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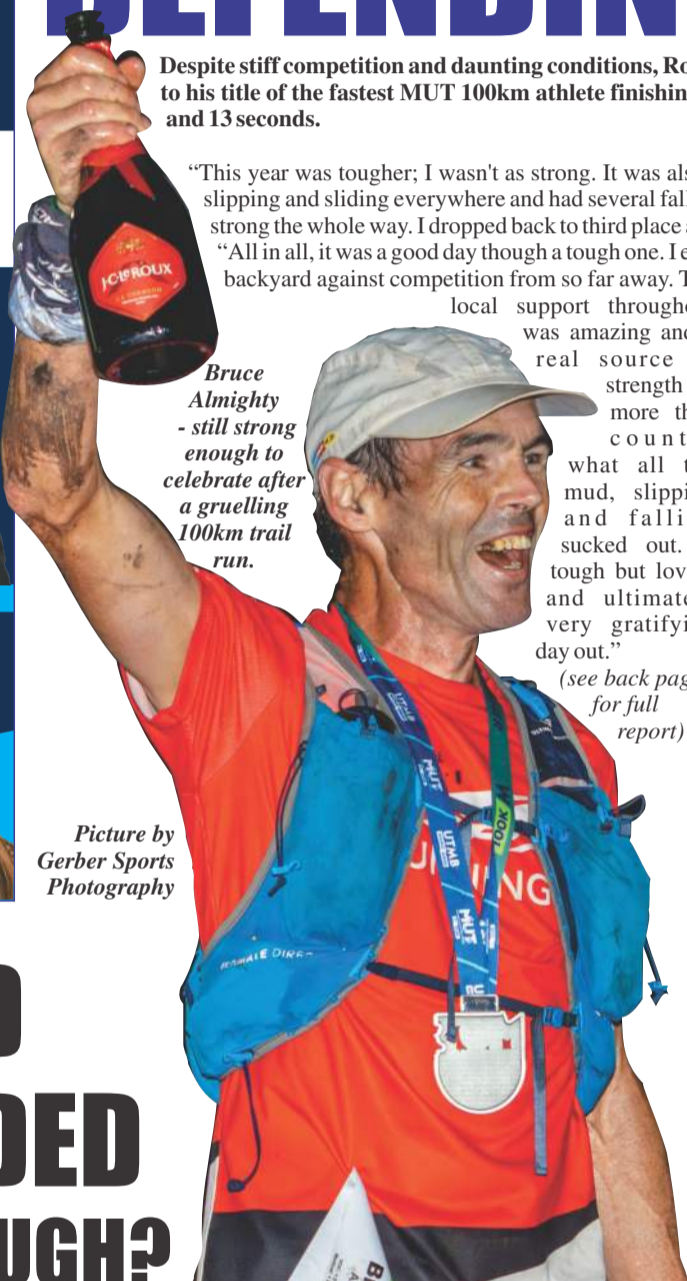
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DEFENDING THE MUT



Despite stiff competition and daunting conditions, Rondevlei resident and trail run legend Bruce Arnot managed to hold on to his title of the fastest MUT 100km athlete finishing the gruelling mountainous course in a time of 13 hours 39 minutes and 13 seconds.

“This year was tougher; I wasn’t as strong. It was also so much muddier, which really made the conditions a lot harder. I was slipping and sliding everywhere and had several falls. I had a really bad spell about 20km into the race, whereas last year I was strong the whole way. I dropped back to third place at one stage, but luckily, I recovered well,” he reports.

“All in all, it was a good day though a tough one. I enjoyed it. It’s a privilege to be able to race such a high-level race in my own backyard against competition from so far away. The local support throughout was amazing and a real source of strength to more than counter what all the mud, slipping and falling sucked out. A tough but lovely and ultimately very gratifying day out.”

Bruce Almighty - still strong enough to celebrate after a gruelling 100km trail run.

(see back page for full report)

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THEY LISTENED THEY RESPONDED BUT WILL IT BE ENOUGH?

The barrage of public objections to the 2023 – 2024 Municipal Budget sent to the authorities by the 19 May deadline has certainly made a difference – but residents will have to wait until this afternoon (31 May) to know if any changes are going to be substantial enough. The council will debate the Knysna Municipality’s Final 2023-2024 Medium Term Framework Budget report at 11:00 in the Council Chambers.

There is little doubt that this will result in hours of heated discussion.

In the Councillors’ Workshop held on Thursday, 25 May, Executive Mayor Aubrey Tsengwa reportedly opened with the following comments: “We have taken the budget to all 11 Wards. What transpired out of the process is serious outcries in terms of the rates increases in almost all Wards, and we have received an influx of comments from the public. We will draft a consolidated response to the Public Participation written submissions.

“We have dealt with some of the comments, and we, the

Government, have listened to the people by recommending that the overall increase in property rates be reduced from 33% down to 17% to meet people halfway and the 18.65% increase in electricity we have considered reducing to 15%.”

He added a caution, however. “These amendments, as a result of the outcry and the Government meeting the people halfway, will result in a deficit of R59 million.”

The Acting Chief Financial Officer, Londiwe Sotshede, concurred, stating that “The implementation of the new GENERAL Valuation Roll has caused a big outcry from customers whose properties have increased in value by more than 100% and Provincial Treasury has recommended a reduction in the rate in the Rand as per regulations, together with an adjustment downwards in the electricity tariff. This reduction has resulted in a decrease in the overall property rates revenue by R39 million and electricity revenue by R16.7 million. It is now proposed that the exclusion threshold be amended and will now remain as per last year at R50 000. The tariff for

residential properties will be reduced by 10%, and the tariff for business properties will be reduced by 9%.”

Ward 9 Councillor Sharon Sabbagh, who has been at the forefront of the fight to have the budget drastically changed and submitted an objection petition with over 4500 signatures objecting to the tabled document, is convinced that the amendments proposed are nowhere near enough.

“My view is that this is NOT acceptable; however, I await the Amended Budget & IDP before commenting further,” she said. “It’s important that we save Knysna from this illegal budget. Otherwise, we will end up with a ghost town where most people can’t afford to live.”

She has called for residents of Greater Knysna to show their dissatisfaction by attending the council meeting en masse.

“Council meetings are open to the public, and residents have every right to attend. Please do,” she enthused, “It is time the residents make their voices heard,” she said, encouraging people to bring placards to show solidarity as the petition is presented to the Mayor

and Municipal Manager.”

Asked for comment, Sedgefield Ratepayers and Residents Association (SR&RA) Chairman Andy Brough said, “We believe that ratepayers will see an adjusted cent in the rand on property rates; however, the Municipality must ensure the alignment of the entire budget

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with the integrated development plan (IDP). SR&RA notes that the IDP is still under review. Mayor Tsengwa assures us he has heard the Sedgefield community’s concerns, but it still needs to be determined how service delivery will be achieved at the ward level. Even if this budget is passed, legislation

stipulates that the Municipality must conduct its affairs in a manner consistent with the IDP.”

Sedgefield residents are also eager to see if the funds allocated in previous years for housing in Smutsville but not specifically mentioned in the proposed 2023-2024 budget document, will reappear.

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Minister Anton Bredell appoints a committee to investigate several councillors in Knysna Local Municipality for breaches of the Code of Conduct for Municipal Councillors

Anton Bredell, Western Cape Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, has appointed a committee to investigate breaches of the Code of Conduct for Councillors in accordance with his powers under Item 16(5)-(8) of the Code.

On 25 November 2022, the Western Cape High Court delivered judgment in the matter *Julie Lopes and Another v Speaker of the Knysna Local Municipality and 17 Others*, case number 19228/2022. On a review of the judgment, it is evident that the court made several serious adverse findings against certain councillors in the Municipality, which relate to their decision to unlawfully create positions in the office of political office bearers in the Municipality, their decision to irregularly authorise the appointment of persons to those positions, and their subsequent decision to authorise payment to the persons appointed, Minister Bredell said.

Of particular concern is the court's finding that the implicated councillors took these decisions despite obtaining legal advice from an external law firm advising against it. In this regard, the conduct of the

Deputy Mayor and other councillors was found to be particularly egregious. Among others, Judge Henney ruled that certain averments the Deputy Mayor made under oath in his affidavit were "dishonest", "clearly contradicted by evidence", and "a clear indication that he was trying to mislead the court as to the true facts". "Ultimately, the court ruled that the unlawful conduct of the Executive Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the members of the governing coalition, and certain senior municipal officials was in direct contravention of the heightened duty that rests on public officials in the exercise of their functions in government," Minister Bredell said.

"In light of the number of councillors that have been implicated, I was advised that it would be inappropriate for the Municipality to establish a special committee of the Municipal Council to conduct such an investigation in terms of Item 15(5) of the Code of Conduct, as the majority of councillors forming the governing coalition are themselves implicated in the court's judgment. Given that all those implicated would have to recuse themselves to avoid conflicts of interest, the Municipal Council itself would not have sufficient members to form a quorum to establish a special committee or to make a decision following any such investigation in accordance with item 16(2) of the Code," Minister

Bredell said.

"In the circumstances, to avoid the adverse implications associated with an actual, or even potential, conflict of interest, I have found it justified to exercise my powers under item 16(5)-(8) of the Code and appoint an independent committee to investigate the alleged breach of the Code and to make recommendations to me on the appropriate remedial action and/or sanctions in terms of sub item 16(2) of the Code. The Municipality has duly been notified of my decision to appoint an external committee to initiate an investigation in terms of the Code."

This committee comprises an advocate of the Cape Bar and an independent forensic investigator. The committee is independent, impartial, and will at all times conduct the investigation in a lawful and procedurally fair manner. "All persons implicated in the judgment will be afforded an opportunity to engage with the committee on its findings before the committee makes a recommendation to me on any appropriate remedial actions or sanctions," Minister Bredell stated. "It is of utmost importance that the investigation receives the Municipality's full cooperation, and I look forward to the speedy resolution of the matter in the interest of good governance in the Municipality."

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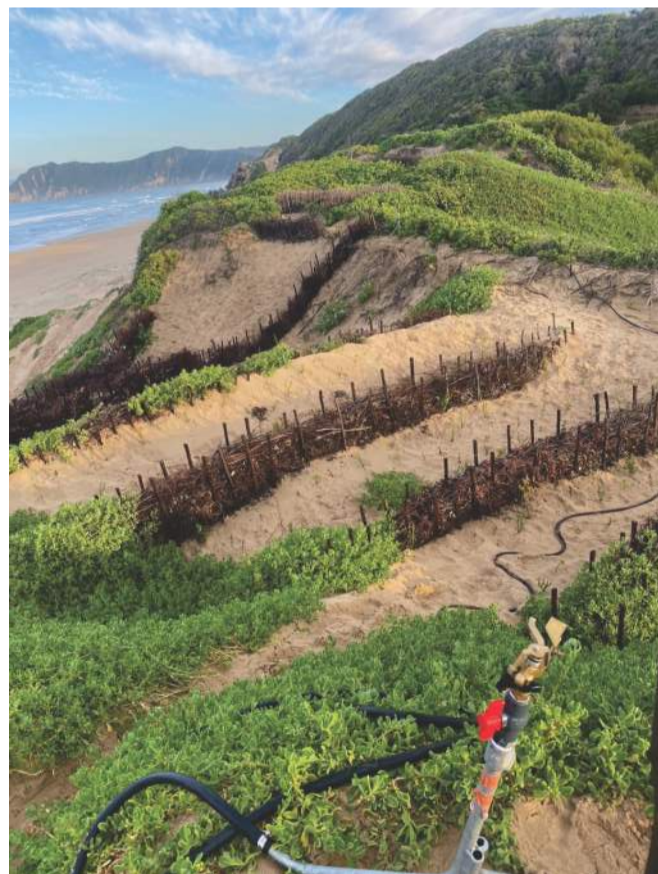
Work continues on the primary dune at Myoli Beach, where Kate Southey and her team from the Knysna Municipality Environmental Management Department have been hard at work restoring functionality to the dune opposite the parking area.

"The Department would like to extend its gratitude to the public for heeding the signs and staying off the sensitive parts of the dune while stabilisation and re-vegetation take place," says Pam Booth, Knysna's Manager of Environmental Planning. "Last week, we saw the installation of some locally occurring indigenous dune plant species that are being watered by a temporary irrigation system. The lovely rains have also helped to drench the sand and will go a long way towards keeping the seedlings going through winter."

She also heralded the joint efforts of Masithandane with their beautiful mosaic seahorse and the owners of Pili Pili, who have lowered the entrance to the beach according to specifications.

"These projects have contributed to overall improvements at the beach," she said.

The main objectives of the dune project - which has been running since September last year - are to reclaim the public parking area from blown-in sand, lower the entrance to the beach for easier pedestrian access and, perhaps most importantly, allow easier access for NSRI



emergency vehicles. Myoli is the only emergency access point between Buffalo Bay and Swartvlei.

Stabilising the dunes is a huge part of this project.

The sand filling up the car park is caused by the predominant South Westerly winds, which blow through the erosional hollows in the dunes (known as 'Blowouts'), dumping sand on the other side. Furthermore, in the past, pedestrians used the vegetation-free blowouts to walk over the dunes, causing further erosion.

The rehabilitation project consisted of various phases, the

first being to remove the sand from the parking lot up to the edge of the dune. The second phase was the planting of 'wind-rows' in the blowouts on the windward side of the dune to slow the rate of sand being blown through.

Another part of the project was the planting of specific species of indigenous dune vegetation to further reduce sand movement and pedestrian activity. A specific strategy was implemented, which was designed working closely with SANParks using research models and operational work done by the City of Cape Town authorities.

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Celebrating its 40th birthday this year, the popular Knysna Oyster Festival kicks off on 30 June with an action-packed programme! One of the longest-running festivals in South Africa, this family festival appeals to all ages.

The first Oyster Festival took place in 1983 and was the brainchild of the late Dick Ginsberg, a local businessman. He and Rose Smith from the then Knysna Publicity Office organised the Knysna Winter Festival, which featured a marathon, rugby, golf, squash, and bowls.

Forty years later, the event still attracts thousands of visitors to Knysna. It also shows off Knysna's best assets as the events take visitors to the forests, the lagoon and the surrounding countryside. The two anchor weekend events, the Knysna Cycle Tour (30 June to 2 July) and the SPAR Knysna Forest Marathon (8 July), are firm favourites on the South African cycling and running calendars.

This year's Cycle Tour is a mountain biker's dream. Both events on Saturday and Sunday will be off-road, with the added Knysna Toyota Fun Enduro race in three and five stages taking place on Saturday. Organisers are planning to bring the popular road race back in 2024. Registration and the start and finish will be at the High School sports grounds on Waterfront Drive, central Knysna.

The Spar Knysna Forest Half and Full Marathon are usually oversubscribed, and entries are hard to come by. What makes this event spectacular is the early morning start in the Knysna Forest; runners are transported to the start by the local taxi



association from 4 am onwards. Registration and the finish will also be at the High School Sports fields on Waterfront Drive. One for the bucket list!

During the ten days, the festival grounds will be the venue for various other events, which will be announced over the next few weeks.

Trail running has become a firm feature on the Festival programme, and this year, there are no less than four trail runs scheduled, including a twilight run! The Sea2Tower Trail Run takes place on 2 July, the KnysnaX Trail Run and Simola Twilight Forest Trail Run on 6 July and the Houtkapper Trail Run on 9 July.

Other sporting events to look forward to are the Knysna Yacht Club Canoe Race, the Oyster Betterball Golf Championship, Padel Tournaments and the Pezula Sunset Wine Run.

Foodies will be spoiled for choice with delectable oysters and other seafood dishes on the menu, tea & spice tastings and, of course, the Knysna Wine Festival provides a great opportunity to taste some of South Africa's best wines.

Other events include the Miss Pearl 2023 competition, the popular Open Rapid Chess tournament, the Fun Pumtrack Eliminator, markets, kids craft workshops, book readings, guided tours, cross-country races and relays and, of course, the Official Festival After Party on 8 July.

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Wednesdays
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5:30pm Sedgfield Striders Walking / Running time trials on road adjacent to Bowls Club. Beginners welcome.

Thursdays
6:30am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.
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Should your association, charity or group have any forthcoming events, please send us details so that we may publish them in our next issue!

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Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the Edge for the beautiful article in their last edition and the Sedgfield Community for their tremendous support for the South African Championships for the Performing Arts.

Our competition was a huge success, and 90% of the Garden Route contestants made it through to the Nationals in September.

Thanks very much

Kind regards
Karen Kretchmer

Dear Editor

WHEN THE FEARS OF LOCAL CRIME ARE REAL BUT THE SOLUTIONS TO THEM ARE NOT

Recent discussions around safety and security in the Greater Wilderness Area - triggered by the appearance of a new security company - have gained momentum since the company's military-style presence was raised at a SAPS Community Forum I attended in Wilderness on 24 April 2023.

The responses of the residents at this meeting were twofold: those who were comfortably in support of the new security company, although questioning the military style of their uniforms & vehicles; those who were not comfortable with their military-style presence, questioning their hardcore military-style vehicles, their branding, their approach to safety & security and the lack of transparency around ownership of the business.

The opportunity to gain

transparency presented itself two weeks later when the owner of the company openly invited Wilderness residents to attend a Meet & Greet function in the Milkwood Village on Monday, 15 May. I attended this meeting along with roughly 70 other residents, most of whom know one another and most of whom I know.

The owner introduced himself and gave a brief description and history of his security companies, including the one in question. As per his marketing pamphlet, he announced his intentions of providing industry-leading armed response services to his customers, making the Wilderness area and surroundings safer for everyone who lives here, and ensuring they entrench themselves into the community. He cited a number of crime-related incidents they had recently handled and said that the nature of the security services they provide is essential, with crime levels on the rise. He informed us of his R6 million investment in the company as his commitment to protecting our area. He also acknowledged that the military style of the company was not appropriate for the area and that they were considering changing the look and style of their vehicles once they reached a "break-even" point on the investment. He stated that the target number of households he and his partner would like to sign up is 500 and that his team are "cleaning up the village of the beggars, homeless people, vagrants, loiterers, drug users and car guards".

He then opened the floor to his guests, and the ensuing questions, statements and comments in a Q&A session seemed to polarize the group of residents in an observable way: those who were fearful of the crime statistics proffered and therefore happy for his services; those who were vehemently against the nature of the services on offer, the highly questionable approach and intimidating tactics being used and who were in favour of the socio-economic upliftment of the communities in Wilderness where the petty thieves, beggars, loiterers, vagrants and drug users reside.

It is important to remain respectful of the opinions, fears and stances of all at the gathering, irrespective of which side of the security fence they stand... respectful of the side that is in favour of integration and upliftment as the sustainable way to address the root causes associated with crime AND respectful of the side where peoples' fears around crime, whether well-founded or not, are real and where, in their eyes, the need for a hardcore military-style approach to defend and protect their home or business is therefore real too.

The latter is not my reality. I know on which side of the fence I stand. I have been living permanently in Wilderness for over 20 years and actively involved in socio-economic

upliftment initiatives of members living in the Heights Village community, which is less than 1km away from my residence.

Unfortunately, the approach of the security company in question, while pacifying the fears of some, has simultaneously instilled high levels of fear and anger in others, particularly those being targeted and intimidated. I have personally witnessed this myself on more than one occasion. Whichever side of the coin you fall on regarding the issue of safety and security and the measures and tactics adopted to protect and defend businesses and private homes, some basic fundamental constitutional rights need to be adhered to.

These include:

- No one, including security guards, has the right to prevent citizens from walking in the streets, knocking on doors, seeking work or sitting and enjoying nature in Wilderness or Hoekwil.
- Security guards must carry ID cards, and citizens can request to see these.
- Security guards may not threaten anyone, including with a firearm, unless the person is in the process of committing a schedule one offence (a robbery, a rape or a murder).
- Harassments and threats from security guards can and should be reported to SAPS by anyone who witnesses or experiences abuse at their hands.

Of course, the irony is that we all want the same thing at the end of the day - a peaceful, safe and prosperous community for all. The solutions needed to achieve this ideal, however, differ starkly. Yet I would like to think there is a middle ground. One where any new security company choosing to operate in the area conforms to the standards of the Private Security Regulatory Authority in the same manner that the existing, low-profile yet effective security companies have done in all the years they have operated here in our village.

"Too many people are thinking of security instead of opportunity. They seem to be more afraid of life than death." James F. Byrnes
 A place in the middle where all security companies can honour the initiatives of many of those members of the greater community, including my own, to assist in the upliftment of beggars, thieves, drug users, vagrants and the like by not pushing them out of their hometown village and depriving them further of opportunity....

For security or policing complaints please contact the industry ombudsman 021 483 0669 or Ombudsman@wcpo.gov.za

Melissa Dalton
 Wilderness Heights Resident

This letter was sent to the relevant security company but they respectfully declined to comment.



I've learned ...

That simple walks with my father around the block, on summer nights when I was a child, did wonders for me as an adult.

by Andy Rooney

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Bruno Andries : Working with Words

The translator/poet/song-writer and writer Bruno F A Andries has translated The Little Prince from French into Afrikaans. Published by Naledi as an e-book, it is available on Amazon. Originally written by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, the book has been translated into more than 80 languages.



Bruno says:

"The Little Prince contains life lessons which still apply today, 80 years after Antoine de Saint-Exupéry wrote it. I wanted to write a new, fresh, idiomatically correct modern translation. However, I also tried to respect the original and aimed to write a text that closely resembles Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's style, especially in how he would have written it if Afrikaans were his native tongue.

About Bruno Andries: Bruno FA Andries was born in Duffel (Belgium) and has lived and worked in South Africa since 1980. He has a background in classical languages (Latin and Greek) and is an accredited professional translator (SATI) and a sworn translator IN

French, Dutch, German and Afrikaans. Bruno's translation of *Arsène Lupin, Gentleman-Dief*, has also been published by Naledi. He has written thirteen children's stories for RSG radio station and various poems and translations have been published in Afrikaans, English and Dutch. Bruno's lyrics of "Bonnie and Clyde" (winning lyrics chosen by Karen Zoid in the Litnet/Sanlam Sing'it Competition) and a French translation of the theme song "Sonkring" have been recorded by Helena Hetteema on her CD "Rooiwynliefde".

Bruno currently writes lyrics for country singer 'Maritza'. Bruno resides in Sedgfield on the Garden Route.

HAIRDRESSING A BLESSING



Special thanks to Rozita's Mobile Hair for visiting the Living Cornerstone Alzheimer's Home on Monday 22 May and treating our residents to some spoiling.

Such community spirit is a lovely example of what Sedgfield is all about!

TORTOISE NOT SO 'TUFF' THIS TIME ROUND



The Sedgefield Striders' 'Tortoise Tuff' race, set to take place on Saturday, 10 June 2023, will celebrate its 24th birthday this year, with the start and finish at a new venue, and without the 'tuff' options of the 30km road and 22km trail runs.

"After a two-year break, we are keeping it tight this year whilst we find our feet again," says Race Convener Sarie Exton. "But don't worry - the full Tortoise Tuff menu will certainly be back in 2024!"

The distances on offer this year are the very popular 10km through the village and around The Island and the 3km fun run, giving those taking part a grand tour of some of Sedgefield's most beautiful areas.

This iconic event was first held in 1997 and was the brainchild of the late Willie Ward and his partner Frankie Whiteford who also started the Sedgefield Striders Athletic Club. In its first year, only nine walkers tackled the

"tuff" 30km route. Now the event caters for over 300 walkers and runners of all age groups and fitness levels. Historically starting and finishing at Sedgefield Primary School, 2023 sees the start of a new era with the races hosted at the Lions Club, Village Green, Pelican Street, Sedgefield.

The Sedgefield Striders wish to welcome on board the 2023 sponsors: Pick n Pay Sedgefield, Engen Sedgefield, HEMS Active, Knysna Municipality, Top Gear George, Pivot & Run, The Ice Company Sedgefield, The Edge, Oasis Sedgefield, Groovy Vibes George, PiliPili Beachfront Restaurant, Pam Golding Sedgefield, Slow Roasted Coffee, Sedge Links Golf, Sedgefield Craft Brewery, Simbavati Fynbos on Sea and Bob and Elaine Dudley. Local businesses not already involved who wish to become a sponsor may contact Race Convener Sarie Exton.

"The flat course of the 10km

event has always been popular amongst the 'speedsters' of both the running and walking sectors, but the 1½ hrs allocated for the event also attracts those just looking for a gentle run or stroll through the village, around The Island, and back again," says Sarie. "And the youngsters (and perhaps not-so-fit) haven't been forgotten, with a gentle 3km fun run/ walk on offer, which always attracts great numbers of younger athletes."

Timing for the 10km race will be electronic - athletes will have their time electronically recorded via a microchip as they cross the finishing mat. The Tortoise Tuff is a pre-entry event, and athletes should note that the cut-off date is Monday, 5 June 2023, at 10:00. Late entries will be available on Saturday, 10 June 2023, but this will attract a R20,00 late entry fee (10km event only). Fun run entrants will not pay the extra R20,00 late entry fee.

All the races will start at the Sedgefield Lions Club, Pelican Street, Sedgefield. Starting times are 08:00 for the 10km and 8:15 for the 3km.

Equal prize money in the form of Pick n Pay vouchers is on offer for male and female winners. Winners of the 10km (run and walk) will receive R300 vouchers each. Age-category prizes are also on offer. Medals to all finishers in the 10km walk/ run. Fun run medals to the first 70 finishers.

There are spot prizes too. Lucky runners/ walkers of the 10km event can walk away with extraordinary prizes, including a R2000,00 running shoe voucher and many more - please note - you must be present at the draw to qualify for a prize.

Participants may enter the races as follows:

- Download an entry form from our website, sedgefieldstriders.co.za
- Enter online through aswd.co.za
- Alternatively, by contacting Sarie Exton on 081 895 5285 or raceconvener@sedgefieldstriders.co.za.

Registration will take place at Sedgefield Lions Club, Village Green, Pelican Street, Sedgefield, between 06:00 and 07:30 on Saturday, 10 June 2023.

Spectators are encouraged to come and support the athletes and cheer them across the finish line. Boerewors rolls and beverages will be on sale by the Lions Sedgefield.

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LIONS BUZZ BASH NO WASHOUT!

By Debbie Olivier

Thanks to those who braved the elements and attended our Lions Boerie Bash on Thursday; and oh my goodness, did the heavens open! We still had a great evening and had some very lucky and happy spot prize and raffle winners.

It was, however, decided to postpone the accommodation auctions to a later date to give the sponsors due justice for their beautiful accommodation prizes. Please keep your eyes on the Edge and Facebook Sedge Locals to see when these auctions will be taking place.

Thanks to Gary and Laki for the mic work and to all who bought raffle tickets. Thanks to Sedgefield Pick n Pay and Sedgefield Bakery for the donation of bread rolls. And of course, a thank you must go out to our Lions who somehow always make a fun evening of what could possibly have been a damp squib!



Seen here are some of the Lions braving the elements whilst cooking up a storm!

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THE PROCESS AFTER A LOVED ONE PASSES AWAY

Often, when family members are dealing with the loss of a loved one, they are understandably unable to think clearly, so making sure in advance that they will have practical assistance is a thoughtful way of helping them cope. It can also be a game-changer with regard to financial stability – especially in the first few months following their loss when they may be dealing with frozen bank accounts on one side and outstanding accounts / direct debits on the other. Having all the necessary information in place and knowing the processes that need to be followed in the event of a loss could save your loved ones hours and hours of frustration.

We thank local Attorneys Cathryn Wright and Jordaan van Wyk for providing insights into how one can prepare in advance and cope with the reality of losing someone.

Before discussing the administrative steps your executor, partner, family

member, close relative or friend will need to take after you have died, there are two important steps you can take before your death to assist your loved ones with those administrative requirements.

1. Drawing up a will and appointing an executor

The drawing up of a Last Will and Testament will provide your loved ones and your nominated executor with a clear directive regarding your wishes for the distribution of your estate upon your death. The will provides peace of mind, informs your loved ones of your wishes and will make it easier and quicker for your executor to handle your affairs and administer your estate. A properly drawn-up will may even reduce estate duties and or/your executor's fees.

Note: Many people are inclined to nominate a family member or loved one as the executor for their estate -we understand this has a great deal to do with trust and what the testator believes they will save in executors fees. In our experience, if the person

nominated is not a lawyer, financial advisor or part of your financial institution, they may struggle to administer your estate. Often they are grieving, and by nominating them as your executor, you are placing on them the additional burden of handling a very complex process for which they do not have the necessary experience or expertise.

2. Gather and store important information.

It is important to gather and store death preparation documents in a properly labelled file or folder – often called a 'life file'. These documents include but are not limited to the following:

- Will (please ensure it is an original copy)
- Executor's name and contact details
- Identity Document
- Marriage certificate and contract (if applicable)
- Insurance policy(ies) – Life, Homeowners and Household contents
- Pension and provident fund info
- Title Deeds (if immovable property is unbonded)
- Loan or lease agreements
- Mortgage bond information (if immovable property is bonded)
- Bank statements
- Household Goods Insurance Policy
- Vehicle registration certificate(s)
- Divorce papers and any other court agreements
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- Any other paperwork that could make their task easier (e.g., firearm license)

It's important to regularly review and update your life file to reflect any changes in your circumstances, such as new accounts, relationships, or updated legal documents. Store the file in a secure location, and inform two or three trusted people (one of whom should be your executor) where it can be found so that it remains accessible to your loved ones when needed.

Remember, while the information you put in your life file may seem obvious to you, when your loved one is coping with what could be tragic circumstances, something as simple as searching for your ID book could heap even more stress onto their shoulders.

WHAT DO YOU DO AFTER A LOVED ONE DIES?

Where possible, it is worthwhile appointing a funeral home as, in most situations, they will assist you with steps 1 and 2 below, so always discuss them with the Director or official from the funeral home. Ask if they can help before trying to do it yourself. Also, before beginning the 'official' stuff, it is always best to have a family member or close friend sit with you as you work through the list.

1. Report and register the death and obtain the Death Notice

The Death Notice is issued by either a doctor or pathologist after they have examined the body of the deceased and declared the cause of death. There are a few details to bear in mind when someone has died at home:

- If a person has died at home and there are suspicious circumstances, you must call the police, who will investigate the scene and remove the body.
- If a person has died at home and there aren't any suspicious circumstances, contact either the paramedics or your doctor, who will declare the deceased dead and assist in arranging the removal of the body to a morgue or funeral home.
- If a person has died in a

hospital, the doctor/pathologist will declare the cause of death, and the hospital staff will assist you with the necessary arrangements to move the body to a funeral home.

Once the body has been moved to a suitable morgue or funeral home, it must be identified by someone who can reasonably identify the deceased (usually a close family member or friend) before a Death Notice can be issued. At this point, it will be pertinent to begin funeral arrangements.

2. Obtain the Death Certificate

The Birth and Deaths Registries Act 51 of 1992 requires that every death be reported to the Department of Home Affairs. This is done by visiting the closest Home Affairs Office, taking the Death Notice and the Identity Documents of the deceased and declaring the death. The Department of Home Affairs will then issue a Death Certificate. It will be worth your while to make several certified copies of the Death

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3. Obtain the Letters of Executorship
You will need to establish who the

executor is, advise them of the death and provide them with the necessary documents to assist with the administration of the estate. If the deceased has followed our recommendations above, drawn up a will and put together death preparation documents, this should be easy. The executor will notify the

Master of the High Court that the deceased estate needs to be wound up and request that the Master issues Letters of Executorship. These Letters of Executorship provide the executor with the necessary authority to administer the estate in accordance with the deceased's wishes as set out in their will.



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We feel that it is helpful if the family can deal with people they already know, as this is a traumatic time for them, and a caring hand does help to deal with the trauma involved.

An important issue is the provision of information by the potential testator/testatrix to their family members before their passing. This helps them to cope with the onerous administrative tasks that follow the passing of a family member.

A financial advisor plays an important role here, too, as they know what the deceased's assets are and what needs to be done.

A related subject is the creation of a bequest in one's will to a deserving public benefit organisation if the testator/testatrix wishes to gift some much-needed funding to the hard-working institutions in our community.

As members of the Greater Sedgefield community, we'd like to make a couple of suggestions in this regard. They are two community-focused organisations that play critical roles in and around Sedgefield.

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GREENEST EVER

by Mike Young

I get a monthly magazine from the UK-based Engineering Institution, which I have belonged to for about 65 years. The adjacent picture is of the cover of the April edition, which was 82 A4 pages long. In his introduction, the editor said, "Welcome to our greenest-ever issue. Words and Pictures come quite easy. It's backing it up with action; that's the harder point." I couldn't agree more!

One article is called "Plastic Tactics". It included pictures of huge bundles of plastic bottles waiting to be recycled. Exxon-Mobil is quoted as the biggest generator of single-use plastic – six million tonnes a year! Some of it gets recycled – estimated at 15%. What happens to the rest? Go and look at the landfill near Mossel Bay for a clue.

"How To Reach the Green Goal in Sport" – that's another topic. The Paris Summer Olympics 2024 plans to limit CO2 emissions to 1.5 million tonnes but still plans to hold surfing events in Tahiti, 10 000 kilometres from Paris!

The prize should probably go to the young couple driving from the Arctic to the Antarctic in a new electric vehicle – a 27 000-kilometre trip. The suggestion is that such a vehicle is zero emission, but no one mentions the green load

resulting from its building. Mercedes-Benz is about to distribute an electric truck weighing 3.5 tonnes, and Rolls-Royce is about to launch an all-electric nine-seater aeroplane aimed at short-distance local flights. They don't talk about the environmental impact of making them.

There's an article about David Attenborough, who says, "Saving our planet is now a communications challenge. We just need the will to do what we read about daily." He says we must halve global emissions by 2030. He's right: every single human must make a meaningful contribution. That's the truth we must all acknowledge and act on.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION TIME

Hospice is so grateful to its volunteers for their kindness in service and sacrifice in the first half of 2023. We cannot achieve what we do in the community without the help our volunteers.



In the past few months, we have welcomed five new volunteers to our Day Care Programme, hosted a Golf Day (Hello R140 000), fed 50 patients nutritious soup (and other yummy food) and sold close to R1 million worth of stock through our two second-hand shops where we also welcomed many new volunteers.

But when we strip all the activities, meetings and pricing back to its most pure form, we see that your volunteering actually impacts the lives of our patients. Because of you, our team is stronger. Because of you, our team is supported. Because of you, our team can reach into the homes of each one of our patients.

And because of you, patients like Oupa are given honour in life and dignity in death. Oupa was a patient of ours for just a few short weeks, referred to us with end-stage cancer. His devoted wife was overwhelmed and under-educated about how best to care for him, and they had few around to offer support.

Sister Hannelie and Community Health Care Worker Nandi lovingly cared for every need of Oupa, including arranging that his last days be spent in the comfort of

Lilita House. From their first meeting on the 25th of April until Oupa's last breath on the 13th of May, our team was every bit a part of the family, and deeply moved by Oupa and his wife's steady love for one another.

This is it! This is the reason we serve, gratefully, alongside you... Thank you for being a part of Oupa's story!

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TENDER NO: T 76 of 2022/23:
CONSTRUCTION OF SPORTSFIELD & SPORT FACILITIES FOR BONGANI (PHASE 2), KNYSNA

Knysna Municipality hereby invites tenders for Construction Sportsfield and relevant infrastructure, Phase 2, Bongani, Knysna Northern Areas. Tender documents will be made available at the site meeting. Bidders are required to pre-order tender documents with Lu-Anne Venter at Tel: 044 884 1138, e-mail: lventer@eceng.co.za

A set of tender documents can be obtained at a non-refundable cost of **R1 017.00** including VAT. Electronic deposits can be made to Knysna Municipality, Standard Bank, Acc. Nr.: 303265043, or by making payments at the municipality. Technical enquiries relating to the tender documents may be addressed to: Mr. Hannes Lourens, Tel No. 044 884 1138, email: hlourens@eceng.co.za

A compulsory briefing session will be held on **14th June 2023 at 12h00** at the Knysna Municipal Green Stores, Corner of George Rex Drive and Marlin Road, Knysna. All attendees must sign the attendance register, failing which their relevant tenders will be deemed non-responsive. **One** Company representative allowed. No person/s will be allowed to join the clarification meeting or to submit a bid if such a person/s is more than fifteen (15) minutes late.

The closing time for submission of bids is **12h00 on Wednesday 05th July 2023**. Bids must be sealed in an envelope clearly marked with the bid number and title given above and placed in the **bid box at the Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna**, on or before the mentioned time and latest date. Telephonic, facsimile, e-mail, and late bids will not be accepted. Bids must remain valid for a period of 180 days after the closing date of the bid. Notwithstanding the period of validity of bids as set out in the bid documents, the Municipality reserve the right to request validity extension. Bids will be opened on the same day at the Supply Chain Management Section at 12h05. Late or unmarked bids will not be considered.

Bidders are required to submit an original of their tender document together with a copy of their tender document. (The original tender document must be clearly marked "Original" and the copy of the tender document must be clearly marked "Copy").

Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued.

25% portion of the works is to be reserved for local Exempted Micro Enterprises (locally defined as having offices in / operating from the greater Knysna Municipal area). The Main Contractor will be required to provide the necessary supervisory and support staff to mentor, supervise and assist the Exempted Micro Enterprises. This work will be subcontracted to the Exempted Micro Enterprise by the Main Contractor, who takes full responsibility as defined in the Conditions of Contract.

The evaluation of this bid will be subjected to functionality scoring. Tenderers must achieve a minimum functionality score of **70 out of 100** points for functionality in order to be evaluated further. The functionality criteria and weighting are set out in the tender document.

Bids will be evaluated according to the **80/20** preference points system. The bids are subject to the Council Supply Chain Management Policy, Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000, and the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022.

The Municipality reserves the right to withdraw any invitation to bid and/or re-advertise or to reject any bid or to accept a part of it. The Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or to award a contract to the Bidder scoring the highest number of points.

NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE AS DEFINED IN THE MUNICIPAL SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS (GOVERNMENT GAZETTE NO 40553 DATED 20 JANUARY 2017).

Further requirements for sealing, addressing, delivery, opening, and assessment of bids are stated in the Tender Document.

It is estimated that tenderers must have a CIDB contractor designation of **6CE** or higher.

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TENDER NO: T 77 of 2022/23:
CONCORDIA ROAD PHASE 2: REHABILITATION AND ANCILLARY WORKS

Knysna Municipality hereby invites tenders for the rehabilitation of the 9.5km long Concordia Road, in Knysna's Northern suburbs. The rehabilitation will include reconstruction of sections of the road with bitumen treated base-course and surfacing and large patch repairs as well as ancillary works such as repairs to paved sidewalks, the repair and rehabilitation of existing stormwater infrastructure, the replacement of guardrails and the construction of parking bays to formalise an informal taxi rank.

Tender documents can be downloaded from the Knysna Municipality website: www.knysna.gov.za at no cost. Website navigation is as follows: Do Business – Bidding Opportunities - Tenders – Current Tenders.

If a hardcopy document is required, a receipt for a non-refundable deposit of **R 1 321.04** payable by EFT (Knysna Municipality, Current Account – 303265043, Standard Bank, Knysna, EFT Reference number: 349750848228) made out in favour of Knysna Municipality is required on collection of the tender documents. Tenderers must use the tender number as a reference.

Documents may be collected during working hours from 8h00 to 16h00 starting from the **1st June 2023**. The physical address for collection of bid documents is the **Supply Chain Management Unit, Finance Building, Queen Street, Knysna**. Technical enquiries relating to the tender documents may be addressed via email to: Jean-Pierre Blignault, jp.blignault@africoast.com and Supply Chain related queries may be addressed to: Mpumelelo Nzuzo, e-mail constructiontenders@knysna.gov.za

A compulsory clarification meeting will be held on **Day, 14th June 2023 at 10h00 at the Knysna Municipality (Municipal Green Stores, Corner of George Rex and Marlin Road)**. No person/s will be allowed to join the clarification meeting or to submit a bid if such a person/s is more than fifteen (15) minutes late.

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Bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation that is issued. 25% of the work to be reserved for local targeted enterprises/EME's (CIDB Grades 1CE to 3CE) from the Municipal Database. Subcontracting will be concluded/finished after the appointment of the preferred bidder.

The evaluation of this bid will be subjected to functionality scoring. Tenderers must achieve a minimum functionality score of **70 out of 100** points for functionality in order to be evaluated further. The functionality criteria and weighting are set out in the tender document.

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National Acts will Celebrate Youth Day at Knysna's Loerie Park

Dladla Mshunqisi, Sneziey, Loufi and Cairo CPT will perform at the Youth Market and Music Festival on 16 June. The Youth Day celebrations, hosted by Knysna Municipality at Loerie Park, will start at 13:00.

"Performing along with the voices behind hits like Wit Skoene, Izulu, Iza Mawala, and UJesu Wam will be a number of talented local artists," explained Mayoral Committee Member for Community Services Waleed Grootboom. "And local SMMEs will offer festival goers treats to eat and goods to browse from their stalls at the market."

"We want to ensure everyone enjoys the festival and stays safe," said Grootboom. "As such, children aged between 8 and 15 must be accompanied by an adult and will enjoy the party in a designated safe zone. The event is closed to those younger than 7."

"We encourage festival goers to support our SMMEs at the market so no food, drinks or alcohol will be allowed into the venue," he continued. "But bring your camping chair and a lot of

gees – and get ready to have a great time."

"Limited transportation will be available to and from the event, and further details will be advertised closer to the event," he said. "We are also gifting complimentary tickets to select top students and high-performing athletes from local schools – members of our Youth Desk might just pay your school a surprise visit in the coming weeks."

Tickets to this exciting event are available from Quicket. A limited number are also available from the Municipality's customer care centres in Knysna, Sedgefield, Karatara and Rheenendal. Golden Circle tickets are only available online. No tickets will be sold at the gate.

"Ticket sales will contribute to many of our social development projects and programmes aimed at uplifting our youth," said Grootboom. "These include our Keep a Girl in School and Boy Child programmes, the Greater Knysna Music Academy in Rheenendal and The Hornlee Community Band Training Initiative. The funds will support

our Youth Desk's ongoing involvement with the Sinethemba Youth Development Centre and will pave the way towards a career exhibition and a skills summit, both to be held in the near future."

Vendors who will attend the event have received training on doing business in a market environment, and local artists who auditioned to take part in the festival took part in a short music and production workshop. They were also mentored in performing and were treated to a professional photo shoot.

"In honour of the sacrifices made by the youth who changed the course of South African history in 1976, we must continue to foster youth development and upliftment," Grootboom concluded. "Supporting the Youth Market and Music Festival will allow us to do so – while having fun and appreciating great music. Please join us."

For more information, please contact the Youth Development Department at youthdesk@knysna.gov.za

RONDEVLEI LEARNING GARDEN GROWS!

by Melanie Baumeister

The Rondevlei Learning Centre continues to serve the marginalised children of our community, supported by the people around them. After our last appeal to businesses to assist in their important work, the little school has gone from strength to strength, most notably in their desire to become self-sufficient.

With the help of Zöe Prinsloo, the Food and Trees for Africa facilitator, Rondevlei Learning Centre was generously awarded a six-month funding contract. They have been provided with compost, mulch, tools, food additives, and insecticides – all the ingredients to set up a beautiful vegetable garden for everyone to enjoy, not only the children. Everything is organic, and Zöe, who knows her permaculture, imparts her knowledge in a fun, hands-on way.

The children and volunteers have already planted 30 trees and hope to plant at least 160 more by the end of July. These are mostly fruit and nut pioneer trees but also include trees for shade and windbreaker purposes.

The aim is to make gardening accessible for the children. It's essential for us all to learn about food security and have fun at the same time. Zöe is young and has forged lasting connections with the students. As a group, they spend ages looking at and learning about one little bug,



heads together, discussing how amazing it is and what it does. She's a wonderful young woman who is passionate about what she does. Apart from being a facilitator, Zöe and her partner are trying to restore the Gwaing River by clearing out litter and creating awareness about what is going into the river in settlements along a tributary. This intrepid couple are planting trees everywhere, removing invasive alien plants as they go.

One day the entire plot of land behind the school building at

RLC will be in full production. The greens, veggies, fruit and nuts that are grown there will be able to feed and nourish the children, and excess produce will find its way to markets and restaurants, allowing the garden to provide a sustainable revenue, thus helping to make ends meet. Next on the agenda is a chicken coop for eggs and compost.

The sky is the limit for the hopes and dreams of everyone involved at Rondevlei Learning Centre!

POISON-FREE CITIES AND TOWNS

by Avril Dawson

Bearing in mind that our lakes are a protected wetland site and the implications of the Ramsar Convention on wetlands, I shall present here an alternative reality taking place in the EU and elsewhere to remove poison use from public spaces. (See visual of a pesticide-free atlas for 2022 below.)

The Farm to Fork Strategy refers to farmed land. However, 550 German cities are trying to conform, in particular Saarbrücken, which has not used herbicides or pesticides for 25

years.

Denmark and Luxembourg have banned them. Proving that the process is fraught with difficulties, businesses successfully opposed the ban in northern Italy's apple-growing region.

(See visual of organic farming worldwide below)

Civil society organisations, like here on the Garden Route and in other countries such as Mexico, have been putting pressure on local municipalities to desist from poison spraying. Kyrgyzstan and Sikkim in India are on the same path after observing general ill health and

soil degradation. Sri Lanka's economic woes did not stop them from being given the Special Future Policy Award in 2021 for their agriculture solutions.

Leadership in change must come from environmental organisations, but all stakeholders must be involved, not least the citizens. Municipalities in Denmark and the Netherlands are joining forces with water companies to appeal to citizens not to use poisons. Our local municipality has seen fit to create a new position for an Environmental Officer.

The positive effects of going poison-free are, amongst others, less mowing and more bees and insects for pollination. Gardeners share input on natural sprays to assist the process of change.

Citizens are kept informed of the stages of the process. They will see a different level of neatness and more physical clearing with which they can get involved.

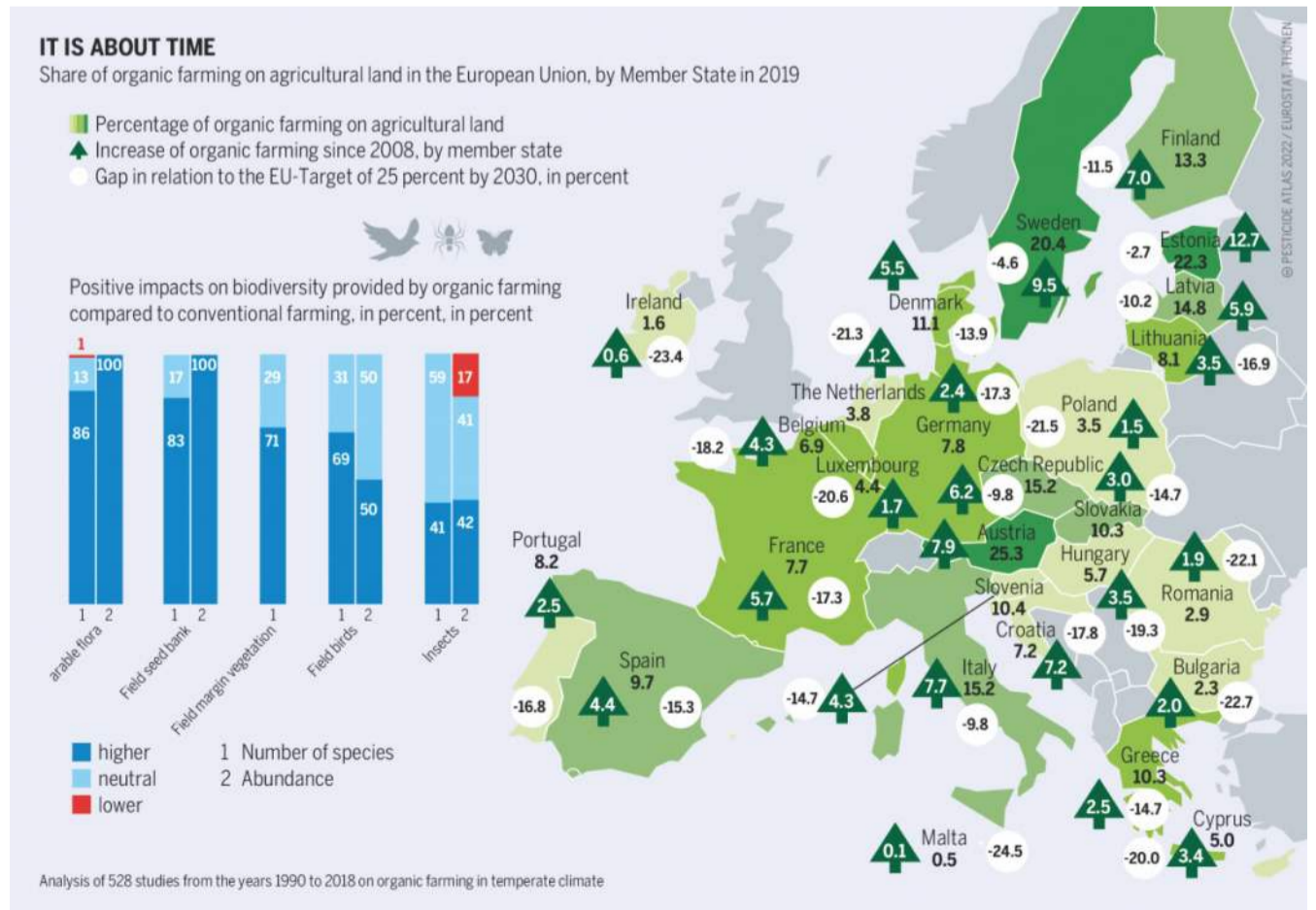
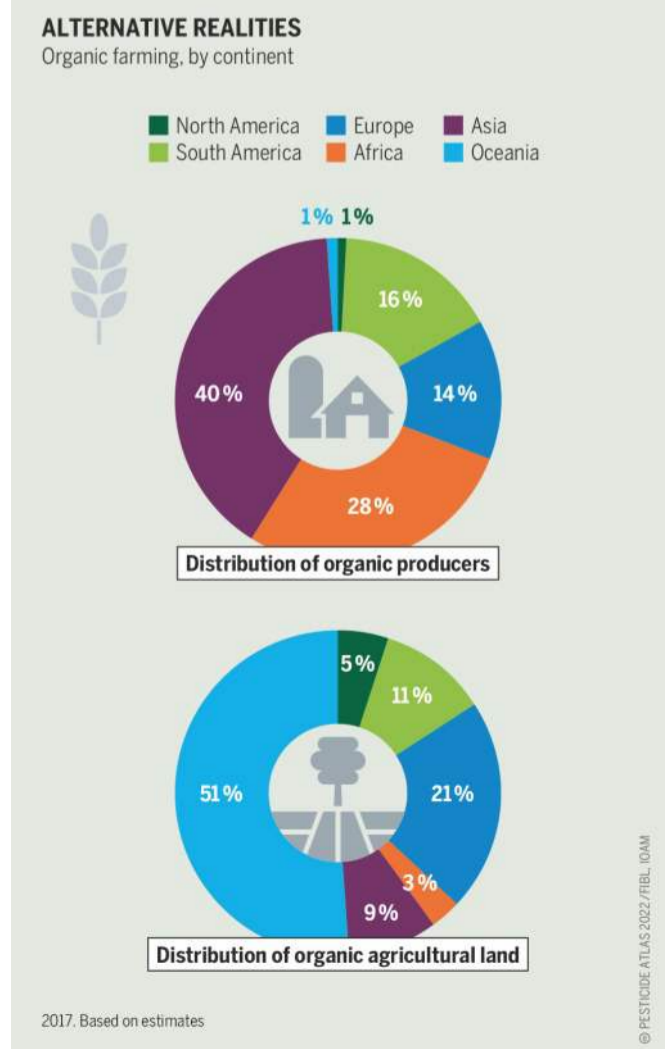
Staff should be trained in managing school fields, pavements, golf courses and all sports facilities. No one should be surprised to see sheep grazing where mowers used to mow! This is not a backward step, but acquiring new skills is an opportunity for development. In addition, consulting organisations such as PAN EU-Pesticides Action Network Europe will remove the need for

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Estate no 018771/2022

The First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Accounts in the Deceased Estate:

Full name: Eric James
Surname: Watson
Identity No: 370626 5045 087
Last Address: 11 Plumbago Street, Sedgfield, Sedgfield 6573 Western Cape

will be open for inspection at the office of the Master, Cape Town, and the Magistrate's Court Knysna, for a period of 23 days from the date of the publication of this advertisement.

If no objection is lodged with the Masters during this period, payments will be made in accordance with the accounts.

JORDAAN, VAN WYK ATTORNEYS INC.
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From The Desk of Studio 42

MOVE THROUGH THE RAINBOW

For years, the philosophy of holistic nutrition has been for us all to 'eat the rainbow'. You know, eat every colour of food, take on a varied diet and ensure they're enjoyed in moderation over the course of the day, or in some cases, for toddlers, over five days. When it comes to fruits and vegetables, you ensure an abundance of vitamins and nutrients are eaten by 'eating the rainbow', to spell it out: red tomatoes, blueberries, orange pumpkin, green leafy vegetables, purple aubergines, a pink lady apple - you get the drift.

What we're saying from our desk at Studio 42 is that we need to move through the rainbow too. So, walk, swim, cycle, stretch, breathe, go to the gym, lift weights or hit the trails on your bike or in your slip-slops, but whatever you do, move through the ranges of motion that you are capable of.

Try something new, pay attention to the trends and get out there and give it a go; maybe it's kundalini yoga that's popular or NIA, or join one of the many walking, wild swimming or cycling groups. Around our little village of Sedgefield, we are spoilt for choice. The natural environment lends itself to being enjoyed!

We are a far cry from our roots as the Neanderthals of yore. They had to be strong,

muscular folk that could scale cliffs and trees, run long distances, sprint away from marauding sabretooth tigers and sleep on firm clay cave floors. Our physical requirements are quite different these days, without the imminent threat of having to move for survival. The times that we are sitting behind our computers and lounging about in front of the TV are not quite the physical challenge our forebears set us up for, but muscularly it's imperative that we keep moving. The adage, 'variety is the spice of life', rings true now more than ever, and as recent studies have shown, especially when pertaining to how we exercise.

Being physically active can improve your brain health, help

manage a healthy physique, reduce the risk of disease by boosting the immune system, strengthen your bones and muscles and generally improve one's ability to do everyday activities. Anyone who sits less and does any moderate to vigorous physical activity will benefit healthwise. It might take a little time, and one must start slowly. If one has had an extended hiatus from exercise for whatever reason (there are periods in our lives when it's necessary to rest and not exert oneself), when the time comes to move again, think of moving through the range of the rainbow. Start with what you enjoy; feeling rejuvenated after the activity is the ultimate goal. After all, the release of endorphins that

Pilates with Melanie by EL Rorke Photography



keeps us going back for more is what it's all about.

Whether you prefer to go for a stroll, a swim, or maybe a session of Tai Chi, that's entirely up to you. Most ways to move are free, and as long as it feels good, you are doing it right. However, when it comes to managing more than your mood or a healthy physique, one must be careful; if there's an element of discomfort or pain that needs special attention, it's time to consult with a physiotherapist or your friendly GP who will give you the best advice on what would suit you best to rehabilitate an injury or get back on the proverbial treadmill.

Contact us for a comprehensive list of free activities in and around Sedgefield or follow us in the Metaverse. We are studio42pilates@gmail.com or Studio42Pilates.co.za

Sedgefield Gentlemen's Golf

Note from The Editor – We owe the golfers and indeed the bowlers an apology – somehow in our last EDGE edition the Gents' Golf article ended up under the bowls' 'Off the Mat' title. We regret any misunderstanding caused – especially for the poor fellow who attempted to tee off on the bowling green during last Saturday's tournament.

25/05/23

The pink ball competition planned for the previous week was cancelled due to incessant rain. This was entirely due to the power of prayer as numerous G.C. golfers are terrified of this competition because if you lose the ball (which counts double points). The chances of your team winning wine, any wine, are negligible, your fourball ostracizes you, and to make matters worse, you are expected to buy each of them a drink, usually a Johnny Walker Black with Coke.

However, the Monthly Mug Competition arrived on a chilly but clear day resulting in some splendid golf.

Paul Spencer took first prize in the A division with a very good net 55. He was followed by Ian Wright with 58. In third spot was Jan Lotter, after a countout with Pierre de Villiers, with 61. In the B division, Terry Savage took the honours with 37 points, but he was very annoyed as he believes he should be playing in the A division, and to quote him "not with the monkeys around me". In

second place was Glen Mauchline with 35 after a count out with Warren Geyer. Dave Wright followed with 32. The two Nearest the Pin prizes went to Tony Hunter and Des Fenner.

Scotland is well known for its many noble and brave warriors, among them William Wallace and Robert the Bruce. We are proud to announce a new addition to the list, Bill the Craig. This noble G. C. warrior/golfer, with a handicap of two, managed to win the Duck for being the worst golfer of the day despite some intense competition. He was devastated as it left his home country as deep in mourning as he was. However, he was told to cheer up as life is not always a cabaret old chum.

On Saturday, 20 May, Peter Schnetler arranged an open golf day for Doug Stephen, followed by a braai and prizes sponsored by Doug's daughter Ingrid van Wyk. This was a fitting tribute to one of the longest-serving members of the Links Golf course, who has played in all the club's various competitions. However, in recent days his health has been failing him, making it very difficult for him to play the game that he loves so much and in which he has been so competitive. He donated a trophy (cup) to the Links course, and Peter announced that there would be an annual Doug Stephen Competition open to all members of the Links Golf Course. Doug will be sorely missed by all the members who wish him all the best.

KNYSNA MUNICIPALITY BY-LAW ON SPATIAL PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT (2021) PROPOSED AMENDMENT & REMOVAL OF CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL: ERF 1363 SEDGEFIELD

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 45 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021) that the abovementioned application has been received from:

Applicant's Name: Matthew J. & Janine Boast
Contact Details: c/o Grobler Graham Architects
Email: groblergrahamarchitects@gmail.com
Reference number: Application number 2886
Property Description: Erf 1363, Sedgefield
Physical Address: 38 Hertzog Street, Sedgefield
Nature of application:

(i) Application for the **Amendment** of condition 3(e) and the **Removal** of condition 3(c) of the approval related to Erf 1363 Sedgefield, dated 6 February 2019, in terms of **Section 15(2)(h)** of the Knysna Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-law (2021) to increase the size of the 2nd dwelling to 150m² in order allow for the construction of an enclosed garage.

<https://www.knysna.gov.za/do-business/planning-development/current-land-use-applications/>

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments, together with the reasons therefore in terms of Section 50 of the Knysna Municipality By-law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management (2021). Comments must be addressed to the Municipal Manager and submitted via email at knysna@knysna.gov.za and smqhele@knysna.gov.za on or before **30 June 2023**, quoting your name, address, electronic contact details and telephone number, interest in the application and reasons for comment. The municipality may refuse to accept comments received after the closing date. Persons who cannot write may contact the Town Planning Office during office hours, where the responsible official will assist you in putting your comments in writing.

Telephonic enquiries may be made during office hours to the Town Planner, Steward Mqhele at 044-302 6339 or via email smqhele@knysna.gov.za

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KNYSNA MUNISIPALITEIT VERORDENING OP RUIMTELIKE BEPLANNING & GRONDGEBRUIKSBESTUUR (2021) VOORGESTELDE WYSIGING & OPHEFFING VAN GOEDKEURINGSVOORWAARDES: ERF 1363, SEDGEFIELD

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 45 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021) dat die bogenoemde aansoek ontvang is vanaf:

Naam van Aansoeker: Matthew J. & Janine Boast
Kontak Besonderhede: c/o Grobler Graham Architects
Email: groblergrahamarchitects@gmail.com
Verwysingsnommer: Aansoek nommer: 2886
Eiendom beskrywing: Erf 1363, Sedgefield
Fisiese Adres: 38 Hertzog Street, Sedgefield
Aard van aansoek:

(i) Aansoek vir die **Wysiging** van voorwaarde 3(e) & **Opheffing** van voorwaarde 3(c) van die goedkeuringsvoorwaardes, verwant aan Erf 1363 Sedgefield, gedateer 6 February 2019 ingevolge **Artikel 15(2)(h)** van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021) om die grootte van die 2de woning na 150m² te vergroot om die bou van 'n toegeboorde motorhuis moontlik te maak.

'n Volledige afskrif van die aansoek is beskikbaar op die munisipale webtuiste:

<https://www.knysna.gov.za/do-business/planning-development/current-land-use-applications/>

Lede van die publiek word uitgenooi om skriftelik kommentaar te lewer, saam met die redes daarvan ingevolge Artikel 50 van die Knysna Munisipaliteit Verordening op Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grondgebruiksbestuur (2021). Kommentaar mag aan die Munisipale Bestuurder gerig word, en per epos ingedien word aan knysna@knysna.gov.za en smqhele@knysna.gov.za, op of voor **30 Junie 2023**, met vermelding van u naam, adres, elektroniese kontak besonderhede en telefoon nommer, belang in die aansoek en redes vir kommentaar. Die munisipaliteit mag weier om kommentaar wat na die sluitingsdatum ontvang is, te aanvaar. Persone wat nie kan skryf nie mag die Stadsbeplanningskantoor per telefoon nader tydens kantoorure, waar die betrokke amptenaar u sal help om u kommentaar op skrif te stel.

Telefoniese navrae kan gedurende kantoorure aan die Stadsbeplanner, Steward Mqhele by 044-302 6339 of per epos: smqhele@knysna.gov.za gerig word.

MNR. OP SEBOLA
MUNISIPALE BESTUURDERURDER



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STUDIO42 SHOWS



SEDGFIELD COMMUNITY CHARITY EVENTS CALENDAR 2023

Venues and times will be published closer to the event date.

August
09/08 Women's Day High Tea - TLC

September
23/09 Anything that Floats SUP - Masithandane

24/09 Golf Day The Living Cornerstone - TLC

October
08/10 Garden Route Kite Festival - Masithandane

Pichi Keane is 'Ripe 'n Ready' for South Africa

Pichi Keane (she/they) may sound like a foreign name to you, and that's because it is, but don't let that stop you from seeing this drag queen in their debut solo cabaret 'Ripe 'n Ready' at Studio 42 in Sedgfield on Saturday, 17 June.

The proudly homegrown performer left South Africa in 2018 after being scouted by an international arts education company. But having returned in 2022, Pichi has been eager to get back onstage since hitting home soil.

Personal difficulties made this challenging. For instance, there was the case of the missing luggage.

"I left Hong Kong shortly after the government announced a nationwide lockdown when Omicron reached its shores in 2022 - and it was the final straw for me and many other full-time performers", says Pichi. "I didn't plan on leaving, and I was woefully unprepared, so when I arrived at the airport with not one, but two overweight pieces of luggage, the ground staff turned me away, and I had to make an emergency plan."

A friend was able to help them repack and take the suitcase off their hands, which meant that their performance wardrobe stayed behind in Hong Kong for the next few months while Pichi tried to book a flight back once the restrictions lifted. But respite came too late.

"Hong Kong only eased COVID regulations in December 2022, and in the meantime, I had a chance to fall back in love with South Africa. I'm so happy to be back, and I can't wait for South African audiences to get to know me", Pichi beams. And the luggage?

"That only arrived in SA this past May! It was such a joy having my costumes back; I'm just really glad I thought to grab my wig when we were doing the reshuffle on the airport floor", the performer laughs at the memory, but the distress of that moment is clearly not too distant to have been forgotten.

South African audiences can spot the signature purple pompadour on stages along the Garden Route this June as the drag artist travels to and from the annual National Arts Festival in Makhanda, where 'Ripe 'n Ready' will form part of the Fringe Festival. Other



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- 'Ripe 'n Ready' at Studio 42 in Sedgfield on Saturday, 17 June, 19:30.

- 'A Sneak Peek!' at Nineteen33 Speakeasy Bar in Gqeberha on Wednesday, 28 June, 19:00.

More info on booking tickets is available on Pichi Keane's website at pichikeane.com

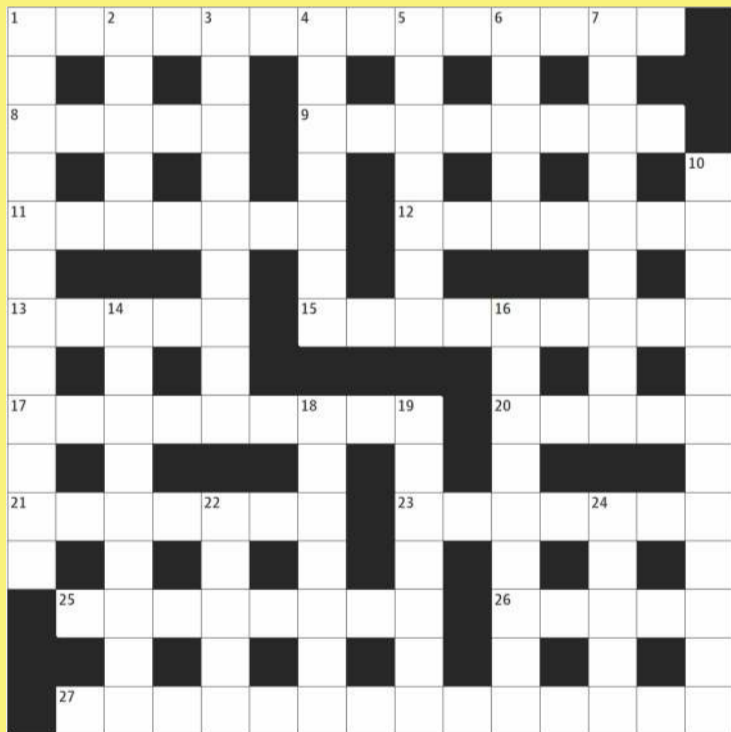
'Ripe 'n Ready' is described by Pichi as a "musical glamour clown extravaganza" and is a heady mix of pop songs with a cabaret twist and a side of raunchy stand-up comedy. No under-18s are allowed as the production includes strong language, sexual themes and partial nudity. See this show if you're queer, curious or just fell in love with drag through bingeing RuPaul's Drag Race and can't wait to be within arm's reach of a IRL queen.

Follow Pichi Keane on Instagram @pichikeane to see their adventures along the Garden Route.

TED'S BRAIN CRUNCHER

ACROSS.

- Sitting at the estuary feeling sad. (4,2,3,5)
- One helping to lift might come back to enjoy the moment. (5)
- Ed I set up mischievously had those he could hand over to. (8)
- Excerpt from Zsa Zsa Gabor's talk about the boy's detention centre. (7)
- Article written with some confusion about the solo performance. (7)
- Go there to share habit-breaking advice. (5)
- Very well-priced soil. (4,5)
- It was the first, second and third time for a pregnancy. (9)
- Liquors, perhaps, that go far beyond the norm after a bit of soul trading. (5)
- Confirmation of where your answers are currently? (2,5)
- How he described his tiny role as Dracula? (3,4)
- The one who apparently cried let the building in really bad shape. (8)
- No end to the perfect place in the lift? (5)
- A big 'V' for new business funding. (7,7)



- Man in front walked like a little'un. (7)
- Did the leader keep his temper or lose it right from the start. (7)
- Totter in the pub for a look. (5)
- Look at me at the heath centre in Trent. (9)
- One carrying the trunk offers closure for the swimmer. (8,4)
- One of the overheads to pay, we hear might be affected by cut-

- backs. (9)
- Sounded like you were on board for some dating? (9)
- One doggedly having a go outside casualty. (7)
- One with moves like a South African traffic light! (8)
- A bit of purple at the fold. (5)
- 'Change' Party apt to take outside position. (5)

Across: 1. Panama 4. Arrear 9. Womens Institute 10. Fiesta 11. Barracks 12. Template 14. Skiing 15. Scoops 18. Cosmetic 21. Borehole 22. Offish 24. Peregrine falcon 25. Pusher 26. Try out **Down:** 1. Profile 2. Needs 3. Mascara 5. Returns 6. Extradite 7. Retaken 8. Enable 13. Proneness 16. Close up 17. Scourge 18. Cleans 19. Scoffer 20. In short 23. Folio

The Wine Ghost

The Wine Ghost tasted - Mount Rozier Reserve - Pinot Grigio 2021

The front label has an interesting picture of a child's tree house as a focal point, which correlates with the Pinot Grigio's name - The Tree House.

It is a simple "look at me" kind of label. The back label is unreadable hieroglyphics, with which the wine ghost totally agrees! The wine's appearance is very clear, and it has a light yellowish colour.

The nose is without any flaws, with aromas of greenish pawpaw, green bananas and apples.

This Pinot Grigio is well balanced, with little acidity and a definite taste of green apples. It has a medium-length mouth. So, the apple taste stays in the mouth for quite a while.

The wine ghost thinks it is good value for money, in the price range of R40 - R60 and will go down well with pizza or a chicken dish.



SOCIAL BRIDGE SCHOOL

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THE SPORTS EDGE

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(Careful, they tend to fly by VERY quickly)

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MUT (aka MUD) MANIA

The Mountain UltraTrail, by UTMB, formed part of the George trail running festival weekend, which offered events for all tastes, 10km, 25km, 42km, 60km, 100km and the inaugural 100 miler. Over the weekend, the event, which started in 2018 with a small field, welcomed 1 450 runners over its six races. MUT has joined the Ultra Trail Mont Blanc (UTMB) world series that hosts prestige trail races around the globe, culminating in the final UTMB in Chamonix, France. The George MUT has gained a firm foothold on the global trail-running circuit.

Twelve Sedgefield locals lined up for the start of various races. The overall feeling, as stated by Danielle De Jager, was, "We started ignorant and finished glad to have survived! We woke up the next morning in awe and reverence of our journey (and, yes, pain and remnants of hard-earned MUD). As Linda Whittal noted, "it was a tough and scenic route, embedded in a well-organised event".

The mighty and majestic Outeniqua Mountains were host to the event, with the 100 miler runners going as far as Wilderness and spending time running the pristine Wilderness Beach. The heavy rains of the past few weeks added a unique challenge to the day, that of supreme muddy paths, specifically on the south side of the mountain. This brought a special unity to the field and upped the challenge to another level.

A special shout-out must go to Bruce Arnett, who won the 100km race for the second year. He went in to defend his title from the inaugural event last year and had a well-earned win this

year, with a strong field finishing behind him.

The journey of the day is best captured through the words of the runners.

MUT 100km runners
Bruce Arnett: See front page):

Michael Rorke: "The MUT started the same year I began my running journey. At that point, the 10km was plenty hard enough, and I thought the ones managing to do the 60km were crazy. Here I was, running the next distance up until I got to the 60 km, only to find they had added 100 km to the mix. So as this running tradition goes, I signed myself up for the 100km. I mean, what is another 40km to the mix? It's less than a marathon. So, I put in the training, running the routes adding back-to-back long runs and hoping what I put into finish would be enough. So, when the race began, I took it one step at a time, working my way from one aid station to the next. Not only was it 100km that we had to cover the cold weather and terrain were next level. With patches of mud that would send you sliding to rocky climbs and near waist-high river crossings, all added to an adventure not easily forgotten."

MUT Marathon runners
Nicolette Brouwer: "Love, remain present and feel the heartbeat of the mountain and the trails. That was my mantra to allow the day to unfold happily. The first-hour headlamp ascent of Cradock Pass to experience the dawn, the frost-layered Herold, the unrelenting yet beautiful climbs up Dizzy Heights, and the traverse with a couple of fellow runners as we danced the path of rock and mud to the Tierkop water station, were all part of the majestic journey. The invigorating start kept me

strong for the last ten very muddy kilometres, with a lot of slipping, sliding, and immersing into mud baths."

Chris de Jager: "Taking part in the MUT by UTMB means being immersed in the magical but challenging Outeniqua mountains. The routes test you every step of the way right to the finish line. This year was no exception with the added element of MUD and more MUD. The reward of completing any of the routes is so worth the challenge and is the essence of trail running. The best part is being able to call these routes home and sharing it with the many visitors that took part in this year's MUT."

MUT Challenge runners
Mauritz Wentzel (His first mountain trail run at the age of 50+ years): "I loved it! I loved everything about it. Usually, I avoid the big races and don't like the crowds and the herding to and from, but this was different. I felt like a child again, like I could do anything – the scenery, smells, sounds. The mud (lots of it), sweat, and grunts were magical. Will repeat this for as long as I can."

Zelda Delport: "This was my second MUT 25km, and knowing what to expect didn't make it any easier. While I was running through mud, over rocks, climbing, slipping and getting tired, the only thought

going through my mind the whole time was, "This is amazing!" I had so much fun and finished with a massive smile!! And then you think ... if I can do this race, I can do any other race!!"

Megan Belton: "I ran the MUT half marathon 25km over and through the Outeniqua mountains. What a stunning run, the views did not disappoint; some of the best trails I have ever run. Extremely brutal, the climbs, the muddy descents and the rocks made it the ultimate challenge for any trail runner, leaving you wanting more. Seventeen kilometres from the finish, I rolled my ankle and pulled a ligament but was able to carry on slowly, missing the podium by one place in the women's category. This event really captures the heart of trail running and our community. I am blessed to be a part of it all."

Results were as follows: MUT 100km, Bruce Arnett (13:39, overall winner), Michael Rorke (22:08).
MUT Marathon, Danielle De Jager (7:09), Nicolette Brouwer (7:25, age category winner), Matty Smith (7:47), Chris de Jager (8:11) and Marius van der Merwe (9:30).
MUT Challenge, Megan Belton (2:55, 5th lady home), Mauritz Wentzel (3:54), Zelda Delport (3:54), Cecil Whittal (4:51), Linda Whittal (5:00)

Ladies' Golf

Friday 19th May 2023

Sixteen ladies braved the colder temperatures to play golf at Sedge Links. Proudly wearing our new Sedgefield Pick 'n Pay and Sedgefield Wimpy sponsored winter jackets we were ready to play a Team Alliance format. Three scores to count on Par 4's and Two scores to count on Par 3's.

The day's winning team, with 86 points, was Daleen Schooling, Almarie Mead and Linda Evans. Coming in on a close 2nd with 85 points were Elize Mackenzie-Blom, Brenda Howden and Wendy Mack.

Birdies were shot by: Linda Evans (7th) Daleen Schooling (18th) Almarie Mead (15th) Marina van der Westhuizen (4th, 5th) Elize Mackenzie-Blom (9th) Joy Herbst (14th) Wendy Mack (18th) Nearest Pin 0-16 handicaps - Almarie Mead

17+ handicaps - Sandra van't Slot Well done, and congratulations to all the winners.

Friday 26th May 2023

Thirteen ladies braved the chilly Friday morning. The format was a Team Alliance, the WORST scores to count!

The winners were: Almarie Mead, Charlene Blacker, and Eda Greenway with 45 points
Coming on second were Ronnie Maingard, Martha Smith, and Almarie as the ghost with 40 points
Marina van der Westhuizen, Moraig McLeod, and Kandy Grieve came in on a close 3rd place with 39 points
This week we had the Longest Drive, and prizes went to: Michelle J Gilchrist for the 0-16 handicaps
And Moraig McLeod for the 17 and upwards handicaps
Birdies were sparse this week, with Charlene Blacker on the 5th, Sylvia de Moor on the 14th, and Marina van der Westhuizen on the 5th and 11th

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Off the Mat

Sedge Bowling Club News



Oops, clean forgot to send in "off the mat" two weeks ago; no excuse – old age creeping up, although it gave someone the excuse they needed to change the scribe. Nice try; it didn't work. So, I am still here, but not for long.

Farewell and welcome
Unfortunately, due to health problems, we have to say a sad farewell to Mike Newbury, Mike, the members thank you very much for all you have done, your hard work and long hours; we will miss you and look forward to you visiting us soon.

Welcome to Leonard van Rensburg, who has accepted the position of bar manager. We look forward to lots of eating and drinking. We have already made friends with Len, as he has been working hard in the kitchen. We hope you have many years in the bar and kitchen.

Competitions
Men's Mini League – Congratulations to Charles Fontini and his team – 2nd place. Well bowled.

Club competitions –
Men's Final – Winners – Brian & Martin (see photo) runners-up Mike & Brett. Well done, and better luck next time.

Mixed singles – The draw is on the notice board. Please

check your playing dates. The competition secretaries are looking for markers.

Entertainment
Friday evening's "Bring n Braai" was a great success, certainly a "to do again", depending on the weather. The evening was an official farewell for Mike.

That's about all for this week; good luck and good bowling to all the members out and about playing our favourite game.

Nearest the kitty



TIDE TABLE

31 MAY - 13 JUNE 2023

● Full Moon 04 June 2023

Wed May 31 2023
low tides 07:18 19:18
high tides 00:51 13:23
sunrise 07:25 sunset 17:28
moonrise 15:02 moonset 03:19

Thu Jun 01 2023
low tides 07:54 19:56
high tides 01:29 14:03
sunrise 07:26 sunset 17:28
moonrise 15:31 moonset 04:20

Fri Jun 02 2023
low tides 08:30 20:32
high tides 02:05 14:41
sunrise 07:26 sunset 17:28
moonrise 16:04 moonset 05:26

Sat Jun 03 2023
low tides 09:06 21:11
high tides 02:44 15:19
sunrise 07:27 sunset 17:27
moonrise 16:45 moonset 06:35

Sun Jun 04 2023
low tides 09:44 21:52
high tides 03:24 15:58
sunrise 07:28 sunset 17:27
moonrise 17:35 moonset 07:46

Mon Jun 05 2023
low tides 10:24 22:36
high tides 04:07 16:40
sunrise 07:28 sunset 17:27
moonrise 18:35 moonset 08:56

Tue Jun 06 2023
low tides 11:07 23:25
high tides 04:52 17:24
sunrise 07:29 sunset 17:27
moonrise 19:44 moonset 09:59

Wed Jun 07 2023
low tide 11:53
high tides 05:41 18:13
sunrise 07:29 sunset 17:27
moonrise 20:57 moonset 10:54

Thu Jun 08 2023
low tides 00:20 12:42
high tides 06:33 19:10
sunrise 07:30 sunset 17:27
moonrise 22:10 moonset 11:39

Fri Jun 09 2023
low tides 01:22 13:37
high tides 07:31 20:15
sunrise 07:30 sunset 17:26
moonrise 23:21 moonset 12:17

Sat Jun 10 2023
low tides 02:36 14:43
high tides 08:37 21:31
sunrise 07:31 sunset 17:26
moonrise - moonset 12:49

Sun Jun 11 2023
low tides 03:58 16:06
high tides 09:52 22:44
sunrise 07:31 sunset 17:26
moonrise 00:29 moonset 13:19

Mon Jun 12 2023
low tides 05:16 17:27
high tides 11:10 23:48
sunrise 07:31 sunset 17:26
moonrise 01:35 moonset 13:47

Tue Jun 13 2023
low tides 06:19 18:30
high tide 12:19
sunrise 07:32 sunset 17:26
moonrise 02:39 moonset 14:14

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