



# CELEBRATING

## the end of the season

**Rustenburg/ Phokeng** – The eighth annual Royal Bafokeng junior national basketball association (NBA) finals took place at the Royal Bafokeng sports palace in Phokeng on 19 October.

This event showcased spectacular skill and determination from the primary, middle, and high school finalists. The finals featured Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) all-star Monique Currie of the Washington Mystics, performances from an NBA dunk squad and South African music artist Cassper Nyovest. Thousands of fans filled out the stands to celebrate the conclusion of the basketball season.

The event was preceded by the Royal Bafokeng junior NBA awards gala dinner on Friday night, with students, coaches and administrators recognised for their academic and sporting achievements during the past season.

The championships teams were:

- Primary school champions: Tumagole Primary School and Ramotse Primary School.
- Middle school champions: Matala Secondary School and Charora Secondary School.
- High school champions: Kitsong High school School and Matala Secondary School.

Vice president and managing director for NBA Africa, Amadou Gallo Fall said: "We are extremely proud of the work that has been done here at the Royal Bafokeng junior NBA development programme since its inception eight years ago. We are especially proud of our local coaches, and their passion for developing grassroots talent. Our number one priority was to localise our development strategy, find people that we could train to build capacity, and this growth is what has sustained the program."

WNBA all-star, Monique Currie said: "It was a really great experience to see a lot of young girls here in South Africa participating in basketball."



Technical director for basketball development of NBA Africa Frank Traore and Eugene Thihe of Royal Bafokeng Sports.

The NBA dunk squad awed the crowds with their performance.

## Calling all junior MTB cyclists

**Rustenburg** – Rustenburg Cycling Club (RCC) invites all grade seven to 12 mountain bike (MTB) racers to join them for a fun ride at 06:00 on 3 November at Leon's Motors Rustenburg. All riders will be accompanied by experienced adults and an escort vehicle sponsored by Leon's Motors.

Parents are welcome to collect the young riders at the halfway stop, Bergheim, before they head back to the starting point. Please remember no helmet – no ride! For more information contact Sheldon Kukhard on 082 299 7773 or Johnny Lang on 082 498 2562.



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## PLATINUM EVENT DIARY

EVENT NAME	DATE	VENUE	CONTACT NO	EMAIL / WEBSITE
Olifantsnek Yacht Club Market Day	27 Oct '18	RTB: Olifantsnek Dam	071-609 8533	hanli.naude@elvey.co.za
Cherry & Blueberry Festival	27 Oct '18	RTB: Milorho Lodge Wedding	082-681 0250	cymed@telkomsa.net
Mrs Rustenburg And Miss Rustenburg Gala	27 Oct '18	RTB: Hedgehogs Nest	083-493 5911	elsadoubell@telkomsa.net
Rainhill Market	28 Oct '18	RTB: Hartley's Rainhill Farm	076-172 5187	marhartley@gmail.com
Open Wheeler Mania Weekend	2-3 Nov '18	RTB: Platinum Raceway (showground)	083-452 9979	henri@mecprojects.co.za
Francois Van Coke "Live"	2 Nov '18	RTB: Hedgehogs Nest	082-663 7281	www.hedgehogsnest.co.za
Hospice Jumble Sale	3 Nov '18	RTB: 195 Bethlehem street	014-592 8925	hospiceshop2@gmail.com
Boeremusiekilde Dans	3 Nov '18	RTB: NG Proteapark saal	082- 816 9378	bmgrust@gmail.com
RCC Junior Cycling	3 Nov '18	RTB: Leon's Motors	082-498 2562	info@electrodiesel.co.za