

# Help a child with school shoes



**Rustenburg** – The Molotsi Foundation launched a project aimed at collecting and donating 200 pairs of school shoes to learners in need. One pair of school shoes can change a child's life. For more information, contact Orion Molotsi on 072 189 3303 or Seun Selemela on 078 205 1922.

## THANK YOU FOR OUR SCHOOL

**Rustenburg** – Paulina Mpoa is the driving force behind Lesang Bana Ba-tle Honna in Freedom Park. Back in 2016 when Paulina saw children playing on an illegal dumping site, she decided it was time for change. She borrowed gardening equipment from a neighbour and started cleaning the area.

Once the area was clean, she had the dream to create a place where children can play freely. After approaching various companies for their assistance, NJR Steel heard her plea and donated palisades to close off the area. Once the area was secured, Phillip's Motors donated swings for the children to play on. Children came in masses and had to stand in line for the chance to play on the swings. The lines only grew longer, and another item had to be added to the 'play area'. Once again various companies and individuals jumped in to assist. Paulina decided that she did not only want a place where children could play but also learn. The playground turned into a school ground with a classroom, shade, jungle gyms, toys and even portable toilets.

The school was registered as a non-profit organisation with the assistance of members of the community. Paulina would like to thank the following people and companies for their assistance to make her dream for the children of the community come true.

- NJR Steel
- Phillip's Motors
- Susan Winters
- Vossie's Gearbox
- Wysneusie Kleuterskool
- Patrick Magano
- Khwebo
- Awethu Scaffolding
- Coastal Toolhire
- Medilab
- Rustenburg Sand en Klip
- Renata

They now have a company that is willing to donate groceries, but unfortunately, they don't have a place to store or cook the food. The school desperately needs a new structure for this. **For more information contact Paulina on 071 294 0823.**



The illegal dumping site where children used to play.



The structure that now serves as classroom.



The playground that was built with the donations they received.



From illegal dumping site to fun playground.

## NURSES DAY COMMEMORATED IN TLHABANE

**Rustenburg/ Tlhabane** – Members of the Moenyana O Pele Retired Nurses Forum converged at the Antiogia Lutheran Church in Tlhabane on Friday 17 May to commemorate Nurses Day. The forum, which was formed three years ago, commemorates this day every year as to create a platform to discuss important issues affecting nurses. For more information about the forum, please contact Constance Mogorosi on 083 624 0520.



Retired nurses commemorated Nurses Day.

## LESEDI ECD WINS R100,000!

**Rustenburg** – The Lesedi Early Childhood Development (ECD) centre, which plays a vital community role in caring for the babies and young children of working parents in Ramokokastad, is one of the winners in the MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet '21 years of Giving Back' campaign.

In celebration of its 21st anniversary last year, the community loyalty programme launched the '21 years of giving back' campaign with R2.1 million to give away to 21 causes.

Lesedi ECD was one of 21 charities and schools across the country to win a cash donation of R100,000 to boost their work in the community. Lesedi ECD Centre has been operating for 37 years and is still the only crèche serving the area. Low income and the lack of sustainable work often hamper parents' ability to pay the very low school fees. In turn, this hampers the centre's ability to maintain the premises, never mind develop it.

The R100,000 donation will make a striking difference to the Lesedi ECD Centre and their exciting upgrade plans include making essential building repairs; replacing the current pit toilet system with sanitary toilets; purchasing office, kitchen and gardening equipment; and boosting the educational toys available in the classrooms.



Children from Lesedi ECD were very excited about the prize to upgrade their school.

Over the past 21 years, the MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet programme, one of the biggest in South Africa, has raised more than R500 million for South African schools, charities, animal and environmental causes thanks to supporters swiping their cards at participating retailers.

The 21 years of giving back campaign was open to MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet supporters throughout the country.

If you are not yet a cardholder, you can sign up for free at [www.myschool.co.za](http://www.myschool.co.za) and support a cause that matter to you.

## NEWRAK IMPALA RUGBY TEAM'S SPECIAL VICTORY

**Rustenburg** – The Newrak Impala rugby team demonstrated just why they are still a formidable force to reckon with when they powered to a 22-15 victory over Centurion in a Volcano Super Cup match.

The result was a very special one for the Rustenburg-based team as it was their first win in this year's Volcano Super Cup. To put this victory into perspective, Centurion are currently placed second on the log and were always going to be a difficult opponent to defeat, especially on their home ground.

Newrak Impala, the 2019 Gold Cup champions, proved too hot to handle as they dominated proceedings throughout the duration of the match and gave the Centurion players a hard time on the field.

While it is difficult to single out an individual player who was outstanding, the forwards worked hard as a unit and managed to win most of the balls in the scrums, putting Centurion under pressure.

Jaco Botha, Marius Breitenbach and Shaldon Gibson all played with determination while the leadership qualities and experience of fullback and captain Berto van Wyk were also a talking point of the match.

There is still a long season ahead for the rugby

team, who will go up against University of Pretoria (TUKS) this weekend at the Impala Rugby Club in Rustenburg.

Coaches Naas Olivier, Nelis Nel and Attie Strauss, who have done well as they continue to build a strong team, are hoping for the young Impala Rugby club players to give their best in front of their home supporters.



Newrak Impala Rugby Club fullback and captain Berto van Wyk.

## DU TOIT AND STRYDOM SLAY THE FNB MAGALIES MONSTER MTB CLASSIC

**Buffelspoort** – Pieter du Toit (Potchefstroom) and Danielle Strydom (Potchefstroom) made light work of the FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic aka "The Monster" that was hosted at the ATKV Buffelspoort on Saturday 1 June 2019.

Just under 1,300 eager mountain bikers toed the line to test their mountain biking prowess against the 17th edition of this much revered MTB event.

Du Toit, who was still smiling when he crossed the finish line, claimed victory in the "Marathon" (+65km) in a deserving time of 2 hours and 53 minutes. "The FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic is a very cool race to do," said du Toit.

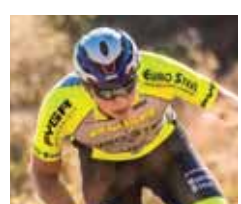
In the women's race Strydom secured victory in 3 hours, 25 minutes and 13 seconds. "The FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic is the only race that I know of where the down-hills are actually tougher than the up-hills," laughed Strydom.

Bertie Anderson (Pretoria East) was the first rider to cross the finish line in the FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic Half Marathon (+33km). Monique du Toit (Pretoria East) set the route on fire in the women's FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic Half Marathon (+33km).

"Congratulations to all participants and sports

enthusiasts for a breath-taking performance. This event continues to grow robustly every year and it's arguably one of the best races in the South African sporting calendar," said Mike Vacy-Lyle, FNB business CEO.

**For more information, or the full results on the FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic or FNB Platinum Trail Run contact Stillwater Sports on 082 991 0045, email [entries@stillwatersports.com](mailto:entries@stillwatersports.com) or visit [www.stillwatersports.com](http://www.stillwatersports.com).**



Pieter du Toit in action during the 2019 FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic Marathon. Photo credit: Tobias Ginsberg.



Danielle Strydom in action during the 2019 FNB Magalies Monster MTB Classic Marathon. Photo Credit: Tobias Ginsberg.