

# Driver wrecks neighbour's wall

A West Acres family could only look on in amazement as yet another car came crashing through their garden wall early on Saturday evening - for the fourth time in total and the third during the past three years.

The crash took place on the corner of Banket and Delta streets, bordering the access road to a town-house cluster.

In what appears to be an amazing feat, a relative of one of the neighbours managed to lodge her vehicle into the wall, at a right angle to the road.

Although the wall was destroyed, the attached palisade fence remained intact, and the driver could count her lucky stars that she came away unscathed.

The occupants of both the house and a granny flat on the premises where startled by a high-impact bang after 19:00.

They ran out to view the surreal sight of the car perched halfway into their garden. It was the first time a crash had occurred at that particular spot, as the three previous incidents were all at the other end of the yard at the bottom of a slope.

"The first time was years ago and simply a case of a not-too-secure handbrake failing.

"The two subsequent occasions involved neighbours and friends of neighbours - and a fair amount of alcohol," resident Ms Ciska Kay remarked.

"Sober people seem to have no problem

negotiating the wall," she added dryly. The driver retreated into the neighbour's house soon after the accident and refused treatment from rescue personnel.

The family doesn't have a solution to the problem, but is concerned about the regularity of the accidents.

"It's scary. The cars usually come crashing through the bottom of the garden right next to our bedroom wall.

"This time it's the area where my daughter usually plays. But what can you do?

"Wishing people would stop drinking and driving is like praying for world peace - it simply isn't going to happen, is it?" Kay concluded.



The damaged wall.

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#### Stefan de Villiers

After numerous complaints about the state Van Riebeeck Park's swimming pool had been in, Mbombela Local Municipality (MLM) worked tirelessly to try and get it up to scratch. Late last month it had been in such a state that it seemed as if the swimming season would end before it had even started. Yet MLM worked dilligently to get it ready and treat the water with chemicals, and the pool is now open to the public.

The rumour that the filter pump had never been replaced was put to rest when Mr Joseph Ngala, spokesman for MLM confirmed that it had indeed been replaced and was in a working condition. The garden, lawn and facilities were much neater than they had been a month ago.

This photo was recently taken at Van Riebeeck Park, and according to Mr Martin Barraclough, caretaker of the Van Riebeeck Complex, the pool looks even cleaner after it had been taken.

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#### What doyou Cellphone scam may be have to sa inside job Yes, I also

support the idea that it might be an inside

scam. When RICA was first launched, we were assured that it is done to combat crime, now it's worse than before, because everyone is required to RICA the sim card before use. Why is it difficult to arrest these people? I am receiving these messages every morning when I wake up, and today I decided to call the number, and this woman calling herself Candies said she is still going through her computer to search my name, and I told her to stop nonsense of robbing innocent people, and she hung up. Again I was once the victim of identity theft while I was having my ID with me, and that person managed to purchase a cellphone from Vodacom with my name and ID number, with a different address. My question is why it is difficult to arrest these thugs, unless it is an inside job? - Ellen

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# Unidentified gardener dies after collision with bakkie

#### Stefan de Villiers

A male cyclist in his thirties who worked as a gardener in West Acres, was run over and killed by a bakkie on Monday.

Medical personnel rushed to the scene behind I'langa Mall near the junction of Flamboyant and Bitterbessie/Silver Oak streets at around 09:00. They found that the man had already died from his injuries. His identity is being witheld since his family has not been notified of his death as yet.

The woman who drove the bakkie was too shocked shortly after the incident to tell authorities exactly what had happened. The security camera on that specific strip of the road also did not cover the spot where the accident occurred. The first paramedics on the scene, Netcare 911, declared the cyclist dead just after 09:00. It is suspected that he died form severe head injuries.





The scene where the cyclist was killed.

### Voorliefde vir kaas kry die oorhand oor drie vermeende diewe

#### Heléne Eloff

Kaas blyk gewild te wees onder vermeende diewe, maar neem 'n mens die reg in eie hande wanneer jou mamma Melrose vergeet?

Drie vermeende diewe moes Maandag in die beskuldigdebank vir landdros me. Christa du Plessis op 'n klag van diefstal te woord staan. Hulle word daarvan beskuldig dat hulle kaas gesteel het. Dit blyk dat die voorliefde vir hierdie heilsame kalsiumhappie deur oud en jonk gedeel word - dit is na wat verneem word een van die items wat wêreldwyd die meeste van die winkelrakke af gesteel word. Vleis en sjokolade is ook baie gewild.

Die eerste beskuldigde, mnr. Errol Mew, het skuldig gepleit op die klag dat hy kaas en hoender gesteel het.

Die hof het die saak uitgestel, aangesien Mew Dinsdag ook op 'n ander strafregtelike klag in die hof moes verskyn. 'n Agtienjarige man het ook skuldig gepleit en die staatsaanklaer het afwending as die gepaste vonnisprosedure aanbeveel. Dit behels dat 'n gemeenskapsgeoriënteerde vorm van straftoediening gekies word, waar die beskuldigde geleer word om eerder die gemeenskap te dien as om gestraf te word. Die saak is tot 29 Oktober vir die finalisering van die besonderhede hierin uitgestel.

Die derde beskuldigde hou glo spesifiek

#### van Parmalat.

Teen druktyd was dit onbekend wat met hom in die hof gebeur het. 'n Opgeskorte vonnis van tot en met 'n jaar en 'n half kan diegene wat skuldig bevind word, in die gesig staar.

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## Loads of electronic goods only lead to emptying your pockets

#### **Wouter Pienaar**

A new scam that uses electronics and the newest technology as its selling point has been doing the rounds over the past week. The suppliers of these electronic goods send at a local electronics store. He informed me about fantastic deals for a wide variety of electronics. The prices were very low and I enquired. The next week I constantly received nagging messages telling me to buy the stock before it was sold out."

Some of these low prices included a



# Man wil nie borg hê

#### Hy het glo rylopers beroof

#### Helené Eloff

Die vermeende rower wat danksy 'n Facebook-veldtog aangekeer is, gaan nou nie meer om borgtog aansoek doen nie.

Mnr. Theo Rossouw, 'n inwoner van Centurion, is op 7 September gearresteer en aangekla van roof met verswarende omstandighede en diefstal. Die beskuldigde het glo niksvermoedende rylopers 'n rat voor die oë gedraai deur hulle 'n rygeleentheid aan te bied en toe te beroof. Rossouw het ook na bewering by verskeie vulstasies sy brandstoftenk volgemaak en dan weggery sonder om daarvoor te betaal.

*Nelspruit Post* het vroeër berig dat die beskuldigde se borgaansoek vandeesweek in die plaaslike landdroshof sou voortgaan, onderhewig daaraan dat sy woonadres in Centurion bevestig word. Daar is egter intussen besluit dat die borgaansoek vir eers oorgehou sal word en die aangeleentheid is tot 8 Oktober uitgestel. Bemiddeling sal intussen deur die hof oorweeg word.

### Suspect misses court over second arrest

#### Helené Eloff

A second arrest prevented a resident from appearing for a court appearance last week. The man was due to appear on a robbery charge in the Nelspruit Magistrate's Court on Thursday. However, he failed to attend because he was arrested on another charge by the Hawks the day before.

Capt Paul Ramaloka, spokesman for the Hawks, has confirmed that the suspect was apprehended last Wednesday afternoon, and that he was currently being detained in eMalahleni.

*Nelspruit Post* has received confirmation from a member of the Middelburg Community Policing Forum that he was arrested in connection with the robbery of an SBV cash centre in eMalahleni that took place in April. The robbery case in Mbombela against the accused has been postponed to October 13.

out chain messages detailing a variety of bargains in return for a cash deposit.

One local resident, who wanted to remain anonymous, told *Nelspruit Post* about one of the incidents that made him realise the nature of the scam. "I received an SMS last Sunday from a man who claimed to work



The type of electronic goods that the scam advertises.

Samsung flat-screen television for R4 000 as well as a brand-new Playstation 4 for R1 500, which is valued at R6 000. After dealing with missed calls from the

He informed me about fantastic deals for a wide variety of electronics

apparent salesman for a week, the resident decided to meet with the supplier of these goods at I'langa Mall.

After a few instructions the "salesman" eventually asked that the resident perform a "white coat" or R500 deposit into the supplier's bank account before the electronics can be viewed. There was no trace of him. "It is important to make people aware. I know of some people who fall for this practice as getting the latest electronics seem very appealing," the resident said. Dit lyk asof daar iets aan die plakkers gedoen is.

### Situasie in Ehmkeparkie beter

#### Lia van Zyl

Na meer as drie maande wat *Nelspruit Post* oor die parkie in Ehmkestraat berig het, lyk die situasie al heelwat beter. Die skoenmaker is nie meer te sien nie, maar die twee onwettige snoepwinkels word nog bedryf.

Inwoners was ongelukkig oor die plakkers wat vir maande daar geboer het. Die rommel in die parkie was ook 'n groot probleem, maar dit lyk asof daar nou iets daaraan gedoen is. Ten spyte van die mense wat steeds hul middagete in die parkie geniet, is die situasie heelwat beter as verlede maand.

Mnr. Jospeh Ngala, woordvoerder vir Mbombela, het gesê dat hulle die onwettige snoepwinkels sal ondersoek en dat hulle verwyder sal word.

Inwoners voel hulle betaal duur om in die area te woon en wil nie elke dag in so 'n prentjie vaskyk nie.





Rika Human.

Sarita du Plooy.

Lydia de Clerck





Ogies Visscher.

# VLU het pret met pragfoto's

#### **Wouter Pienaar**

Die vroue van VLU Flamboyant het by hul September-takvergadering hul lywe model gehou en voor die kamera gepronk vir 'n paar prettige en kleurvolle lentefoto's.

Die vergadering het op Dinsdag 16 September by die NG Kerk-Suidgemeente se lapa plaasgevind.

Gasvroue het besluit om die koms van lente op 'n besondere wyse te vier. Soos die vroue aangekom het, is hulle met vere en/of 'n hoed getooi, waarna Liana Lues, 'n professionele fotograaf, gereed was vir die pret. Hulle het elke oomblik van die impromptu-fotosessie geniet, waar hul in allerhande serpies en stylvolle hoede gepryk het. "Na afloop van die vergadering is elke lid huis toe met 'n pragfoto van haarself.

"Dit was voorwaar 'n oggend om te onthou," het Rika Human, skakelbeampte van VLU genoem.



# Know all the legalities concerning domestics

Non-compliance may

result in the employer

having to pay a fine of

R5 000 or five years'

imprisonment

#### Helené Eloff

Minimum wages are a much-speculated topic and are subject to yearly revision. Your relationship with your domestic worker has various legal requirements.

The employment contract is regulated by the Labour Relations Act of 1995.

However, due to its technical nature, many employers have not taken note of the content.

Non-compliance may result in the employer having to pay a fine of R5 000 or five years' imprisonment. *Nelspruit Post* has summarised the practical application thereof.

All domestic workers must be paid for every hour's work that they have performed.

The minimum wage is calculated

according to where the employee works and how many hours they work per week.

The prescribed rate for a domestic worker who works more than 27 hours per week is R9,63 with a minimum weekly rate of R433,35 and

R1 877,70 per month.

Domestic workers that work less than 27 hours per week may receive R11,27 in hourly remuneration, R304,29 per week and a monthly minimum of R1 318,48.

Where an employee is remunerated in excess of this amount, increases may be granted at the discretion of the employer.

The Labour Relations Act dictates that domestic workers may not work more than 45 hours per week, distributed in portions of a maximum of nine hours per day where the employee works five days per week and eight hours a day where the employee works more than five days per week.

Overtime becomes payable as soon as the employee works longer hours than 45 hours per week, at a rate of 1.5 times the employee's normal hourly remuneration.

The employee's wages may be paid in cash in an sealed envelope, by cheque, EFT or direct deposit.

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If overtime payment is made, indicate the amount of overtime hours' work that has been done as well as the rate at which the employee was remunerated.

Where deductions are made, they should reflect on the payslip as well.

Deductions include medical insurance, savings, pension fund, trade union subscription, rental and loan repayments.

Take note that loans to employees may only be granted where the monthly instalments will not cause more than 10% of their monthly wage to be deducted.

Furthermore, it is not permissible that

breakages be deducted from a domestic worker's remuneration.

Meals that are provided to the employee during working hours are not to be deducted from the employee's

wages. Rental may only be deducted from the employee's wages where the rental does not amount to more than 10% of the employee's total wage.

The unit in terms of which rental is paid must be waterproof, have a minimum of one door and one window and be in a good condition.

Domestic workers have also been under the protection of the Unemployment Insurance Fund (UIF) since April 1, 2003. This means that employers must deduct one per cent from the employee's monthly income (before deductions) and also pay one per cent to the UIF.

These payments may be made monthly or annually, in advance. UIF legislation dictates that domestic workers who work more than 24 hours per month qualify for unemployment insurance.

For more information on the UIF registration procedure, dial the phone-in registration service on 012-337-1680.



It's competition time!

hot, they're out there – and they're coming to SA for Sexpol So we got chatting to **Coco** before they arrived to see what the two are up to, and steal some bedroom secrets...

#### **Joan Rivers' Will**

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#### GEMEENSKAP





Uiteindelik is daar vlamme.



Die braai vat vlam.

# G'n braai sonder vuur op Erfenisdag

Daar is geen Blitz of aansteker vir Rob nie en hy moet dus 'n bietjie harder werk

#### Mireille de Villiers

Erfenisdag is ook Braaidag, en wat is 'n braai sonder 'n vuur?

ROBwithaB spesialiseer in vuurmaak en Nelspruit Post het by hom gaan kers opsteek.

Daar is geen Blitz of aansteker vir Rob nie en hy moet dus 'n bietjie harder vir die uiteindelike vuur werk.

Hy gebruik graag algemene huishoudelike items om sy vuur aan te steek. 'n Stukkie dennehout dien as 'n wrywingstuk in sy boor, waarmee hy op 'n kombuissnybord genoeg hitte genereer vir die hout om te

#### begin smeul.

Hier word fyn saagsels van dieselfde stukkie hout bygevoeg sowel as houtskool fyngemaak om die oppervlak te vergroot sodat die delikate vlam meer suurstof kan kry.

Dan plaas hy dit in 'n leë toiletrol met 'n gaatjie in om meer lug deur te laat en wanneer dit brand, voeg hy dit by die houtskool in die braaier. Nog saagsels en selfs 'n okkerneut en dennebolle word vir nog brandstof bygevoeg en wanneer dit aan die gang is, word nog houtskool bygevoeg.

Dan is dit net 'n kwessie van wag tot die vuur gereed is om te braai.





Sien video's van Rob se ander

maniere om vuur te maak

op ROBwithaB se YouTube-

### **Blood-bank** levels are critically low

The blood bank encourages all regular donors and those who have made a conscious decision to join the cause of saving lives, not to miss out on their next donation date.

According to the South African National Blood Service (SANBS) it currently has only a two-day stock of blood available.

Should a doctor request four units of blood, SANBS might be able to offer only two

It needs to maintain a level of five days at all times.

'Traditionally September is a difficult time for donors owing to preliminary exams and preparation for the final quarter of the year. As a result blood drives at schools and universities are generally not possible at this time and in conjunction with poor turnouts at companies' and organisational blood drives, stock levels are under immense pressure," explains Vanessa Raju, communications manager of SANBS.

"It is only with the help of selfless blood donors that we are able to turn this situation. We have implemented a cutback approach when we are not able to meet the requests of doctors.

This means that should a doctor request four units of blood, SANBS might be able to offer only two units, and this approach will continue until the blood stocks recover."

Remember, if you donated blood on Mandela Day, you are due to donate again. If you are aged 16 to 65, weigh more than 50kg, are in good health and lead a sexually safe lifestyle, visit a donation station this week. In Mbombela you can donate at Riverside and I'langa malls as well as the SANBS offices in Banket Street.

Enquiries: 080-011-9031.

#### **Development of the University of** Mpumalanga

within the University of Mpumalanga precinct

**DHET New Universities Project Management Team** 

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#### **Tender Notice and Invitation to Tender**

The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) has appointed the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, to establish the DHET New University's Project Management Team tasked with the establishment of the University of Mpumalanga in the Mbombela Municipality. The DHET New University's Project Management Team invites tenders for supply, delivery and

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There will be no clarification meeting.

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Penryn ready to tackle the challenge of cleaning up their school.

# Penryn's enthusiastic kids do their bit to clean up the environment

#### **Wouter Pienaar**

Penryn College staged a massive litter parade on Wednesday September 17 when grade three classes joined forces with Wimpy at The Grove Shopping Centre. Mandy Yeowart, chairperson of the Penryn Parent Association (PPA), initiated the clean-up parade.

During the build-up to the event, pupils created posters to advertise their cause and put them on display for grades one and two to view.



Armed with sunblock, hats and big bags, the pupils gathered at Penryn's gate where they met representatives of Wimpy who supplied them with paper bags. They made their way to the traffic light at the main road.

An hour and a half later, having gathered more than 20 bags of litter, they returned to the school for much-needed cream soda refreshment. Despite the sweltering heat, they had managed to gather a truckload of garbage.

The learners and teachers were amazed at the amount of litter they found in the short

distance from the main road to Penryn. Once the bags were viewed collectively, the magnitude of the task was evident.

The enthusiasm of the children was incredible and they need to be applauded for their participation and the positivity with which they attacked the project, Yeowart said.



## Plaaslike modelle presteer op nasionale vlak

#### Helené Eloff

Plaaslike modelle verbonde aan die modelagentskap, Ramps-to-Runway, het onlangs die Laeveld se naam op nasionale vlak hooggehou.

Die mans en vroue van verskeie ouderdomsgroepe het aan Pageants South Africa se Mr & Miss Photogenic SAkompetisie wat op 15 Augustus tot 'n einde gekom het, deelgeneem.

Manda Gomes, die modelle se afrigter, vertel dat die agentskap se modelle 11 eerste plekke op nasionale vlak behaal het. Die kategoriewenners is soos volg:

#### Vroue

16 tot 19 jaar Erin Hattingh - informele drag Angela Carbone - skemerkelkiedrag 20 tot 25 jaar Yvette van der Westhuizen - informele drag, skemerkelkiedrag en "Net ek"

#### Mans:

7 tot 9 jaar Kyle Saunders - "Net ek" 13 tot 15 jaar Janco Visser - informele drag Jean Lotter - deftige drag

Volgens Gomes het hierdie modelle só goed met slegs 'n kort tydperk se ervaring agter die blad gevaar. Ramps-to-Runway sien met groot opwinding uit na toekomstige kompetisies waarin hulle hierdie standaard wil handhaaf.

## Vlammie talks her way to excellence

A learner of Hoërskool Bergvlam has been invited to attend the Oral History Association of South Africa's annual conference to be held later in October. This is, however, not Limpho Gininda's only achievement. She has also been doing very well in the Inkosi Albert Luthuli Young Historians Competition.

Limpho has been taking part in this national competition which will come to a close in Johannesburg at the beginning of next month. The theme is: Changes in education since the advance of democracy in the country.

> She has been invited to attend the Oral History Association's annual conference in October

She came first in the regional competition at Ngwenya Lodge when she spoke about how Hoërskool Bergvlam had changed from being a single-medium school to a double medium and what influence the school has on its learners.

After that she proceeded to take second place at the regionals held in White River.

For her speeches she conducted interviews with the school's principal, Ms Annemarie Kleynhans and two teachers, Ms Zania Viljoen and Ms Sanet Steyn.

She also made a video with another teacher, Mr Freddie Wells in which she interviewed some of the learners about how attending Bergvlam had influenced them. The school congratulated Limpho

and said it was proud of her outstanding achievements



Angela Carbone, een van die modelle verbonde aan Ramps-to-Runway.

13 tot 15 jaar Michelle van de Venter - aanddrag Kiara Blatherwick - "Crazy fun shot"

Limpho Gininda.

#### Voorspoed vir top-skaakspelers

Twee van Hoërskool Bergvlam se leerders is onlangs by die Ehlanzeni-skaakspan ingesluit. Hulle sal binnekort aan die Suid-Afrikaanse Kampioenskappe deelneem. Dit sal Daniel Ukpe (links) se derde jaar wees wat hy aan die kampioenskappe deelneem, en Jandré Vreken (regs) se sesde keer. Die skool wens die skaakspelers geluk en voorspoed vir die kampioenskappe.



#### notice

Join in and march to raise awareness of the plight of elephants and rhinos during the Global March for Elephants and Rhinos. It will take place on October 4, starting at Makro in Mbombela at 11:00. It is a WESSA Lowveld initiative.

For more information, contact Brenda Archdeacon of Brightside Events on 082-820-9855 or via email: brenda@ brightsideevents.co.za











Mia Gunter.



# Nellies staan nie terug in provinsie

Die uitslae is op Laerskool Witrivier, Penryn College en Uplands se velde bepaal

#### Mireille de Villiers

Mpumalanga se top-12 laerskoolhokkiespanne het dit oor die naweek onder mekaar uitgespook om te wys wie die beste in die provinsie is.

Die uitslae is Vrydag en Saterdag op Laerskool Witrivier, Penryn College en Uplands se velde bepaal. Vrydag is daar onder mekaar uitgespeel, en die bestes het na Saterdag se wedstryde deurgedring. Ongelukkig was dit 'n sopnat geleentheid en reënerig, maar die leerders is deur niks gestuit nie. Laerskool Nelspruit se spanne het groot welslae behaal. Die skool se o/12-seuns is as naaswenners bekroon. Die dogters o/13 is algeheel derde in Mpumalanga en die o/11-dogters het algeheel vierde in die provinsie geëindig.





Nicolize Aucamp.





#### School cyclists boast new mountain bikes

The Lowveld Chaingang cycle club, represented by Brett Coates, handed over three mountain bikes worth R20 000 to the learners of Hoërskool Lydenburg. One of the teachers, Ronel de Beer often takes more than 60 learners to the races. Coates and his team decided to reward De Beer for her fantastic efforts in bringing cycling to the school.



#### win the day

The foundation phase of Penryn College recently held its annual interhouse for hockey and cricket. Although this day is held for fun, everyone enjoyed being out of the classrooms. Peregrine girls finished first of the four houses and showed some amazing skill although they had not yet learned all there was to know about the sport. Here is Letha Janson.

The results were as follows: • First - Peregrine • Second - Lanner • Third - Bateleur • Fourth - Osprey. **8 Nelspruit Post** 

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# Favourite co-op is still at your service

The commercial branches of Afgri and Senwes recently merged to form a new company which has aptly been named Hinterland, and a year ago the cooperative moved to a new premises in 5 Wild Berry Street, Riverside Extension 22.

This signifies the beginning of a new chapter in the history of Afgri cooperative.

Fred Coetzee, Afgri/Hinterland Mbombela's customer relationships manager is the link between farmers and sales in the co-op. "But," says Fred, "we would like all our customers who have supported us for many years and who are like our family to know that it's like when your daughter gets married - she's still the same woman, she just has a new surname.

"That's what happened to us. We are still the same co-op that you are used to, that you love and where you enjoy shopping - we just have a new name and a new home and it's our first anniversary."

Fred says they would like to thank the community for their support over the years and in the past year at their



new premises. "I build relationships with our suppliers and I liaise closely with the farmers we serve. I am the guy they can call for all their needs, from fertiliser to farming equipment.

"But Saturdays have always been the busiest. During the week I do business with the farmers of our community, and on Saturdays we welcome our weekend warriors like our gardeners."

Fred says he would like to reinstate the Saturday buzz at the old shop when fathers

brought their sons to buy an air gun or camouflage gear, and wives would come to the co-op to buy a hunting knife for their husband's birthday. It's fun to shop at a traditional co-op. "Our gardening enthusiasts also need to know we are still here."

The farmers of White River, Brondal and Hazyview are happy with the move to the new premises as it is closer for them. Fred says people who shop in Riverside on Saturdays enjoy visiting the store because of its unique atmosphere and for the goods obtained from a traditional co-op. Afgri started combining some of its commercial branches over the years. The joint venture with Hinterland is the final part of that process.

"We moved from our old premises in Bester Street in the CBD to our new premises here in Riverside, and we are now part of the new company Hinterland." According to the Concise Oxford Dictionary the word hinterland means the area around or beyond a major town.

"Our customers are the farmers who grow food, the public, and subsistence farmers in the informal sector.

"These smaller farmers have been affected by our move to Riverside. They may arrive at the premises in the CBD that we occupied from the early '70s to find that we are no longer there. Some of them assume that the co-op has closed down.

"We would like to make sure that our customers know that we moved from Bester Street to the new premises in 5 Wild Berry Street, Riverside Extension 22. People need to know that the Afgri they grew up with has just moved, it has not disappeared." Afgri is a registered brand within Hinterland.



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# Hinterland - where all roads come together

In this exciting venture between Senwes, Afgri and the relevant retail sub-brands, the decision making in terms of which direction to take and how to position the new brand, was a process well thought through.

But when well-established brands, each with their own unique attributes

and personalities come together, the new brand must accommodate without compromise and must seek to bind the existing entities through one unified vision.

With agriculture central to its operations, the brand must appeal to the Boere mindset making the boer feel that this is his brand, his shop, his products, his shared philosophy. It must also appeal to every other member of its diverse clientele. Enters Hinterland.

Hinterland, originally a German word, literally means the land behind a city, a port or an area to which products are delivered.

The name reads well in English and Afrikaans and has the same spelling in both. It is a name that confirms the relationship between farming and the land.

Hinterland - where all roads come together.



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The team at Afgri Nelspruit.

# Afgri's roots firmly anchored in the Lowveld

The gold rush of the 1880s brought an influx of diggers to the Lowveld, which created a captive market for farm produce.

In 1886 WT Exall, a Barberton farmer, obtained a small quantity of tobacco seed from a passenger on a ship in the Durban harbour. Back on his farm in the Barberton district, he sowed it and was pleasantly surprised at the luxuriant growth of the plants and the large, green leaves which he obtained

Dark air-cured tobacco was introduced at the annual Barberton Agricultural Show in 1886 and production rapidly increased after that. Barberton Snuff became the most popular in South Africa until World War II. Growers sold their tobacco to a number

of buyers who abused the lack of unity to keep prices down. A grower meeting was arranged in 1926 by SN Spear and was attended by some 150 farmers to discuss marketing problems.

A resolution was tabled to form a cooperative, which developed into the establishment of Barberton District Cooperative Tobacco Co in 1927, with ETE Andrews as the first elected chairman of the nine-member board of directors.

The co-op developed into a multipurpose company and changed its name on July 30, 1965 to Lowveld Tobacco Cooperative (LTK) under the chairmanship of AJ (Braam) Raubenheimer, and extended its business to include cotton, beans, and

a general trading division. Raubenheimer who became a cabinet minister (water and forestry) in 1980 and was an honorary citizen of Mbombela, recently died.

After a merger between several other cooperatives in the Lowveld region, LTK's name changed again in 1985 to form Lowveld Cooperative or better known as Laeveld Koöperasie (LKB).

Lowveld Cooperative expanded and incorporated several smaller niche co-ops to become the biggest agro-business in the region.

Grower members voted unanimously to convert the co-op to a public limited company in 1997, which culminated in the establishment of Lowveld Corporate Investments as a holding company, which included the tobacco activity.

In September 1999 the tobacco farmers decided to break away from this unit to establish their own independent company, namely Lowveld Golden Leaf Ltd which focused and specialised in the production, processing and marketing of flue-cured tobacco. This company later became SA Golden Leaf Ltd.

Afgri Nelspruit leased the shop in Bester Street from SA Golden Leaf. The lease period ended in December 2013 and a decision was made to move to a new premises. 5 Wild Berry Street in Riverside Extension 22 was chosen and the big move then took place.





# Macadamia nut - worth its weight in gold

Macadamia nuts are quickly becoming an important crop in South Africa and are possibly the fastest-growing tree-crop industry in the country.

South Africa is the third largest macadamia producer in the world, after Australia (where they originated) and Hawaii. Macadamia trees take five to 12 years to produce nuts and a good tree can produce them for 40 years. The trees require a hot subtropical climate without much humidity.

Macadamias are now widely used in the confectionery, baking, ice cream and snack-food industries. Macadamia oil's rich, cushiony-skin feel and highoxidative stability make it especially suitable for heavy creams and sun-care formulations. Medical research has shown that the consumption of macadamias may significantly lower the risk of heart disease.

#### Employment

Although most of the workforce in the industry is employed seasonally for harvesting and processing from February to August, it is estimated that at least 3 000 new job opportunities have been created on macadamia farms over the last decade and another 1 000 jobs in cracking facilities. In peak season, the industry currently provides employment for more than 4 500 farm workers and about 1 500 factory workers.

Since production is expected to double within the next five to seven years, employment creation will continue to grow at a similar pace.

#### **Production areas**

In South Africa, macadamias are mainly grown in three provinces: Limpopo (Tzaneen and Levubu), Mpumalanga (Barberton, Mbombela and Hazyview), and on the north and south coast of KwaZulu-Natal.

#### Market structure

The prices of macadamias are determined by market forces of demand and supply. The industry is export based with more than 95 per cent of annual production shipped to international markets. The United States of America, Europe and Asia are currently the largest markets for macadamias originating from South Africa.

#### Processing

The kernel is the main product from the macadamia tree. After harvesting, the husks covering the nuts are removed.

The nuts are fried, the shells are cracked, and the kernels are removed to be oil-roasted or dry-roasted. Kernels are commonly sold as snack nuts and chocolate-covered candy. Ice-cream manufacturers and the baking industry also use macadamia kernels as an ingredient.

The shell and husk also have uses.Shells can be used as mulch, fuel for processing macadamias, planting medium for anthurium culture, plastic manufacture and as a substitute for sand in the sand-blasting process.

Husks are used as mulch or composted for



fertiliser.

Oil can be extracted from culled nuts. The cosmetic industry, especially in Japan, uses the oil in soaps, sunscreens and shampoos.

The remaining press cake might be used for animal feed.

#### Drying

Freshly harvested, dehusked nuts contain 25 per cent moisture and must be dried before they are stored in bulk.

Wire frames containing three layers are used for drying. Air must circulate freely between the frames to prevent mould. A fan may be used. They can also be sun-dried, but if the freshly harvested nuts are exposed to the sun immediately, the shells may crack.

These cracks provide access

to insects when they are stored. If they are not dried, but immediately stored in bags or other containers, fungal growth could occur.

#### Industry organisation

The macadamia industry is formally organised through the Southern African Macadamia Growers' Association (Samac). The association is comprised of macadamia growers, processors and

processors and marketers. The association is funded

by its grower members who pay a production levy which is collected by the processors.

Samac uses the funds collected to finance research and the dissemination of research results to growers, processors and marketers.



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# Penryn wen weer die Spur MTB-skolereeks

#### Mireille de Villiers

Penryn Prep se bergfietsryers is die vinnigste - hulle is die afgelope naweek as die algehele wenners van die Spur MTBskolereeks aangewys.

Dit is die tweede jaar in 'n ry dat hulle hierdie reeks wen.

Hulle het ook met die vorige drie skofte, wat onderskeidelik by Uplands, Curro en Mankele aangebied is, die meeste punte verwerf.

Saterdag by Penryn was geen uitsondering nie en ten spyte van die grou, nat weer het die fietsryers moedig hul rondes om die baan trotseer. Hulle het by steil hellings op- en afgejaag, oor brûe gery, soms geval en soms gestap.

Op die gashere se hakke het Laerskool Bergland algeheel tweede in die reeks geëindig. Hulle is gevolg deur Curro, Ermelo, Lydenburg, Uplands, Nelspruit,

Summerhill en Laeveld.

Onder die hoërskole was Lydenburg te vinnig vir hul teenstanders.

Hulle het ook met elke been die meeste punte verwerf. Algeheel was Uplands tweede, Nelspruit derde, Penryn vierde en Rob Ferreira vyfde.

#### Individuele wenners op Saterdag:

- Junior dogters: Mandie Swart
- · Junior seuns: Martin Oosthuizen
- Nipper-dogters: Megan Wiehman
- Nipper-seuns: Jooste Coetzee
- Sprog-dogters: Ainsli de Beer
- Sprog-seuns: Reinhardt Viljoen
- Sub Nipper-dogters: Megan Botha
- Sub Nipper-seuns: Gabriel Burns
- Sub junior dogters: Monique Swart
- Sub junior seuns: Ryan Terry
- Youth-dogters: Sarah McQueen
- · Youth-seuns: Liam de Klerk.

Qhawe Mdlhli.







Ashwin Mashile.

Kyla Hamer.

Kaylee Lindeque.

Bo: Kaylee Prentice. Onder: Monique Swart.



Emil de Clerk, Jack Flemming, Jaco Coetzer en Dietlof Maré.

Dietlof Maré.

# Manne geniet 'n dag op die gholfbaan

#### Stefan de Villiers

"Dis wéér jy!" Dit is die drie woorde wat jy nooit in 'n potjie gholf wil hoor nie. Gholf kan hetsy ernstig wees, met strawwe kompetisie en oë ingestel op die podium - maar vir party gaan dit bloot oor die uitstappie saam met vriende of kollegas en 'n yskoue bier. Die Engelse woord, *golf* staan immers vir "gentlemen only, ladies forbidden".

TUT (Tshwane Universiteit van Tegnologie) Sport en Hervorming in samewerking met Absa het Donderdag 'n gholfdag aangebied met 'n byna volbespreekte Nelspruitbaan. Die hoofdoel was om fondse vir sport by TUT Mbombelakampus in te samel. Aangesien dit vir 'n vroeë vakansie gesluit is weens geweldadige optogte in Gauteng, is dit nog onbekend of die betrokke teiken vir die insameling behaal is. Na afloop van die vierbalkompetisie, is pryse aan die eerste 10 spanne toegeken, die langste dryfhou en die hou naaste aan putjies vyf en 17.

Wat so 'n geleentheid nog meer

interessant maak, is om na die gholfspelers se kommentaar te luister. Dit het nogal die neiging om jou negatief teenoor die spel te stem.

#### Die top, en dikwels baie bekende kommentaar of verskonings van dié dag lui soos volg:

- Dis wéér jy!
- Nee ou, *putt* net die ding
- Ons is net hier vir die samesyn
- Dis die wind
- As die *caddy* buk, moet jy weet jy kan 'n ding raakslaan
- Dis omdat ek so min rook
- Slat ek nou daai bal uit sy skil uit
- 'n Slegte dag op die gholfbaan is beter as
- 'n goeie dag by die werk
- Kry jou by die 19de gat
- Nou hoekom gaan die bal nou soontoe?
  Eers fade ek die bal, dan draw ek. Ek begin
- dink ek moet eerder ophou gholf speel • Ek verkoop sommer my stokke. Jan, wil jy
- my stokke koop?



aco Coetzer.

## Don't miss this great match





#### Carli Koch

The Steval Pumas will face their greatest challenge of the year yet when they take on Western Province on Friday night at Mbombela Stadium.

Rugby fans are advised to book their seats early as the game will not be televised. Tickets sell at R80 per adult and R20 for schoolchildren. Corporate package - buy more than 20 tickets at only R50! Fans can buy their match tickets at the Pick n Pay entrance to I'langa Mall from the Steval Pumas themselves from 10:00 to 11:00.

A park-and-ride facility will also be available for those who wish to park their cars at I'langa Mall. The busses will provide transport until 22:00.

#### Curtain-raisers

The Pumas u/19 and u/21 will play the Griffons.

