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RESPONSES IN GRAHAMSTOWN
31/01/2019 – 06/02/2019

House Break-ins - 2
Arrests - 1
Disturbances - 1

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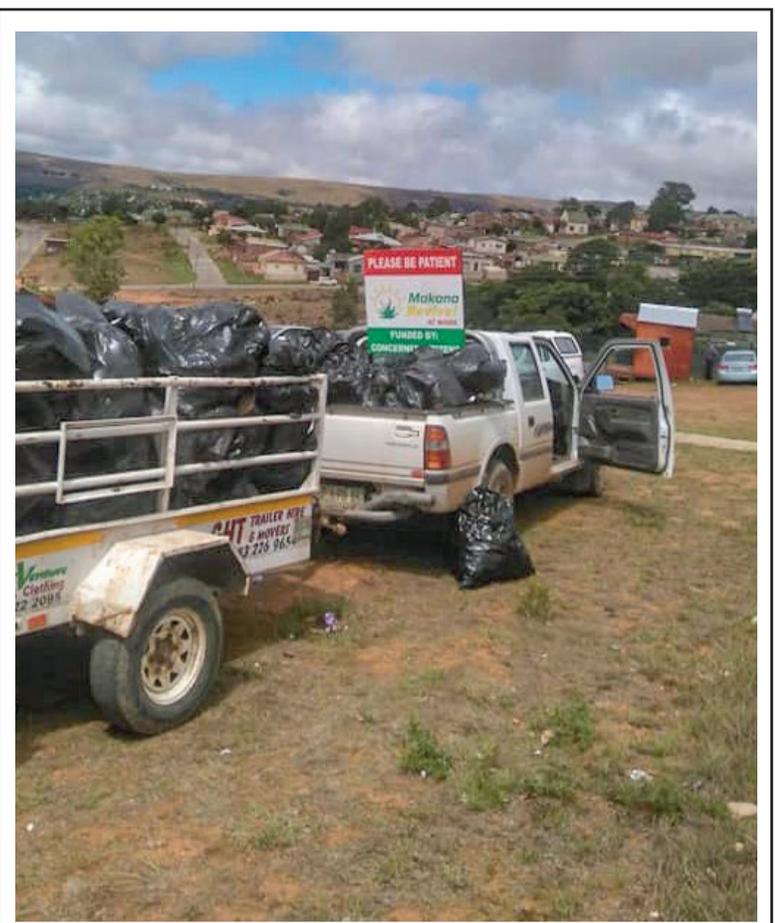
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Cindy Deutschmann and her team have been collecting rubbish around town for the past two weeks, in an effort to prevent the town filling up with trash due to the current SAMWU strike. On Thursday morning, Deutschmann and the Makana Revive team were cleaning up around Mary Waters High School, and have continued to do the rounds collecting rubbish and taking it to the dump. Photo taken from Facebook

Drug-linked abduction accused set for trial

STAFF REPORTER

Rhodes University says it is happy with what has been achieved to improve security on and off campus since the 2018 arrest of two men in connection with the drug-linked alleged abduction of a Rhodes University student. The men, who have remained in custody since their arrest, are due to appear in court later this month for plea and trial.

Following the 13 April 2018 arrest of the men (Grocott's Mail won't name them until they have pleaded), the police revealed alarming details of the modus operandi of the drug-related alleged kidnappings. Three such incidents had been reported in the first three months of the first semester, spokesperson Captain Mali Govender told Grocott's Mail at the time.

"In all the incidents, male students were stopped in New Street or Pepper Grove Mall by two... males who offered to sell them drugs," Govender said at the time. "The men would, once their victims refused to buy drugs, kidnap them at knife point and take them to a house in the location.

They were held there until they made calls for money to friends or family. Once the money was available they would be taken back to town where the money would be withdrawn from an ATM. After that the victims were released," Govender said.

The men will appear on Monday 25 February in the Regional Court in Makhanda (Grahamstown) for plea and trial. A previous appearance was held in camera to protect the privacy of the student involved, and it is possible the magistrate may make the same ruling when the trial begins.

At the time, Rhodes Director of Communications, Luzuko Jacobs said the institution was taking the matter extremely seriously. The students were receiving support from the University, including counselling.

This week, Jacobs said, "Security structures and operations on campus are under ongoing review and we are happy with what has been achieved to improve security on and off campus so far. We have also established more frequent liaison with the South African Police Services (SAPS) on all reported cases."

MAKANA BRICK
BUILDING TODAY FOR TOMORROW

FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY
Partly cloudy. Moderate SW wind.
Temperature: Min 19°C Max 36°C
Tides: low tides 11:44 23:53
high tides 05:42 17:47

SATURDAY
Cloudy. Light SE wind.
Temperature: Min 19°C Max 23°C
Tides: low tide 12:15
high tides 06:11 18:16

SUNDAY
Thunderstorms. Light ESE wind.
Temperature: Min 18°C Max 25°C
Tides: low tides 00:20 12:48
high tides 06:42 18:48

WEATHER & TIDES

MONDAY
Thunderstorms. Light southerly wind.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 19°C
Tides: low tides 00:50 13:26
high tides 07:18 19:25

TUESDAY
Rain. Light SE wind.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 22°C
Tides: low tides 01:26 14:15
high tides 08:04 20:15

WEDNESDAY
Partly cloudy. Light southerly wind.
Temperature: Min 13°C Max 25°C
Tides: low tides 02:14 15:30
high tides 09:10 21:36

THURSDAY
Partly cloudy. Light ESE wind.
Temperature: Min 16°C Max 29°C
Tides: low tides 03:42 17:25
high tides 10:47 23:42

FRIDAY
Partly cloudy. Light northerly wind.
Temperature: Min 20°C Max 32°C
Tides: low tides 05:57 19:01
high tide 12:25

Bail hearing for five rhino accused

By SUE MACLENNAN

The bail application of a Makhanda (Grahamstown) paramedic and four other men arrested in the Free State on rhino-poaching charges will continue on Friday 8 February in the Magistrate's Court in Makhanda. The men were arrested on 30 December in possession of two rhino horns. Microchips in the horns linked them to a black rhino in the Great Fish River reserve whose carcass was found there the next day. On Thursday 7 February the men began their bail application. It was their fourth appearance.

Counsel for the local man is Basil Williams. Charles Stamper, from Legal Aid, is representing the other four accused. A Tsonga interpreter was in court today for the second accused, who is a Mozambican national.

Williams presented Magistrate Ntsoki Moni with strong arguments in favour of bail for the first accused. The man would be pleading not guilty, Williams said. His family and business commitments meant that four school-going children, an adult child in a tertiary institution and an elderly mother, along with his wife were dependent on him as the primary breadwinner. The income of two employees in a business he owned would also be threatened. In addition, being absent without leave from work would have serious consequences with his employer. All these commitments, Williams argued, were an indication of stability.

The second accused was ques-

tioned extensively by Senior State Advocate Buks Coetzee, for prosecutor in the case, Nevada Adriaan-Daniels. With the assistance of the Tsonga interpreter, Coetzee questioned the man about his version of events, namely that he had been getting a lift to Tembisa in Joburg with the first accused, and knew nothing of the second vehicle travelling on the same route at the same time.

It became clear that there might be areas in the man's statements that appeared to be inconsistent and Moni called for an adjournment to ensure all the men were thoroughly apprised of their rights. "Anything you say here may be used in evidence against you in trial," Ntsoki said, warning them against self-incrimination, before the adjournment.

On their return, Coetzee asked questions about inconsistencies between the second accused's account of events, and evidence that would be brought to court in the trial. Cell-phone records and items seized by the police would be among the evidence used to argue a link between the vehicles, two rhino horns found in one of them and a rhino-poaching incident in the Great Fish River Reserve, Coetzee said.

The men were arrested in a road-block in Ventersburg, 150km north of Bloemfontein, on the morning of 30 December 2018. Their bail hearing continues in the Magistrate's Court on Friday 7 February. Grocott's Mail hasn't identified the men because they haven't yet pleaded.

MISSING PERSON

Police seek help in tracing missing men

The South African Police Service have issued a request for the public to assist in tracing these two Makhanda (Grahamstown) people who are missing:

Police have asked for help in tracing **SEBENZILE MICHAEL KUME (70)** was last seen by his neighbour on 28 November 2018 leaving his home in Extension 10, Grahamstown. He was on his way to his girlfriend but never arrived at her house in Hlalani location, Grahamstown. He has not made any contact with his family since then.

Police are asking for help in tracing **MBULELO BUDAZA (24)** was last seen by his aunt on 21 December 2018. He was walking in Ncame Street Joza. On the day of his disappearance he was wearing a green T-shirt, brown long trousers and white Adidas shoes. He did not make any contact with his family or friends after that. Anyone with information on their whereabouts please contact Captain Anton Annandale at the Detective Service Joza, Grahamstown on 082 3019 703 or 046 602 2761/ AnnandaleA@saps.gov.za

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

'Silent' strike continues

By SUE MACLENNAN

Two Local Labour Forum meetings this week have failed to resolve a "silent strike" in Makana Municipality's cleansing, water and sanitation, electricity and parks departments now entering its third week. This comes as volunteers work to clear rubbish piling up on the city's streets, contractors struggle to keep sewage infrastructure functional and a week of rain has failed to avert an imminent reduction in the city's water supply.

"The status quo remains – we are not working," SA Municipal Workers Union shop steward Wandile Duruwe confirmed to *Grocott's Mail* on Thursday 7 February. Protective clothing has been their main demand. Staff have been arriving at work but not carrying out their duties until the protective clothing arrives.

"We were given an update on the Bid Adjudication Committee [for the tender for the gear] today," Duruwe said on Thursday. "But we don't know how they appointed the ser-

vice providers. The status quo remains."

Makana Revive posted on Facebook Thursday evening that they had removed around 12 tonnes of refuse that day, including from schools, clinics and old age homes across the city, as rubbish piles up after two weeks of no refuse collection.

Vandalism at sewage pump stations and poor design of the waste water reticulation in Makhanda's (Grahamstown's) Extension 6 were the main reasons rivers of sewage flooded homes in the area early on Monday 4 February, Municipal Manager Moppo Mene told *Grocott's Mail*.

With Water and Sanitation staff on Friday 1 February joining the strike, a private company was on Monday sent to investigate for blockages and breaks in the pipes in the area.

When *Grocott's Mail* reached sewage-flooded houses in Extension 6 on Tuesday morning, a mechanical digger was at work uncovering the sewer in the road outside

Pinky Kamana's house. Kamana was helping a neighbour salvage her possessions from the dams of foul liquid filling the rooms of her house.

Opposite, Vuyokazi Stuurman was mopping up in the house she and her children share with her elderly grandmother, Dambisa Nxopho, and Vuyokazi's two brothers.

"It was about 6 on Monday morning that we noticed it. That sewage pipe (she pointed to a junction cover in the road) burst. It was spraying straight up, poured down the road and came straight into our yard, flooding the whole house," Stuurman said.

Family members were frantically trying to save what they could. Nxopho sat outside with a neighbour on her lounge furniture which had been carried out to dry.

The cloying smell of raw sewage combined with the acrid burn of Jeyes Fluid as families up and down the street frantically tried to make their homes liveable.

Extension 6 resident Mbulelo Qonqa's home had escaped

the worst of the flooding, but, he said, "These pipes have been blocked for a long time. They should have been sorted out last year!"

At Phaphani creche, caregivers shepherded children away from puddles of sewage.

Councillor for Ward 6 Thembisa Jela-Gaushe declined to comment. Municipal Manager Moppo Mene said the spills were caused by poorly designed reticulation, and blockages by foreign objects.

He confirmed that a private company had been instructed to remove foreign objects from the sewer and replace broken pipes.

A project to upgrade reticulation with bigger pipes, and carried out by subcontractor Mfuraa, had been funded by a grant from the Province through the Eastern Cape Development Corporation. It had come to a halt. Mene was this week set to be briefed by the new ECDC project manager.

Grocott's Mail spoke to Mfundo Kwani of East London based Mfuraa Projects & Gen-

eral, who said they'd completed two sewer lines – one in Joza and one in Hooggenoeg.

He said, "We did the pipelines – they're complete – but they're not connected yet. What's left is the work the subcontractor must do."

He referred *Grocott's Mail* to the project consultant who in turn referred queries to the ECDC – the official economic development and investment agency for the Eastern Cape. *Grocott's Mail's* attempts to contact the project manager have so far been unsuccessful. Mene said Makana had not been formally apprised of industrial action and that they would know this week whether to proceed with in-

dustrial action protocols.

A move to deploy Community Work Project (CWP) programme members to clean up in and around the CBD was halted when, Mayor Mzukisi Mpahlwa said, they were intimidated by striking workers. There are around 1000 CWP members in and around Makhanda (Grahamstown).

Mpahlwa said the rain had made no significant impact on dam levels and that the public was still called on to save water as much as they could.

"We have not yet issued a water-rationing and distribution schedule. We will do this when we know for certain that the supply from the west has stopped."

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Notwithstanding this reality, there will be no Day Zero in our city. Several organisations representing the residents of Makhanda and representatives from government have come together and developed a Water Crisis Disaster Management Plan. A Water Crisis Joint Operation Committee (WCJOC) has also been established to implement this comprehensive plan.

I would like to assure all citizens of Makana Municipality that we have taken all the necessary steps to address the situation.

In the short term, we are

going to extract underground water from the boreholes. We will also create a water treatment facility to treat the borehole water for consumption.

Our engineers are currently reconfiguring the water systems to ensure water from the eastern supply can be shared with the western part of our city. We have also put aside funds to fix water leaks.

In the medium to long term we have secured funds to upgrade the James Kleyhans Water Treatment Works to enable it to double its capacity from 10 megalitres to 20ML of water per day. Once completed, in two years' time, this facility will permanently resolve our water crisis. While all these plans are being implemented, I appeal to each and every one of you to do your part and save water.

We also endeavour to do all in our power to tackle other pressing challenges such as littering, illegal dumping and potholes. Working together as one, we can overcome these challenges.

For detailed water supply in-



Makana Mayor, Mzukisi Mphahla. Photo: Sue MacLennan

formation please visit <http://www.makana.gov.za/water-crisis/> and our Facebook page - Makana Local Municipality Communication and @Makanawater on Twitter

Feel free to visit our offices and enjoy all that this city has to offer.

Mzukisi Mphahla
Executive Mayor
Makana Local Municipality

Former learners give back at Samuel Ntsiko

By AZLAN MAKALIMA

On Tuesday 5 February, Samuel Ntsiko former learners donated school uniforms to pupils in need. Khayaletu Sami, who is now working as a Publishing Assistant, led a motivational talk during the assembly, where they encouraged pupils not to be troubled by their background or the school they attended, and that the sky is the limit.

Mrs Baliso, an Investigating Officer in the Family Violence and Child Protection and Sexual Offence unit, shared some insight about her line of duty. She also advised pupils on what to do when they are abused physically or emotionally, and to even report to teachers when they are in an uncomfortable situation with anyone.

Constable Wewe, in social crime prevention, also shared a few words with the pupils, and talked about how the police should work with the community to fight crime. She also emphasised respect – that children must respect each other



Samuel Ntsiko pupils and staff with their new shoes and uniforms. Photo: Azlan Makalima

as pupils too.

Present among the former learners was Mrs Ngqokotya, a Senior Fire Fighter, Miss Mancam, who is a Pick n Pay Supervisor at Customer Care and Miss Makeba, a Grade 4 teacher. Miss Makeba had a few giveaways in return for answering questions related to the talk.

The former learners were together at Samuel Ntsiko 27

years ago. They told *Grocott's Mail* that the reason they had gone to the school was to say thank you by giving back. They wanted to encourage learners – “because seeing is believing” – to focus on their goals and believe that they will achieve them, like they did.

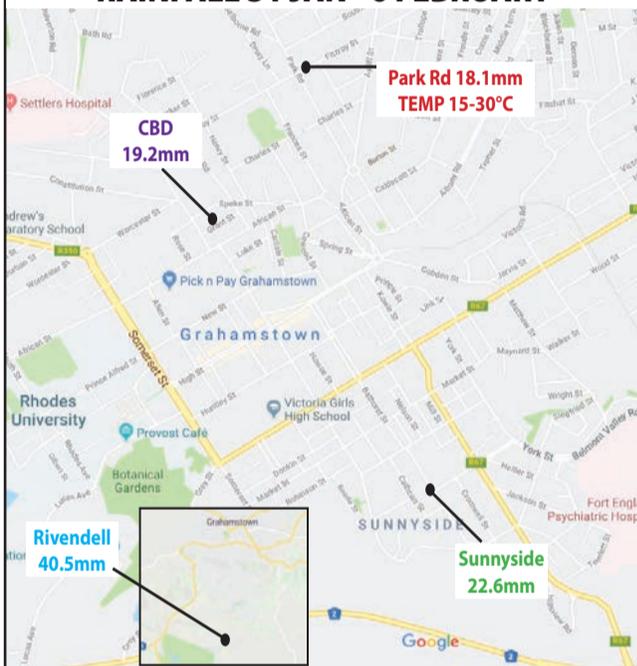
“Twenty-seven years later, we said our thanks to the school,” said Sami.

Principal, Nombulelo Koliti

closed off with a few words of appreciation for the former learners and thanked the parents for coming to witness the great opportunities offered to their children.

Earlier, the organisation, oMama baseRhabhe eLivingstone came and donated school uniforms to the school, saying, “No child should miss school because they have no uniform or shoes to wear.”

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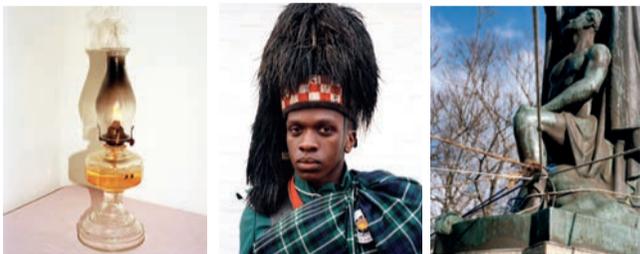
Made in Makhanda

STAFF REPORTER

Gadra Education will benefit from the sale of prints from a body of photographic work made entirely in Makhanda (Grahamstown), called the twist of a knee, 2018. Works by Makhanda-born artist and photographer CJ Chandler will be auctioned at the exhibition venue, Kowie Brake and Clutch in Dundas Street, at 8pm on Friday 15 February. The exhibition opens an hour and a half earlier, at 6.30pm and Chandler will conduct an artist's walkabout of the exhibition the next day, Saturday 16 February, at midday.

The twist of a knee, 2018, is a body of photographic work

made entirely in Grahams-town/Makhanda. "The monograph attempts to investigate chance, the everyday and the medium of photography," Chandler said. This was the first time the work would be shown at this scale. "All funds raised from the auctioned prints will go to Gadra Education," he said. Further print sales would contribute to Chandler's art practice. Chandler holds a Bachelor of Arts in Fine Art from the Michaelis School of Fine Art, Cape Town. He is currently based in Hamburg, Germany, where he is pursuing a Master of Fine Arts at the Hochschule für bildende Künste.



Some of the artwork that will be displayed during the exhibition. Photos: CJ Chandler

City set for Scifest

STAFF REPORTER

South Africa's National Science Festival, Scifest Africa will celebrate its 23rd anniversary event from 6-12 March 2019 in Makhanda (Grahamstown), Eastern Cape.

The theme for this year is "Discover Your Element", which celebrates the International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements, as proclaimed by the United Nations and encourages visitors to explore the many exciting exhibitions and workshops at #Scifest2019 to uncover their passion within the field of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

The 2019 festival will be curated by Dr Stephen Ashworth from the University of East Anglia (UK), who will also deliver the Brian Wilmot Lecture at the official opening. The Department of Science and Technology delegation will be led by Director-General Dr Phil Mjwara, who will give the official opening address. Lecturers include theoretical physicist and Mars

One Astronaut Candidate Dr Adriana Marais, Dr Daniel Cunnama (South African Astronomical Observatory), Dr Lotte Lens (Institute for Heavy Ion Research), Dr Robert Scerri (University of California). Dr Mathabatha Setati's lecture is supported by the Department of Science & Technology's Women in Science Award Programme. 15-year-old Eskom Expo for Young Scientists awardee of the Science Communication Prize, Lunga Nkosi, will also give a lecture on her latest ground-breaking research.

The programme includes a special live show hosted by BBC World Service's CrowdScience, where presenters Marnie Chesterton and Anand Jagatia will be joined by a panel of experts to answer questions sent in by listeners on everything from space travel to solar power. Questions can be sent to: crowdscience@bbc.co.uk. The official festival programme will be available at www.scifestafrica.org.za from 8 February 2019.



First-year students make their way across the Rhodes University campus during Orientation Week. The University says it is now set for the registration of returning students. Photo: Sue MacLennan

Registration on track

STAFF REPORTER

Following the registration of new students for the 2019 academic year at Rhodes University this past week, the University is now set for the registration of returning students.

"Although the registration process has been very smooth, we faced some serious challenges with students arriving on campus without being cleared for registration, as they had not received their confirmation from NSFAS. The University was, however able to accommodate these students in temporary accommodation on campus, and the majority of them have now been allocated to residence," said Dr Adele Moodly, Registrar at Rhodes University.

Returning students are encouraged to ensure that they are cleared for registration before registering to ensure a smooth process.

Moodly added that students from Zimbabwe are struggling to transfer funds to South Africa due to the restrictions with transferring foreign currency

from Zimbabwe. The South African ambassador in Zimbabwe has also communicated challenges and delays in issuing student visas. The Rhodes University International Office is liaising with the Department of Home Affairs (DHA) and the International Education Association of South Africa (IEASA) to request urgent interventions.

Despite the fact that the University only has the capacity to accommodate 1 650 newly-entering students, approximately 12 000 applications have been received.

Moodly stressed that admissions to Rhodes University are competitive and that the University can only admit a limited number of students.

"The planned intake of undergraduate first-year students for the 2019 academic year is 1 650. The University would offer more places to deserving students, but the number of spaces available is limited by capacity and infrastructure constraints, in addition to the formal Enrolment Plan approved by the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET)," she said.

As of Tuesday, 1 377 of the 1 650 students who have been offered places at Rhodes University have registered. Of these students, 1 249 are in the University's residence system.

Of the 8 300 students that are expected for the 2019 academic year, 3 780 will be accommodated on campus and those students who are not accommodated within the residence system are accommodated in town.

The academic programme is set to start on Monday, 11 February.

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Rain is not the only thing to pray for

The other day I stumbled upon quite a humorous scene: a young boy on a bicycle was intentionally stuck in a huge puddle. Paying no mind to the fact that he was stuck, training wheels deep in rainwater, the little boy continued pedalling, laughing and screaming at the splash of water that came shooting up from his back wheel. The carefree nature of the scene made me smile, for it was a brief glimpse of relief from the Eastern Cape's drought.

Similar to the young boy, Makhanda (Grahamstown) residents have also been in higher spirits since the rain. The hillsides are slowly turning a faint shade of green, and jojo tanks are quickly overflowing. There is no doubt that the rainfall is worshipped and praised like a high deity, and following weeks of prayers for rain, is rightfully earned. However, rain is not the only thing residents should be praying for.

This week as part of our rural drought reporting series our team visited Seven Fountains, Salem and Avondale. Ironically enough, our visit was in the rain. Although the rain helped residents to fill their tanks and buckets, rain certainly does not provide toilets, teachers, roads, houses or computers. The small communities are barely a blip on Makana's radar, but face serious service delivery and development issues.

Over a year ago we met Zola Mjadu at a protest here in Makhanda. Mjadu, a resident of Seven Fountains, told us about the horrendous sanitation and service delivery issues in his community. He pleaded for our team to come and report, but sadly due to the size of our news team could not make it until this past week. Despite the time lapse, Mjadu was just as excited to share stories.

On Monday, Mjadu and others told our team about the endless issues faced by Seven Fountains and surrounding communities. To our surprise, water was not the most popular discussion point. In this week's coverage you will notice stories about the water, of course, but also about security, politics, elections and education.

What this week's stories have taught our team is that rural reporting is incredibly vital to this newspaper. For three weeks now we have heard endless stories of rural residents feeling left out, forgotten and neglected by Makana, for the belief is that only Makhanda is part of Makana. Our coverage of the rural areas strives to break this notion, and bring a much needed spotlight to these small communities. Rural coverage will continue to be a priority for our news team, and we look forward to hearing more of your stories (no matter how 'small').

Okay, that's it, no more 'preaching' to the choir.

• This week's editorial column is written by Kathryn Cleary



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LETTERS to the Editor and COLUMNS



Good Shepherd Primary School Monitors for 2019 were recently inducted in a special service at the Cathedral. (Back row from left) Dr Reverend Claire Nye Hunter; Ambesa Dyibishe; Lathitha Mbongwana; Tyra Williams; Yonela Baffour; Yamkela Fiki; Banoyolo Nondze; Lisakhanya Baba; Devan Duiker; Liveni Kraqa; Manie Cronjé (Principal); (Front row from left) Ceaser Mata (teacher); Yandani Baba; Lelethu Ndubela; Zintle Thambo; Lelam Dyrha; Leolin Joe (Deputy Head Girl); Lunje Hoboshe (Head Girl); Alutha Botha (Head Boy); Mhlahli Msimango (Deputy Head Boy); Sinayo Krali; Onika Sam; Sphiwo Nondlwana; Jade Botha (teacher). Photo: Kathryn Cleary

Still hope at the end of the line

Thank you for the splendid centrespread for Alicedale in last week's *Grocott's Mail*. We hope this will serve to galvanize Makana Municipality and provincial government to attend the travesty of continued and rampant neglect of infrastructure, which devastates communities not only here in Alicedale but throughout this municipality serving Grahamstown and surrounding rural areas, and thus so many of the poorest of the poor.

As you have shown, and despite Letters of Non Conformance from the Department of Water Affairs served on 9 January 2019, giving the Municipality 48 hours to rectify, the sewage runs unabated, and we would ask what are the consequences of this blatant disregard – hopefully the arrest of the person/s responsible, for cholera is high on the list of possibilities if this is not curtailed and treated. The pollution of the Bushmans River in Alicedale (where members of our community swim and fish), and the impact downriver, is unforgivable.

As a community we hope for better things. A serious stranglehold persists, thus preventing investment which would bring this hidden gem that is Alicedale back into the light, offering opportunities and upliftment, not only to its residents,

but to others. As your piece advises, Alicedale's future was reportedly determined by a 'bet' over dinner; subsequently, and currently, a financial wrangle to the tune of many millions between the original developers – East Cape Development Corporation and Bushman Sands Development – creates a barrier to the investment needed. This travesty is well documented, with outcomes of High Court judgements found on the internet, but all efforts to contact either of these parties in order to obtain clarification as to when this matter will be settled, fail. But we will not give up... for the benefit of all, answers have to be given and urgent settlement agreed.

However, despite these challenges, we can confirm that the 18-hole Gary Player Golf course is very much open for business, nurtured by our wonderful greenkeeper Johan under these difficult drought conditions, the road from N2 to Alicedale somewhat improved with recent efforts at grading, the peace and quiet, wonderful bird life, bright night skies and the opportunity to escape from the madding crowd, is here and waiting.

Eli Konstant and John Bateson

Rise up and take care of your own trash

Once again Grahamstown/Makhanda was in a crisis. Right at the time when parents were enrolling their children for first year at Rhodes, our streets were ankle-deep in litter.

It was so ridiculous to see residents and shop owners leaving refuse bags, cardboard boxes etc on the pavements.

It would be a great help if every business in town took responsibility for their garbage and ensuring the space in front

of their businesses were litter free. Clicks, City Hall is a case in point.

How can we be proud citizens if we allow such things to go on. Rise Grahamstonians!

Concerned citizen
 J. Venn

Thank you for community care in time of crisis

On behalf of the residents at Settlers Close Grahamstown/Makhanda we want to extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Lieutenant-Colonel W C du Plooy and his son Matthew for removing our refuse on 3 February. That is genuine community work.

More citizens should be taking on such work in a time of crisis. Much appreciated.

Val Theron and Marg van der Merwe

GOOD IDEA

Press on, children of God

(2 Corinthians 4:8-9)

As fragile clay pots we, as believers, have the treasure of the Gospel within us, revealing that the power to save people is from the Gospel and not ourselves.

As we go about witnessing for Christ, we are not exempt from trials and suffering for His name's sake.

Jesus said, "In this world you will have trouble but take heart I have overcome this world." (John 16:33) Christ's followers are often 'pressured in every way' and troubled by various afflictions, 'but not crushed'. We are never so pressed as to be without a way of escape: God always makes a way, even where there seems to be no way. We are often found in situations that leave us 'perplexed', yet we are 'not in despair'.

We are never without hope, for Christ our hope is forever with us. If the world persecuted Jesus they will do the same to us, and yet we are never forsaken.

May we draw great encouragement from the knowledge that God never abandons His children no matter the intensity of the persecution.

God is always with us, through the waters, the rivers and the fire. 'We are struck down but not destroyed'. In the words of Matthew Henry, "Whatever condition the children of God may be in, in this world, they have a 'but not' to comfort themselves with; their case sometimes is bad, yea very bad, but not so bad as it might be." Press on Children of God, for the Anchor holds in spite of the storm.

Because we are partakers in the sufferings of Christ we will also share in His glory. Take up your cross and follow Jesus! Don't give up! Following Jesus through every storm is worth it!

Pastor Gino Nel
 The Bowker Street Baptist Church

Seven Fountains needs more than rain



Zola Mjadu lives in Seven Fountains, Eastern Cape.

By KATHRYN CLEARY

In reality, the municipality doesn't take the rural areas very seriously," says Zola Mjadu.

Mjadu lives in Seven Fountains, a community of about 240 shacks just off of the N2 towards Port Elizabeth. Thirty kilometres from Makhanda (Grahamstown), the area is surrounded by private game reserves and farmland. In a perfect world, the veld would be lush and the dams full, but as the Eastern Cape's drought continues, perfection remains distant.

Ironically, the day *Grocott's Mail* visited the area our greatest concern was getting stuck in the mud. That's right, mud – meaning that the rain was substantial enough to make an impact. Though our journalists did get a bit wet, the weather did not hinder our reporting.

The small community has their own police station, primary school, creche and mobile government clinic; and like other rural communities, it seems that everybody knows one another.

There is no formal water or sewer infrastructure, making sanitation and hygiene a concern for residents. "On sanitation we are really in a struggle, in order for us to serve ourselves we have to go to [the] bush. It's humiliation," said Ward Committee member Mkhusele Antoni. Pit latrines are the norm in Seven Fountains, but only if you have a large yard; for others, the bush is the only option.

Mjadu later told *Grocott's Mail* that more than 10 waterless toilets had been installed years prior, but lack of maintenance has seen them go to waste.

Antoni stated that there were four bulk water tanks and one borehole in Seven Fountains. He said Makana had filled the bulk water tanks recently, and with the much welcomed rainfall all the tanks were full. "If it's not raining it's difficult to get water", he said. "If it's difficult to get water then we phone the municipality to assist with trucks."

"Around 2007 and 8, the process of bulk water took place at Seven Fountains", said Antoni. The four bulk

water tanks are connected to a pump which supplies the community of over 1 000 residents. "Before, we were suffering with water. We struggled to get water, we used to ask the game reserves that are closer. But sometimes the municipality assists with the trucks."

"When we ask for a truck they will say it's broken or we have no money.

Antoni stated that Lalibela game reserve had funded the sinking of one borehole in Seven Fountains; though the water is brackish and untreated, residents use the water for household needs. Other residents mentioned Lalibela's involvement in the community; speaking fondly of the reserve's willingness to help.

Charmaine Gradwell manages Lalibela's community outreach, and has high hopes for the future of the community. She confirmed that the borehole was sunk at the end of 2017.

Gradwell stated that a number of Seven Fountains residents work at the luxury reserve, and says how heart-breaking it is to watch staff members return home to squalor. "I'd love their living conditions to be improved, but [that's] all on a provincial level," said Gradwell.

Lalibela takes an active role in the community, but expects nothing in return. "We want to help them help themselves," said Gradwell.

Lalibela also supplements the government feeding scheme and supports Masakhane Primary School, and hosts a holiday fun camp at the recreation centre. The holiday camp is free and open to all children and includes arts, crafts, dancing and meals. Gradwell expressed that the camp was not only a way to keep kids off the streets, but to inspire confidence and value through art.

"When it comes to service delivery, [Makana] don't take Seven Fountains as a place," said Mjadu. "Even the water - it must be the community that wrote letters after a long time crying to the municipality."

Seven Fountains is part of Ward 14 along with Alicedale and surrounding farms. Last week our team reported on the gross service delivery is-



The community of Seven Fountains makes use of a number of outside pit latrines. Several trees in the area also threaten the property of residents. This tree is leaning dangerously on one of the pit latrine structures. Photos: Stephen Kisbey-Green

sues in Alicedale, including sewage leaks and a diminishing water supply.

Mjadu was disheartened that Alicedale seemed to be receiving service delivery, such as road maintenance and housing, but Seven Fountains was left by the wayside. "You will see that there's no sport club here, that's why Lalibela bought the one on the road for Seven Fountains."

Lalibela also sponsors the local soccer and netball teams.

In late 2017, Seven Fountains residents took to protesting after months of neglect from Makana, closing the N2 and demanding to speak to the mayor. However, Mjadu stated that this was no longer a plausible method. "We stopped ourselves, [because] this is not going to help us.

"As we speak now we are having a crisis of scholar transport," said Mjadu.

This issue was brought to our team's attention by several other residents, with one resident taking matters into their own hands, making two trips per weekday to ensure 32 learners get to and from school in Makhanda (Grahamstown). "We are having that challenge here and I'm telling you it's frustrating," said Mjadu.

The Department of Education Grahamstown Circuit was approached for comment regarding Seven Fountains scholar transport, but could not respond by the time of publication. *Grocott's Mail* will follow-up on this issue.

Antoni stated that roughly 120 learners attended the local Masakhane Primary School, and with few teach-



The Seven Fountains Recreation Centre, which was funded by the Lalibela Game Reserve, lies empty on most afternoons, as there is no equipment or coaches available for sports teams to strengthen their skills.

ers, learners of different grades were lumped together for classes. Antoni stated that there were currently three teachers at the school, including the Acting Principal.

"We don't have computers here, so that is another problem," said Antoni. "We do have a library, but it's not like those in Grahamstown.

Antoni and Mjadu spoke about the high dropout rate, leading to issues involving drugs and alcohol.

"Education is important," emphasised Mjadu. "You will see the dropouts at an early age. It doesn't mean that child is dumb, but that child needs time. A teacher will never have time for all those kids."

"We make a plea, to all the departments to assist us," said Mjadu. "We need them to open their doors for us."

With elections in the near future, Antoni has no doubt that Seven Fountains residents vote. "I know they will vote because they are not satisfied about the poor performance of the municipality," he said. "In numbers, they will go and vote in numbers."

"The politics of this government are good on paper, but when it comes to implementation, that's where you see the holes," said Mjadu.

"People must go and exercise their right," he added. "I cannot predict what people will vote for, but we encourage them to go an exercise their right."

"At the end of the day, when we sit down as this community, we say 'guys let's take politics aside her, let's focus on what the residents of Seven Fountains want, and what

we can do better,' so elections come and go, but it's also your right. "What I always say to the people, don't go and vote with your heart, vote with your head.

"Tomorrow, what are you going to tell your kids? I was given a position to be a councillor - the child will ask 'what did you do, Daddy?'"

"They're not asking the ANC or the EFF, they're asking you, 'Daddy' because you brought that child to this world."

Above the loud pitter-patter of rain on the tin roof, it was clear to our team that Seven Fountains had a lot to say. Along with the drought, Seven Fountains faces many other issues that hold a tight grip on the community's future.

Grocott's Mail will continue to report.

Rain is the only option for Avondale

The cold wind and rain blanketed Avondale in a thick grey mist; buckets and bottles lined the perimeters of colourful houses and shacks waiting to be filled with perhaps the community's rarest resource- water. After searching for someone to speak to, our team met Bonakela Mbangani and Jack Gobile; two residents who struggle to access water. It wasn't hard to believe: there appeared to be more buckets and bottles in the community than residents. Avondale is one of three state-owned farms in the area (and among more than a dozen within the municipality) where the water supply is insufficient for the community living there. Makana Municipality has earmarked drought-relief funding to sink boreholes, but meanwhile continues to deliver truckloads of water to farming communities all over the municipality - at a cost that councillors have flagged as unsustainable. No money to repair broken municipal water trucks means that Avondale and many other areas received their last delivery more than two months ago. The communities on Castle Farm and Ripley were reportedly also experiencing dire water shortages, although the Grocott's Mail team did not visit these farms.



Dogs and other animals have become increasingly popular in and around Salem. They provide not only comfort and companionship, but safety and security. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

Salem water theft

By KATHRYN CLEARY

At the T-junction on the Kenton Road lies a small community that could fit on the back of a postage stamp. Salem might be quick to miss on a weekend drive to the coast, but the residents have had their own share of issues including water theft.

Two residents who requested to remain anonymous, have experienced first-hand the consequences of this crime.

"People steal [the water].", said one source. "We've had many reports in the last two months before the rain came that people were stealing the water."

The source described an

incident at a nearby property where the pipe from the rainwater tank had been broken in order to steal the water. The pipe was not closed, causing all of the remaining water in the tank to drain out.

The neighbouring Harare informal settlement is without water except for a few tanks.

The source told Grocott's Mail that municipal water trucks were seldom seen filling the tanks, "but so often the tanker has been damaged, or is broken".

The issue of water theft speaks to the larger topic of security in Salem. Years ago Grocott's Mail reported on a horrific farm attack. Since

then, security measures in and around the village have been drastically improved.

"We think that the security is much better," the source stated. "We've got Salem Security and the Salem Chat, which is on our cellphones.

"The first thing I do in the morning is to check and see who has reported what. They can report anything - check and see if Eskom is off, if there's a thunderstorm. They report everything.

"I think, the people we know are definitely feeling more secure," they said.

Hi-Tec was approached for comment, but had not responded by the time of publication.



Buckets outnumber residents in Avondale. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



Residents of Avondale have to rely on rainwater for the majority of the year, with their only other source of water coming from a borehole kilometres away, down a steep hillside. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



Jack Gobile, an Avondale resident, gets his water from a rainwater tank that is linked to the gutter system on the roof of his house. If there is no rain, his wife has to walk down a steep hillside to get to the closest borehole, with a bucket on her head. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



A piece of rubbish ironically found in Avondale. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



Nothing. There's nothing,' says Cynthia Ngolothi. Like other Avondale residents, she collects water from her roof when it rains. Photo: Sue Maclennan



A friendly dog in Salem greets visitors and helps with family security. Photo: Sue Maclennan



Chickens huddle in the rare and welcome rain at Avondale. Photo: Sue Maclennan



This one water tank is set up at the entrance to the Harare township in Salem, and is the sole source of water for its residents. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



Bonakela Mbangani, Avondale resident: "Nou, met die reen vandag, kry ek [water] van die dam af. Almal die mense vat dit daaronder... by die boorgat." Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green



The Salem store on the main road has been shut down for a number of months. It has since been stripped of everything valuable and usable and left a shell of the building it used to be. Photo: Stephen Kisbey-Green

2019 elections set for 8 May

STAFF REPORTER

South Africans will go to the polls for the sixth general elections on May 8.

President Cyril Ramaphosa announced this in his second State of the Nation Address (SONA) on Thursday night.

"This is an opportunity for our people to exercise their hard-won right to determine the direction of this country," the President said in a joint sitting of the two Houses of Parliament.

The President has already met the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC), which has started with its preparations.

The total number of registered voters on the voters' roll currently stands at 26 727 921 following the last voter registration weekend in January.

Most encouragingly is that of the 703 794 new voter registrations, over 81% [574 899] are under 30 years old. This means that the youth have heeded the call to register and take a stand in democratic processes.

Not all is lost for those who could not register to vote during the final voter registration weekend, as the IEC allows citizens to still register during work hours at their local IEC offices. This process is open until President Ramaphosa officially proclaims the election date (where it gets published in the Government Gazette).

The President has called on all South Africa citizens, especially those aged 16 and older, and in possession of an official Identity Document (ID), to register as voters (although only those who are at least 18 years old on voting day may vote).

Voters should take a copy of their barcoded ID book, smart card ID or temporary ID certificate when they go to register in the voting district in which they ordinarily reside. – SAnews.gov.za



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REFURBISHMENT OF GRAHAMSTOWN 11kV ELECTRICAL NETWORK - PHASE 1	MLM/2018-19/INFRA/006	80/20	8 February 2019	Compulsory briefing session and site inspection will be held in Grahamstown at the Sugar Loaf Sub Station on 13 February 2018 at 11H00	4EP or higher	22 February 2019 at 12:00

Bidders are required to submit the following MANDATORY documents (copies must be originally certified):

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- Completed and signed declaration of interest MBD4, MBD 6.1, MBD 6.2, MBD 8 & MBD 9 Failure to submit will result in disqualification.
- BBBEE Certificates original / certified copies must be submitted and failure to do so will result in loss of points.
- Originally certified Identity document of the directors
- Tenderers must be registered as a supplier/service provider on Makana Local Municipality supplier/service provider database and Centralised Supply database and proof of registration must be provided.
- Billing clearance certificate/ lease agreement signed by both parties the lessor and the lessee, if expired extension of the lease must be attached or statement of municipal accounts not more than 3 months old must be attached to and be returned with the Tender documents, failure to submit will result in disqualification.
- Local content minimum threshold is 90% as per DT MBD 6.2 for designated sectors – detail in the tender document.
- 30% of the building works value with be subcontracted to SMMEs.
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- Tenders which are late, incomplete, unsigned or submitted by facsimile or electronically, will not be accepted.
- Documents to be filled with black ink.
- Tenders submitted are to hold good for a period of 90 days.

REVISED PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2017 (PPPFA) POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:-

- Tenderers should comply with all the applicable legislation in relation to Occupational health and safety.

The Bids will be evaluated on the basis of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act No.5, 2000), and the regulations pertaining thereto (2017), as well as the Makana Local Municipality's Supply Chain Management policy. 80/20 preference point system will be used. The bids will be evaluated in two stages, namely:

- Stage 1- Functionality
- Stage 2-Price and BBBEE Points

Price (80)

BBBEE Points (20)

With regard to functionality the following criteria will be applicable and the maximum points.

No	Criteria	Points
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	TOTAL SCORE	100

Only bidders scored 70 points out of 100 in respect of "functionality" will be evaluated further and therefore eligible for the award, and bidders scored less than 70 points will be considered non responsive.

Bids must only be submitted on the bid documentation provided by the municipality. One envelope system will be used.

Bid documents will be available at Makana Finance offices upon payment of R1200.00 non -refundable cash fee for each tender document from briefing date meeting and is payable to Makana Municipality cashiers only.

Closing Date: Completed bid documents in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "**Refurbishment of Grahamstown 11kV Electrical Network Phase 1**", **Bid No: MLM/2018-19/INFRA/006**" should be deposited in the tender box situated at ground floor **Makana Local Municipality: Finance Department at 86 High Street Grahamstown** not later than **22 February 2019 @ 12H00** where they will be opened in public.

Makana Local Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any bid and reserves the right to accept the whole or part of the bid.

All Technical Enquiries are to be directed to Manager Electrical Department, X Bokwe, Tel 046 603 6062 and all SCM queries are to be directed to Ms. T Mvane 046 603 6222

Issued by office of the Municipal Manager: **Mr. M. Mene**
MR M. MENE

Water – from source to tap

This explanation by **Matthew Weaver** of the relationship between the catchment and our water supply was first published as part of a supplement focusing on conserving our water in March 2018. We republish it now to help our readers understand why, despite the welcome rain we have experienced in Makhanda (Grahamstown) in the past week, our supply dams remain low.

A catchment is all land where water falls and flows downhill, draining into a river or stream. Everyone lives in a catchment.

Makhanda (Grahamstown) relies on two bulk water supply systems, the Eastern and Western supply systems, each getting water from completely different catchment systems.

Eastern supply system draws water from the Orange-Fish River Inter Basin Transfer Scheme.

This water has a long journey, starting at the Katse Dam in the highland mountains of Lesotho, then down the Orange River which flows into the Gariiep Dam in the Free State, from there water is diverted through a long tunnel into the Fish River which is diverted to a weir and another tunnel to the Glen Melville Dam north-east of Grahamstown.

Raw water at Glen Melville Dam is treated at the James Kleynhans Water Treatment Works from whence it is pumped up to the two Botha's Hill reservoirs.

From Botha's Hill the water gravitates through the pipe network and two lower level reservoirs (Mayfield and Tan-

tyi reservoirs) to all the taps in the eastern half of Makhanda. The Glen Melville water system is owned by the Department of Water and Sanitation and therefore the Municipality has to pay for it.

The western supply system relies exclusively on rain falling into catchments above four local dams. Jamieson and Milner Dams, two very small dams (about 12% of the total western supply) at the top of the New Year's River catchment, are unreliable during drought and can contribute about 1ML/day.

Settlers and Howieson's Poort Dams are situated in the Kariega River catchment and are the main supply dams feeding Makhanda West and the town centre, supplying 77% and 11% of the total western supply system respectively. Water is pumped from Settlers to Howieson's Poort Dam and then up to Waainek Water Treatment Works for purification before being released via gravity through the pipe reticulation and lower level reservoirs to the taps in the western half of Makhanda.

The Western Supply System is owned by the Makana Local Municipality. While for the

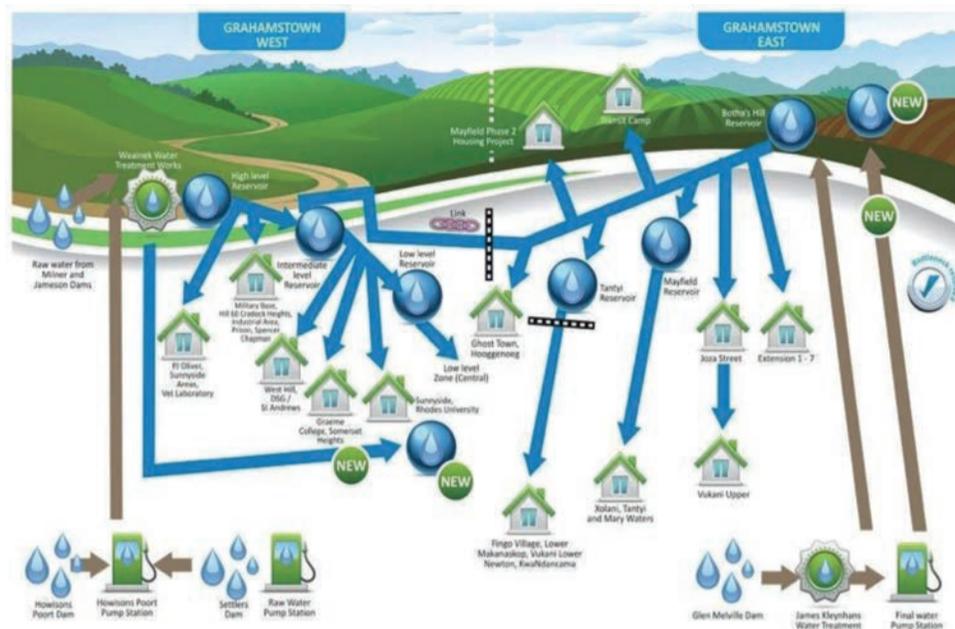
municipality the water is free, they still have to pay for the electricity, chemicals and staff for pumping and purifying the water.

So, although we have seemingly had a lot of rain in Makhanda this is of no help to the town's water supply, as it all falls in town and flows down the Bloukrans River (Amatyana) to Port Alfred. We need rain to fall in the catchments above our dams. Not enough rain has been falling into the Kariega River catchment for it to even start flowing.

There is a link between the Western and Eastern supply systems allowing water to be transferred up to the intermediate level in the west. To a small extent, underground water pumped from boreholes supplements surface water obtained from the two supply systems.

Challenges with Makhanda's water system:

- Currently the Eastern Supply System can only treat 10ML/d, this is not enough for all residents in the East – water is switched off at night to allow reser-



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voirs to fill for the next day.

- The Fish River water feeding the East is salty and needs extra treatment – for this reason it doesn't taste as nice as the water from the West which is from a different source.
- Makhanda cannot assume that water from the Orange-Fish River is an unlimited supply that we can increasingly

access, as it is fully allocated to many other water users such as Port Elizabeth and irrigating farmers, who depend on it.

- Makhanda frequently experiences droughts which affects the Western Supply System that relies on local dams and rainfall (rainfall range 400-940mm per year).
- Our infrastructure is very old

and regularly breaks causing much water to be lost through leaks (non-revenue water).

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MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT REFERENCE: 003522/18

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A Kingswood College pupil prepares to take a shot against the SACS goalkeeper. SACS won this game 12-5 and won the tournament overall, beating Clifton 9-6 in the final on Sunday 3 February.
 Photo: Daniel Goldberg

St Andrew's earn Makhanda-derby bragging rights

By **STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN**

It was a tough inter-school
 Makhanda (Grahamstown)
 derby day on the cricket
 fields on Saturday 2 Febru-
 ary, when Kingswood College
 locked horns with St Andrew's
 College for a number of high
 school fixtures. The day
 would go to St Andrew's, who
 managed an unbeaten sheet
 across all fixtures, with only
 one draw on the day.

Kingswood hosted the first-
 team encounter on City Lords,
 with St Andrew's put into bat
 first. After a long spell at the
 crease, the visitors declared
 on 236/7, and allowed their
 hosts to attempt a chase. Josh
 von Holdt (2/20) and Aidan
 Meyer (2/58) did their best to
 slow the St Andrew's batsmen
 down, but their side still had it
 all to do in their innings. This
 proved too much for King-
 swood, as they were bowled
 out for just 105 runs, hand-

ing SAC a 131 run victory. The
 second team match did not go
 much better for Kingswood,
 who travelled to St Andrew's
 and were put into bat. They
 managed a score of 86 all out,
 before the host batsmen came
 out.

St Andrew's chased down
 the Kingswood score with sev-
 en wickets in hand, earning
 their victory.

Both sets of third teams
 gave their all at Kingswood's
 Knight field, but it was once
 again the visitors who put
 up a spectacular batting per-
 formance, posting a target of
 337, losing seven wickets be-
 fore declaring. Jano Roux, of
 Kingswood, put up a strong
 fight for the home side, tak-
 ing 3/43, and contributing
 the most with the bat as well,
 scoring 21 runs. However, his
 side was ultimately bowled
 out for just 95 runs, which
 gave St Andrew's a 242 run

victory. It was a similar story
 in the Colts A and B matches,
 both of which St Andrew's
 won by 10 wickets and 272
 runs respectively.

Kingswood did manage to
 earn a somewhat positive re-
 sult on the day, however, as the
 Kingswood U14 A side earned
 a hard-fought draw against
 their counterparts from St An-
 drew's. Jean-Luc Basson post-
 ed a mammoth 127 runs in
 Kingswood's opening innings,
 being very well supported by
 Matthew Collett, who was five
 runs shy of his hundred, man-
 aging a 95-run spell. This al-
 lowed the visiting Kingswood
 side to post a target of 325/7,
 asking a lot of the youngsters
 from St Andrews.

As the day came to a close,
 St Andrew's were on 322/9.
 Both teams decided that a
 draw would suffice, as King-
 swood's youngsters could not
 get the last wicket in time.

Tough tournament for Kingswood

By **STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN**

The annual Merrifield Tour-
 nament took place on Friday
 1 February, hosted on Mer-
 rifield's tennis courts in East
 London.

The tournament comprised
 of the top four tennis play-
 ers from a number of schools
 around the Eastern Cape mak-
 ing up their school's team, and
 competing against each other
 in round robin competition,
 before the final log standings
 determined the winners. King-
 swood College took part in the
 tournament, going up against
 the likes of Merrifield School,
 Selborne College, Hoërskool
 Grens and Hoër Landbouskool
 Marlow.

Round one of the tour-
 nament saw the team from
 Makhanda (Grahamstown)
 take on the hosts in a difficult
 six sets. Kingswood were un-
 able to match the speed and
 skill of Merrifield, and ulti-

mately lost by six sets to none,
 which would unfortunately set
 the tone for the remainder of
 the tournament for the King-
 swood team.

Kingswood bounced back
 initially from their first game
 loss, playing some good ten-
 nis on the hot court. They
 came out firing against Grens,
 from East London, taking four
 sets to two, therefore winning
 the match. Unfortunately, this
 would be the last win on the
 day for Kingswood.

They enjoyed their mid-
 morning bye in round three of
 the tournament, before clash-
 ing with the top two teams of
 the tournament in rounds four
 and five.

Up next for Kingswood
 would be Selborne, arguably
 the best team on the day. King-
 swood would put up a good
 fight, but it was ultimately in
 vain as they were well beaten
 by a superior team. Selborne

won all six sets, before head-
 ing on to win the tournament
 overall. It did not get any
 easier for Kingswood, as they
 took on eventual tournament
 runners-up, Marlow, in their
 final game of the tournament.
 Once again, Kingswood gave
 their all on the court, but could
 not match the ability of the
 team from Graaff Reinet. Mar-
 low whitewashed Kingswood
 by six sets to none, ending the
 day second behind Selborne.

The Merrifield tournament
 was a tough one for the young
 Kingswood players, however
 their victory over Grens saw
 them finish above them in the
 final standings. The final re-
 sults of the tournament saw
 Selborne finish first ahead
 of Marlow, while Merrifield
 came in third. Kingswood took
 fourth place, while the wood-
 en spoon went to Grens, who
 failed to earn a victory on the
 day.

Herschel win debut in Brian Baker

STAFF REPORTER

Over the weekend of 2-3 February, Kingswood College hosted its eighth Brian Baker water polo tournament for first team girls. In a Jubilee year where Kingswood celebrates its 125-year anniversary, this event was always going to be a certain highlight.

The Brian Baker Tournament - in honour of the late Brian Baker, who was responsible for starting girls' water polo at Kingswood - has become an extremely popular tournament on the first-team girls' water polo circuit. This year's tournament saw Durban Girls College, Herschel and Crawford Lonehill take part for the first time.

All three schools have historically proven to be girls' water polo powerhouses. These three schools, amongst a host of competitor schools, as well as the full duration format of the event, have all contributed

to the Brian Baker tournament becoming a benchmark for girls' water polo in South Africa.

After the pool matches, Pearson and Reddam House emerged as the winners of their respective pools. These two were later joined by Crawford and Herschel respectively in the semi-finals. Herschel went on to win the tournament for the first time, beating a very strong Pearson side 13-9.

The host side, Kingswood College, played some very effective water polo en route to coming eighth out of fourteen overall.

The highlights of the tournament for Kingswood being their 7-6 win over Collegiate, as well as the nail-biter against Clarendon that saw the hosts lose 7-8 in the dying moments of the game. All teams will now turn their attention to the St Peter's tournament in Johannesburg at the end of February.

In a very impressive setting, Kingswood College again proved to be the ideal hosts of an event that saw most of the top girls' water polo-playing schools in South Africa converge on Makhanda (Grahamstown) to battle it out in the pool. The event continues to play a major role in the further development of the game in the country and will surely continue to do so for some time still.

Final standings:

1. Herschel
2. Pearson
3. Reddam House
4. Crawford Lonehill
5. Clarendon & St Dominic's
7. Stirling
8. Kingswood
9. Durban Girls College
10. Collegiate
11. Glenwood House
12. DSG
13. Alex Road
14. Hudson Park



Kingswood College hosted the Brian Baker Water Polo Tournament for the eighth year in a row, which saw several first teams from cross the country battle it out in the pool. Photo: Supplied

Graeme cricket dominates weekend

By STEPHEN KISBEY-GREEN

Graeme College enjoyed a fantastic weekend of cricket from 2-3 February, with their draw against Union in a rain-abandoned encounter being their only blemish. The Graeme First team took on Union High in a two-day encounter, while the Second team and U14 A sides took on Port Alfred High School's First team and U15 A sides respectively. The junior teams also enjoyed a clean sweep of results against Woodridge, with the U13 A and B, as well as the U11 A and B teams earning victories.

The GC Firsts were sent into bat first against Union in their scheduled two-day match, with the Makhandan side declaring on 213 runs for 7 wickets. Mornay Kohl and Siphesihle Madlongolwana were in control with the bat, each scoring 50 runs, with Madlongolwana ending his innings not out. Riaan Labuschagne added 45 runs of his own, with Cody Schmidt adding a further 35 runs to the team's total; sending Union in to chase their solid target, as the clouds began to roll in. Union barely able to get off the mark before the heavens opened, scoring just 61 runs for the loss of 2 wickets. The match was abandoned due to the poor conditions with the result ending in a draw. Graeme's Second team was more fortunate with the weather when they faced off against Port Alfred High School's (PAHS) First team. Once again, Graeme went into bat first, posting a fantastic target of 257 runs in their innings. Sonqoba Makalima (46) and Ryan Bush (44)



Port Alfred High School First team bowled well against Graeme College Second team, but could not limit them to a chaseable total. Photo: Supplied

were the pick of the batsmen for Graeme, helping their side to the large target. Port Alfred were washed away by the Graeme bowling attack, only managing to score 80 runs with their ten wickets. Asemahle Mbanga (4/14) and Aswyn Claasen (3/13) were phenomenal with ball in hand, and secured the 177 run victory for Graeme.

The youngsters from Graeme College completed their school's dominance over Port Alfred, when the U14 A side won a close battle against the PAHS U15 A side by just 44 runs. Graeme managed to score 112 runs before they were bowled out, with Onosiizo Ntinga contributing

the most with his 23 runs. A spectacular bowling spell by Christiano Jason, which saw him take 6 wickets for just 10 runs, lead the way for Graeme to bowl Port Alfred out for 68 runs.

Woodridge College were outclassed by the Graeme junior sides, not being able to secure a single victory. Graeme's U13 A side earned a massive 9-wicket victory over their opponents, after chasing down a 68 run target for the loss of just one wicket. Ashton Williams (6/22) and Murray Tyson (3/20) were magnificent and made it easy for the batsmen. The U13 B side followed up this victory with one of their own, ensuring a 116-run

victory through even more impressive batting and bowling.

The U11 matches were equally one-sided, with the Graeme U11 A and B sides winning by 190 runs and 7 wickets respectively. Graeme U11 A batted first, with Iviwe Mshubeki smashing a fantastic 68 runs before being bowled out, setting up Graeme's 246/9 innings. He was well supported by Keegan Jattiem (43) and Chris Zimmerman (31). The Graeme bowlers then took over proceedings, and bowled Woodridge out for just 56 runs. The U11 B match finished off Graeme's dominance, with the Graeme U11 B team chasing down a 45-run target with 7 wickets in hand.

New record in GCB

By CHESLEY DANIELS

Willows Cricket Club First team earned a record breaking win against Port Alfred in their Grahamstown Cricket Board's (GCB) First league encounter at the Country Club on Sunday 3 February. Willows demolished the home side with a punishing 244-run bonus-point win.

Willows took sweet revenge against the Port Alfred side, after losing narrowly in their encounter back in November by just two wickets. Sunday was a completely different story, with the spirited Willows side on fire from the outset.

Willows batted first and posted a defensible total of 268/9 in their allotted 50 overs. After a bad start, the talented batsmen Romario Fritz (49), Edrich Pieter George (48) and Marquin Tom Loutz (26), pulled things together with some fine stroke play and positive batting. Thereafter, it was the evergreen Melville Daniels who worsened matters for Port Alfred and punished the bowlers all over the park. He was very aggressive in his 81 runs. Rob Nel was the best bowler for the home side taking 2/56.

The Willows bowlers came out firing and full of confidence, and finished matters in no time, with Port Alfred back in the pavilion for just 34 runs all out.

The opening pair of bowlers, Winston Johnson and Cole Wessels, were on fire. Johnson bowled with extreme pace and aggression, while Wessels bowled with more control, displaying good line and length. The pair demolished the entire batting line up as Johnson finished with his best bowling figures for Willows with 6/8 (7.3 overs) and Wessels taking 4/20 (8 overs). Johnson and Daniels also shared the Man of the Match Award.

Southwell vs Sidbury

Sidbury ensured a superb and shocking win over the current log leaders, Southwell, on Sunday, teaching the home side a good lesson on their own turf. Sidbury batted first and posted a mammoth 348/9 (50). Archie Chirinda (80), Mike Lourens (78), Hugh Savage (39) and Greg Evans (29), all batted beautifully. Sidbury's bowlers started off well and placed constant pressure on the Southwell batsmen. Evans (3/41 (9)), Ronny Roth (2/67 (10)), Lourens (2/40 (6)) and Bryce Howarth (2/42 (8)) all bowled extremely well. Southwell could only managed to reply with 262 runs. Daine Kruger stood firm for his brave 88 runs, while Kyle Van Niekerk contributed with a flamboyant 76 of his own.

Cuylerville vs Salem

After a bad and slow start to the first half of the season, Cuylerville came back nicely with a few good consecutive wins in the second half. They comprehensively dispatched Salem in a 109-run bonus point win, posting a steady 312 and bowling out Salem for 203 runs.

Charlie Muir was devastating with the bat, scoring his second century for the season with 122 runs. He was well supported by his captain, Steven Gornall (57), as well as Richard Muir (63) and Brandon Handley (29). Chris Van der Meulen (75), Jonty Van der Meulen (36), Simon Amm (23) and Kevin Bennett (20), all tried with the bat for Salem but it was not enough.

Warren Tarr (2/44 (10)), Jamie Renton (2/57 (10)), Gornall 2/24 (6) and Taylor Ntukela (2/52 (7.3)), were instrumental with the ball and ensuring the win for Cuylerville.

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Parkrun #228

The 228th edition of the Grahamstown (Makhanda) Parkrun took place on Saturday 2 February. There were 197 runners, joggers and walkers taking part, with the top ten runners being:

1. Justin Stoddart - 20:07 (M)
2. Melikhaya Jacobs - 21:34 (M)
3. Unknown - No information recorded

4. Cee-Jay Porthen - 22:22 (M)
5. Heath Webber - 22:50 (M)
6. Sarah Raubenheimer - 23:01
7. Kennedy Khuzwayo Simango - 23:23 (M)
8. Keagan Ellenberger - 23:42 (M)
9. Thoko Sipungu - 23:45 (M)
10. Unknown - No information recorded

Varsity Cup
The FNB Varsity Cup got off to a great start over the past week, with North West University (Pukke), University of Cape Town (Ikeys), University of Pretoria (Tuks), and Stellenbosch (Maties) recording victories over the University of Johannesburg (UJ), University of the Western Cape (UWC), Central University of Technology (CUT), and the University of the Witwatersrand (Wits) respectively. Rhodes University will once again take part in the FNB Varsity Shield, which gets underway on Monday 18 February.

SA vs Sri Lanka
Proteas women's all-rounder Suné Luus showed good character when she set up her side's two-wicket win with a second career five-wicket haul in their second women's T20 international fixture against Sri Lanka at the Bidvest Wanderers on Sunday 3 February. The hosts took an unassailable 2-0 lead in the three-match series. Luus' 5/14 in 3.4 overs was not even her career best, she took a sensational 5/8 against Ireland at the 2016 ICC Women's World T20 in India. The Proteas swept the series with their final victory on Wednesday.

Chippa United
Despite their recent one-all draw against Baroka on Sunday 3 February, Chippa United will go into their upcoming fixture against Free State Stars on Saturday full of confidence, having remained undefeated in their previous three matches. Their recent draw took the Port Elizabeth side one place above their opponents on the PSL table, and Chippa will be wanting to cause problems for the home side when they take on the Stars in Bloemfontein.

SA vs Pakistan
South Africa clinched their three match T20 International series against the touring Pakistan on Sunday 3 February, with one match still to play on Wednesday 6 February. This result meant that the hosts would secure bragging rights over the tourists in all three codes of the sport, having also won the five day series (3-0) and the ODI series (3-2) earlier in the year. Wednesday's match saw Pakistan get a token victory over the hosts, winning by 27 runs to finish the series 2-1 in favour of SA.

Pro14
After yet another agonising last minute defeat to the Toyota Cheetahs on Saturday 2 February, the Isuzu Southern Kings will take a much deserved break this weekend, as they travel to Ireland to take on Munster next week. The Cheetahs will also enjoy their off weekend, as they prepare to continue their new-found form against Connacht in the same weekend.



Cameron Rafferty of St Andrew's, during the St Andrew's College Shield match between St Andrew's and Glenwood House at St Andrew's College in Grahamstown, Friday 1 February 2019. Photo: Supplied

SACS triumphs at Shield

By DANIEL GOLDBERG

The St Andrew's College Shield took place last weekend at St Andrew's from January 31 until February 3. The tournament is held annually, consisting of 11 top schools' water polo teams competing for the Shield from Durban, Cape Town, East London, Port Elizabeth, George and Makhanda (Grahamstown). This made for a larger and more challenging tournament than the previous year's event, which consisted of only eight teams. The teams were split into two

groups; Pool A consisted of South African College Schools (SACS), Grey High, Selborne, Reddam, and Kingswood College, while Pool B consisted of Bishops, Clifton, St Andrew's, Pearson, Glenwood House, and Stirling. Despite the welcomed and much-needed rain received over the weekend, which normally is not preferable for the sport, the players from their respective high schools gave it their all in the pool and produced their best performances in pursuit of the Shield. The hosts produced noteworthy

victories against Pearson (14-4), Bishops (7-3) and Glenwood House (19-6). St Andrew's ended the tournament in fifth place overall, which, given the increased challenge of the extra teams, is commendable despite their runners-up position in last year's tournament. Kingswood College also produced a good victory over Glenwood house, winning 7-3. After the pool stages SACS, Pearson, Reddam, Bishops, Grey High, St Andrew's, Selborne, and Clifton progressed into the quarter finals. The fi-

nal came down to SACS and Clifton, which was a hotly contested battle where both teams fought down to the wire. After the buzzer of the final chukka, SACS emerged victorious over Clifton 9-6. In order of fifth to first, the final standings were St Andrew's, Bishops, Grey High, Clifton, and SACS. Overall the tournament was a roaring success. The teams competing showed great displays of sportsmanship and spirit, with discipline being kept to an exemplary standard throughout the tournament.

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FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY

CRICKET

- Kingswood College: 3rd team vs Otto du Plessis (Day/Night) (Kingswood).
- Graeme College: 1st team vs Muir College - CSA T20 (Muir).

GOLF

- St Andrew's College: U18 A vs Queens College.

SQUASH

- Kingswood College: Teams depart for the St Andrew's (Bloem) FNB Invitational.

SWIMMING:

- Kingswood College: A League Gala (Newton Park Pool, PE).

TENNIS

- St Andrew's College: 1st teams and U15 A vs Queens College (Queens).
- Kingswood College: 1sts and 2nds vs DSG (DSG); U15 B vs Pearson (Pearson).

WATER POLO

- St Andrew's College: U18 A, 3rds, 4ths, 5ths, U15 A and U15 B on Southern Cape visit (including Graeme College 1st team).
- St Andrew's College: 2nd team and U15 A vs Oakhill School.

SATURDAY 9 FEBRUARY

BASKETBALL

- Kingswood College: Girls Quadrangular (Kingswood).
- St Andrew's College: Boys Quadrangular (SAC).

CRICKET

- Graeme College (Junior): U13 B, U11 B (Graeme), U13 A and U11 A (Away) vs Sunridge.
- Graeme College (Senior): 1st team, U15 A (Graeme), 2nd team and U14 A (Away) vs Alexander Road.
- Kingswood College: 1st team (Away), 2nd team and U14 A (Home) vs Woodridge; 3rd team vs Otto du Plessis (Home).
- St Andrew's College: 1st team, 2nd team, 3rd team, 4th team, 5th team, 6th team, U15 A, U15 B, U14 A and U14 B vs Queens College.
- Grahamstown Cricket Board (GCB) - 1st League:

Cuylerville vs Southwell (Shaw Park); Port Alfred vs Manley Flats (Country Club); Makana Sona vs Salem (Albany); Sidbury vs Willows (Sidbury) - 2nd League: Salem vs Cuylerville (Salem); Manley Flats vs Southwell (Manley Flats); Kenton vs Sidbury (BRM); Early Birds vs Station Hill (Hilpert); Tiger Titans vs Port Alfred (Hospital).

SQUASH

- Kingswood College: St Andrew's (Bloem) FNB Invitational.

SWIMMING

- Kingswood College: A League Gala (Newton Park Pool, PE).

TENNIS

- Kingswood College: Girls Albany Trials and Challenges.

WATER POLO

- Jason Murray U14 tournament hosted by Selborne College: Kingswood, St Andrew's College and Diocesan School for Girls (Returns)
- Alexander Road Festival: Kingswood College, St Andrew's College and DSG.
- St Andrew's College: 2nd team Southern Cape visit; U14 A vs Selborne College (Selborne)

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