

# FIRE SEASON IS HERE!

**Rustenburg** - The summer rainfall regions, the long dry winters and dry grass make veldfires unavoidable especially in Rustenburg. All that is needed for a veldfire to occur is a source of ignition. High air temperatures, low relative humidity and high wind speeds associated with dry vegetation increases the difficulty of extinguishing a veldfire once it has started.

Veldfires start small but the rate of spread and heat intensity depends on the weather, the terrain and the condition of the available fuel. The more intense the veldfire the more difficult it is to control.

Veldfires can often engulf properties and destroy entire house in mere moments.

Window glass can fail relatively easily during a fire, allowing high levels of heat to enter the interior of the house often igniting flammable furnishings like curtains.

Taking a few easy precautions could substantially reduce the risk of fire on your property.

**Here are a few tips to keep you safe:**

- Properties situated next to dense vegetation or on ridges are at higher risk. All buildings are at risk when situated close to fire-prone vegetation.
- You need easy access into the roof to check for cinders that have found their way in.
- Avoid complicated rooflines where embers can lodge.
- Clean gutters as they collect leaves and other flammable debris.
- Timber should not be used at ground level and, if it is, it should be treated to be fire-resistant.
- Avoid wood trellises on the exposed sides of buildings.
- Metal screens to a fireplace prevent sparks blowing down the chimney.
- Wooden and thatched roofs are the most vulnerable.
- Radiant heat and flame contact can be prevented by landscaping your garden before the fire season.
- Watch for spot fires very carefully during a veldfire.
- Small fires can easily be extinguished if caught early.
- Sprinkler systems can be useful to soak the most vulnerable parts of the house.
- A well-maintained garden would reduce fire intensity.

**Preventing fires on a farm**

- Remove tree branches that could cause a power line short circuit.
- Restrict the use of farm machinery on days when the fire danger is high.
- Take great care when using welding, cutting and grinding equipment.
- Establish fire breaks between your land and a road or railway.
- Store fuels in a separate building away from houses.
- Adopt no-smoking policies around high hazard areas such as fuel stores.
- Adopt safety standards for burning rubbish, braai fires or disposing of hot ash.
- Make sure all fires are extinguished properly before leaving them unattended.
- Have your own well-maintained firefighting equipment on the farm.
- Fix spark guards to chimneys and exhausts.
- Check electrical installations regularly.
- Loss of farm animals can be prevented by preparing and maintaining fuel-reduced areas onto which stock can be moved and held during a fire.
- Plan to use fallow fields, well grazed fields or areas with bare ground.
- Where possible have shade and water available for valuable especially breeding stock.
- Protect your fodder reserves.

## WATER LEK – AL VIR 2 JAAR [Skrywe aan die redakteur]

Sies man! Hoe durf die munisipaliteit vir twee jaar lank nie 'n waterlek herstel nie? En dit by die bejaarde munisipale woonstelle waar elke sent drie keer omgedraai moet word... Basta! Wanneer water oor so lang tydperk lek, syfer dit deur die mure en onder die fondasie in. Dis 'n reuse probleem en het daadwerklike aksie nodig!

**-Besorgde Rustenburg inwoner**



Watter woorde mag mens gebruik as jy beskryf dat waterpype al vir twee jaar al lek – en dat dit al 'n paar keer by die munisipaliteit vermeld is?

# RUSTENBURG'S GOT TALENT

**Rustenburg** - Superfest Student Talent Search took place at Rustenburg Library on Saturday 27 July.

Judges had the difficult task of choosing the best contestants as they danced, sang, rapped and read their poetry.

Chief executive officer (CEO) of Phelelos Entertainment Hendrick Kabelo Phelelo managed to arrange a breakfast and lunch for all the contestants. Supporters came in their numbers

to support the local talent. A total of 45 contestants will compete in the finals on 24 September.

In an interview with *Platinum Weekly* organiser Kabelo Phelelo said: "Rustenburg has a lot of talent. Thank you to all the family and friends who were there to support their loved ones. We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported this initiative as well as the media houses and sponsors."



Students lining up to showcase their talents.



The judges who had the difficult task of deciding who will go to the finals.



The team that worked hard to make the day a success.

## HEAR THE ENGINES ROAR!

**Rustenburg** – The Thunder Tour is celebrating their 10th annual tour in South Africa.

From humble beginnings in 2010 with 17 V8 powered muscle cars, street rods, rat rods and supercars, the Thunder Tour has grown to over 70 vehicles participating in the spectacular seven-day tour through South Africa.

The 2019 tour participants stopped in **Rustenburg on Sunday 4 August** to stretch their legs and show off their cars before heading to their next stop.

This year's seven-day route kicked off at Cars in the Park in

Pretoria. They then stopped in Rustenburg, Thabazimbi, Lephalale, Tzaneen, Mbombela, Frankfort and will end the tour in Bloemfontein.

In an interview with *Platinum Weekly* media representative of Thunder Tour Wouter Botes said: "This tour is great fun for all motor enthusiasts. It gives owners of these beautiful-powerful vehicles the opportunity to take their cars on the open road and feel the muscle."

For more information visit their website <http://www.thethundertour.co.za/> or follow them on Facebook.



One of the powerful vehicles on the tour.



From left: Rinae Budeli and Portia Budeli were amazed with the cars.

**IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT FOR THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF RUSTENBURG HELD AT RUSTENBURG.**

**Case Number: 7196/2012**

In the case between: **EF BOSMAN (EXECUTION CREDITOR)** and **BJ SIFORA (EXECUTION DEBTOR)**

### NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

**PURSUANT** to a judgment by the magistrate given on 02 June 2015, the under mentioned goods will be sold at **10H00** on Wednesday **28 August 2019** by public auction to be held at **54 Kock Street, Rustenburg**, by the Sheriff for the Magistrates Court, to the highest bidder for cash, namely:

**1 x 3 PIECE SOFA, 1 x TVSTAND, 1 x SANSUI PLASMA TV, 1 xBMW525X 2 x TROJAN GYM MACHINES.**

SIGNED at RUSTENBURG on the 06th day of August 2019.

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