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Veldtog teen oopstelling van Afr skole

“ As Lesufi sê 'n suksesvolle skoolmodel is om Afrikaans uit te kry, is hy na my mening 'n idioot.

Yolanda Barnard en Stephané Bothma

Woede en weerstand het planne begroet om die deure van Afrikaanse skole vir almal oop te dwing.

Dit is niks anders nie as kulturele vandalisme, sê die burgerregte-organisasie AfriForum.

Hy het summier 'n veldtog teen die plan aangekondig.

Sommige ouers sê prontuit dat hulle hul kinders ontrek en huis onderrig.

Gauteng se LUR vir onderwys, Panyaza Lesufi, het die sluier verlede week gelig oor sy planne om Afrikaanse skole "aan almal" oop te stel.

Hy het in die provinsiale wetgewer gesê sowat 24 000 leerlinge in Gauteng wag nog om in skole geplaas te word.

Afrikaanse staatskole sal hul deure vir hierdie kinders moet oopgooi – of hulle nou Afrikaans is of nie.

Die Appèlhof in Bloemfontein het onlangs beslis dat die provinsiale onderwysdepartemente die finale seggenskap het oor openbare skole se toelatingsbeleid.

Die Federasie van Skoolbeheerliggame van Suid-Afrika sê hy oorweeg dit om die Grondwetlike Hof te nader om die jongste beslissing omver te werp.

Lesufi meen die uitspraak is 'n orwining vir transformasie.

Hy sê 'n rekord van 224 758 aansoeke is ontvang om toelating tot Gauteng se skole volgende jaar en sowat 210 400 kinders is reeds geplaas.

Ekonomiese druk het 'n groot uitwerking op die onderwysbegroting, die grootte van klaskamers en die infrastruktuur van skole in die provinsie.

Afrikaanse skole sal nie meer taal kan gebruik as 'n rede om sekere leerlinge uit te sluit nie, sê Lesufi.

"Gauteng kan dit nie meer bekostig om 'n hoërskool te hê wat net een onderrigtaal het nie."

Alana Bailey, adjunk-uitvoerende hoof van AfriForum gemoeid met taalsake, sê Lesufi is 'n kulturele vandaal wat kinders as pionne misbruik om 'n ideologiese agenda teen Afrikaans deur te voer.

"Lesufi loods aanslag na aanslag teen Afrikaanse skole onder die voorwendsel dat hy skoliere se belangte op die hart dra," sê Bailey.

"In die proses gebruik hy laakkbare tegnieke soos rassepolarisasie om sy doel te bereik. Staatskole bestaan al jare nie meer uit leerders van slegs een ras nie."

"Tog gee hy voor dat die aanspraak op enkelmedium moedertaalonderrig in Afrikaans, wat internasionaal as die beste vorm van onderrig erken word, rassisties gebruik word om kinders uit skole te sluit."

Bailey het ouers gevra om die veldtog teen Lesufi se aanhoudende uitsprake en aanslae teen Afrikaanse skole teen te staan.

"Aankondigings oor wyse waarop die veldtog gesterus kan word, sal deur die loop van die week plaasvind," het Bailey gesê.

Die Pretoriase sanger Jay du Plessis het menige ouer se gevoelens oor die kwessie verwoerd.

"As Lesufi voel dat die antwoord vir 'n suksesvolle skoolmodel daarin lê om Afrikaans uit die skool te kry, is hy na my mening 'n idioot."

"Dan sal ek eenvoudig my kinders uit die skool haal en huis onderrig."

Du Plessis se twee seuns, onderskeidelik nege en ses jaar oud, is leerlinge aan die Laerskool Tygerpoort in die ooste van Pretoria.

Du Plessis sê die Laerskool Tygerpoort het al lankal kultuurgroepes oomarm en daar is 'n groot aantal anderstalige leerlinge aan die skool.

Die kinders speel en leer in Afrikaans.

"Die kinders het geen benul waaroor die politieke kwessies gaan nie."

"Hulle is net kinders wat nie velkleur raaksien nie. Hulle speel saam rugby en is daar om skool te gaan – nie om politiek te besprek nie."

Du Plessis sê dit sal sy kinders nie skade doen om na 'n Engelse hoërskool te gaan nie.

"My kinders word almal tweetalig groot, maar die groot vraag is hoekom 'n ouer gedwing moet word om sy kind na 'n Engelse hoërskool te stuur."

"Ons kinders is Afrikaans en hulle het die reg om in Afrikaans skool te gaan."

Skoolhoofde en beheerliggame is nog behoedsaam om padlangs oor Lesufi se waarskuwings te gesels.

Hulle sê elke aansoek om toelating sal op 'n individuele grondslag hanteer word.

"Ons wag en kyk hoe Lesufi die hof se uitspraak gaan hanteer," sê 'n skoolhoof.

Pretorians have fun with colour



Pret by Saterdag se Color Run vir Anuska Bienedell en Mijean Meintjies (Bladsy 7).
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No rain on cards for SA

Gopolang Chawane

Proper rain could stay away until autumn next year, experts predicted this week.

SA weather service forecaster Cobus Cronjé said the lack of significant rainfall was expected to last until next year.

"We can say we are experiencing below normal rainfall and this is expected to last into autumn next year."

Last week, Rand Water and the Tshwane metro announced water cuts and rationing could soon become a reality because of persistent high temperatures.

A lack of rain has resulted in a strain on Rand Water's bulk water supply system, prompting the water utility to call for residents to use water sparingly.

The Tshwane metro introduced water restrictions and urged residents to save water last week.

Rand Water spokesperson Justice Mohale said should the current water shortage continue, it could lead to a serious water crisis.

The Tshwane metro's water restrictions mainly apply in the daytime.

Residents are not allowed to irrigate gardens between 06:00 and 18:00. They may not top up swimming pools or wash cars

with hosepipes in this period.

The municipality warned consumers if they did not adhere to the restrictions the situation may worsen.

Forecasters said global warming and the El Niño effect were to blame for the lack of rainfall.



Residents collect water in the Plastic View informal settlement.

Photo: Gopolang Chawane

Free Wi-Fi hits a million users

Stephané Bothma

A major milestone was reached on Wednesday when Tshwane's ground-breaking free Wi-Fi project reached one million unique connections.

Pretoria currently has 711 free internet zones (FIZ) – initially launched by the municipality in the vicinity of universities and popular public areas such as Church Square – with more sites added regularly.

Tshwane mayor Kgosiensuo Ramokgopa earlier said the city planned to ensure that all residents of the metro would eventually have

access to free internet connection within a street block from their homes.

Launched by the metro in partnership with Project Isizwe, the Tshwane free Wi-Fi service was the largest government-funded public free Wi-Fi in South Africa and had enabled over one million unique users to get online since it launched in November 2013, logging over 40.4 million connections to date, said spokesperson Lindela Mashigo.

"The capital currently has 711 free internet zones (FIZ), supporting communities across the metro and new sites are added regularly, contributing to the project's exponential growth. Each FIZ location allows users with Wi-Fi enabled devices to access free internet without any logins or passwords," Mashigo said.

According to the latest statistics, the majority of users ranged between the ages of 18 and 24 with 51% male and 49% female.

"Significantly, 81% of these users are connecting via their mobile phones," he said.

According to Mashigo, users were provided with easier access to online content centred around education, economic opportunity and social cohesion via Tobetsa, Project Isizwe's curated content platform.

"Tshwane free Wi-Fi provides each user with a 250MB daily cap. Users who reach the daily limit get unlimited access to Tobetsa.

"Tshwane free Wi-Fi and Tobetsa give local communities the power to access information, education and jobs online, empowering them to up-skill themselves and partake in the mainstream economy like never before."

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E-tolling a huge disaster

Stephané Bothma

E-tolling on Gauteng's freeways has been described as a complete disaster with operating losses reaching R20 million some months.

This happened despite a R700 million lifeline injected into the project by government in June this year.

The project's total debt was R20 billion at present, FF Plus parliamentary spokesman on transport Anton Alberts said this week.

The figures he cited were supplied in response to a parliamentary question.

In September this year, income from e-tolls declined sharply – with an operating loss of R6 million registered – despite deputy president Cyril Ramaphosa's concessions, such as a 60% discount on accounts in arrears.

Following the announcement of the concessions, e-toll revenue only showed a slight rise and brought an increase in revenue for three months, according to Alberts.

The R700 million government allocation in June this year hardly had any effect before the e-toll ship started sinking again, Alberts said.

The project's total debt amounted to more than R20 billion at present and not enough money was now being made through e-tolls to cover its current expenses every month, Alberts said.

"These monthly losses alone amount to nearly R35 million this year," he said.

"Where R20 billion will be coming from to pay for yet another ANC debacle is a mystery. And in the meantime the debt is growing daily."

He said this system which the government had forced on South Africans was busy taking on disastrous proportions and

viewed in context of the current demands of more affordable higher education, it was clear how high the price was that South Africans were paying for e-tolls.

"E-tolls had no legitimacy from the start and the FF Plus consistently opposed it in every possible way. It should be scrapped immediately to restrict damage to the existing position."

Alberts said a graphic projection, which was part of the parliamentary reply and which showed real income and projected income, differed sharply with that of a previous version which had been provided to the FF Plus in May.

"Various 'adjustments' were made from October 2014, and it is a clear attempt to create the impression that projections are reasonably accurate and had even been relatively conservative," said Alberts.

He said the graphs of May showed projections were inaccurate and over-optimistic.

"One such example is March of this year, where the projections had been R175 million more than the real income figures – approximately R66 million in real income as opposed to a projected income of R240 million. On the adjusted statistics, the projected income was not even R40 million, resulting in an adjustment of nearly R200 million."

Alberts said this was an attempt by the government to cover up "with how much ignorance and dishonesty the project was undertaken".

"If the ANC continues to throw money into this bottomless pit, it can expect to once again be on the receiving end of a reaction of a population whose loathing of an inept government is growing day by day, as was the case with the student uprising," he said.

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Donker strate vir Capital Park-inwoners

Corlia Kruger

Capital Park-inwoners leef steeds in die duister weens stukkende straatligte – ondanks protesaksies.

“Trouwstraat is ‘n groot probleem. Die straatligte is steeds af na vyf weke,” sê inwoner Stefan Strydom.

“Mense jaag ook in hierdie straat en dit is gevaarlik as mense saans na die

kafee hier naby loop.”

Sowat twee weke gelede is ’n kerslig-optog in Trouwstraat gehou om juis die probleem uit te lig.

“Daar is tale blokke waar die straatligte steeds af is,” het DA-raadslid Elma Nel gesê. Sy het ’n volledige lys en nommers van die straatligte aan Tshwane-metro verskaaf.

Trouw-, Malherbe-, Flowers- en Van

Heerdestraat word meeste gelys.

In Malherbestraat, op die hoek van 5e Laan, hang een van die straatligte se kop los en sommige ander lamppe is ook beskadig.

“Na beloftes van ons burgemeester, word Capital Park steeds in die donker gelaat wanneer dit by dienslewering kom. Stukkende straatligte wat al in November verlede jaar aangemeld is, is steeds nie

herstel nie,” sê Nel.

Nel meen donker strate is ‘n gevaar, nie net vir motoriste en voetgangers nie, maar ook huiseienaars. “Niemand kan sien as daar iemand van buite oor ‘n erf se heining klim nie. Donker strate lok diewe en maak ‘n buurt onveilig.”

‘n Lys van strate met stukkende straatligte is weer aan die metro per e-pos gestuur.

Oos-Moot se afknou-klag nou amptelik ondersoek

Kristian Meijer

Klagtes oor afknouery deur ‘n pa van die Hoërskool Oos-Moot word nou amptelik ondersoek.

Roelf van der Merwe het Dinsdagoggend besoek ontvang van ‘n amptenaar van die kantoor van Gauteng se LUR vir onderwys, Panyaza Lesufi.

Die doel daarvan was om alle besonderhede oor die aangeleentheid van die Van der Merwes in te win, het iemand na aan die ondersoek aan *Rekord* gesê.

Van der Merwe sê sy stiefdogter is al sewe maande lank die slagoffer van afknouery.

Vroeg verlede maand het Van der Merwe op eie houtjie met ‘n protesaksie by die skool se ingang begin om daarop aan te dring dat die hoof afgedank word.

“OOS MOOT Fire die hoof wat nikks doen om afknouery / boellery te stop!” lui ’n banier wat Van der Merwe aan sy nutsvoertuig gehang het.

Hy en die skool se beheerliggaam het kort daarna vergader en tot ‘n soort vergelyk gekom.

Die beheerliggaam het belowe om Van der Merwe se klages te ondersoek en hy het onderneem om intussen sy protesaksie te staak.

Maar twee weke later was Van der Merwe terug met sy baniere. Sy verduidelikking was dat die skool nikks aan sy klages gedoen het nie.

Die beheerliggaam het sedertdien ‘n hofbevel verkry wat Van der Merwe verbied

“**OOS MOOT** Fire die hoof wat nikks doen om afknouery / boellery te stop!

om die skoolperseel te betree sonder die onderhoof se toestemming. Hy mag ook nie baniere, plakkate, pamphlette, sosiale media of selfs nuusmedia gebruik om die hoof aan te val nie.

Die hoof het ook ‘n stokkie geskeek voor Van der Merwe se dreigement om ‘n lyfwag saam met sy dogter skool toe te stuur. Hy mag nie regstreeks met die skool se beheerliggaam kommunikeer nie.

In sy beëdigde verklaring aan die hoof, sê Van der Merwe dat die probleme met sy dogter in Junie vanjaar so erg geraak het dat sy nie terug skool toe wou gaan nie.

Van der Merwe sê sy dogter is ‘n “hoer” genoem en dat van die leerlinge gedreig het om sy dogter aan te

rand.

Die verklaring sê dat die mees onlangse voorvalle op 1 Oktober was, ‘n dag voordat hy met sy protes begin het.

In sy verklaring sê hy dat die probleem verskeie kere by die skool geopper het voor dat hy met sy protes begin het.

Van der Merwe ontken dat hy die hoof met geweld gedreig het en sê sy protesaksie was ‘n reaksie op die skool se onbereidwilligheid om afknouery tot ‘n einde te bring.

Die skool se beheerliggaam verwerp Van der Merwe se protes teen die skoolhoof as lasterlik en sê dat dit skadelik kan wees omdat ouers kan besluit om hul kinders aan die skool te onttrek.

Van der Merwe se protes laat die indruk dat afknouery gereeld by Oos-Moot voorkom terwyl dit nie die geval is nie, sê die beheerliggam.



Die protesaksie buite die skool.

Foto: Jacqueline Botha



Madiba skies make unique music

Under Madiba Skies, an international band with eight musicians, came together to interpret the words of Nelson Mandela through music performed at the Alliance Francaise in Pretoria, Sunnyside East on Thursday evening. The band has performed all over the world in festivals such as Festival Generic (Mulhouse, Dijon and Besançon) and the Worldstock Festival in Paris. This time they decided to bring their unique sounds to Pretoria. An eclectic sound of different tempos ensured patrons where entertained in a unique combination of different artistries coming together. Under Madiba Skies is an officially recognised project by the Nelson Mandela Foundation. Ten performances across South Africa were held in Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town among others. Ayanda Nhlangothi (pictured) was one of the singers.

Photo: Gopolang Chawane

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Ex-councillor ready for a new political career

Andrew Ngozo

Winston Campbell who quit the DA amid claims of racism may not be a councillor any longer but he is still very actively involved in helping the community of Eersterust.

Campbell told *Rekord* that his political career was far from over.

"For now I am focusing my energies on my day job as the chief operations officer of the Housing Company Tshwane. I intend to ensure that the people of our city get affordable and decent housing."

He said his resignation from the DA did not mean that he was bitter at the party.

"I just did not like the racist tendencies practised within the DA. If we look at what recently happened to [DA] Member of Parliament Diane Kohler-Barnard, it is safe to say that no one can dispute why I resigned before I was fired."

Campbell was not a member of any political party yet.

"Very soon I will be making my affiliation with the African National Congress official. That will be the beginning of a new era in my political career. It will be just in time ahead of the 2016 local government elections. I hope that the ANC will win back the community of Eesterust from the DA."

Campbell resigned during a council meeting in September. The DA said he had

resigned because he had been facing disciplinary action.

Campbell expressed regret over the people he had persuaded to join the DA.

"I am concerned for the many people I convinced to join and/or support the DA... I apologise to them," he said.

"I am also fed-up with the youthism and youngster preference given to girl children and boy children who clearly do not possess the necessary experience."

Campbell said he was summoned to a disciplinary hearing because he told the owner of the Eersterust Pick n Pay, Manny Gomes, to give local residents a BBBEE stake in the shop.

"Gomes then complained to Fred Nel, former leader of the DA Tshwane caucus," explained Campbell.

"Gomes is still the only shareholder at the Pick n Pay Eersterust, a transgression of the BBBEE Act."

Gomes rubbish Campbell's claim.

"I have been a Pick n Pay franchisee for seven years," he said.

"We do not run a spaza shop and Pick n Pay will sue if he continues with these allegations."

Nel could not be reached as his phone rang unanswered.

Mayoral spokesperson Blessing Manale said Ramokgopa had welcomed Campbell to



Photo: Supplied

Colleen and Winston Campbell.

the fold of the ANC.

This was an indication more people across the colour and class divides were realising the ANC was committed to transformation, said Manale.

"We believe councillor Campbell will contribute immensely to the development programme of our city, and to building a

South Africa which belongs to all who live in it," said Manale.

Councillor Marietta Aucamp, DA chief whip in the Tshwane metro wished Campbell well.

"We wish both Campbell and the ANC good luck with their new-found partnership," she said.

Tshwane metro accused of wasting our water

Stephané Bothma

While residents are urged to use water sparingly, Tshwane metro is being accused of dragging its feet with water leaks in the city.

Civil rights organisation AfriForum said the metro was not doing its job in saving water.

"According to the metro's water services regulations, water leaks must be repaired within 48 hours," said Tarien Cooks, AfriForum coordinator for Gauteng North.

Regulations were not being adhered to and therefore the metro was wasting thousands of litres of water daily.

"This while residents are being threatened with heavy fines if they ignored water restrictions."

Most of Gauteng's water is supplied by the Vaal and Crocodile West river systems with the average dam levels currently at 84%.

The situation in Pretoria and the rest of the province, according to Rand Water and to the ministry of water affairs, currently posed a manageable short-term water security risk.

"No hydrological drought is experienced currently. A number of projects are however underway to address service delivery problems," Water and Sanitation Minister

Nomvula Mokonyane said at a weekend media briefing.

The metro introduced water restrictions in most towns due to the heat wave in October and as a result of weather conditions which could bring a drought.

Cooks said the myriad of water leaks across Pretoria and other towns in the metro were nevertheless not receiving proper attention.

"We are concerned about our members and this critical natural resource. There is currently an El Nino condition in South Africa and water restrictions were introduced in the capital city."

Cooks said AfriForum received daily complaints about water leaks and non-functional water meters, and although the majority of leaks were reported to the metro, in most cases it took up to ten days to repair a leak.

The organisation has now called on residents to contact AfriForum with details of water leaks at pretoria@afiforum.co.za to enable them to get a more complete picture of leaks.

Residents were requested to send details of leaks, their names, a Tshwane metro reference number and the date on which the leak had been reported to the metro.

Rand Water said it might be forced to

introduce water restrictions in future, if there was no rainfall soon.

This despite the water utility saying it currently had enough water supplies for Gauteng residents.

Rand Water CEO Percy Sechemeane said the situation could get worse if people did not use water sparingly.

"But on the other side, we are saying in the end users are actually key in terms of how they use water at this stage because, from our side as Rand Water, we are still operating within our parameters, it is just that the demand is actually much more than it usually is on a yearly basis," he said at a media briefing.

The Free State and KwaZulu-Natal have already been declared disaster areas due to drought.

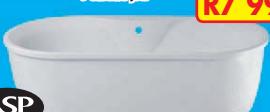
Mokonyane called on citizens to use water sparingly and responsibly because climate change has exacerbated the drought situation in the country.

Briefing media on Sunday, the minister called on local government and those responsible for managing water to lead communities in using water wisely.

She explained that 98% of the water in the country had already been supplied and it had to be reused. South Africa had to draw some of the water from Lesotho.

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AfriForum selfdoen suksesvol

Stephané Bothma

Die burgerregte-organisasie AfriForum het in die eerste deel van Oktober sowat 200 selfdoenprojekte suksesvol uitgevoer.

Die projekte sluit in die herstel van slaggate, plant van bome, vervanging van straatligte en skoonmaak van parke, riviere en begraafplase.

Dit word deur lede self gefinansier, maar AfriForum beoog om die koste te verhaal van die munisipaliteite waar projekte aangepak word.

Die organisasie se 10-dae van selfstandigheid-projek het verskeie operasies in Pretoria ingesluit.

Dit is vergemaklik deur AfriForum se aktiewe ledetal wat pas die 150 000-kerf verbygestee het, sê die uitvoerende hoof, Kallie Kriel.

AfriForum se ledetal het in Januarie 2010 op slegs 8 000 gestaan en het dus oor die afgelope ses jaar aanhou groei.

Kriel sê die sterk groei beteken dat AfriForum nou daar toe in staat is om 'n nuwe fase te betree.

Dit behels veldtogte en aksies op nasionalevlak en om die organisasie se selfdoenaksies in plaaslike gemeenskappe uit te brei.

Kriel sê elkeen van AfriForum se 150 000 lede kan trots wees op hul eie rol in die suksesse wat AfriForum reeds behaal het en ook in die toekoms gaan behaal.

Volgens Kriel is dit belangrik om sterke burgerlike instellings te vestig en te verseker dat die regering verantwoordbaar gehou word.

Dit geld veral omdat een politieke party in Suid-Afrika na 'n verkiesing die politieke landskap oorheers.

"Die 150 000 lede gee aan AfriForum spierkrag om hierdie rol met groter doeltreffendheid te vervul, en die steeds groeiende ledetal sal verseker dat hierdie spierkrag in die toekoms selfs nóg groter gaan wees," sê Kriel.

AfriForum se plaaslike strukture het volgens hom reeds gedurende die eerste 10 dae van Oktober vanjaar landwyd nagenoeg 200 selfdoenprojekte suksesvol uitgevoer.

Dit het massapatrollies deur die organisasie se buurbuurtwagte ingesluit en die herstel van slaggate in paaië, die plant van bome en die skoonmaak van dorpe, begraafplase en vullisterreine.



A day for rescued huskies

Smuts House in Irene was the venue where huskies from all over Centurion and Pretoria came in support of the Husky Heaven Rescue fun walk on Sunday morning. Dog lovers young and old, like Michael Stafford who brought Balto and Diesel, attended this fun walk aimed at creating awareness for adopting huskies and all other dogs from underprivileged backgrounds. Wagging their tails, different breed huskies, each with their own special history, barked and panted after the long or short route through Smuts House, depending on the husky owner's choice of route. Husky Heaven Rescue owner Brenda Meyer said this was a cause close to her heart. She said the rescue haven strived to help huskies that are in need of love and care and would go to lengths to ensure the ill-treated breed received the best care in its recovery.

Photo: Gopolang Chawane

"AfriForum gaan nou hierdie aksies uitbrei en met 'n proses begin om die koste van munisipaliteite te verhaal, aangesien dit die munisipaliteite se werk is wat in baie gemeenskappe nagelaat word," het Kriel bygevoeg.

Die AfriForum-tak in die Apiesrivier se landelike gebied het onlangs 35 nuwe straatnaamborde in die omgewing opgerig as deel van die burgerregte-organisasie se veldtogt.

Dit volg nadat 'n groot hoeveelheid straatnaamborde oor 'n tydperk gesteel is.

Gerrie Pieterse, voorsteerder van die tak, sê dit was vir nooddienste moeilik om die

korrekte adres te vind sonder straatnaamborde. Die projek het sowat R2 800 gekos om te voltooi en is deur die gemeenskap self gefinansier.

Tarien Cooks, AfriForum se provinsiale koördineerdeur vir Gauteng-Noord, sê die aksies is nodig omdat plaaslike regerings hul grondwetlike pligte versuum.

Die AfriForum-tak in Danville, Pretoria-Wes, het ook onlangs dié woonbuurt se parke skoongemaak.

Francois Oberholzer, voorsteerder van die plaaslike AfriForum-tak, sê inwoners het besluit om die park in Bouchnerstraat op te knap vir almal se genot.

"Dwelmverslaafdes en dronkaards het glo daar leeggelê, met die gevolg dat daar glasstukke en naalde rondgelê het en kinders nie meer daar kon speel nie."

In Mauserstraat is 'n oop erf wat aan 'n kleuterskool grens en as onveilige stortings terrein gebruik.

Die AfriForum-tak het ook dié erf skoongemaak, omdat dit onooglik was en 'n gevare vir inwoners ingehou het.

Cooks het gesê gemeenskappe moet selfdoenprojekte aanpak.

"Onwettige stortings hou nie net 'n besoedelingsgevaar vir die natuurlike omgewing in nie, maar ook vir mense."

When are we allowed to capture images of accidents?

Rorisang Kgosana

With the convenience of smartphones and social media, the public is always on standby to capture images of what they witness or anything that might seem to be untoward.

Centurion residents were enraged last week when a resident was prevented by paramedics from recording a video of an accident scene on Jean Avenue.

Residents believed they were allowed to record the scene as it was in a public space.

The health profession council of SA

(HPSA) said, however, images of accident scenes could only be recorded by those responsible for managing the collision scene in order to protect the privacy of victims.

Spokesperson Priscilla Sekhonyana said the National Health Act stated that all patients had the right to confidentiality as it was consistent with the right to privacy in the Constitution. "It is not necessarily paramedics who are being filmed, but the injured who are treated by paramedics on the scene, and it is the duty of not only the paramedics but all stakeholders involved in the management of

the accident to ensure the constitutional rights of those injured are protected," she said.

Laetitia Holland took to Facebook after witnessing a Jean Avenue accident on 16 October. "I then made a video and a paramedic threatened me, saying I should delete it otherwise he will break my phone," she said.

Emer-G-Med ambulance service, whose staff had treated the patient for moderate injuries, requested Holland refrain from taking the video footage.

"I was at the scene and the medic politely asked her not to film the patient. It was the

duty and responsibility of the medic to protect the patient's right to privacy," said Emer-G-Med spokesperson Braam Kruger.

Sekhonyana said patients treated in a public space had the same rights as enshrined in the Constitution.

"Paramedics acted in the best interest of the injured because you cannot control the distribution of the clips filmed by ordinary members of the public," she said.

Rekord is in possession of the video but decided not to publish it, as it could reveal the identity of the injured person.

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Helpende Hand se APPfabriek-wenner van Pta

Danielle Garrett

Suid-Afrika is besig om die tegnologie-wêreld ore aan te sit met sprankelende nuwe idees en 'n uiters talentvolle volk daarby.

So meen Solidariteit Helpende Hand wat pas 'n nuwe projek bekendgemaak het met die naam APPfabriek.

Dit is gestig om aan Afrikaners van alle ouderdomme 'n geleentheid te gee om hul eie app vir slimfone te bou, maar slegs in Afrikaans.

Pretoria Moot se eyn Ryno Davel (wat die gehoorgsteling was) het sy unieke APPfabriek vir die kompetisie ingeskryf nadat hy 'n klaarblyklike gaping in die mark vir medisinaliting in 'n app vorm gesien het.

Na Davel gesien het hoe sy pa met diabetes sukkel, het hy goedgedink om iets te begin wat die lewe vir ander mense baie makliker sou maak, en in die proses 'n lewe daarvan maak.

Vir alle praktiese doeleindes is hierdie 'n aanlyn Afrikaanse medisyne-database. Daarvel het baie navorsing gedoen oor die konsep en besef dat Suid-Afrikaners 'n behoefté het aan so 'n app.

APPteek identifiseer medikasie aanlyn en verskaaf ook alle newe-effekte wat daar mee geassosieer word.

Davel het die app verpersoonlik volgens persoonlike mediese geskiedenis en benodigdheids.

Hy beplan om die funksies mettertyd so te ontwikkel dat noodhulpvideos gekyk kan word vir toepassing en ook om pasiënte inligting te stoor.

Om die projek aan die publiek bekend te stel, het Helpende Hand 'n kompetisie waar-



Annette Taljaard, Helpende Hand se projekorganiseerde, Adri de Beer van die Oppipad app, dr. Danie Brink en Hugo Vermeulen van Helpende Hand.

deur mense van oral in Suid-Afrika die kans kry om 'n voornemende APPreneur te word, met 'n totale prysgeld van R100 000.

Met Davel ingesluit, spog Pretoria met vyf uit die tien finaliste. Die ander vier is:

- Ronel Erasmus – Kamae Karateklub
- Erasmus is die trotse brein agter 'n app wat bedoel is om kinders en volwassenes in die Kamae Karate-gemeenskap regoor Suid-Afrika met mekaar te verbind. Haar app het hhaar derde plek in die kompetisie besorg.

Die app het funksies wat sal wys hoe mense met mekaar kommunikeer en videosky. Daar sal ook 'n weeklikse nuusbrief uitgereik word oor wat in die gemeenskap aangaan.

- Frik de Lange – Boer soek 'n gras

Dit is 'n bron van inligting vir boere en graskenners.

De Lange het 'n gaping in die mark gesien vir mense wat 'n passie vir gras het, en wat daagliks daarmee werk.

Met hierdie app kan jy grassoorte verge-lyk, lees hoe om jou gras te versorg volgens die aanwysings van deskundiges en ook hoe weersomstandighede dit sal beïnvloed.

- Madeleine Greeff – Ezio graad 2-wiskunde

Greeff het hierdie app ontwikkel toe sy besef het haar eie kinders kan doen met 'n bietjie meer leiding wanneer dit by wiskunde op skool kom.

"Talle ouers kry nie tyd om hul kinders te help met ekstra wiskunde nie. Ons almal

het besige en bedrywige leefstyle en daarom het ek besluit om kinders in Afrikaans met hierdie app te help," verduidelik Greeff.

Oor die langtermyn beplan Greeff om die app aan minderbevoordekte kinders beskikbaar te stel, veral met talle openbare skole wat toegang tot nuwe tegnologie kry.

- Nico Steyn – Ons geskiedenis

"In ons land word daar dikwels na die Afrikaner-geskiedenis as verkeerd verwys of dat dit heel eenvoudig net nie saak maak nie.

"Geskiedenis is geskiedenis, met foute enoorwinnings, daarom het ek daaraan gedink om 'n app te ontwikkel wat mense inlig," sê Nico Steyn, die brein agter Ons geskiedenis, en wenner van die APPfabriek kompetisie en R100 000 prysgeld.

Steyn se idee was om 'n databasis met wenke en feite op 'n eenvoudige, verbruikersvriendelike manier aan te bied en almal die geleentheid te gee om oor die waarheid op te lees.

Die app sal mettertyd ook in Engels beskikbaar wees sodat meer mense oor ons unieke geskiedenis kan lees.

Helpende Hand wil seker maak dat veral kinders van jonge af entrepreneurs en tegnologies vaardighede kan aanleer. Met die regte toerusting in die hand sal hulle dan die toekoms suksesvol kan aanpak.

"Ons wil graag volgende jaar klem plaas op die groei van sulke vaardighede onder kinders, en hulle met die regte kennis en ondersteuning help om dit 'n realiteit te maak."

"Besoek gerus die APPfabriek webtuiste om meer te leer," verduidelik dr. Danie Brink, uitvoerende direkteur van Helpende Hand.



Hennie en Pop Grobler.

Foto: Corlia Kruger

Liefde blom na 65 jaar

Corlia Kruger

Hendrik (Hennie) en Pop Grobler is 'n inspirasie vir getroudes. Na ses en 'n half dekades, hou die egaap nog liefies hande op die rusbank vas.

"Ek was nog nooit langer as 10 dae weg van haar af nie," sê Hennie met oë wat vonkel as hy na sy Pop kyk.

Dié egaap doen alles saam en inwoners van Ellofsdal sal stem dat dit raar is om een sonder die ander te sien.

"Ons was nog kinders toe ons mekaar leer ken het," gee Pop 'n bietjie agtergrond oor hul geskiedenis saam.

Op 'n krieketveld in Pretoria-Noord, waar die egaap woonagtig was, het Hennie sy Pop die eerste keer raakgesien.

"Hy het vir sy broer gesê: "Sien jy dáái meisie? Met haar gaan ek nog eendaag trou," vertel Pop. Sy was skaars 18 en hy 20 jaar oud, toe hulle die ewige belofte gemaak het om aan mekaar getrou te bly.

Soos enige huwelik was dit nie altyd net maanskyn en rose nie. Vroeg in hul huwelik, vertel die egaap, is hulle deur beproeing en het die baiestry gekry.

"Soos enige egaap het ons ons verskillende gehad. Sy het boek gelees en ek hou glad nie van lees nie – net geïnteresseerd in sport," verduidelik hy.

"Ja ons het toe baie baklei," stem Pop. "Maar ons het ook geleer om ons gevoelens en verskille uit te sorteer."

Die egaap sê die beste resep vir 'n suksesvolle huwelik is om 'n geloof te hê en met 'n 'vergewingsgesindheid' teenoor mekaar op te tree. "Ons gaan slaap nooit ooit kwaad vir mekaar nie. Ons maak altyd eers vrede," sê Hennie. Hulle het vier kinders ('n dogter en drie seuns) grootgemaak en bly steeds 'n gehegte familie.

"As ek my kinders vir langer as twee dae nie sien nie begin ek stres," lag Hennie.

Hulle kamp nog gereeld saam met hul kinders en kleinkinders langs die viswaters.

"Ons jongste seun het 'n woonstel by die see op die strand en hy sorg dat ons ten minste twee keer 'n jaar by die strand kom," sogg Hennie.

Die egaap is trots om te sê hulle is deel van 'n vier-generasie geslag met soveel as 10 kleinkinders en vier agterkleinkinders.

Hennie as afgetreden "saaghersteller" is lief om sport te volg, veral krieket, terwyl Pop (wat vroeër jare as 'n klerk gewerk het) spande baie lees en blokraaisels geniet.

Das wanneer hulle nie met familie tyd spande nie, sit hulle saam in die leefvertrek – hy kyk krieket en sy vul blokraaisels in.

Só op 'n eenvoudige wyse, bly hul liefde sterk na 65 jaar.

Oudste in die Moot vier 105e verjaarsdag

Corlia Kruger

Op 'n volle eeu en 'n halwe dekade is Ouma Dollie Forster waarskynlik die oudste inwoner in die Moot.

Ouma Dollie is beslis die oudste inwoner by Ons Tuis, Riviera, waar sy selfs onlangs tuisgemaak het.

Hierdie goue ouer is nog holder van verstand en het met Rekord haar geskiedenis gedeel.

Ek was baie lief vir lees, maar die ou oë sien nie meer nie. Ek luister maar radio en hou my oor net naby as ek die nuus wil hoor.

Sy is op 22 Oktober 1910 gebore en getooi in Calitzdorp, 'n Klein dorpie aan die weste van die Klein Karoo.

"Ons was nege kinders, waarvan ek die oudste was," vertel Ouma Dollie, self beïndruk met haar goeie lang jare.

"Ek dink ek het twee susters oor wat nog lewe."

Ouma Dollie is een van bitter min mense wat nog die 'Groot Depressie' kan onthou. "Dit was baie strawwe jare. My oupa het heeltemal sy kop verloor na hy die soveelste plaas verloor het."

Ouma Dollie was 17 jaar oud en onthou dat sy toe saam met haar gesin Natal toe verhuis het.

Sy het hier haar eerste groot liefde ontmoeet in Weza, 'n klein nedersetting wes van Harding.

Mike Botha het die jong Dollie se voete onder haar uitgeslaan en sy het nog nie haar 20e somer gesien voor hulle al getroud is nie.

Ouma Dollie onthou die goeie en swaai tye. Op die vroeë ouderdom van 50 is haar man oorlede en was sy nege jaar

lank weduwee.

Ouma Dollie het in Durban haar tweede man ontmoet. Sy en Theo Forster het saam verhuis na Roodepoort waar hul gebly het tot hy ook orlede is.

Ouma Dollie is 'n tweede keer deel van 'n vyf-generasie geslag. Haar moeder van haar het ook die type ouderdom van 102 gesien na haar eerst agter-agterkleinkind se geboorte.

Ouma Dollie sogg self met drie kinders, nege kleinkinders, 18 agterkleinkinders en twee agter-agterkleinkinders.

Ouma Dollie sê die geheim vir so 'n hoë ouderdom is om 'n gesonde leefstyl te handhaaf.

"Ek het nooit gerook of gedrink nie,"

Sy sê behalwe dat sy nou nie meer goed sien of hoor nie, het sy geen ander kwale om van te praat nie.

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Ons Tuis saam met Ouma Dollie se uitgebreide familie (sommiges so ver as in Australië en Kanada) wens haar hartlik geluk met haar verjaarsdag.



Ouma Dollie Forster (105).



Annamarie Bienedell and Rosa van den Berg.

Tanya von Wielligh, Adri von Wielligh, Daniel von Wieligh, Natasha Sinir and Ernest van der Spuy.
Photos: Gopolang Chawane

Ewald Bienedell and Maynard Meintjes.



Thania Dhoogra-Chetty, Jessica Anderson, Careen Thompson, Chris Anderson, Kyle Anderson and Marinda Du Toit and Sandi Peterson.



Chanté Groenewald and Clarke Holliday.

Rainbow people have fun at Pta's Color Run

Gopolang Chawane

Colours flew through the air and onto participants as friends and families, young and old took part in the international Color Run held at Centurion rugby club on Saturday morning.

Some walked, others strolled and the brave ran the entire 5km, passing different colour stations, where colour buckets were specifically placed by sponsors to add more coloured powder to participants.

Many participants ran in euphoria through the streets of Centurion, chanting in comradery as they made their way through the 5km stretch.

Residents on the designated route were kind enough to provide water for the Color Run participants to keep them hydrated in

the scorching heat.

Capitec Bank, one of the official sponsors, ran a charity campaign and donated R10 from each ticket sale towards a local cause.

The Color Run is untimed and many walked the route and simply enjoyed the outing. Runners, walkers and strollers completed the race by surviving a barrage of rainbow colours thrown at them at four colour stations.

A DJ on stage entertained all participants as they celebrated completing a colourful spectacle to remember.

A Color Run is scheduled for the following coastal venues before the end of the year: Mossel Bay (19 December), Hermanus (20 December), and Plettenberg Bay (30 December).



Anuska Bienedell.



Rosette Swarts, Eudele Swarts, Jasmine Titus (seated) and Euchaan Swarts.



Marizka Breytenbach and Elize Breytenbach.



Liezel Steyn and Jason Kessel.



Liezl Jansen and Mistique de Bruin.

Is daar genoeg genade?

John Donne, 'n sewentiede-euse Engelse digter, word in 1623 ernstig siek en in die tyd skryf hy roerend oor God se vergiffenis. Vader, vra hy, sal U ál my sondes vergeve.

Die sondes van my verlede? Al die

sondes wat ek aan-

hou doen het? Sal U vergeve dat ek dit soms gelos het net om dit weer te doen? Daar is nog meer: die sondes waardeur ek andere laat sondig het, sondes waarin ek my verlustig het, sal U dit vergeve? Ek is bang dat wanneer ek die laaste draad hier geweef het, ek verlate op die strand van die ewigheid sal omkom.

Aan die einde roep hy byna desperaat uit: *Swear by thyself, that at my death thy sun shall shine as it shines now.*

Dalk is dit waar mee Moses in Eksodus 32:34 ook worstel. Terwyl die Here hom die Tien Geboorte laat neerskryf, is die volk daar onder by die voet van die berg besig om 'n afgod te maak. Here, U sien hoe dit hier lyk. U sien wat ons doen en hoe ons leef. Here, ons noem ons U mense, maar as U rug draai doen ons sonde. Here, laat my asseblief net weer

Stiltetyd

Dr. Johan



Ek, die Here, is die barmhartige en genadige God, lankmoedig, vol liefde en trou. Ek betoon my liefde aan geslagte en geslagte.

iets van U sien en iets van U hart beleef.

Nou die heerlike. Wanneer dit gebeur beskryf Eksodus 34:5 dit so: Terwyl Hy by Moses verbygaan, roep die Here:

"Ek, die Here, is die barmhartige en genadige God, lankmoedig, vol liefde en trou. Ek betoon my liefde aan geslagte en geslagte."

... en dan is daar Dawid, die egbreker en moordenaar, wat in Psalm 103 uitroep: Barmhartig en genadig is die Here, lankmoedig en vol liefde. Hy sal ons ons sonde

nie bly toereken en nie vir ewig toornig bly nie. Hy handel met ons nie volgens ons sondes nie, vergeld ons nie vir ons ongereggtighede nie, want so groot as die afstand tussen hemel en aarde is, so groot is sy liefde vir dié wat Hom dien. So ver as die ooste van die weste af is, so ver verwyder Hy ons oortredinge van ons af. Ja, daar is voldoende genade.

Hierdie vergiffenis is vandaag vir my en jou, maar ook vir die wat teen ons gesondig het. Wanneer hierdie vergiffenis en genade eerstens deur ons lewe en daarna in ons strate afvloeи, sal die herlewing deurbreek.

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Hoë kragrekening gelooi

Geagte Redakteur,

Ek wil graag my mening lug oor 'n artikel in die Rekord van 25 September 2015, "Exorbitant electricity bills shock residents".

Ek stem saam met Charmain Kupfer dat elektriteitsverbruik styg na kragonderbrekings, maar nie so astronomies soos wat op rekenings van gebruikers voorkom nie.

Verder is dit onmoontlik om te bepaal in watter stadium van die dag 'n huishouding meer krag gebruik. Eskom het sy rekening aan Tshwane-metro en nie aan huishoudelike verbruikers nie.

Die feit dat Eskom verskillende tariewe hef, het nie 'n invloed op die verbruiker se rekening nie omdat die verbruiker die tarief baat soos bepaal deur die metro.

Die verduideliking van Lindela Mashigo dra geen water nie, skielike astronomiese verhogings in rekeninge dui op die onbehopenheid van die metro om ordentelike bestuur toe te pas.

Ek was self al in die situasie om dmv die

hulphyn te komunikeer. Wat 'n chaos. Die persone wat antwoord verstaan nie wat die probleem is nie en is nie behoorlik Engelsmagtig nie.

Die probleem is egter dat meters nie behoorlik gelees word nie, skattings word gemaak buite verband en geen vergelyking word getref met vorige verbruik nie.

Die uitgangspunt is (dit is wel met 'n persoonlike opname gedoen) indien die krag in sekere gebiede gestaak word, daar geweldadig opgetree sal word.

Ek voel vir die mense wat sulke hoë rekeninge ontvang.

Ek is al self deur so 'n situasie en hulp in so 'n geval is bitter skaars. Jy moet veg vir jou regte of betaal vir die Duisende wat onwettig krag verbruik.

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Pensionaris

Electricity meters not secure

I refer to the article regarding cable and electricity theft in Tshwane.

Our illustrious ANC councillor said there was nothing to worry about as the meters were kept in a secure housing and residents could not get into them.

I do not know on what planet the councillor lives, but I live in Doornpoort ext 32, which I would regard as a quiet and stable area.

I take my dogs for a one kilometre walk every morning and I can testify that these secure meter housings I pass are open for the world to access.

If this is what is happening in my sleepy part of Tshwane, then what is the rest like?

So, ANC councillor, please do a little investigating before you put your foot in it.

Regards, Chris Green

Kommer oor boelies in Moot

Corlia Kruger

Daar is wye kommer in die Moot oor die verskynsal van boelies op skool.

Die meeste ouers wat deur Rekord genader is, sê afknouery kom by verskeie skole in die omgewing voor en moet met wortel en tak uitgeroer word.

'n Onderwyser sê in 'n onderhoud sy stem saam. Die Hoërskool Oos-Moot was onlangs in die nuus toe 'n pa op eie houtjie 'n betoging teen die skoolhoof begin het teen afknouery.

Die pa beweer dat sy stiefdogter in die skool al geruime tyd 'n slagoffer van afknouery is. Die uiteinde was dat die skool 'n hofbelof teen die pa verkyf het om sy veldtog te staak.

Die jongste syfers dui daarop dat 57% van skoolkinders in die land voel hulle is die teiken van boelies.

Die meeste ouers wou anoniem bly.

Die oorgrote meerderheid sê afknouery is gewis 'n probleem en onthul dat hul eie kinders self teikens van afknouery is. 'n DA-raadslid in die omgewing, Elmarie Linde, het ook haar eie ervaring met afknouery in skole in die Moot gedeel.



Jeff Phanyane voel dat ernstige aandag geskenk moet word aan afknouery by skole.



DA-raadslid Elmarie Nel sê sy is deeglik bewus van die trauma wat afknouery kan bring.



Luricke Swanepoel sê dat afknouery by skole 'n probleem is en stel voor dat ouers self met hulle kinders praat om die probleem op te los.

"Ek is bewus van 'n 17-jarige seun in my wyk wat in 'n kliniek opgeneem is as gevolg van 'n subtiele emosionele geboelie deur leerlinge," het sy aan Rekord geskryf.

"Hy kan nie eers die eindeksamen skryf nie. Hierdie tipe afknouery los nie blou merke nie en daar is geen tekens van fisiese geweld soos ons op die sosiale media sien nie." Sy sê 'n slagoffer se gees word stelselmatig geknak totdat die kind later selfmoordgedagtes begin kry.

"Hierdie seun word al oor 'n lang tydperk gespot oor sy liggaamsbou en die emosionele skade is baie dieper as 'n blou oog wat vining genees," vertel Linde.

"Ander se persepsie oor hoe hy lyk het 'n selfhaat by hom bewerkstellig."

Linde vertel dat haar twee seuns self op skool ook slagoffers van afknouery was. Sy stel voor dat ouers hulle kinders hieroor uitvra.

"Respek vir ander is iets wat in die ouerhuis gekweek word en ouers moet daarop let, veral die manier waarop hulle hie kinders hanteer. Kinders volg die verwysingsraamwerk van 'n ouer se gedrag, nie noodwendig sy woorde nie."

Môre,

Ja, baie mense van my werk het gister teruggekom werk toe en hul mense gebel om hulle te kom haal.

Daar is nêrens gesê mens mag nie meer met geld ry nie.

Wat van mense wat slegs een keer in 'n maand ry? Moet hulle nou 'n buskaartjie gaan koop vir een dag?

Dit is onaanvaarbaar en so gaan die busdiens tot niet. Niemand gaan meer hul dienste gebruik nie, want of hulle staak elke tweede week of nou is dit die gemor

oor 'n kaartjie.

Busbestuurders is afhanglik van die publiek en sonder hulle gaan hul nie meer werk nie.

Ons is baie wat hier werk en sal nie meer van hul dienste gebruik nie want ons betaal reeds dubbel elke maand vir ons vervoer.

Dit is net in een woord, belaglijk, en hul staak vir elke klein dingetjie.

Laat hulle staak, hulle gaan sonder werk sit. Dit is tipies hoe die vakbone dink.

Trudie Pullen

Chimps are not our relatives

Humans are not related to chimps, and how anyone can make such an irresponsible statement in broad daylight of rational science boggles the mind.

Chimps are dumb and cruel carnivores; in fact, they are extremely dangerous animals and direct contact with them should be avoided at all costs by all humans untrained in handling them. My impression of them is they are, by and large, almost lethally volatile and unpredictable, their almost 'human-like anatomy' and 'remarkable intelligence' notwithstanding.

The fact that these primates and humans share so many traits is due to a mutual Creator, and not a mutual ancestor, as the atheist-evolutionists would have us believe.

It may profit newspapers to refrain from regurgitating the academic establishments' pro-evolutionist rhetoric with such predictable regularity to a point where it has now 'evolved' into a motley collection of meaningless, redundant clichés.

Humans are not primates and primates are not humans, otherwise our 'nearest ancestor' (sic) would have been invited to ride with us in the passenger-compartment instead of the cargo-hold of the plane where the poor brutes could be exposed to other dangerous animals with no kinship sentiments whatsoever.

I will give them credit for one social grace, mind you: Chimps do not change into humans after six beers.

Piet Stassen



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Laerskool Villieria wen 2015 Stadsbeker

Die o-12-krieketspan van Laerskool Villieria het skitterend presteer toe hulle die 2015 Stadsbeker teen Laerskool Pretoria-Oos verower het. Die seuns het egter nie uit opgegou na hulle tweede in die liga teen Pretoria-Oos geëindig het nie. In die uitspeelronde het die span weer teen Laerskool Pretoria-Oos te staan gekom waar hulle die oorwinning beklink het met 3 paaltjies en 2 beurte te spaar. Laerskool Villieria het geskiedenis gemaak deur die Stadsbeker vir die eerste keer in sy 112-jarige bestaan te verower. Die wenspan is: Edwin Carrihill, Marcos Jaoä, HJ van Staden, Duann Wolstenholme, Janco Morton, Corné Kruger, Liewehn Mitchell, Armand Prinsloo, André Smith (kaptein), JP Simson, Marco Rossouw, Kyle Viljoen, Schalk van Aswegen (afrigter), Werner Marneweck (krieketorganiseerde) en Michiel Joubert (afrigter).

Pretoria pupil wins catering bursary

Danielle Garrett

A grade 12 pupil from Hoërskool Langenhoven in Pretoria has won the International Hotel School (IHS) 2015 bursary competition and was awarded tuition fees for any programme, valued up to R225 000.

Roujé Letswalo managed to secure top honours in the competition after attending a week-long boot camp at the

Indaba hotel spa and conference centre where all the finalists were put through their paces doing shift work in various departments to reflect what it would be like to work in a hotel.

Letswalo, being a hungry and ambitious pupil from Pretoria, viewed his opportunity to study at IHS as the first step in realising his dream of founding and managing his own catering company.

With the knowledge and industry experience acquired at IHS, Letswalo hoped to travel and work overseas.

"Ultimately, I want to bring global experiences and learning back to South Africa and play my role in developing the local economy," he said.

Participation in the IHS bursary competition provided him with financial aid to pursue his dream and has prepared him for the challenges ahead in this fast-paced and often challenging industry.

"Working in the hospitality industry takes a great deal of effort and time, so one must be very sure it is what you want to do. But if it is your passion and your purpose, it is all worthwhile – go ahead and chase that passion," he said.

According to Ruth Paulsen, marketing director for IHS, the bursary competition is one of IHS's initiatives to help identify, acknowledge, support and grow the best talent to feed the hospitality and culinary industry.

"Next year will mark a decade of the IHS bursary competition starting careers for passionate and entrepreneurial young pupils. We are proud to host such an inspiring competition and are excited to welcome the winners at our respective campuses."



Roujé Letswalo



HTS John Vorster ken van robotprogrammering

Drie spanne van HTS John Vorster het onlangs aan die jaarlike Wêreld Robotika Olimpiade (WRO) deelgeneem. Die kompetisie vind jaarliks by Tshwane Universiteit van Tegnologie (TUT) se kampus plaas. Die leerlinge moet op die dag van die kompetisie 'n robot bou en programmeer wat 'n voorafbepaalde baan voltooi waarop daar spesifieke take vir die robot gestel is. Eksterne faktore soos weerkaatsing van ligte en gladde oppervlaktes van die speelveld verg groot vernuif in die programmering om die baan te voltooi. HTS John Vorster is as wenners van die Junior Hoërskool explores-kategorie aangewys met 'n robot wat uitstekend gevaaar het. Pieter Meyer en Chevan Meiring, albei graad 8-leerlinge in HTS John Vorster, het 'n eerste plek in die junior Hoërskool explores-kategorie behaal.



Wannie Scribante, Shannon McCarthy, Lourens van Wyk en Rikus Pretorius.

Boer se lewe vergemaklik

Wenners van die TLUSA/HTS John Vorster Landboutegnologie-kompetisie is onlangs aangekondig.

Die kompetisie wat vanjaar deur TLUSA aangebied is om nuwe ontwikkeling en tegnologie in die landbou te bevorder, het leerlinge aangemoedig om in te skryf en tegnologie te gebruik en nuwe ontwerpe te ontwikkel wat die lewe vir 'n boer makliker sou maak.

Leerlinge van HTS John Vorster het met eerste, tweede en derde prys vir hulle unieke ontwerpe weggestap.

Die kontantprys is deur Dinamika make-lars geborg en deur Henk de Graaf en Wannie Scribante van TLUSA aan leerlinge oorhandig.

Rikus Pretorius het die eerste prys ontvang. Shannon McCarthy (tweede prys) en Lourens van Wyk het met die derde prys weggestap.

"Wat hierdie kompetisie so uniek maak," sê Scribante, voorstander van die Sentraal-Transvaal-streek van TLUSA, "is dat dit

hoërskoolleerlinge aanmoedig om nuut te dink en maniere ontwikkel om tegnologie ntuut aan te wend."

Die organisereers van die kompetisie was veral beïndruk met die gehalte en uiteenlopendheid van die inskrywings. Dit is veral graad 9-leerlinge wat met hul inskrywings beïndruk het.

Volgens Scribante, wat afgesien van sy boerdery ook 'n ingenieurswese-dosent by TUT is, is dit duidelik dat leerlinge van HTS John Vorster die uitsonderlike vermoe het om teorie met praktyk te verbind en dit wat hulle in die klas leer op die werkelikhed van toepassing te maak.

Die ontwerpe dek byna elke aspek van die plaaslike. Van veiligheid tot die aanplant van gewasse en instandhouding van grensdrader. Die leerlinge wat prysse ontvang het, is genooi om TLUSA se mediadag op 2 November by te woon en hulle verskyn ook op die ASTV-program, *Plaaspraatjies*.

Die kompetisie word volgende jaar landwyd aangebied.

Nzimande studies NSFAS report, will comment later

Thabang Kuaho

Higher Education and Training Minister Blade Nzimande has received the national student financial aid scheme (NSFAS) report requested by him a couple of months ago and is studying it.

Departmental spokesperson Khaye

Nkwayana said Nzimande would make his recommendations when he was done studying it.

"At the moment, he is still busy dealing with the current student protests so it will take longer to react to the report," he said.

Nkwayana said the minister was finalising the NSFAS audit.

"Our main focus is to apprehend those who are misusing government money."

He further said government will put aside over R1.5 billion to help students with funding. Since the beginning of the month, university students have embarked on protests against the increase in tuition fees.

The hashtag #FeesMustFall quickly did the

rounds on social media, catching the attention of thousands of citizens.

Last week, over 10 000 university students marched to the Union Buildings demanding the minister not to go ahead with increasing the fees. President Jacob Zuma has since told the students there would be no increase in tuition fees next year.

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Markets and Charity

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• Die Treurige Takbok - Kersverhaal. 'n Pret kinderteatervoorstelling vir die hele gesin. Geëggies word geferf en balonne na die vertoning verniet gevou. Barnyard-teater, Parkview (Museiskuur), 28 Nov, 11:00. Besprek 012-368-1555 / Pierneef-teater, 5 Des, 10:00. Besprek 012-329-0709. AM012616

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Danielle Garrett

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Safety advice to reduce home fire hazards

As SA continues to experience its worst drought in decades, runaway fires are taking an increasing toll on people, animals and properties around the country.

Farmers and foresters are not the only ones who need to be better prepared, says Richard Gray, CEO of Harcourts Real Estate.

"In the past three months, several people have lost their lives in veld fires in the Free State, Western Cape, Eastern Cape, KwaZulu-Natal and Limpopo.

"Dozens more have been injured and hundreds of animals have suffered too, as thousands of hectares of grazing and bush have been burnt.

"Out-of-control fires have also caused many deaths and destroyed scores of homes in informal settlements, traditional villages, upmarket estates and holiday resorts.

"Municipal firefighters and the Working on Fire teams have done a wonderful job to contain the losses in all these situations, but prevention is always better than cure, and there is much homeowners can do to protect their families and properties."

In more remote areas where there is a serious danger of veld fires due to the dry conditions, he says, homeowners should start by regularly cutting back and removing all grass, tree branches and other combustible material to create a 'safety zone' of about 20 to 30m around the home.

"They should also try to have a dedicated fire hose that reaches to every part of their property and is permanently connected to a reliable outside water source such as a dam or rainwater tank with a pump and ensure everyone on the property knows where it is kept and how it works," he says.

"If the roof is thatched, wetting it thoroughly is the best way to prevent it from catching alight during a fire.

"A rooftop drencher system is very effective, but failing that, and if you have time, it should be thoroughly doused with a hose."

However, says Gray, what is most important is that everyone on the property understands the serious danger veld fires pose, knows how to contact the local fire-fighting team and especially has been taught the drill for getting out and away safely when an out-of-control fire poses a sudden threat.

"Similarly, if there is advance warning of fire spreading to the area and you are

advised to evacuate your property, your first response should be to make sure everyone is together and wearing protective clothing, that you have emergency supplies such as drinking water with you, and that you let someone outside the danger area know you are leaving and where you are planning to go," he says.

In more urbanised areas and informal settlements, he notes, the biggest fire hazards are electrical faults and open flames on candles, gas appliances, paraffin stoves and cooking and braai fires, and none of these should ever be left unattended or used without adult supervision.

Homeowners should always ensure all open flames are extinguished before everyone goes to sleep, that all gas cylinders are firmly turned off, and keep paraffin stoves and heaters in a safe place.

"If there is an internal fireplace or a coal stove on the property, homeowners must make sure the flue and chimney are kept in good repair, and there is a fireproof area in front of the fireplace so hot embers that fall out of the grate cannot start a fire," he says.

Since electrical faults are also a major cause of home fires, Gray says, and home-



owners should not forget to check the state of the electrical wiring regularly, ensure that any frayed appliance cords are replaced and refrain from overloading plug sockets.

"Once again, though, what is most important is to make sure that everyone in the family knows exactly what they should do to get out and stay safe if there is a fire."

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Groot gees van Naka Bulle skielik oorlede

Koos Venter

Een van die ware legende van die Naka Bulle rugbyklub, Koot Nieuwoudt, is onlangs oorlede.

Nieuwoudt het diep spore getrap as rugbyspeler en administrator. Hy was in murg en been 'n seun van die Moot. In sy matriekjaar was Nieuwoudt hoofseun van HTS John Vorster en hy het reeds vanaf graad 10 (destyds standerd 8) vir die skool se eerstespan losskakel gespeel. Hy was ook vanaf graad 11 die kaptein van HTS John Vorster se eerstes.

Nieuwoudt was die eerste leerling van HTS John Vorster wat Noord-Transvaal skole kleure verwerf het. As skoolseun het hy reeds ook by Adelaars vir die o.20 span diens gedoen.

Nadat hy gematrikuleer het, het Nieuwoudt sy sportloopbaan by Adelaars voortgesit en op 'n baie jong ouderdom haal hy reeds die Carltonbekerspan as losskakel en

heelagter.

Na vele besering aan sy knieë het hy na die voorry posisie geskuif en weereens was dit nie lank voordat hy vir die Carltonbekerspan as voorry verkie is nie. In sy heel eerste wedstryd op stut in dié liga, speel Adelaars teen Tukkies en Nieuwoudt sak toe teen die Springbok Daan du Plessis. Hy slaag egter hierdie moeilike toets met vlieënende vaandels.

Vanweë sy geskiedenis as losskakel kon Nieuwoudt met die prestasie spon dat hy die enigste voorry was wat op Carltonbekervlak met 'n skepskop in 'n ampelike ligawedstryd kon slaag.

Nieuwoudt het in sy rugbyloopbaan ook vir Noord-Transvaal se B-span gespeel. Later het hy 'n draai gemaak in die Vrystaat waar hy ook Vrystaat se provinsiale B-span verteenwoordig het.

Na sy speeljare het Nieuwoudt lank op die Adelaars se klubkomitee gedien waar hy baanbrekerwerk verrig het.



Wyle Koot Nieuwoudt. Photo: Supplied

Nuwe vasbyt-ren bied uitdagings vir ervare jaers



Christoph Sauser, die wêreld se bergfietskampioen van Switserland, sal volgende jaar een van die deelnemers aan die Monument-uithouwedren wees.

Bergfiets-geesdriftiges kan vroeg volgende jaar begin uitsien na 'n opwindende vasbyt-wedren in Pretoria.

Dié wedren sal bekendstaan as die Monument-uithouren.

Buite die uitstekende geleenthed om hulself vir 2016 se nasionale en internasionale byeenkomste voor te berei, beloop die prysgeld van hierdie nuwe wedren soveel as R500 000 in totaal.

Volgens die organisier, Pierre Nel, maak hierdie prysgeld die Monument-uithouren die top rand-pers-kilometer wedren in die land.

Nog 'n groot trekpleister vir die wedren is dat die beroemde ryer, Christoph Sauser van Switserland, wat volgende jaar 'n deelnemer sal wees en plaslike deelnemers die geleenthed bied om hul vaardigheid en uithouvermoë teen die wêreld se bergfietskampioene te toets.

Nel sê dié uithouren – wat van 11 tot 13 Februarie by die Voortrekkermonument plaasvind, is veral op ervare jaers gemik wat ekstreeme uitdagings soek van hulself vir die Olimpiese bergfiets dissipline (XCO) seisoen wil voorberei.

Na aloop van die Monument MTB Festival vind die tweede nasionale XCO wedren reeds plaas op 27 Februarie en skaars drie weke later jaag die wiele oor die klippe in die Cape Epic.

Die Monument-uithouren is veral 'n ideale

Ons combineer XCO (wat in rondtes gejaag word) met XCM (heen-en-terug) met behoud van elk se unieke uitdagings.

soort kleedrepertisie vir beide die XCO-seisoen en Cape Epic, meen Nel.

Hy sê hoewel XCM plaaslik meer gewild is as XCO, is laasgenoemde die enigste Olimpiese dissipline en verwelkom jaers dit met die oog op groter geleenthede soos dié, waar die twee dissiplines gekombineer word. Dit maak die Monument MTB Festival uniek, verduidelik Nel.

"Ons kombineer XCO (wat in rondtes gejaag word) met XCM (heen-en-terug) met behoud van elk se unieke uitdagings. Voeg nou boonop die vyf tot ses ure van die rug-aan-rug eks-treme uithou oor die twee dae by en jy skep die resep vir 'n unieke uitdaging."

Die tydsberekening vir die byeenkoms is ook perfek. Beide XCO- en

XCM-jaers gaan daarby baatvind," het Nel gesê. Inskrywings het 21 Oktober geopen om vir die volgende kategorie van die Monument MTB Festival in te skryf:

- Juniors (manlike deelnemers, 17 en 18 jaar) vir die verkorte wedren;

- Elite (mans, vroue en gemengde spanne bestaande uit 'n man en vrou tussen 19 en 29);

- Meester (mans, vroue en gemengde spanne, van wie almal ouer as 29 jaar is).

Spanne wat klaarmaak, kry almal medaljes, maar net die eerste drie spanne in elke kategorie wen prysgeld.

Vir inligting, kontak Marlene by marlene@strategicpr.co.za of 083-228-6426.

Future of Springbok management sorted end of year

The positions of the Springbok coaching and management team for the 2016 season and beyond will be reviewed by the executive council (Exco) of the SA rugby union (SARU) in December, SARU announced on Monday.

Jurie Roux, chief executive officer of SARU, said that the contracts of all of the national team's coaching, medical and logistical staff expire at the end of the year.

"The executive council has the power to appoint management and coaching staff with the exception of the position of the Springbok coach, which is ultimately decided by the general council of SARU," said Roux.

That body meets on 4 December when the position of the Springbok coach for 2016 will be on the agenda.

Once all affected individuals have been notified of any decisions, a public

announcement will be made, which is not expected before 5 December.

"We realise the great public interest in the subject and this is easily one of the most important decisions we take as an organization," said Roux.

"Supporters will understand that we have many factors to consider before any announcements can be made."

"Those deliberations cannot take place in public out of respect for individuals and our governance structures," Roux concluded. Media are advised that SARU will make no further comment on the process until any announcements have been made."

Oregan Hoskins, SARU president, meanwhile thanked the returning Springboks and their coaching and management team for their efforts during the Rugby World Cup campaign.

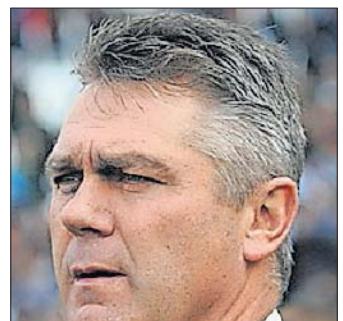
"A bronze medal was not what we

set out to achieve but it represents some reward for the way the Springboks pulled themselves back into the tournament after a devastating defeat by Japan," he said.

"Ultimately we improved on our performance of four years ago and arguably gave the All Blacks their closest match of the tournament, but we know that that is not good enough and we will have to improve in many areas if we are to close and overtake New Zealand."

"I'd like to thank Heyneke Meyer and his three captains as well as the rest of the players and management for the effort and dedication they put into our Rugby World Cup campaign. They fought nobly for the jersey and could not have given more," Hoskins said.

The Springboks' next test engagement is a three-Test series against Ireland in South Africa in June.



Although there is speculation that Heyneke Meyer's contract has already been extended until 2019, SARU said this week that finality will only be given on the matter in December.

Men's relay team ready for Rio Olympics

South Africa men's team winning the 4x100m freestyle relay at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens is definitely one of the big highlights in South African sports history.

Next year at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio, South Africa's top 100m freestyle swimmers might just do it again.

The 20-year-old Caydon Muller believes South Africa can certainly be a medal contender in the relay.

He is even prepared to say that if they can execute their race plan to perfection they might be able to contest for gold.

The Tuks/hpc swimmer is not just making bold statements because he can. He has reason to be confident. At last year's Commonwealth Games in Glasgow he was part of the 4x100m freestyle-relay team who just lost out in the final to Australia. The Aussies won the gold medal beating the South Africans by 1.73 seconds. The South African's time of 3:15.17 was the 10th fastest for 2014.

Muller was also part of the 4x100m freestyle-relay team that won gold at the African Games in Brazzaville this season.

He predicts that Australia, Russia, the US, and France will be the teams they need to beat in order to win a medal at the Olympic Games.

Asked who should be in next year's relay team Muller said he thought a team consisting of Chad le Clos, Myles Brown, Clayton Jimmie and himself would be able to give good reckoning of themselves in Rio.

Muller admits being part of the relay team is at the moment his best chance to compete at the Olympic Games.

"Although I can feel I am getting stronger in the 50m and 100m freestyle I am still a long way off before I will be able to compete with the best but I am definitely getting



Caydon Muller, former pupil of the TuksSport High School, is one of South Africa's emerging swimming stars.

Photo: Reg Caldecott

there. My goal is to be a medal contender at the 2020 Olympic Games," he said.

He won a bronze medal at the African Games in the 100m-freestyle.

His best time so far is 49.93s.

The Tuks/hpc swimmer will be competing in two Fina/Airweave World Cup-events this week. The first was from 2 to 3 November in Doha and the second in 6 to 7 November

in Dubai. Muller is really looking forward to compete in Dubai.

"Two years ago, I represented South Africa at the Junior World Championships and it was the most amazing experience. I was able to improve my best time in the 100m-freestyle.

"There is just something magic about swimming in the Dubai pool. I don't know

how to describe it in words but I just get hyped up when I swim there.

"Maybe I might just again be pleasantly surprised by my performance," Muller concluded.

Muller, who matriculated at TuksSport High School, used to be an avid athlete and soccer player but a heel-injury forced him to take up swimming when he was about 13.

Venske on to SA final

Koos Venter

Edwin Venske, an amateur golfer from Centurion, shot his way to glory at the recent Durban regional qualifier in the 21st World Amateur Golfers Championships and secured his place in the SA national final.

Crisp blue skies, coupled with fierce competition, water hazards and taxing bunkers set the scene at the Cotswold Downs golf course. Venske was able to put on a most valiant effort and claim a commendable second place in the 21-25 handicap group, scoring 76 nett.

With the second round of the regional qualifiers now complete, the tempo is increasing as excitement builds for the SA National Final that will be played at Selborne Hotel, Spa & Golf Estate on the KZN south coast from 3 to 5 November.

This promises to be an exhilarating two-day challenge as the regional qualifi-

fiers from Johannesburg, Cape Town and Durban come together in an all-out battle for ultimate glory.

The competition will be fierce as each golfer will be looking to claim that coveted Team SA blazer and win an all-expense paid trip of a lifetime to the 21st World Final in Turkey next month.

"The Durban regional qualifier exceeded expectations as golfers arrived on the day poised and ready for an exciting elimination process for this year's Team South Africa selection," said Arthur Mzimela of world golf events SA and Team SA captain.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for amateur golfers to showcase their talent in the world's largest amateur golf tournament.

We are looking forward to the SA national final to see who will be representing South Africa as the defending champions at the 21st world final in Turkey from 27 November to 5 December."



Edwin Venske receives his trophy from Arthur Mzimela of World Golf Events SA and Team South Africa captain.

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Mini-cricket brings heroes and fans together

KFC Mini-cricket participant Zander Richter from Glenstantia Primary School got the opportunity to meet and have his photo taken with one of his cricketing heroes, Morné van Wyk from the Sunfoil Dolphins, when his team took on the Unlimited Titans in the Ram Slam T20 Challenge at SuperSport Park on Sunday.

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SA can win in Rio again



Albie Morkel, captain of the Titans, was the team's top performer with two wickets and 67 runs off just 34 balls.
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Local pool team crowned national champions

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The Cue Masters Pool Club in Gezina is the biggest pool club in Gauteng North, boasting both national and provincial players as well as players on the world rankings.

The club is also home to African and World Champions.

The South African Open Pool Championships were held in Worcester recently.

The Gauteng North Pool Association (GNPA) sent two teams down and 14 of the 18 players in these two teams were from Cue Masters.

It was the first time in six years that Gauteng North had both teams in the semi-finals and the first time in many years that they won the championships.

Ironically, it was the Gauteng North B team who were crowned champions.

The B team included Solly Matebula (captain), Bosco Manakana, Alroy Seafield, Steven Nortjé, Khutso Matiba, Jacque du Plessis, Hardus Hoon, Jaco Breetzka, Etienne Viviers and Deon "Rooinek" Roberts (manager).

The two refs that went down for their team were both still under 18. They are Tyla Mundie and Dylan Coakley.

The B team beat Boland in the quarter finals and Cape Winelands in the semis. In the finals they beat Western Province.

The A team lost to Western Province in the semi-finals. A few players also did very



The Gauteng North B team who were crowned champions at the recent South African Open Pool Championships in Worcester.

well in the singles. Both Tewis Joubert and Elroy Seafield made it to the top 16. Jakes van Zeegen won the Managers Competition.

The u.18's and u.23's also went to Worcester and participated in the South African Juniors Championships.

However, they did not do as well as their seniors. Mario Naudé (u.23) and Dylan Coakley (u.18) did make it to the top 16.

Erratic Titans start badly in the Ram Slam

Koos Venter

The Unlimited Titans' see-saw season continues after they started the local T20 series on Sunday with a defeat against the Dolphins.

The Dolphins beat the Titans at Super-Sport Park in Centurion by six runs in both of the teams' first games in this year's Ram Slam T20 series.

After a few weeks of restricted success in the one-day Momentum series, it appeared as though the Titans slowly began to gain momentum and with a few stars of the instant version of cricket in their ranks, there was hope they would do better in the Ram Slam tournament this year.

When Albie Morkel won the toss on Sunday, and sent the visitors from Durban in to bat first, things looked very positive for the men from Centurion. It is no secret that the Titans love to chase a score in both the quick format (T20) and in one-day cricket.

Unfortunately, two of the home side's bowlers who had been stars in the team this year, struggled to adapt to the instant version of the game. Marchant de Lange and Junior Dala could, between them, only take one wicket (Dala), but both were very expensive.

Albie Morkel was the Titans' best bowler with his two wickets for only 28 runs in 4

overs. Henry Davis (4.66 per over after 3 overs) was the most economical bowler for the home team, but he only managed to take one wicket.

Thanks to good contributions by David Miller (62) and Morné van Wyk (41) as well as Cameron Delport's 25 off 18 balls and Kevin Petersen's 22 of 21 balls, the visitors got 179 (for the loss of four wickets) in their allotted twenty overs.

This set the Titans the task of batting at just under nine runs per over to win.

Although Henry Davids (31 off 26 balls) and Morkel (67 off 34 balls) did their best to give the Titans the victory, they basically stood alone in the Titans' effort. Only four other men got to double figures (De Kock 11, Behardien 11, Morris 14 and Moshle 11) as wickets fell with regularity.

The man who did the most damage was the young off-break bowler from the Dolphins, Prenelan Subrayen. He took four wickets at only 5.5 runs per over.

Andile Phelukwayo also took two vital wickets that hurt the Titans.

This coming weekend the Titans play two games in the Ram Slam T20 series. On Friday night, they will take on the Highveld Lions at Senwes Park in Potchefstroom and on Sunday, they return to their base in Centurion for the game against the Cape Cobras.