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2025 MELO BREAKS ALL THE RECORDS



The 2025 Melodrama 'African Dream' cast. Picture by Cindy Davey

After its first week of running, it was already evident that this year's 'My African Dream' Melodrama was going to be something special. Ticket sales soared, and bids at the 'American Auction' for encores at the end of each night's performance seemed to explode.

Though the figures need to be finalised - the preliminary total for ticket sales is R171 900.00, which is 36% up on last year. The auction record for a single night was set last year at R37 250.00. The 2025 show smashed this on two different nights, raising it to R44 000.00 on the first Friday evening and then surpassing even that figure on the final show night, when R46 280.00 was bid in total. Over the six

performances an amazing R182 359.00 was raised in the auction - 87% more than last year. Producer Margie van Rensburg is blown away by this generous response to the 2025 Melodrama. "There's still advertising and art auction figures to come in, but at the moment we are knocking on the door of R380 000.00." she enthused. Every effort is made to keep the Melodrama's running costs down, and once these have been deducted, Sedgefield charities will benefit hugely from The 2025 Melodrama. It really is an event that epitomises the generous heart of Sedgefield. (A review of the 2025 My African Dream Sedgefield Melodrama is on page 5)



On 27 August 2025, the day our last edition hit the streets, The EDGE family lost a much-loved member, Joy Lambie.

She passed away early in the morning, after a long battle with cancer broke her body, but not her spirit.

This wonderful lady, beautiful both inside and out, had been part of our team for 13 years and was an integral cog in The EDGE wheels, and a huge part of our daily lives.

Joy, by name and by nature, soon became so much more than 'the Sales Manager' - She was the staff motivator, the happiness driver, the spirit lifter, the Joy bringer!

And it seems it was not only our hearts that she affected. Aside from those of her wide circle of friends, condolences from customers, local charities and associations, and even sports teams have poured in to The EDGE offices.

Even in the last few weeks when she was extremely weak, Joy's gratitude, her spiritual walk, and

FAREWELL TO OUR JOY

her absolute surety of where she was going, was a testimony to all of us. *Thank you, Joy.*

Our heartfelt condolences to Reg, Matt, Carrie, Reagan, Derryn and the rest of the family, as well as to Joy's very special circle of friends.

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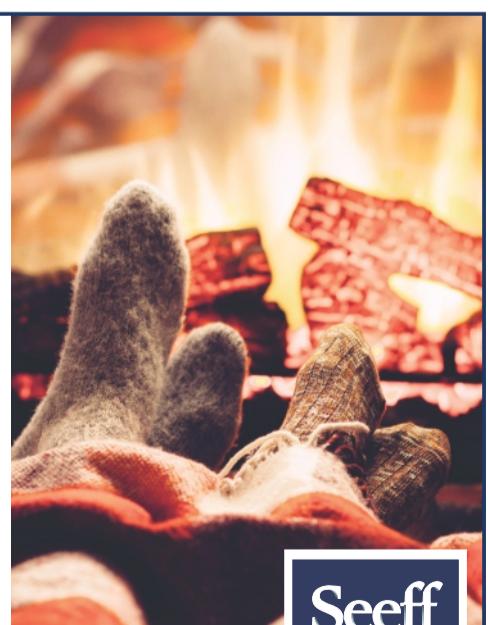
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Notes from T'Ed's Head

I
t's SPRING!

The sky is blue
The Sun is Riz
And Mrs Ed
Is in a Tizz!

Of course she is, because Spring means - horror of horrors - The List once again becomes an 'active document'.....

You will, (surely by now, dear reader?) know what I mean by The List?

Yes. Thank you for remembering. It's that wad of A4 pages on our fridge, held in place by the Union Jack magnet, next to our exceptionally talented grandchild's drawing of an elephant... (That's what her grandmother says it is, though I'm not sure if it mightn't be a Municipal Road Repair truck.) (No, probably an elephant. Sighting the other option in Sedgefield is far too ridiculous a notion.)

And let's be clear. The List isn't one of the Pantry Restocking variety. No - Mrs Ed keeps her shopping list (Eye of Newt, a dozen frog warts, three slugs, four snails and a small carton of



seems to grow at a steady rate, with very little 'crossing off' I might add. (Actually, it's Mrs Ed that does all the adding.)

I have regularly challenged the Old Reptile about this (usually when my children are present, so as to minimise any risk of bloodshed or severe bruising), always stating my case quite convincingly, I believe.

"How can you keep adding on but not crossing off?" I say, carefully pointing my famous long-suffering victim grimace in the direction of the jury (my children).

But alas. Apparently, according to some ancient, ridiculously outdated law, (scribed, no doubt, when Mrs Ed was a mere dragon pup), to get any task taken off The List, one actually has to complete it.

But hang on, you say. What does this have to do with Spring? Good question. Well done.

It's the window.

No, not the warped one with the wonky handle which doesn't close and lets the rain in when we have a south-east wind.

I mean the 'Window of Opportunity.'

You see, over the years I have developed quite an impressive mental collection of Self-Preservation Methods (SPMs), figuring I owe it to myself to do so as I intend to live to a ripe old age, and believe it vital to avoid any possibility of long-term damage to the finely honed athletic body with which I have been blessed.

And everyone knows that 'Lifting Heavy Things' may cause straining or even the tearing of a muscle.

It is an ever-evolving list, which



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point, don't you think? Why on earth would it be necessary to 'Paint the nursery' when the children are already 30 and 32?

"And as for #23 - I think it's kind of quirky that, after all these years, our downstairs bathroom door still randomly locks itself when nobody's in there. It's like having our own, personalised haunted room - think how much value that would add if we ever had to sell?"

But there's no shifting Mrs Ed. She wants it done, and she wants it done... this year.

This year I'm trying psychological warfare, and have announced to the family I am

embarking on a hunger strike (which isn't THAT difficult, when it comes to Mrs Ed's cooking). I'm not 100% sure that it's working, though. Six days in, I found her pouring my beers into the basin.

"What are you doing?" I gasped, instantly thirsty, "You can't do that!"

"You're on strike, remember?" she chuckled, "And anyway - considering Google says that 'soaking overnight in beer' is the best way to get this steak n kidney gravy off the shirt you wore to work today..."

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On Monday 25 August 2025 local pensioners Hans and Barbara Schotel went through the trauma of having their vehicle stolen by someone they trusted. Fortunately, thanks to SAPS and a network of License Plate Recognition (LPR) cameras, the car was retrieved and the perpetrator arrested at a roadblock in Barrydale two days later.

The man, who the couple had known for a number of years, had approached Barbara on Sunday whilst she was out shopping, and she said it was obvious he had fallen on hard times.

"Before we moved into Sedgemoor Park, he had carried out a number of jobs for us, and we knew him to be a capable handyman and mechanic," said Barbara, "And so, in order to help him, I told him he could service our car and I would pay him."

He duly arrived at their cottage early on Monday morning, and was given the Hyundai and money to buy the necessary servicing parts and oils. He was supposed to return the vehicle later that day, but that was the last they saw of him.

Early on Tuesday morning the Schotels went out looking for the man, but when they were without success, they reported the matter to the Sedgefield Police Station.

"We were thrilled by the friendly, helpful and efficient service we received from the policeman on duty, who then sent out an alert to all mobile Police units in the Knysna/George area, as well as

to Michael Simon of the local Community Police Forum," Barbara told us.

Once the word was out, the vehicle's particulars were loaded into the LPR system. As a result it was picked up by CCTV cameras in George that evening, and again on Wednesday morning. It then seemingly disappeared from view.

However, that evening it was stopped at a roadblock near Barrydale and the driver apprehended.

"We were immediately informed by the Knysna Police of its successful recovery, and they then transported my husband to Barrydale in order to collect our vehicle. The culprit is now awaiting a court hearing," Barbara said.

Michael Simon of Sedgefield's COP said the outcome is evidence of the great teamwork between SAPS and all other security role-players

"The cameras also played a major part in locating the vehicle. This again shows the importance of the camera network - not only in Sedgefield, but all around the Garden Route," he said, adding that continuous communication and feedback between all relevant parties had paid dividends.

The Schotels offered their grateful thanks to the Police Service, both in Sedgefield and Knysna, as well as to Michael Simon and his team, for their outstanding assistance.

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and helpful people providing their service to the community."

Barbara stated, "This has been a traumatic experience for my husband and me, and a lesson to be less gullible and more careful future when responding to pleas for help in the future. We would urge others to do likewise."

SAPS Knysna have confirmed the arrest of a 53-year-old man in connection with this case, but could not provide details of the outcome of his appearance in court on 1 September.

"We in Sedgefield are indeed fortunate to have such capable

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FIRE AT LAKE PLEASANT HOTEL

A blaze that broke out in the Lake Pleasant Hotel on Saturday 6 September has left the hotel's health spa gutted, but fortunately did not cause injury to any staff members, guests or visitors, nor any damage at all to the rest of the hotel and restaurant.

According to Hotel General Manager Wayne De Jager it was soon after 1pm when the flames were first reported, and whilst the cause is still to be determined by forensic investigators, it is surmised that the fire most likely started in the Sauna.

"When we have a booking for the spa, we power up all the necessary equipment well in advance. Obviously the sauna's heating system does reach quite high temperatures," he explained.

De Jager said it was quite something to see how staff and residents worked together to tackle the fire until the fire department arrived, and this went a long way to keeping it contained. The blaze was totally extinguished within 1½ hours.

Built in the 1940s, the hotel's original structure is very old, with

further buildings, including the one that housed the spa, being added on in the 2000s. Had the fire been given the chance to spread the damage could have been so much more serious.

De Jager is proud of how the hotel team has rallied, and aside from the spa, it's already back to business as usual. "We are happy to say that our restaurant was unaffected and is still serving up delicious meals," he said. "And we are determined to rebuild our spa even bigger and better than before."

BATTLE OF THE BUSKERS - HERITAGE DAY

by Debbie Olivier

We have another Lions Battle of the Buskers coming your way on 24 September on the Village Green! Live music, local talent, and toe-tapping fun. With every ticket sold, we are able to boost our service projects within our community. Bring your cheer, bring your friends, and come and enjoy three standout acts who perform with heart!

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Atlas – new kid on the block!

Atlas is a 37-year-old-one-man band who hails from the good old OFS, Sasolburg. He delivers a raw mix of Afrikaans and English

covers – from Oasis and Leo Sayer to Koos Kombuis – and heartfelt originals. He credits the inspiration for these to his children. Powered by a gritty "Vaalvlier vibe", his music is honest and soulful. Let's give Atlas and his family a warm and hearty welcome to Sedgefield, the kind that only our locals can give!

And the Riddle – debut performance at BOB

Lighting up the stage with energy and flair, "And the Riddle" were spotted and signed up after their cool performance was heard at the a Saturday market. They blend

crowd favourites with their unique and quirky touch. Whether it's a cover or an original, every performance is crafted to make you move, smile, and sing along. You have been warned!

All this could not be happening without the generous sponsorship of Pick n Pay Sedgefield, Engen 1 Stop Sedgefield and Wimpy Sedgefield, who donate the prizes

for the artists. And thanks also go to Crystal at Wool n Things for handling our ticket sales.

Crafters are welcome to contact Sarah on 072 906 6312. There is no charge for stall holders, but a minimum of 2 people per stall, please. No food stalls as Lions are braaing, and we have secured the fab ladies of the pannekoek stall who always grace us not only with their beauty, but with delicious pannekoek too! Also lovely soft serve ice cream will be on sale.

This is a licensed venue - please support the Lions braai sales and bar! Funds raised from this event will be put towards the purchasing of stationery packs and school or sport uniforms for the children of Sedgefield Primary, as and when needed and advised by the school.

We so look forward to seeing you there!



Public Participation: A Cornerstone of Democratic Governance

by Charl van der Merwe,
Environmental Ethicist
On behalf of Sedgefield
Ratepayers Association.

Public participation is an essential element of our democracy. It allows us to shape decisions that affect our lives and environment. It is a dynamic process that promotes transparency, accountability, and inclusivity in governance. In South Africa, public participation is constitutionally mandated.

What Is Public Participation?
Public participation allows individuals and communities to influence public decisions and contribute to policy development. It includes activities like attending public hearings and submitting comments on draft legislation.

In the context of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA), public participation informs the public about proposed developments and engages them in identifying potential risks and opportunities. The results of public engagement must be considered in deciding whether a project should be allowed and what measures should be taken to protect the environment. The "public"

includes any individual or group or stakeholders or anyone else who may be affected directly or indirectly by decision outcomes.

Consultation during the EIA stage can build ongoing relations between companies and communities, determining whether future interactions will be constructive or problematic. Poorly managed consultations can erode trust and undermine a company's social license to operate, potentially leading to appeals against development approvals. South Africa's National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) requires public participation in decisions affecting the environment. No permits or project authorisations can be issued without consulting affected members of the public.

At its core, public participation is based on the foundation that those affected by a decision have a right to be involved in that decision-making process. It ensures that authority is responsive to the public's needs, values, and concerns.

Environmental Public Participation
According to NEMA, an interested and affected party (I&AP) is anyone interested in,

or affected by, an activity. An EIA process requires an Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to consider who may be directly or indirectly affected, whose activities/ interests may be impacted, and who may have relevant knowledge or expertise. Registered I&APs must be informed and involved throughout the process. Public meetings should be accessible, informative, and conducted with respect and transparency.

The EAP must respond to all matters raised and maintain a comprehensive record. Public participation extends beyond the EIA process and can include requesting information, contacting the applicant to raise concerns or argue for a negotiated solution, signing petitions, and monitoring activities. Even launching campaigns, staging peaceful protests/demonstrations or appealing a decision made by the Competent Authority. Public participation allows you to file a court application against a decision and become involved in inspections and monitoring activities during the construction and/or operation phase. These activities are an important and legitimate avenue for your opinion to be heard and for you to make a difference.

Key Principles of Effective Public Participation
Effective public participation is guided by principles such as inclusiveness, transparency, accountability, responsiveness, empowerment, and openness. These principles ensure meaningful engagement and the ability to influence real change. Participation must never be

symbolic, but substantive - capable of influencing the right decisions, not for short-term gains, but long-term sustainability. **It is the right for our future, demand it.**

The Right to Public Participation in South African Legislation

The approach to public participation is guided by the principles and procedural requirements that are set out in relevant South African laws. These include the Constitution, national laws and statutes, and specific regulations in terms of these laws and statutes. The National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) ensures everyone has the right to be informed and participate in environmental decisions. Public participation must follow principles and procedures outlined in South African laws.

Public participation is not merely a procedural requirement - it is our right, in terms of our legislation, to take part in the conduct of public affairs, either directly or through elected representatives.

Importantly, the right to participate is linked to other fundamental rights, including freedom of expression, access to information, and freedom of association. Together, these rights create an enabling environment for civic engagement.

However, meaningful participation requires more than legal provisions. It demands political will, institutional capacity, and active citizenship.



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Notice is hereby given that the amended SDF & LSDF reports are open for further public input and comment.

Copies of the amended SDF & LSDF reports can be accessed at Knysna Municipality's Land Use Management Department and on the website at the following address: <https://www.knysna.gov.za/do-business/planning-development/land-use-management/>, as well as all libraries.

Any comment/representation/objection/input in respect of the amended SDF & LSDF reports may be submitted in writing for the attention of Hennie Smit (044-302 6319 or hsmits@knysna.gov.za) on or before the 3 October 2025. Submissions received after this date will not be considered.

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8 for 9am Golf Day @ The Links. All members welcome.
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5:15pm Sedgefield Striders Walking / Running time trials on road adjacent to Bowls Club. Beginners welcome.

Thursdays
7:00am Eden Cycling Club Group Social outside departs Cycle Worx. All welcome.
8 for 9am Sedge Gentlemen's Golf @ The Links
12:30pm Social Bridge School at St Anthony's Catholic Church hall All levels welcome. Lessons 12:30, Play from 13:45. Enquiries: Gail 0834577647.
13:15pm Bowls. Tabs in

Fridays
8am Ladies Golf @ Links Course

Saturdays
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8am-12 Wild Oats Community Farmers' Market
8 for 9am Saturday Competition Golf @ Links Course
8am-2pm Mosaic Market
8am-2pm Scarab Craft Market
13:15pm Bowls. Tabs in.

Sundays
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LETTERS TO THE EDGE



Dear Sir,

I received a message recently from Charlene of the Wild Oats Market to advise me that someone had handed in my Drivers Licence and medical aid card at the Wild Oats market two weeks ago when I had been there. I collected them both yesterday, but would like to thank both these people for their help and perseverance in contacting me, as I would never have discovered where I had dropped them without their help.

Regards
Lea Downing

Dear Editor,
A letter from an ex Sedgefield living in America
Reading the Edge nowadays is really depressing.
I cannot recall the Municipality



In Memory of Henry Groves

26 January 1941 – 28 August 2025

To our dearest Husband, Father & Grandfather,

You will be sorely missed by us all. There is a huge void in our hearts, now that you have gone.

We all love you more than we can put into words! You were there for all of us in our times of need, and although we may only be left with memories, we will always remember you.

You loved life and living in this beautiful area, with such a scenic view. But we know that you will have an even better view from heaven, while you watch over us all, with your brother Thys by your side. May you rest in peace and be with loved ones and animals up in heaven. As you would always say "The eagle has landed."

All our love Jenny, the Girls and Grandkids.



Charles te ... WATER!



This little ... er ... navigation mishap happened on The Island on 1 September. It could be that the young driver heading along Charles te Water was misled by Google Maps, or perchance overwhelmed by the need for a quick dip in the lagoon. According to reports of residents living nearby, the lass suffered no serious injuries (except to her pride) and the car was timeously removed before any sea-life could take up residence.

In Memory of Brian Churchill Humphries

19 March 1949 – 24 July 2025

Brian will be missed by his sister Jean and her family, David and the Masithandane and WoW families.

A memorial service was held in the Prayer Garden at Graceland, Milkwood Road, Sedgefield on Wednesday, 3 September 2025.



Francina S. Stewart (nee van Eeden)

23/01/1945 – 22/08/2025

Sag heengegaan na haar Skepper, huis in Sedgefield met haar geliefdes en klein Rietsie nab.

Haar sprankelende, positiewe geardigheid sal ons vir altyd bybly.

Wat 'n voorreg om haar as ons mamma en ouma te gehad het.

Van haar kinders Minette, Sakkie, Billy, Tanja, Veronica en Johan. Kleinkinders Lisa, Rian, Ridley, Andrea en Roedolf.

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The love, understanding, support and compassion of the people of Sedgefield is tangible, unique and beyond special. You carried us through a very difficult few months with mom's sudden sickness. Also with the passing of Minette on 13 July 2025 after fighting a brave battle with cancer which started in 2017.

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Knysna Road Maintenance

Knysna Municipal Manager **Lulamile Mapholoba** announced that the annual road maintenance program will start this week. "All necessary materials have been received, and maintenance can now begin throughout all 11 wards," he said.

The sequence of wards undergoing maintenance was determined by administrative staff randomly drawing lots. Four teams will now follow a maintenance programme informed by this sequence. "The maintenance programme for formal streets throughout all

wards will run until January 2026," explained Mapholoba.

"Keep in mind that works will not commence in all wards on 8 September, but that all wards will undergo maintenance work within this time frame, according to the maintenance sequence. Priorities identified by ward councillors will also be addressed while maintenance occurs within that ward."

Additional contractors will be appointed to assist the municipality's four teams. Residents are also reminded that this maintenance programme will focus on formal, not

informal, streets within wards.

"We are pleased that our planned maintenance programme can go ahead as scheduled," Mapholoba concluded. "It reaffirms our commitment to maintaining and upgrading our infrastructure, and keeping all road users safe. We ask road users to be patient and cautious when encountering a maintenance crew on the roads."

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LAUNCH OF THE SEDGEFIELD WASTE FORUM

Late last year, the Western Cape Waste Policy and Minimisation unit was asked by the Director: Waste Management, Saliem Haider to assist the community of Smutsville in Sedgefield in finding solutions to escalating waste issues. In collaboration with the *Dunes and their People* project Nelson Mandela University (NMU), Smutsville Informal Settlement Forum (SISF) and Knysna Municipality, the department provided much needed support to the community by hosting two awareness raising workshops.

On February 26, 2025, the department hosted its first waste minimisation and co-design workshop, introducing participants to key waste management terms and legislation as well as touching on the importance of an awareness and educational campaign to drive waste management initiatives. Using a co-design methodology, the

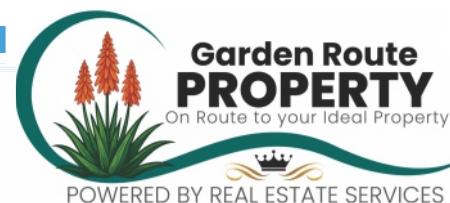
workshop provided a platform for community members to identify and analyse their specific waste management challenges through root cause analysis and then collaboratively develop feasible solutions. Key challenges identified by the community were lack of awareness and education, lack of infrastructure (bins for waste collection), limited waste collection services, as well as partnerships and synergy. Key solutions provided consisted of youth involvement for personal growth, hosting communal events, recognising role models and community champions, resource mapping and availability and hosting fundraising events to name a few. On July 23, 2025, the department hosted a second value-adding workshop as a component of waste management with the Smutsville community. This included waste reclaimers and other relevant stakeholders. The primary objective of this workshop was to introduce participants to the concept of value adding which views waste

as a resource and finding new uses for waste materials that have economic, social or environmental value. The department collaborated with two Producer Responsibility Organisations (PROs), namely Petco and MetPac who were willing to come on board and provide the necessary support to the community. The two PROs emphasised the importance of waste management, focusing on maximising the value of recyclable materials and enhancing recovery efforts. The PROs presented their ongoing initiatives to support waste recycling efforts, detailing the assistance provided to local businesses and waste pickers. Through these discussions, participants explored strategies to foster varying waste management systems within the community, while acknowledging the challenges faced by the municipality. One of the great achievements of these engagements was the establishment of Sedgefield Waste Forum, inaugurated and

celebrated on the 26th of August 2025! Co-facilitated by Vuyisile Pauli (Smutsville Informal Settlement Forum) and Ed van Reenen (Recorra), this forum will play a crucial role in driving and ensuring the effective implementation of waste management activities. Some of the organisations already involved are SISF, and members of the Dunes and their People project (a three-year partnership between NMU, SISF and Knysna Municipality working on reconciling the social and environmental well-being of Sedgefield dunes), along with role-players from Afriforum, the Strandloper Project, Knysna Municipality, and Garden Route District Municipality.

This forum aims to explore and implement strategies to address the issues of waste affecting Smutsville residents by working with the community, engaging with the Knysna Municipality, and bringing various organisations and stakeholders together.

A first step will be to gather information from within the community about waste issues, and to constitute a baseline of the waste situation in Smutsville including rubbish collection points, dumping sites, the state of communal toilets as well as sewage and drainage problems. This mapping will be coordinated by the Dunes and their People project, using an open-source mapping application designed specifically for the purpose of waste management, combined with a drone image which will be used to monitor progress. The data will be collectively



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swop shop (in the spirit of the dearly missed Fresh Start project) and other recycling opportunities. There can be a greater impact on the waste issues in Smutsville if parties work together rather than alone! All types of experience, knowledge, and skills will be needed to be successful. Anyone can get involved, and may contact the forum chairperson Vuyisile Pauli 066 069 5971 for more information.



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Lessons from the trails of the Mountain Ultra Trail (MUT) by the Ultra-Trail du Mont-Blanc (UTMB) World Series

When it comes to endurance sports, performance relies on resilience, mental strength, and smart hydration. Stepping in as the hydration partner for wellness-conscious communities across South Africa, Oasis Water recently took its dedication to health, sustainability, and community support to the next level by backing the 2025 Mountain Ultra Trail (MUT) by UTMB, South Africa's premier trail-running event held in the rugged Outeniqua Mountains in George.

The MUT by UTMB is part of the renowned UTMB World Series and attracts elite athletes and trail enthusiasts from over 40 countries. The three-day festival, held in May, hosted more than 2,000 participants and featured races ranging from the 11km MUT Lite to the formidable 163km MUT Miler.

For Franchise Director Mynhardt Oosthuizen, the event was an opportunity to share Oasis' belief that "Water is the source of living better" while supporting athletes who push their limits in harmony with nature.

"Being part of this iconic race on our home ground was an honour," says Deon Grobler, Oasis franchisee in George, who took on the 25km. "Trail running demands discipline and respect for nature, values that align perfectly with our own. It felt important to support the event while experiencing it alongside the runners we serve."

"Our athletes need hydration to perform, but they also care about the planet they run through," says Alana Munnik, Creative Director at Runner's World and proud finisher of the UTCT 100 Miler in 2023, who also participated in the race. "It's important to ensure they get



safe, clean water without adding to waste. Events like the MUT enable us to share that message and lead by example."

By providing eco-friendly hydration stations and reusable water options, Oasis Water helped lessen the environmental impact of the MUT. They've long supported initiatives that promote personal wellness and environmental care. From their refill stations and efforts to reduce plastic to partnerships with events like the Skukuza Half-Marathon and now the MUT by UTMB, they consistently go beyond offering purified drinking water, they promote a clean living ethic.

Why a model for future endurance partnerships?

"We don't view this as a one-time event," says Alana. "As more South Africans take their health seriously, from school sports to mountain marathons, Oasis wants to be there - providing the most important resource and nourishment. We aim to support a healthier, more conscious nation."

If you're training for something as demanding as the MUT trail run, here are Oasis Water's hydration tips to help you stay on track:

1. Pre-hydrate wisely: Start drinking water several hours before your race. Aim for 500ml to 750ml in the two hours prior.
2. Drink according to a plan, not thirst: Once running, sip 150–250ml every 20 minutes, especially in heat.
3. Balance electrolytes: Supplement hydration with sodium and potassium through electrolytes or whole foods.
4. Avoid overhydrating: Too much water can lead to hyponatremia. Know your body and adjust for weather.
5. Refill responsibly: Use refill stations and reusable bottles to reduce waste and stay sustainably hydrated.

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September is Heart Awareness Month

Why Heart Awareness Month and World Heart Day?

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- Heart disease is responsible for 18% of all deaths in South Africa
- 120 people suffer from a heart attack daily.

Campaign aim:

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2. **Influencing** the behavioural uptake of a healthy lifestyle and reducing risk for cardiovascular disease onset.
3. **Promoting** the detection, prevention, treatment and care over a 4–5 week period with the main events occurring in September and on World Heart Day.
4. **Reduce** preventable heart disease by discouraging smoking, reducing salt intake,

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Weekly interview topics of our core awareness drives

For maximum awareness we need to give the public as many ways as possible to look after their hearts and more importantly, tell them why. This year we focus on reducing poor health habits which increase our risk for heart disease such as tobacco smoking and the use of excessive salt in our diets.

In addition, we also expand on nutritional advice for well-balanced eating and exercising as part of our lifestyles and not as a chore. Finally, we look forward to the culmination of Heart Awareness Month on World Heart Day whereby we will invite all media to cover various WHD activities around the country; including the lighting up in red of major landmarks.

Heart Awareness Month topics include:

Week 1: Tobacco Breaks Hearts

Tobacco smoking is one of the biggest drivers of cardiovascular disease.

Week 2: Hypertension, your body doesn't need the extra salt

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Week 3: Eat well, move more!

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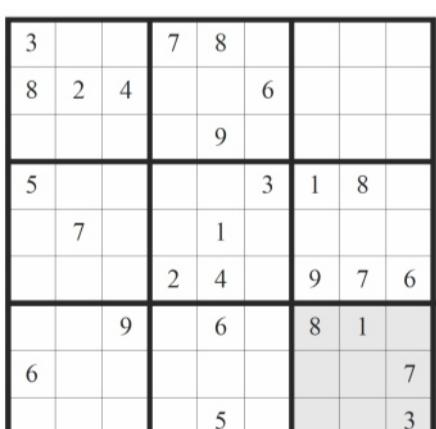
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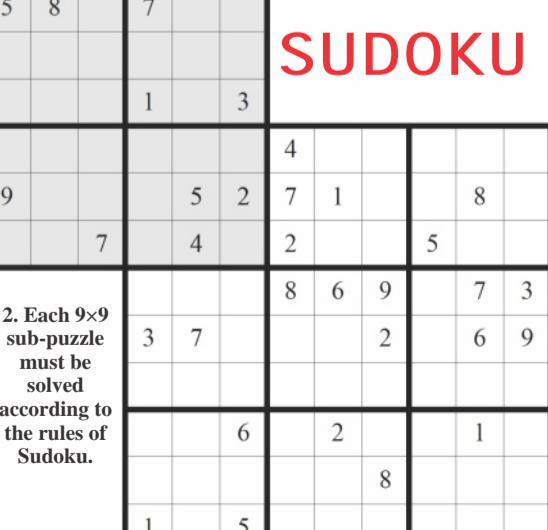
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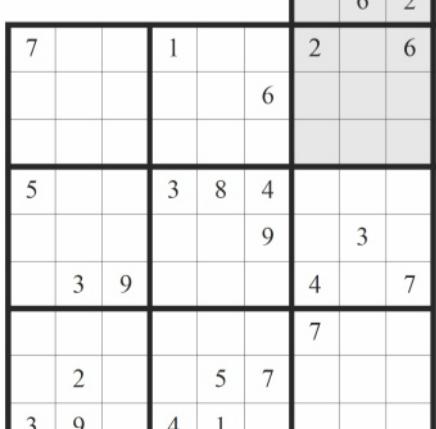
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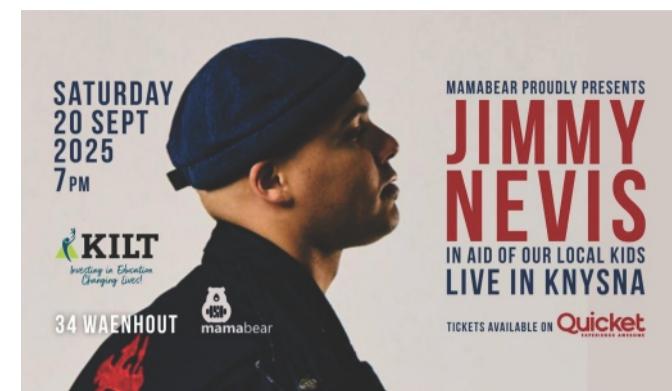
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GUSTAV GETS GOLD!

Sedgefield athlete, Gustav Schutte and the Oakdale Tug of War team (pictured below) won the 560kg category at the World Champs held in Nottingham, England, from 3-7 September, where they represented South Africa after winning the national championships in Mossel Bay.

The grade 11 student and his family are grateful to all individuals and businesses who assisted him on this once-in-a-lifetime journey, especially Grant Ongley, Sedge Gym, Elmay Bouwer of Black Waters, Tyrone of Little Prince, St Francis United Church and all friends and family that contributed towards the trip to the UK. The winner of the "losbandige lam" fund-raising raffle was Robert Teifel.



Off the Mat

Sedge Bowling Club News



"Split happens, but not often enough in our favour"

It has been a busy and successful two weeks at the club since the last newsletter with the completion of the final round of the Eden League. Our Sedgefield Ladies team brought home a silver medal and were promoted to the premier league for 2026! Congratulations to Ann Dold, Ros MacMillan, Felicia Gerber, Ronel Eloff and Debi Stanford you really did us proud!

The annual fours Shell Day, which has been sponsored by Shell for the last 20 years, was a scintillating event with the top five teams receiving cash prizes sponsored by the Sparks family. Every other participant going home with something from the prize table. Thanks Ian, you're a star!

On a lighter, but still suitably competitive note, the Sedgefield Pick n Pay Ladies Day was a real groovy happening, with the green turning into a mini-Woodstock celebrating the sixties. Bowls, beats, and bell-bottoms set the tone as players enjoyed a far-out day of fun, filled with friendship, super spoiling by the men of the club and some pretty slick rolling. Everyone was well fed, well

watered, and left with nothing but good vibrations.

Big love and thanks to the cool Ladies Day sponsors for helping us keep the peace, love and the bowls rolling. At the top of the list was Pick n Pay, our old stalwart, as well as Rietvallei Wines, Oasis Water, Engen, Wimpy and a new face on the Garden Route tourism scene, Forest Footpaths, where qualified guides Debi and Sally will turn your "walk in the forest" into something special.

Looking ahead to one of the big events of the Sedgefield social calendar, the Sedgefield Bowling Club will be proudly hosting the second Barefoot Bowls for 2025! We know you want to be part of the party, prizes and, for the winners, prestige, so you had better get your teams registered early to avoid disappointment. Please contact Adri via WhatsApp on 083 565 1945 for details and registrations.

On a more sombre note, we will be saying au revoir to Merle de Kock who is leaving the club after many years of exemplary service in a variety of capacities. Merle is relocating to Bloemfontein and

will be sorely missed. Happy rolling in Bloemfontein Merle and here's hoping it is au revoir and not goodbye!

Just a quick reminder that the summertime tabs-in schedule starts on 17 September, so get your tabs in by 13h45 to start rocking and rolling at 14h00.

"Aim small, miss creatively and, when all else fails, blame it on the wind"

That's a wrap, see ya'll "on the mat!"

SOCIAL BRIDGE CLUB

28th August

1st Brian & Clive 58.3%
2nd Terry & Ann 55.6%
3rd Diana & Maryke
Christel & Willem 52.78%

4th September

1st Terry & Kieran 71.88%
2nd Christel & Willem 56.2%
3rd Brian & Clive 46.8%

handicap cut to A division status. Brian Stewart continued his good form with 38 to clinch second spot while Niel de Villiers had 37 points after a count-out with Roger Jardine. A guest, Jonathan, had his first experience of the Sedge Links course which he reportedly really enjoyed. He was rewarded by receiving "The Duck" for worst player of the day. He earned the nickname of 007 after achieving no pars, no birdies, and allegedly taking seven shots to get out of a bunker (which one should add is customary nowadays).

In the A division Dave Herbst returned his best score of the year with a net 48, equaling the club record. In second spot was Peter Schnetler with 54, followed by Des Munro with 58. Derek van Zyl crept into fourth spot with a miserly 59 - way below what he is capable of. One can understand why he was so tearful when he collected his prize.

In the B Division, where the most golf is played, Rudy Bosch returned a remarkable 39 points. He says that he hopes that at last his talent will be rewarded by having his

blossom on the course as he once again went home delirious with his umpteenth bottle of quality red. He scored a magnificent total of 44 points after a count out. In second spot was - wait for it ... wait for it ... Peter Heath, also with 44, making it clear why he would suggest a competition which suited his handicap of 33. Continuing his good form Rudy Bosch followed with 39. In fourth spot was Ken Cullinan with 38 after a count out with three other players.

Malcolm Goldhill is one of the best golfers at the club but you wouldn't have said so on this day's play. In fact, he has specifically requested that we refrain from reporting his eventual total. Suffice it to say that when most of the winners drank copiously at the fountain of golf, he merely gargled.

The Captain, Brian Gerard, announced that the following week's competition would revert to a normal IPS. When asked why he looked so despondent he said that after mentioning to his wife that he wanted to be cremated, she had booked him in for next week Monday.

TED'S BRAIN CRUNCHER

Across.

8. Game for single seller? (8)
9. Points to the centre again. (6)
10. Picture the return of salt holders. (4)
11. & 23. Expressing revenge for tennis, or perhaps chess? (2,2,4,2,4,4)
12. Marsh breaking the leg may blow your mind. (6)
14. Drinking game involving regular jumps. (8)
15. Keen on joining the directors walking the plank? (2,5)
17. A pill broken where dinner gets consumed. (2,5)
20. Struggle to find the right words. (8)

22. Where there's potential loss of some orcas in Ocean World. (6)

23. (see 11)

24. Round Smeagol finds hidden. (4)

25. When match-made partners want more than love... (6)

26. What's on the cards? Bed with my unfinished bagel! (8)

Down.

1. Things will be great in that part of the CBD - it's 'women first' in the Abbey. (4,4)

2. You can flip the deck - it still reeks! (4)

3. Military action of a kind, that is. (6)

4. Was Mad Rosy bad in her

ways? (7)

5. Having brought up the wage internally, Matt had a lot of power! (8)

6. Erroneously blamed beasts from the Southern Cape. (10)

7. I had a vision that Donald Trump captured the papers. (6)

13. Cog I change around for new version of hide 'n seek! (10)

16. Increase with a re-boot? Do it

and lose jobs! (8)

18. Daddy's on the wing - but not shortly. (4-4)

19. About the lighter one wanting to play again. (7)

21. Perhaps a knife is more sweet about the first time. (6)

22. Half clap for Eric doing church work. (6)

24. Would Joe from the army be having a dig? (4)

Across: 1. Lime pit 5. Tidings 9. GI Joe 10. Rheumatic 11. Organised crime 13. Site 14. Enmeshed 17. Revealed 18. Stan 21. Large intestine 23. Guillemot 24. Baize 25. Rations 26. Sleight
Down: 1. Luge 2. Majority verdict 3. Prefab 4. Turnip 5. The Beano 6. Damocles 7. Notwithstanding 8. Succeeding 12. Astrologer 15. Waterloo 16. Pen names 19. Tenthis 20. Stable 22. Vest

THE SPORTS EDGE

Swim for a HUG

Every Stroke Brings Comfort and Care

On 27 September 2025, Jonathan Lewis will be attempting the amazing feat of swimming 14 km down the Kromme River in Cape St Francis to raise funds for Masithandane's HUG Care & Respite Centre.

Whilst Jonathan has participated in several swimming events, including 3 km, 6,4 km, 7,5 km and 10 km distances, this will be his furthest. He is inviting personal and/or corporate sponsors to pledge an amount for each km that he is able to swim.

"The sponsorships, and knowledge that funds will go to a good cause will provide me with the motivation I need to do the necessary training and complete the 14km - which translates into about 3,5 hours of swimming!" he told us.

Jonathan is a bachelor who has been living in Sedgefield for a year now. He is an Environmental, Social, and Governance specialist, as well as an author and entrepreneur.

He believes HUG – Sedgefield's Care and Respite Centre – is a most worthy cause as it provides 24/7 compassionate care for people in need. More often than not, for patients whose families cannot afford to pay.

HUG (House Under Grace) cares for:

- Patients recovering from surgery such as hip or knee replacements.



- Families needing respite from caregiving.
- People facing terminal illness, with dignity and love.
- Day patients while caregivers are at work.

"The Centre receives no government funding, and most patients cannot pay, yet caregivers are needed day and night. Without public support, this lifeline cannot survive," Jonathan says, "That's why I'm asking you to sponsor me per kilometre in my 14 km swim. Even R10 per kilometre will directly fund caregivers, meals, and medical supplies."

To pledge, visit Back-a-Buddy page: <https://www.backabuddy.co.za/organization/house-under-grace>

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Wed Sep 10 2025
low tides 10:56 23:30
high tides 04:59 17:20
sunrise 06:35 sunset 18:17
moonrise 21:36 moonset 07:55

Thu Sep 11 2025
low tide 11:29
high tides 05:36 17:57
sunrise 06:33 sunset 18:18
moonrise 22:48 moonset 08:28

Fri Sep 12 2025
low tides 00:08 12:04
high tides 06:14 18:38
sunrise 06:32 sunset 18:18
moonrise - moonset 09:07

Sat Sep 13 2025
low tides 00:48 12:43
high tides 06:55 19:25
sunrise 06:31 sunset 18:19
moonrise 00:02 moonset 09:52

Sun Sep 14 2025
low tides 01:36 13:39
high tides 07:49 20:37
sunrise 06:29 sunset 18:20
moonrise 01:14 moonset 10:46

Mon Sep 15 2025
low tides 02:54 17:08
high tides 09:41 22:59
sunrise 06:28 sunset 18:20
moonrise 02:18 moonset 11:48

Tue Sep 16 2025
low tides 06:01 18:54
high tide 12:28
sunrise 06:26 sunset 18:21
moonrise 03:15 moonset 12:55

10 Sept - 23 Sept 2025
• Full Moon 7 October 2025

Wed Sep 17 2025
low tides 07:14 19:43
high tides 00:43 13:26
sunrise 06:25 sunset 18:22
moonrise 04:01 moonset 14:0

Thu Sep 18 2025
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moonrise 06:04 moonset 18:12

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moonrise 06:27 moonset 19:10

Tue Sep 23 2025
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sunrise 06:17 sunset 18:26
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LADIES' GOLF

Club Report

Friday, 5 September

Sixteen of us arrived at Sedge Links to celebrate spring day with flowers in our hair. All the prizes were chicken-inspired (spring chicken), and with the Springboks taking on New Zealand, we were also asked to don our green-and-gold. While not everyone sported the full kit, everyone certainly arrived with a spring in their step.

The day's round also marked the kick-off of the 2025 Ladies Knockout competition, played in Individual Stableford format. With grey clouds hanging about but no rain forecast, we sprung into action, ready for our favourite Friday game. But, as any seasoned chick knows, the weather can be fickle. Halfway through the round, the heavens opened, leaving us all looking like drowned chickens by the 18th hole. Still, being the tough birds that we are, we played right through, feathers (and hairdos!) damp but spirits unshaken.

ECLECTIC 2025

We congratulate Joy Herbst as the winner of the 2025 Eclectic Competition with a winning average score of 31.6 and congratulations to Clare Garner as the runner-up with a score of 32.0. Well played to everyone, and congratulations to our winners.



RESULTS

1st Place: Barbara Renfield (39 points) c/o
2nd Place: Almarie Mead (39 points)
3rd Place: Charlene Blacker (36 points) c/o

NEAREST THE PIN

0 – 15 Handicap: Brenda Howden
16 upwards: Almarie Mead

BIRDIES

Eleanor Sparks
Sylvia de Moor (4,11)
Brenda Howden (11)
Shannon Nichol (4)

Marina van der Westhuizen (4)
Barbara and Almarie both played 3 under their handicap
Marina, Almarie, Charlene, Shannon, Sylvia and Barbara will move forward to the 2nd round of the Knockout once the outstanding 4 players of round 1 have played.

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EAGLE STARS RUN GEORGE RAGGED

by JP Jordaan

The PNP Sedgefield Eagle Stars played their penultimate league match against the George Rugby Club this past weekend and it was a real humdinger!

It was their last home game of the season and the crowd witnessed some amazing running rugby from the PNP Sedgefield Eagle Stars.

The B team won a close match 34-29. Tries were scored by Greg Grootboom, Michael Whyne, Junaid Ruiters and Rameon Krigga scored twice. Chesco Julies slotted 3 conversions and also converted a penalty kick.

Thanks to some brilliant running rugby the A team won their match 36-21. Tries were scored by Renier Jantjies, Diana Godfrey, Jayron Jantjies, Alessandro Dirk and Morné de Wet had a brace of tries. Clayton Solomons scored three conversions and also converted a penalty kick.

The PNP Sedgefield Eagle Stars will play their last league match this coming Saturday, 13 September against the Oudtshoorn All Blacks in Bridgtown.



Tennis News

Club Report

The monthly Men's Monday challenge was played on 1 September, a perfect afternoon for tennis with a full house of 12 players.

Great competitive tennis was played in good spirit and the day was enjoyed by all. Hennie Louw and Bruce Schulze emerged as joint winners.

A huge thank you must go to

Len Dekker for organising a well run competition and boerie braai to round off the afternoon.

Sedgefield Tennis Club is very sociable and all members of the community are welcome to join. Club Championships start on 20 September and entries are looking good thanks to the new format being played.

Please come and watch the play leading up to the finals, due to be played on Saturday /



Sunday 11 & 12 October, weather permitting.

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