarkable individuals will be honoured with Honorary Doctorates by Rhodes University during its 2019 annual graduation ceremonies between 11 and 13 April.

Professor Emeritus George Ellis, Professor Pumla Gobodo-Madikizela, Professor Glenda Gray, and Professor Ian Scott will each be conferred with a Doctor of Laws (LLD) (hc), while Chief Nike Okundaye-Davies will receive a Doctor of Fine Arts (DFA) (hc).

Professor Ellis, an internationally-renowned academic, researcher and author, will be honoured for his stellar scholarly contributions in general relativity, cosmology, theoretical physics, and policy. He has authored and co-authored 16 books, including the book *The Large Scale Structure of Space Time* which he co-authored with the late great physicist Stephen Hawking.

Prof Ellis also took up policy research in his efforts to influence and shape public policy for the better. His areas of focus in this regard have been the housing policy, the science policy, mathematics education, and quality of life measures. He is also well-known for his exemplary work on the philosophy of cosmology and the philosophy of science, having been one of the main writers on the philosophy of cosmology in recent decades. He has written or co-authored about 450 papers and 16 books, with an h-index of 80.

Prof Ellis has received numerous awards in recognition of his many and diverse contributions to humankind. These include the Templeton Prize and the Order of the Star of South awarded by President Mandela in 1999. This will be his seventh honorary degree.

Author and Research Chair for Historical Trauma and Transformation in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at Stellenbosch University, **Professor Gobodo-Madikizela**, has been primarily focusing on two strands of research. These are: exploring ways in which the impact of the dehumanising experiences of oppression and violent abuse continue to play out in the next generation in the aftermath of historical trauma; and remorse and forgiveness in the context of the interconnected relationship between

empathy, Ubuntu and the embodied African phenomenon of inimba.

Her critically-acclaimed book *A Human Being Died that Night: A South African Story of Forgiveness* won the Christopher Award in the United States in 2003, and the Alan Paton Award in South Africa in 2004. This book provides a gripping recount of the interviews that Prof Gobodo-Madikizela had with the apartheid's ruthless murderer and head of the state-sanctioned assassination unit, Eugene de Kock, also dubbed the 'Prime Evil.' The book has been published seven times, and has been translated into Dutch, German, Italian and Korean.

In 2010, Prof Gobodo-Madikizela was awarded Rhodes University's Social Change Award, which is awarded to leading psychologists that make significant contributions to social change in South Africa. She has also been a recipient of the Eleanor Roosevelt Medal and received a Peace Fellowship from Harvard University.

President of the South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), **Professor Glenda Gray**, will be bestowed an honorary Doctorate for her unwavering dedication in the field of Paediatrics. Currently a Professor in Paediatrics at Wits University, Gray has been instrumental in researching the prevention of postnatal mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) of HIV-1.

Her work in a PETRA (Perinatal TRAnsmiSSion) study, helped establish South Africa as a global research player in PMTCT. This research supported the roll-out of PMTCT interventions resulting in a staggering reduction in PMTCT transmission of HIV-1 from 25% to 2%.

Prof Gray has been awarded the Nelson Mandela Health and Human Rights Award and the Order of Mapungubwe, which is the highest honour given by the President for achievements serving South Africa's interests.

Professor Ian Scott will be deservingly recognised for his tireless work and immense contribution in higher education. Among other things, his work has included designing national policy related to teaching and learning and higher education curriculum design, particularly focused on catering effectively to student diversity, and the role of educational and professional development in address-

ing effectiveness, equity and quality in higher education.

His many years of industry experience have included involvement in several research groups, projects, publications, papers, conference presentations (local and international), lectures, review panels and national policy development and implementation.

Prof Scott has received a United States Information Service International Visitor, a UCT Staff Development (Mellon) award and Kellogg ASP Research Fund award.

Chief (Mrs) Okunike Monica Okundaye-Davies, who is affectionately known as "Mama Nike", was born in a very small village in Nigeria. As a young girl, she was a stage dancer and later became lead actress in a local Yoruba film, called *Ayaba*. She has since featured in documentaries including *Kindred Spirits* (Smithsonian Museum) and *African Voices* (CNN).

Mama Nike is principally a social entrepreneur and a well-known philanthropist championing the cause of the neglected Nigerian rural women through using art as a tool. She is the Managing Director of Nike Centre for Art and Culture (established in 1983), owner and curator of the Nike Art Galleries in Lagos, and established the Nike Art and Culture Foundation with the aim of fostering Nigerian cultural heritage.

Over the years, Mama Nike has received several awards for her remarkable contributions to society, including an honorary certificate of merit by the Nigerian Union of Journalists in recognition of her contribution to the advancement of Nigerian cultural heritage. She was also awarded a golden plaque of excellence for being one of the leading Patrons of Art & Culture in the State.

"It is a signal honour and distinct privilege for us as the Rhodes University community to bring these outstanding people into our family. We show gratitude to them for their notable achievements, which have all, without a doubt, changed our world for the better. Humankind is that much the better and human experience is that much the richer for their contribution.

Each one of them is a role model for our students and staff, and we will continue to celebrate and promote their legacy to humanity for many generations to come," said Dr Sizwe Mabizela, Vice-Chancellor for Rhodes University.



Michelle Rafferty was recently inducted as the new principal of Victoria Primary school. She is seen here with her husband Kevin. Photo: Supplied

Schools need better spending

On 5 March 2019, the Eastern Cape MEC for Finance, Lubabalo Oscar Mabuyane, tabled the 2019 Budget Speech, the Appropriation Bill, the Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, the Estimates of Public Entities Revenue and Expenditure, and the Provincial Gazette.

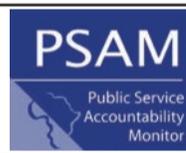
The Public Service Accountability Monitor (PSAM) notes two key issues in relation to the budget allocated to the Eastern Cape Department of Education (ECDoE).

The first is a nominal increase of 4% to the total budget; from R34.8 billion in 2018/19 to R36.3 billion in 2019/20. This is a welcome increase aligned with addressing education infrastructure challenges facing the Eastern Cape. However, when inflation is taken into account, the allocation decreased by 4% to R33.6 billion in 2019/20. This is of concern given the inevitable impact of inflation on the cost of building of new schools, providing sanitation and water to schools, and eradicating pit latrines in addition to delayed projects that place additional pressure on the fiscus.

Therefore, more funding and better spending is required to address the challenges facing ECDoE.

Secondly - it is further concerning that the ECDoE budget for infrastructure development has been reduced. The programme has a purpose of providing infrastructure facilities for schools. This programme budget decreased by 1%, in nominal terms, from the adjusted budget of R1.59 billion in 2018/19 to R1.58

Siyabulela Fobosi



billion in 2019/20; in real terms, this was an 8% decrease to R1.46 bil-

lion.

Thirdly, the PSAM welcomes the nominal increase in the allocation for the Education Infrastructure Grant (EIG) - meant for providing proper infrastructure in schools - from the adjusted budget of R1.47 billion in 2018/19 to R1.56 billion in 2019/20. However, we note that this decreased by 1%, in real terms, to R1.46 billion. It is worth mentioning that the fifth provincial administration approved budget cuts to the ECDoE in 2018, specifically for infrastructure development - decreasing from R1.65 billion in 2017/18 to R1.58 billion in 2019/20.

In addition to the budget cuts, the fifth provincial administration exhibited poor performance in terms of meeting targets in education infrastructure.

For example, the ECDoE provided only 17 schools with water against a target of 169 in the mid-year performance of 2018/19. Therefore, the sixth provincial administration should provide more funding and better spending to school infrastructure and resolve to ensure the realisation of the quality of education.

In particular, better spending is important in the context where the fifth provincial administration had poor spending. For example, the PSAM in its 2017 Expenditure Track-

ing Report, reported that the infrastructure development programme recorded under spending by R 49.85 million in the 2016/17 financial year. The 2016/17 financial year was noted to having had under expenditure similar to the 2015/16 financial year due to delays in project delivery and subsequent underachieving of planned.

It is also concerning that the Early Childhood Development (ECD) programme of the ECDoE had its budget decreased.

For example, the allocation to the ECD programme decreased by 17% in nominal terms, from the adjusted budget of R723 million in 2018/19 to R602 million in 2019/20. In real terms, the allocation to the ECD programme decreased by 23%. This budget cut will result in the delay of the universalisation of access to ECD in accordance with the National Development (NDP) goal of 2019. More funding and better spending is required for the ECDoE to be able to realise its strategic objective of improving access of children to quality ECD. The PSAM has previously commented on the importance of ensuring quality education from the foundation phase onwards.

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The road to elections

It never fails to be an exciting week here in Makana; the newspaper is always filled with news - good and bad - from the local community and the country. However, it is no secret that in recent months the paper has become packed with stories about local and national politics. From shifts in municipal leadership, workers' strikes and a hefty bill to Eskom, we know our readers are eager to have their say. With elections less than two months away, residents may wonder what exactly happens between now and voting day. For those who registered, get ready to make your mark on this year's ballot. However, for those who missed the cut-off date, you can still register, but will only be able to vote in the next elections.

This coming Monday, 18 March, is the certification and publication of the Voters Roll. From that date until 25 April, prospective parties must undergo a formal appeal process before being listed on the official ballot. Successful parties will then be issued a certificate to that effect on 25 April.

The voting process begins on 27 April at all foreign missions. This year, more than 29 000 South Africans living abroad were approved to vote, with the highest concentration of residents living in Europe and, more specifically, London.

Residents in South Africa will cast their vote at a voting station on Wednesday 8 May.

Makana has 45 designated voting stations. To find the voting station nearest to you and other valuable information, visit elections.gov.za.

On the day, there are several ways voters can make their mark on the ballot sheet.

According to the IEC, it doesn't necessarily have to be an X. Voters can mark their choices with an X, a dark mark, or any mark deemed "reasonable" in accordance with the Electoral Act 73. A voter's ballot will be rejected should it include any personal information (such as name or ID number), votes for more than one party or candidate, or an unacceptable type of mark.

For voters with severe vision impairment, braille templates will be available and a family member who is 18 or older may accompany you and mark your ballot paper on your behalf.

Voters who are illiterate will be assisted by the presiding officer at the voting station to cast their vote, monitored by party agents.

Close to 30 000 people have been recruited to manage the country's 4791 voting stations on voting day.

Grocott's Mail supports the IEC's goal of free and fair elections. We remind our readers that you have recourse to the Press Ombud (details below) and the Press Council, should you take issue with what we publish.

This week Grocott's Mail digs deeper into the fake puppy scam that we uncovered in last week's edition, finding no fewer than 29 sites with linked "genes" that we're concerned about. We hope you enjoy our team's investigative and creative collaboration, "Who's your daddy", that brings home how easy it is to get people to part with their money... and break their hearts.

• This week's editorial is written by Kathryn Cleary and Sue MacLennan.

LETTERS to the Editor and COLUMNS



Child Welfare SA Grahamstown were recently awarded the Charlotte Maxeke Service Excellence award for 2019 from the Department of Social Development. Child Welfare SA Grahamstown won the award for being the best performing child care and protection service centre in the Eastern Cape during the 2018/2019 financial year. In an awards ceremony held on the 28 February in Mthatha, Woineshet Bischoff (Director of Child Welfare SA Grahamstown) and Sally Damana (Senior social worker), accepted the award on behalf of the Child Welfare SA Grahamstown team. Seen here back row from left, Sally Damana, Shade Tobias, Nopinki Nenga, Nasiphi Matshaya, Nomakhazi Manyati, Kim Wright, Katherine Court. Front row from left Debbie Labuschagne, Ziyanda Mooi, Woineshet Bischoff, Asisipho Ginya. Photo: Sue MacLennan

The beginnings of the Givers

The Gift of the Givers came to Makhanda (Grahamstown) in its hour of need, and when many had given up hope our town could be saved. For insight into the force behind the extraordinary interventions of the past few weeks, we republish the citation for Gift of the Givers founder, Dr Imtiaz Sooliman, on the occasion of his being awarded an honorary doctorate at Rhodes University in April 2016. It was written by Professor Paul Maylam.

Think of any of the major natural disasters across the world during the past twenty years or so - earthquakes, tsunamis, floods, famine - and think, too, of the main human-made disasters - civil wars and violent conflicts, especially in the Middle East. Think of these and know that in most of these disasters Dr Imtiaz Sooliman and his organisation, the Gift of the Givers, have been there, providing speedy relief and support to the victims of unimaginable devastation. Know, too, the extent and range of their relief activities - putting up hospitals, running clinics; distributing blankets, clothing and food; digging wells; creating agricultural schemes, and more.

Having trained at the University of Natal's medical school and then working as a doctor in Pietermaritzburg in the late 1980s, Imtiaz Sooliman founded the Gift of the Givers in 1992, prompted by two experiences.

First, in 1990 he had travelled with a medical team to Mozambique, a country devastated by drought and years of civil war.

Having witnessed the devastation he returned to South Africa, raising five million rand within five days as relief funding for the country.

Then in 1992, in Istanbul, he met a Sufi teacher who gave him a clear instruction: 'You will form an organisation.

The name will be the Gift of the Givers' - its task to serve people in need, regardless of their religion, colour, class, political affiliation or



Dr Imtiaz Sooliman

geographical location - and he was never to expect anything in return. Dr Sooliman also remembers the influence of his mother, who stressed the importance of charity even though she possessed little of her own. As a young boy Imtiaz would walk long distances to deliver his mother's food to the poor.

For its first five years the Gift of the Givers operated from an office in the Soolimans' house.

In time it would grow into the largest disaster response agency in Africa, today operating with a core staff of fifty, based in South Africa, Somalia, Malawi, Syria and Yemen. Its work over the past twenty-four years extensive and far-flung - conducting over twenty international missions; delivering 1.4 billion rands of aid to millions of people in forty-one countries; engaging in twenty-one different project categories.

The international missions are too numerous to recount in any detail.

The first was in Bosnia in 1993 during the civil war in the former Yugoslavia - the Gift of the Givers arriving there with a fully-equipped, containerised mobile hos-

pital - the first of its kind in the world to be developed - a hospital which included two theatres, an ICU, and more - a hospital where thousands of people would be treated and hundreds of babies born.

Consider the Gift of the Givers' responses to natural disasters across the world: flying supplies into Mozambique during floods in 2000; after an earthquake in India in 2002, helping to construct a village for survivors; in 2003 delivering a million rands worth of aid to Iran following another earthquake; in 2004 being the first relief agency to respond to the devastating Indian Ocean tsunami - Dr Sooliman, on holiday at the time, at once activating relief work, organising the dispatch of 2000 tents from Dubai to Sri Lanka and sending a four-person team to the disaster-struck country. In 2005 another earthquake - in Pakistan - Dr Sooliman sending in six rescue teams and aid worth 13 million rands, dispatched to inaccessible areas where roads had been destroyed.

Then the Haiti earthquake in 2010 - Dr Sooliman assembling a rescue team within two hours of learning of the disaster, eventually sending over four teams and 500 tons of aid.

The Gift of the Givers again the first to respond to the 2011 famine in Somalia - sending a thirty-person medical team and hundreds of tons of aid, and soon after this embarking on a second mission, providing medical care to victims of the Somali civil war.

Dr Sooliman has found the

human-made disasters - the civil wars - the most disturbing and heart-rending.

The Gift of the Givers has engaged in relief work in many of the worst conflicts of recent years, sending teams and aid to Afghanistan after the 2001 US invasion; to Iraq in 2003, again after a US invasion; to Darfur during the genocide; to Lebanon in 2006 and Gaza in 2009, both after Israeli attacks; to Libya in 2011; and to the most devastated country of all - Syria, where, until recently, the Gift of the Givers was the only aid organisation with the courage to operate inside this war-torn country.

Dr Sooliman has personally accompanied his teams on nearly every mission, visiting Syria on four occasions at great personal risk. But the closest he has come to death was in 2012, outside his home in Pietermaritzburg, when accosted by a gun-wielding hijacker.

Not to be ignored is the Gift of the Givers' work in South Africa - conducting relief operations, such as those during the 2008 xenophobic attacks, and those following a fire that devastated a Khayelitsha informal settlement in 2013; also renovating schools in poor areas; developing a housing scheme in Alexandra township; providing counselling services for disadvantaged communities.

For his remarkable work Dr Sooliman has received numerous awards, nationally and internationally - far too many to list here.

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Pink Walk for Cansa 2019

Pick n Pay and CANSA recently hosted a Pink Walk which started and ended at the Victoria Girls' High School sports field. Sue Maclellan was there to capture the action.



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A message from the CANSA Association...

This event symbolises the power of a community uniting for a cause. Not only were funds raised to further enhance education, care and support to those affected by cancer, but the awareness created by the mass participation of individuals echoed the message that "together we can make a difference". You created hope for all those affected by cancer - your support makes it possible for us to imagine a world without cancer

Pick n Pay Grahamstown would like to thank the Grahamstown community for turning out in full to support this amazing cause.

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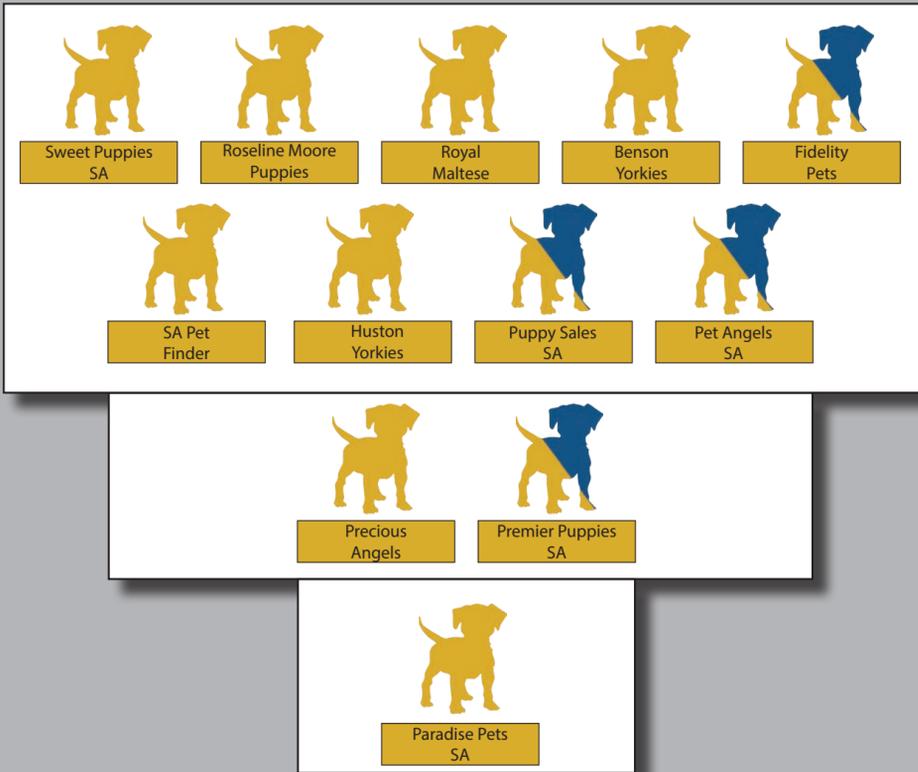
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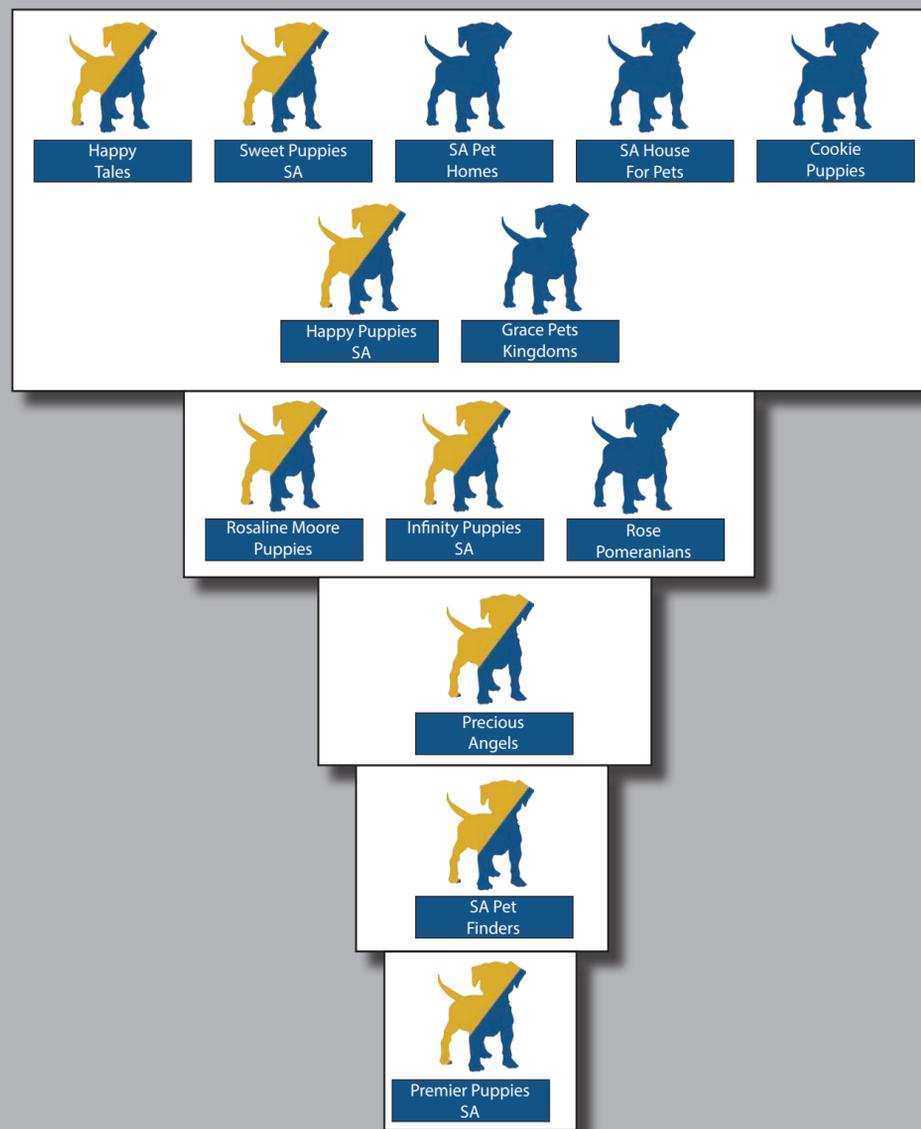
Jon Campbell, right, from Pick n Pay, and Anita Sonne from Victoria Primary School handed over a cheque to Jacki Botha from CANSA, centre, for the amount of R96 412.00 that was raised at the recent Pink Walk for CANSA. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



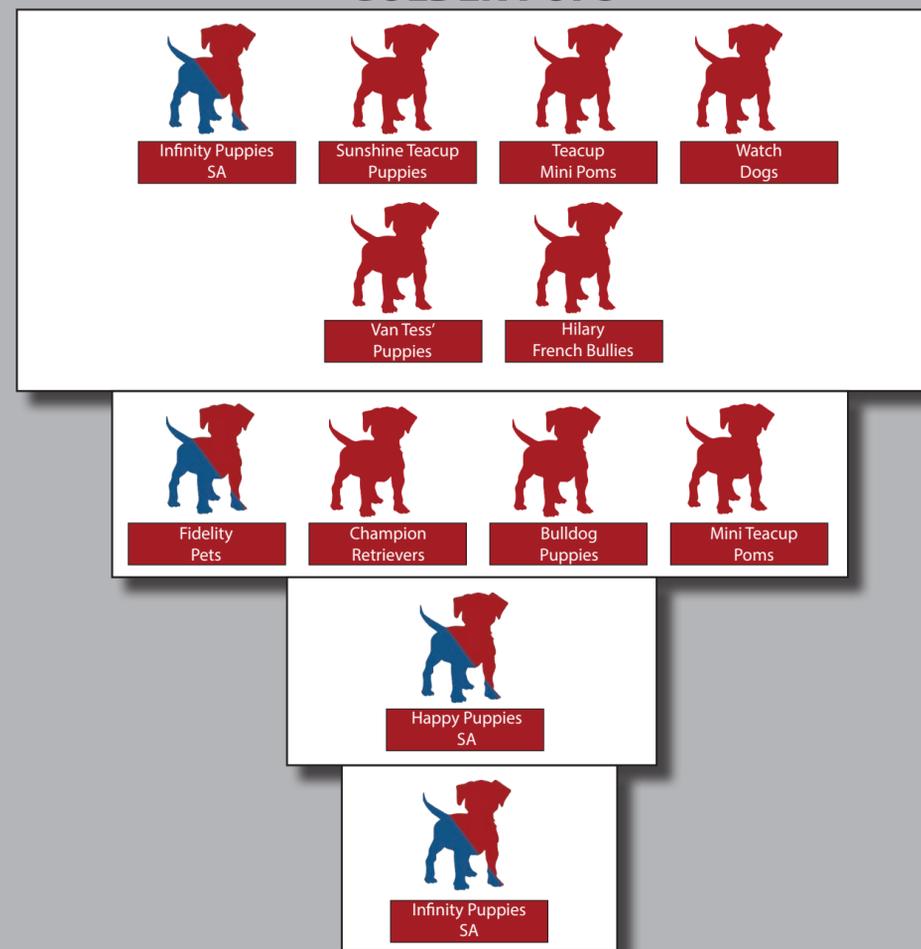
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			Parent site
			Puppy site
			(Yellow) Links to "Happy Tales"
			(Blue) Links to "Fidelity Pets"
			(Red) Links to "Golden Pups"
			Shared traits from two or more Parent Sites

Graphic: Azlan Makalima

WHO'S YOUR DADDY?

Last week a Russian puppy named Max led Kathryn Cleary to four fake websites. After a local Makhanda (Grahamstown) couple lost R30 000 and the promise of a puppy in an online scam, our team started digging. What we found initially was impressive, or so we thought; however, four websites soon turned to 29. With our noses to the ground, the scent of similarity was strong with these 29 sites, and here is exactly why.

The above graphic depicts what we call the "pedigree" of a pet scam; or a family tree. We have three main 'parents'; Happy Tales (yellow), Fidelity Pets (blue) and Golden Pups (red). Even though these families are clearly separate from each other, you will notice that certain 'puppies' have split-colours; such as yellow and blue or blue and red. This means that those 'puppies' have characteristics, or traits, from two parents, or some cases, even all three. Though the pedigree looks and behaves like a family tree in terms of shared traits, it is not in chronological order. After a careful analysis of data from all 29 sites, the clearest way to see connections between all sites is through the traits that they share.

determine similarities between puppy and parent websites.

- Site has similar or shared photographs
- Site has similar or shared wording/description/testimonies
- Site accompanies another site in search engine
- Site appears as a Google Ad
- Site shares domain host site
- Site states other site information in WHOIS data
- Site shares same creation date and time as other site(s)
- Site(s) share search words
- Site(s) share naming conventions (such as SA, Pets, Puppies etc.)
- Site(s) has similar or same design

If the pedigree isn't chronological, then how did we narrow it down to three parents?

As our reporter discovered, all 'tails' lead to Happy Tales,

Fidelity Pets and Golden Pups. All of the 'puppy' sites share the most traits with these parent sites; it is as if the website creators used Happy Tales, Fidelity Pets and Golden Pups as a template or benchmark for other sites. These three sites also lead our reporter to all of the secondary, and tertiary 'puppy' sites. As the pedigree shows; there are first, second, third, fourth and even fifth and sixth generations of 'puppy' sites. This means that after conducting a 10 point criteria and search analysis of any given site, more websites were uncovered as a result. But in the end, all sites lead to these three contenders.

So, who's your daddy?

Although our reporter cannot confirm that all 29 sites are linked, the pedigree shows that each family shares features from the one we've cod-

ed with the colour blue: Fidelity Pets. Because of the 'family' connections, we are strongly inclined to believe that all the websites are linked. What this data tells us is that Fidelity Pets appears to be the biggest 'parent' (with the most 'puppies'). Congratulations Fidelity Pets, looks like you're top dog!

Best in show

If you're still skeptical about the link between these sites, we have a few facts proving some of the 'puppies' heritage.

First prize

It's a tie folks! Well done, Champion Retrievers and Mini Teacup Pom! These two sites were created on the same day, at the same time and on the same host site. Both sites are clever re-makes of earlier generations, Golden Pups and Teacup Mini Poms.

Golden Pups and Teacup Mini Poms were shut down after the publication of our article on 6 March 2019, which exposed both sites as scams. On 7 March at 8:01am, Champion Retrievers and Mini Teacup Pom were born!

Still not convinced? Just like their ancestors; these two new sites also list a Queenstown address. A simple Google search reveals that both properties are residential and one is currently for sale. A well-deserved first place!

Second prize

The second prize goes to a site with more bark than bite: Cookie Puppies. In the WHOIS information of Cookie Puppies, the registrant organisation is listed as "Rose Pomeraniann UPS". Rose Pomeranian is another 'puppy' site identified by our reporter. Cookie Puppies and Rose Pomerani-

ans are hosted by two sites from the same company. Two related host sites; and two related websites. A good show by Cookie Puppies, better luck next time.

Third prize

The third place prize is for one of our more seasoned contenders, a 'parent' site. Congratulations Happy Tales! Happy Tales has been reported on multiple online platforms as a 'scam site', as well as a TIMES-live article from 24 December 2018. The site is also a carbon copy of another 'puppy' site; SA Pet Home. Both sites have the same design, layout and logo. Adding more to the prize, another 'puppy' site, Grace Pet Kingdoms, has the same client testimonials from Happy Tales. Well done Happy Tales: whoever said you can't teach an old dog new tricks has never met you!

Blowing the (dog) whistle on pet scams

Grocott's Mail can confirm that the internet is filled with puppies, but it's hard to tell if any of them are real. Though we have used careful data analysis to create a scam 'pedigree', our team cannot prove for certain that all of these sites are scams. Despite testimonies of people losing large amounts of money with no puppy in return, journalistically we need confirmation from the police to confirm a case of fraud. What we have done is suggested a link between these sites, of which a number have been reported as potential scams. Kathryn Cleary reports.

Following up on last week's story of the local couple who lost R30 000 ('Couple's fake puppy heartbreak' - GM 8 March 2019), SAPS Spokesperson Captain Mali Govender confirmed that a case of fraud had been opened for investigation. "No arrests have been made," she said. "The community are cautioned on online fraud that is taking place. More innocent victims are getting trapped into scams."

"Be cautious of online sites selling pets," Govender said.

She elaborated, saying that various breeds of puppies were often advertised as being available immediately. Photographs of the non-existent puppies were posted; however, these were not original and had been downloaded from the internet.

"A full payment is requested immediately. Communication is done through a WhatsApp, Gmail, Hotmail or Yahoo account," Govender said.

"As soon as payment is made, another payment is requested for the courier company, then it's more requests for payments for either storage, or a medical condition that requires the animal to be kept in quarantine. After more deposits are made, the victim cannot get hold of the caller and no pet has been received."

The investigation of these cases was extremely complex, Govender said.

"Most of the bank details and email addresses are often untraceable. They are opened for a short period and closed off after transactions are

made. Names furnished and supplied are false. The Cyber Unit of the SAPS are engaged and assist with these investigations."

The Kennel Union of Southern Africa (KUSA) are affected by the pet scams, as many of these sites fraudulently use the KUSA logo to attract potential clients. Gerard Robinson, a member of KUSA's Federal Council told Grocott's Mail that these scams had been around for years, and despite warnings to prospective buyers, people still fall victim.

"Calls to elicit advice from KUSA regarding online purchases of puppies are few," said Robinson. "If and when calls are received to check on the legitimacy of a website, we normally caution the

caller to proceed with the utmost caution before purchasing a puppy online. Sadly, the majority of the calls received about scams are after they've happened."

Robinson said KUSA encouraged these callers to report to SAPS as well as the fraud division of the bank concerned. In the case of unauthorised or inappropriate use of KUSA's logo, Robinson said steps were taken to demand its removal. "It's often an exercise in futility," he said, "since the scam sites are frequently hosted in foreign countries which fall outside the ambit of South African law enforcement."

"I think that it's important to understand that people who fall prey to puppy scammers are normally impulse buyers",

said Robinson. "They invariably turn to the Web and their eagerness is fertile ground for scammers. Normally these operators will have just the kind of puppy available that the person is looking for and the transaction is concluded in haste, normally using the tactic that there are a number of people waiting in line."

"Once the money has been transferred, all communication ceases."

"It is the worst idea in the world to purchase a puppy without having seen it, preferably both its parents and the environment in which it was raised," said Robinson.

For more information about pet scams visit KUSA's website. Grocott's Mail will continue to report.

Call for enviro protection focus

The Public Service Accountability Monitor (PSAM) conducted comprehensive analyses of the 2012/13 - 2015/16 budgets of the Chief Directorate: Environmental Affairs of the Eastern Cape Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEDEAT), and published brief reviews of the Chief Directorate's 2017/18 and 2018/19 budgets.

The complexion of the Chief Directorate's budget remained essentially unchanged from 2012/13 to 2018/19, and for the 2019/20 financial year the situation is no different.

The 2019/20 budget of DEDEAT as a whole has increased by a significant 27,0%, relative to its 2018/19 adjusted appropriation, but 92,9% of this increase has been allocated to the Department's Economic Development Programme, thereby raising its budget by 47,8%. In contrast, Environmental Affairs' budget was increased by a more modest 7,4%, while the budget of the Department's Administration Programme decreased by 3,9%.

In these circumstances, the summary of PSAM's key findings in relation to Environmental Affairs' budgets



for the 2012/13 - 2018/19 financial years, as captured in its 2018/19 budget review, is equally applicable to the Chief Directorate's 2019/20 budget, bar for a minor adjustment to reflect that whereas the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency had until 2018/19 consistently accounted for between 65 and 70% of the Chief Directorate's allocation, its share of the 2019/20 budget is 62%.

The adjusted summary of key findings, together with enduring recommendations associated with these findings, is included below.

Key findings

- The quantum of the Chief Directorate's budget has at no stage comprised more than between 0,41 and 0,49 % of the Province's total fiscal envelope.
- This is not indicative of environmental protection being of overt concern to the Provincial Government.
- Despite the fact that provincial nature reserves comprise only 2% of the Province's land surface area and already en-

joy enhanced levels of protection, annually between 62 and 70% of Environmental Affairs' budget has been channelled to the Eastern Cape Parks & Tourism Agency for nature reserve-related utilisation.

- Effectively therefore only between 30 and 38% of the budget has been available for the Chief Directorate to deliver its core services, which revolve around the administration of a host of statutory provisions, and the fulfillment of numerous functions which are ancillary to and support such administration, across the length and breadth of the Province.

- These residual allocations for the Programme's responsibilities across the bulk of the Province have amounted to between just 0,14 and 0,17% of the provincial fiscal envelope.
- Likewise they have constituted between only 6 and 10% of DEDEAT's budget, and between 10 and 20% of the allocation for the Department's Economic Development Programme.

- This is not concomitant with environmental protection outside of nature reserves being at or near the top of the Department's agenda.

- By the same token, the budget for environmental protection outside of nature reserves has consistently been of the order of 50% of that of the Department's third Programme, viz. Administration, which points to a case of the proverbial tail wagging the dog.

- In line with the meagre budget for environmental governance outside of nature reserves, none of Environmental Affairs' five Sub-Programs have at any stage attracted more than 0,07% of the Province's fiscal envelope for fulfilling their respective mandates within this domain.

- With the Sub-Programs embracing crucial functions such as environmental impact assessment, law enforcement, coastal management, biodiversity management and environmental education, these allocations place spiraling environmental attrition in the Province in stark perspective.

- Budget has consistently been assigned for climate change impact mitigation and adaptation, which is re-

garded as a contradiction in terms in the absence of sound environmental governance at a more foundational level.

- The practice of coalescing budget information pertaining to transfers to the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency and environmental management outside of nature reserves obscures insight to Environmental Affairs' budgetary realities, particularly in relation to the latter dominant responsibility.

Recommendations

- The Provincial Government should take stock of the mismatch between its approach to environmental protection, as reflected in its budgetary allocation to the function, and the compelling need to arrest the decline in environmental integrity at both a global and provincial level.

- Environmental Affairs should be afforded a budgetary dispensation which demonstrates that it is recognised as a crucial player in Eastern Cape governance, and which

empowers it to impose itself in accordance with the gravity of the environmental challenges facing the Province.

- Environmental Affairs should furthermore be re-housed institutionally so that it can pursue the protection of the Province's environment as a fundamental governance priority in its own right, rather than playing second fiddle to DEDEAT's economic development agenda.

- The Eastern Cape Government's approach to environmental governance budgeting should be overhauled with a view to the achievement of more realistic correlation between expenditure and the substantive and spatial extent of Environmental Affairs' mandate.

- Focus at this time should be centered on excellence in baseline environmental governance, the attainment of which will justify the assignment of funds to higher-level issues such as climate change.

- Environmental Affairs' budget structure should be adjusted such that distinction between fund transfers to the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency and funding for environmental management outside of protected areas is explicit.

My Garden



Bonile Mtotoyi in his garden.

Bonile Mtotoyi is a father of two children, who puts food on the table by growing vegetables, as he is unemployed. Mtotoyi has spent most of his time in the garden planting various kinds of vegetables. Recently, he finished harvesting the pumpkins and onions that he had planted at the beginning of the last season.

Mtotoyi grows vegetables because he believes that that is the only way he can chase hunger away. His current crop includes mielies and potatoes, however he would greatly appreciate any additional seeds that he can plant to help diversify his garden. – Text and photo: Lindani Donyeli

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Some students get up close and personal with a snake at the BioBash Photo Walk as part of Scifest 2019. Photo: Luthando Mpfu

A walk on the wild side during Scifest

STAFF REPORTER

The Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)/Grocott's Mail Bio Bash and Photo Walk in the Makana Botanical Gardens on Saturday 8 March 2019 as part of the Scifest 2019 was a wild success.

At first, a welcome prelude of rain (and rain-soaked park run athletes) kept participants inside the event's Ornee Cottage headquarters.

Next-Gen Herpetologist Chad Keates used the opportunity to give an informative talk and demonstration indoors with a night adder, puff adder, brown house snake and a chameleon, among other reptiles.

The rain stopped for a bit, the sun came out and a team of photographers and environmental scientists took participants out into the Botanical Gardens.

The event followed the in-

augural #CelebrateNatural-Heritage photography competition in Heritage Month in 2018. Photographers at last weekend's Bio Bash had the opportunity to get their entries in early for the 2019 Heritage Day photography competition.

For the 2019 edition there are exciting new partnerships planned. Look out for our next Photo Walk planned to take place during the National Arts Festival.



As part of the 2019 SciFest programme, Sunday 10 March saw youngsters gather outside the 1820 Settlers Monument to take part in a Soap Box Derby. The kids built their own carts, with the help of the organisers, and raced down the hill. Photos: Michael Salzwedel



The team responsible for bringing the two new water tankers to Makhanda, from left to right, Fakir Stoffberg (Process Technician), Vuyiseka Nyembezi (Internal Communications Specialist), Ali Sablay (Western Cape Project Manager, Gift of the Givers) and Saadick Abrahams (Quality and Materials Lead). Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

Helping hand for Givers from Isuzu

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

The Gift of the Givers were given a helping hand themselves on Tuesday 12 March, when Isuzu Eastern Cape donated two water trucks to the organisation for their use in managing the water shortage in Makhanda (Grahamstown).

The two trucks will be supplied by the newly-sunk boreholes that the Gift of the Givers have been drilling over the past two weeks, and will distribute water to a number of different water tanks stationed at various different locations around the town. The locations of these tanks will be finalised soon. Once the tanks are in place, members of the community will be able to use the tanks for free 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Grocott's Mail will publish the locations of these water tanks once they have been finalised.

Ali Sablay, the Western Cape Project Manager for the Gift of the Givers, was extremely grateful for the donation from Isuzu. "This will be

amazing, in the way that from our boreholes we will be able to pump the water into these tanks, and we will have set up JoJo tanks in different parts of Makhanda, so these tankers will pump the water into these tanks," said Sablay.

"Our mission states that we are cognisant on the impact that we have on the community and on the environment," said Vuyiseka Nyembezi, the Internal Communications Specialist at Isuzu Eastern Cape. "So putting that into practice, and hearing about the drought in Grahamstown, we thought 'let us come through and assist'."

"We heard about the Gift of the Givers, got in contact with them, and found out what it is that they are doing and how can we help out where we can in the region that we operate, so this was one great opportunity to do that," said Nyembezi.

The tanks were donated to the Gift of the Givers as a way to continue their work not only in Makhanda, but in the

rest of the province and even the country.

When the Givers eventually leave Makhanda, after they have done all that they can, the tankers will remain in the town for up to six months, according to Sablay, after which the situation will be reassessed, and the tankers will be moved to another area that needs their service.

In addition to the tankers, Sablay was excited to announce the progress that the Givers have made on their plan to help stabilise Makhanda during the drought. "We are very excited that out of the 20 [planned] boreholes, 11 have been drilled so far. The drilling process is going very very well," said Sablay. "We are still waiting on the government to let us know about the funding because we cannot carry out this project alone."

The Gift of the Givers also travelled to Bolotwa in the Eastern Cape on Wednesday 13 March to provide 265 farmers with animal feed.

Inspirational humility

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Just to mention a presidential award from Pakistan in 2006 following the earthquake there; in 2010 the South African Order of the Baobab, silver award; and in 2014 profiled as one of twenty-one South African icons. I am told that today's honorary doctorate is exactly his hundredth award.

In some of his work Dr Sooliman has seen the worst side of humankind, but he continues to be driven by his belief in a common humanity that supersedes class, race and religion.

Driven also by a deep sense of compassion – 'you want to help over and over', he says, 'when you see the pain and suffering of others'. But there

is, too, a cool temperament – 'it is impossible not to feel for people', he goes on to say, but in many dire situations 'you really cannot afford to sit down and cry'.

A humble person, he acknowledges the role of the many others who have served the Gift of the Givers so selflessly, but he also demands from them professionalism, efficiency, and a readiness to respond swiftly to emergencies.

He has a special commitment to Africa, stressing the importance of development, sustainability, nutrition, health, water and sanitation on the continent – and the importance of ending its 'begging bowl mentality' – through the work of the Gift

of the Givers it has become possible to tell the world that Africa 'was now giving instead of asking'.

Imtiaz Sooliman must surely be an inspiration for young people in our country, especially with its current simmering race and class tensions – inspiring for his life of selfless service across the world; inspiring for a life that has placed giving at the top of his agenda; inspiring as a role model who has demonstrated by his deeds his own conviction that our shared humanity transcends those affiliations and conflicts that tear us apart.

Mr Chancellor, I have the honour to request you to confer on Imtiaz Sooliman the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*.



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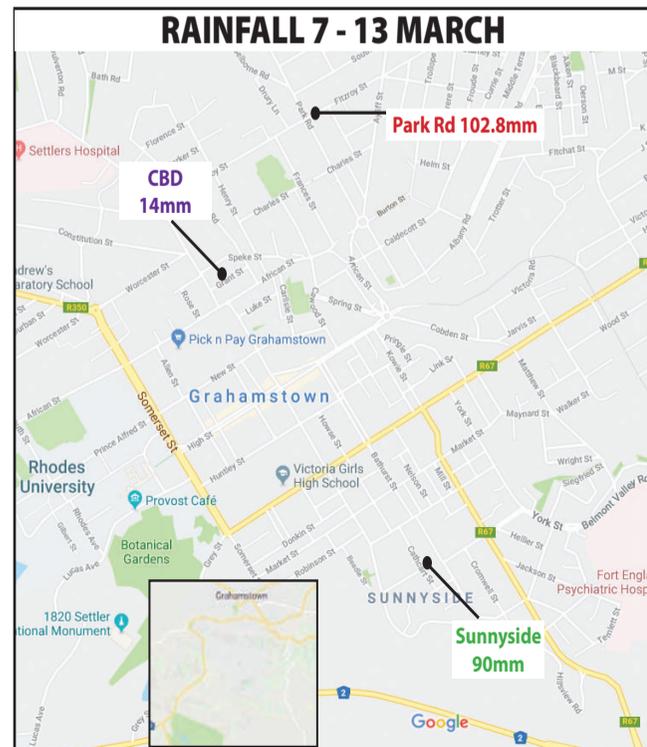


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Top sensei a knockout

STAFF REPORTER

André Bertel Sensei's return visit to South Africa was attended by close to one hundred participants from KwaZulu-Natal, Orange Free State, Western Cape, Eastern Cape and Gauteng over the weekend of 2-3 March. Bertel first visited and taught in South Africa in 2013. A large contingent of local karate practitioners based in East London, Port Alfred, Makhanda (Grahamstown), Somerset East, Cradock and Port Elizabeth were also in attendance.

The two-day Seminar was held at the Fairview Sports Centre in Port Elizabeth, and organised by United Shotokan-Ryu. According to USR Chairperson, Gary Grapentin, Bertel Sensei is a dynamic and inspirational teacher, with an unparalleled knowledge of Shotokan Karate as a form of Japanese Budo.

Bertel focused on the devastating self-defense techniques practiced in pre-World War 2 Shotokan Karate. Since the internationalisation of Shotokan Karate, many of these techniques and applications have been almost forgotten. "It is reassuring to know

that this rich legacy is being preserved by a practitioner as devoted and accomplished as Bertel Sensei," said Grapentin.

Originally from New Zealand, Bertel first travelled to Japan 26 years ago in order to hone his skills by training with some of the world's finest Japanese Shotokan Karate Masters. Bertel currently resides in Oita City (Oita Prefecture) and has been a full-time resident in Japan since 2013. In addition, he received private and special tuition from the late Japanese Shotokan Karate Master, Tetsuhiko Asai Sensei (1935-2006) over a period spanning two decades. As a result, Bertel was one of the few students to be taught many of the ancient kata (forms) researched and refined by Asai Sensei.

Apart from his South African Seminar, Bertel will also present seminars in Germany, Portugal and New Zealand during the first half of this year. When he is not teaching overseas, Bertel instructs an ever increasing number of foreign karateka who seek out his training in Japan, as well as numerous Japanese karateka.



André Bertel (right) demonstrates on Jody Young (Gauteng) while hosting his karate seminar in Port Elizabeth. Photo: Supplied

Brumbies, Stars triumph

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

The 2019 Mayoral Cup came to an end on Saturday 9 March, with both the Makana and Ndlambe competitions seeing exciting finals to their season-opening competition. The Brumbies First Team took on Old Collegians in the Makana final at the Oval, while the Trying Stars faced off against Klipfontein.

As a curtain raiser for the main match in Makhanda (Grahamstown), Lily Whites First team clashed with Easterns Firsts in the Third Place Playoff match at the Oval. It was a welcome challenge for all spectators and players alike to play in severely wet and rainy conditions. Both teams found it difficult to get into their rhythms in the rainy weather, which resulted in the match being a low-scoring affair. Ultimately, it would be Lily Whites that would take third place in the Makana Mayoral Cup, as they managed to adapt to the condi-

tions, and taking home a 10-5 victory over Easterns.

The main match of the day for the Makhanda faithful would see the Brumbies clash with major rivals, Old Collegians. Both teams came into the match after playing some great rugby throughout the competition. Once again, both teams struggled to get their trademark running style of play into action in the wet weather, however neither side were willing to go home without a victory. In a closely-fought contest, it would be the Brumbies that would get their season off to a great start, as they ran out 7-6 victors over Old Collegians, taking home the trophy.

In Ndlambe, the weather was no better for rugby, as the fields were equally waterlogged from the much-needed rain. Both teams from Trying Stars and Klipfontein, namely the Firsts and First Reserves, would be in action in their re-

spective finals.

The First Reserves final would kick off proceedings in Ndlambe, with the Trying Stars defence pressuring Klipfontein into making a number of errors. Trying Stars First Reserves would keep a clean sheet against Klipfontein, as they ran to a 8-0 victory.

The Trying Stars First Team then took on Klipfontein's First Team in the final of the Ndlambe Mayoral Cup, and looked to adapt to the conditions quickly. It was Trying Star's day as they managed to run in four tries to Klipfontein's one, and ultimately lifted the trophy as 22-5 victors.

The Mayoral Cup is always a great way to start the season for the local clubs, and provides fans with a chance to see how their team looks ahead of the start of the regular season. With the recent results, this year's season promises to be another great year for local rugby.



Miles Danckwerts of St Andrew's College, during the match between St Andrew's College and Nico Malan 1st XV at St Andrew's College Lower Field in Grahamstown, Saturday 9 March 2019. Photo: Supplied

Successful start to SAC season

By MATTHEW JENNINGS

St Andrew's College officially kicked off their long-anticipated rugby season with a 47-12 victory against Nico Malan High School. The first team had some regular absentees that were expected to start, but did not, however St Andrew's coped remarkably well against a side that started their official season much earlier, having already played three games.

The St Andrew's dedication and enthusiasm in their training during preseason showed on Lower Field, especially in the very rainy and cold conditions - A taste perhaps of what to expect next term in Winter.

The SAC Second and Third teams snatched wins on Lower before the 14h30 First team kick off, while all of the host Junior A team sides failed to register a win in what was very stern and tough competition.

Nico Malan ran onto the

field in their white kit, which, to the surprise of the gathered spectators, clashed with the home side's new white kit as they ran onto the field. After St Andrew's maul-carried first try, the home side switched jerseys after Flyhalf Connor Stulich converted to make it 7-0. With their original blue and black strip, the home side notched up another quick try to make it 14-0 within the first nine minutes of the game. St Andrew's got into forward gear early in the game, and after just 18 minutes played, the score already stood at 21-0 to SAC.

The Nico Malan fullback was very fluent in the runs he made and the team made a great run up field from the half-way line, but the danger was cut out by the SAC defence. After 20 minutes of play, against the run of play, SAC made their way over the try line to make it 28-0, with Connor Stulich not missing a conversion, while Braydon

Barratt and Matt Hillary carried the ball well in exchanges to help earn the wonderworked try.

Nico Malan worked their way up field, making it 28-7 with nine minutes remaining in the half, after a penalty punt helped them make up ground they otherwise couldn't.

Early in the second half, SAC had extended their lead to 35-7, before Jason Thomas went swiftly over the line to earn St Andrew's their sixth converted try of the game. Nico Malan burst over the line but failed to convert, before SAC scored their last unconverted try, to end the match with a powerful 47-12 score line.

The match showed the dominating spirit SAC were able to hold, as well as their ambitions for the season ahead, just a week away from their scheduled battle with South African College Schools (SACS) from Cape Town, at the Graeme Rugby Day.



After a short, sharp season and many hours in the pool, 13 St Andrew's Prep swimmers were selected to join the Albany Swim Squad and will be competing in the Provincial Gala in East London this week. Left to right, (back): Ethan Bradfield, Daniel Fowlds, Zack Swears, Jono MacKenzie, Gareth Johnstone, Mitchell Coventry. (Front): Matthew Ladds, Jaryd Mattison, Chase Repinz, Nicholas Smailes and Alastair Carle. (Missing from photo): Kayla Wienekus and Natasha White. Photo: Supplied

Fun run or walk for Joza Karate

STAFF REPORTER

The Joza Karate Club are pleased to invite you to attend and participate in the sports day event organized by the Joza Karate Club on Saturday 16 March 2019. The event is a fundraising initiative to send four local karateka to the World Union of Karate-do Federation (WUKF) World Championship in Slovakia in June.

The Joza Karate Club has been operational since 2004 when it was founded by Mzwandile Matebese, who is still the current Head Coach and Sensei.

Classes are held at the Joza Indoor Sports Centre located in Extension 6 from Monday to Thursday from 5 to 6pm.

You are invited to attend the sports day and participate in the 5 km fun run/walk.

The first 120 participants to reach the finish line will be awarded medals at the end of the event: 40 gold, 40 silver and 40 bronze medals. The entry fee for runners/walkers is R50 per person.

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There will also be food and refreshments sold at

the venue.

Have fun with your family and friends whilst supporting our communities' young stars in reaching the World Championships.

The Joza Karate Club will appreciate your support and contribution. For further information please contact Mzwandile Matebese – cell: 082 536 5290 or Nobukhosi Tata – cell: 073 233 9171.

Gear up for Graeme day

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

The 21st annual Graeme Rugby Day will once again welcome schools from across the Eastern Cape on Saturday 16 March. Graeme's Somerset, Marais A and Marais B fields will see mighty schoolboy rugby battles take place between all of the different 16 school teams.

This year, the annual rugby day will include teams from Kingswood College, Mary Waters, PJ Olivier, St Andrew's College, Port Alfred High School, Muir College, Queens College, Hoërskool Framesby, Grey High, Hudson Park, Hoër Landbouskool Marlow, Selborne College, Pearson High School, Dale College and the only non-Eastern Cape team, South African College Schools (SACS) from Cape Town.

Last year, Graeme's Rugby day saw St Andrew's claim a hard-fought 22-14 victory over Hudson Park, while Kingswood suffered a 13-22 defeat to Framesby. The hosts were highly disappointed with their encounter last year against Grey High, which ended in a surprising 5-34 loss against the PE side.

This year, the Makhanda (Grahamstown) local schools will be looking to kickstart their rugby seasons.

The opening match of the day will be the highly anticipated match-up between the Mary Waters First Team and PJ Olivier. This will be the only local derby on offer for the local rugby fans, as the remainder of the local schools will clash with visiting sides in what can only be a great advertisement for rugby.

St Andrew's have already got their season off to a winning start with their 47-12 victory over Hoërskool Nico Malan on Saturday 9 March. They will look to continue this start when they take on the invitational side from SACS in Cape Town. Kingswood College will follow with a match of their own against Pearson High School. The main match of the day will see the hosts take on Dale College in what promises to be an epic encounter.

As always, the 21st annual Graeme Rugby Day will mark the start of the local Schoolboy rugby season, and promises to highlight some of the best school's rugby in the country. Food stalls, music, and all-round fun will be available, to complement the hard-hitting and high-intensity rugby on offer.

National Champs for NV Cewu coach

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

On Wednesday 13 March, the NV Cewu's Head of Department for Senior Phase, Thulani Wana, travelled with the Eastern Province Athletics team to Germiston, Gauteng, as the coach of the boys U10-U13 section. Of the team from the Eastern Cape, 21 athletes are from the Sarah Baartman District team that competed in the provincial champs between 1-2 March, which was also coached by Wana.

"Its huge," said Wana on his selection to coach the provincial side.

"To coach Sarah Baartman district firstly, at the provincial games, it was out of this world," he said. "But now to coach the whole Eastern Cape, the whole Eastern Cape has my back and they are watching me. That means everything that I have been doing is being recognised."

"I think it was Oprah Winfrey that said 'Be excellent in whatever you do and just give it your all', those are the words that I live by."

As a coach at NV Cewu, as well as a teacher at the school, Wana's selection means a lot for the school and for the staff that surround and support him. "We always give all our energy to develop the kids," said Anele Ndyolashe, Prin-



Thulani Wana was chosen to coach the EP provincial athletics team in the upcoming National Championships in Germiston, Gauteng. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

icipal of NV Cewu. "So I am glad that he [Wana] is making it to nationals, from this historic background of us. This is a very disadvantaged school, so out of the whole province that he is selected to coach the Eastern Cape boys, we are so happy and are so glad to have this opportunity for own of our educators."

Ndyolashe is also proud of the fact that his district of Sarah Baartman has 21 representatives in the provincial

team, with one of them, Essonassiph Fani, coming from as near as Dambuza Primary in Port Alfred. "It shows the hard work and dedication made by the athletes and their coaches at school," said Ndyolashe. "It is a great achievement for us as Sarah Baartman; it shows that we are doing a lot to develop school sports in our area."

The National Championships in Germiston will take place from 14-16 March.

Nombulelo hat-trick sinks Ntsika

By MANDILAKHE KLAAS

Ntsika Secondary School hosted Nombulelo Secondary School's First Soccer team on Tuesday 12 March. Both sides were in action for the first time this season, which was evident when both teams struggled to connect passes in the middle of the park.

It was the home side, Ntsika, that found the back of the net first, thanks to a well taken goal by their striker. But the boys from Nombulelo showed why they are one of best sides in local High School Football when their little dynamite Siyaduma "Pani" Qude started

to control the midfield and eventually finding the equaliser for his side, just before halftime.

The second half was much better from both teams as they strung good passes together. However, it was Nombulelo who took the lead just ten minutes into the second half courtesy of Aphiwe Bolo. Nombulelo continued to dictate the middle of the park and they were rewarded once again when Aphiwe Bolo made a solo run down the left flank, beating two defenders before unleashing a beautiful shot to complete his brace.

With only fifteen minutes to go Nombulelo surged forward, looking to end any chance of Ntsika coming back into the game. They did just that when a cross from Mivuyo "Lorch" Adam found Aphiwe Bolo unmarked to complete his hat-trick.

Ntsika did not give up however, as they kept searching for a goal but it was not be; with the final whistle closing down an entertaining game in which both teams displayed very good football skills. Nombulelo won the opening encounter of the season by four goals to one.



The Graeme College U13 Tennis team were ranked second in the annual Grey Junior Tennis Festival over the weekend of 8-9 March. Notable victories for the Graeme team came against Bishops from Cape Town and Selborne from East London. Back row (left to right) Mrs Luden (coach) Joey Motsoo, Tyenu-Josh Cannon, Murray Tyson and Andrew Muir. Front row (left to right) Jesse McConnachie, Cameron Doyle and Rhys Wiblin. Photo: Supplied

KNOW THE SCORE

Parkrun #233

The 233rd edition of the Makhanda (Grahamstown) Parkrun took place on Saturday 9 February. Here are the top finishers from the event:

1. Unknown - no information provided
2. Zwelethemba Yaka - 25:21 (M)
3. Elliot Apps - 25:41 (M)
4. Unknown - no information provided
5. Quinlan Caiger - 29:36 (M)
6. Unknown - no information provided
7. Peter Stockwell - 32:16 (M)
8. Enoch Odei-Addo - 32:30 (M)

9. Paul Caiger - 33:19 (M)
10. Peter du Toit 33:46 (M)
11. Natasha Agnew 33:53 (F)
12. Jeanne du Toit 34:13 (F)
13. Stavie van Aardt 35:08 (M)
14. Andrew Stevens 35:28 (M)
15. Colin Price-Smith 35:45 (M)
16. Hilton Adonis 36:09 (M)
17. Stephen Beckerling 38:49 (M)
18. Rasayi Mdlankomo 39:38 (F)
19. Aaron Mdlankomo 39:41 (M)
20. Oliver Cartwright 39:54 (M)

Chippa United

After an all-out battle against the Black Leopards on Sunday 10 March, Chippa United would come home with a one-point defeat, losing out by 3-2 in Thohoyandou. Chippa, now at 15th on the PSL table, will look to bounce back from the last two losses, when they play host to Highlands Park on Saturday in the Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium, Port Elizabeth.

Rugby Sevens

The Blitzboks romped home to their first ever Canada Sevens title on Monday morning (SA time), after defeating France in the Cup Final in Vancouver. This was the first Cup Final that South Africa had appeared in this season, after a number of stalwart players made the switch to fifteens rugby in January. The Blitzboks beat mighty rivals, Fiji, by 31-12 in their semi-final, and the win moves them up to fourth on the overall series standings with 89 points, behind USA (First, 113 points), New Zealand (Second, 106), and Fiji (Third, 101).

Protea Fire

South Africa took an unassailable 3-0 lead in their five-match ODI series against Sri Lanka on Sunday 10 March, beating the tourists by 71 runs in Durban. The Proteas won this match after rain delayed Sri Lanka's chase, resulting in a reduced target via the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern Method. Following this match, South Africa hounded home to a six-wicket victory at St George's Park in Port Elizabeth on Wednesday.

Varsity Shield

Rhodes Rugby faced off against the Tshwane University of Technology (TUT) on Monday 11 March, in search of their second win of the competition this year. Their hopes would be dashed by the home side, who ran out narrow 25-17 victors over the Rhodes stallions in a highly competitive match. With this loss, Rhodes dropped to last on the overall log, just one point behind TUT, and will look to pull off a win in their last regular season match on Monday 18 March at home against the Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) in order to avoid the relegation spot for the second year running.

Southern Kings

A consortium of Eastern Cape business people has acquired a controlling interest in the Isuzu Southern Kings rugby franchise, SA Rugby was delighted to confirm on Friday 8 March. SA Rugby sold a 74 percent shareholding in SA Super Rugby (Pty) Ltd, the Isuzu Southern Kings' holding company, to a company called The Greatest Rugby Company in the Whole Wide World (Pty) Ltd (GRC). The Eastern Province Rugby Union (EPRU) has acquired the balance of 26 percent of the shares.



Daniel Berndt negotiates a change of pace on his way to his 97 runs for the Rhodes Shrews against Manley Flats. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

Rain forces Pineapple split

By STEPHEN KISBEY GREEN

Nobody will complain about how the 115th edition of the annual Kenrich Pineapple Cricket Tournament came to a close, with rain on the final two days of the tournament bringing much needed relief to the drought-ridden area. Both the A and B sections of the tournament had joint winners decided by the net run rate system, with only the C section having an out-and-out winner at the end of the week.

Rhodes Shrews were promoted to the B section after winning all of the games

that they were able to play throughout the week. They started the week off with a great 69-run victory over Manley Flats second team on Sunday 3 March, which can be seen as their best of the week. Daniel Berndt (97 runs) and Jason Wehmeyer (four wickets for 21 runs) shone with bat and ball respectively to give the Shrews their opening victory.

Kenton and Salem Seconds would share the B Section, after both sides looked strong heading into the final two days. Arguably Salem Seconds' best match came when they defeated Station Hill on

Monday 4 March, taking a convincing 96-run victory. Salem set a strong total of 240 runs, with Ross Pittaway (48) narrowly missing his fifty. It would turn out to be a good day for Pittaway, however, as he managed to destroy the Station Hill batting lineup in taking 8/60, and limiting them to just 144 runs.

Kenton, despite losing to Port Alfred on the Sunday, bounced back to break Tiger Titans by seven wickets in their clash on the Tuesday. The Titans took to the crease first, scoring 248 runs, with Zokes Simanga cracking 64 runs for his side. However,

with the help of Dusty Mitchell (64) and Christoff Groenewald (61), the Kenton side managed to chase down the total, only losing three wickets along the way.

In the A section, Salem would share with Southwell after both teams had experienced strong tournaments up to the last two days. Salem easily dispatched Manley Flats Firsts in their second match on the Sunday, which was their most convincing day of the week. Chris van der Meulen (108) scored a century for Salem as they opened the batting, and with the help of Leard King's 70,

Salem set an immense target of 320 runs. Manley could only manage 192 runs in reply, resulting in a 128-run Salem victory.

Southwell, on the other hand, had to wait until the Monday for their defining match which saw them go up against Rhodes First team. Southwell started with a relatively low target of 209 runs, with James Stirk's 60 being the best performance with the bat. In response, Ryan Harley's 55 runs for Rhodes was not enough to carry the team, as his support was not there, being bowled out for 134 runs.



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FRIDAY 15 MARCH CRICKET

• Kingswood College Founders' Weekend: Past versus Present matches

HOCKEY

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NETBALL

• Diocesan School for Girls: U15 A vs Pearson High School and Volkskool - Port Elizabeth
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SOCCER

• St Andrew's College: First team vs Fairmont High School and Sancto High School - Port Elizabeth

TENNIS

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SATURDAY 16 MARCH CRICKET

• Kingswood College Founders' Weekend: Past versus Present matches

Present matches

HOCKEY

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NETBALL

• Diocesan School for Girls: U15 A vs Hudson Park U16 A, Woodridge College U16 A and Westering High School - Port Elizabeth
• Kingswood College Founders' Weekend: Past versus Present matches

RUGBY

• Graeme Rugby Day: First team fixtures (Somerset) - 08.00: Mary Waters High School vs Hoërskool PJ Olivier; 09.10: Port Alfred High School vs Muir College; 10.20: Queen's College vs Hoërskool Framesby; 11.30: Grey High School vs Hudson Park High School; 12.40: Marlow Agricultural School vs Selborne College; 13.50: St Andrew's College vs SACS High School; 15.00: Kingswood College vs Pearson High School; 16.10: Graeme College vs Dale College. Various other matches (Marais A) - 08.00: Graeme College Under-15 vs Dale College Under-15; 09.00: Graeme College Under-16 vs Dale College Under-16; 10.00:

Grey High School Under-16 vs Hudson Park High School Under-16; 11.00: Kingswood College Under-16 vs Selborne College Under-16; 12.00: Graeme College 3rd XV vs Nathaniel Nyaluza High School 1st XV; 13.00: Cambridge High School Under-16 vs Albany Development Under-16. Various other matches (Marais B) - 08.00: Graeme College Under-14 vs Dale College Under-14; 09.00: Grey High School Under-14 vs Hudson Park High School Under-14; 10.00: St Andrew's College Under-14 vs Cambridge High School Under-14; 11.00: St Andrew's College Under-16 vs Pearson High School Under-16; 12.00: Muir College Under-14 vs Queen's College Under-14; 13.00: Muir College Under-16 vs Queen's College Under-16

SOCCER

• St Andrew's College: First team vs Victoria Park High School - Port Elizabeth

TENNIS

• Kingswood College Founders' Weekend: Past versus Present matches