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A Cemetery in GRISIS

CRIME AND NEGLECT HAUN DONKERHOEK

Rustenburg – What should be a place of peace and remembrance has become a site of fear and danger. Donkerhoek Cemetery, located near Leading Light Funerals & Rustenburg Crematorium, is not only overgrown with grass and weeds but has also become a hotspot for violent crime.

Community members, including Gerhard Janse van Rensburg of the Community Police Forum (CPF), have raised concerns about criminals hiding behind the tall grass, preying on visitors. Some residents, like Trienie Weitsz, refuse to visit alone after being attacked. Others, including an elderly couple in 2023 and another couple in 2024, have survived terrifying assaults while visiting loved ones' graves.

The Rustenburg Local Municipality has yet to address the dire situation. In the meantime, the Rustenburg Crime Combatting Forum (RCCF) urges visitors to go in groups and take precautions.

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Join us in mourning the enormous loss of the late Keorapetse Damaria Selemela (95) who passed away on 30 January 2025. Her funeral service will take place on Saturday 8 February 2025 in Phokeng.

For more information, contact Simon SetIhabi on 078 375 9090 or William Matheolwane on 077 412 3932 at Econo Funeral and Cremation Services - a service with love and dignity



Ons onthou met liefde wyle Martie Flemming (55), oorlede op 31 Januarie 2025. Haar troosdiens vind op Saterdag 8 Februarie 2025 plaas om 14:00 vanuit Every Nation Kruislig Gemeente, R24, Waterval, Rustenburg.

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Ons onthou met liefde wyle Emma van den Berg (81), oorlede op 30 Januarie 2025. Haar troosdiens vind op Saterdag 8 Februarie 2025 plaas om 11:00 vanuit die Hervormde Kerk, Buffelspoort (ou Pretoriapad).

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Ons onthou met liefde wyle Steven du Toit (54), oorlede op 2 Februarie 2025. Ons vier sy lewe Saterdag, 15 Februarie 2025 om 11:00 vanuit die AGS Kerk. Ridderstraat, Oos Einde.

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Ons onthou met liefde wyle Matty Crause (83), geliefde moeder van pastoor Leon Crause van AGS Deo Gloria. Ons vier haar lewe op Vrydag 7 Februarie 2025 om 10:00 vanuit die AGS Sion Gemeente, hoek van Loop en Janstraat, Parys.

Vir meer navrae, skakel Cobus by 081 379 8919 of Wilna by 074 200 2687 - 'n diens met liefde en waardigheid deur Econo Begrafnis en Verassingdienste.



Ons onthou met liefde wyle Charlotte de Beer (82), oorlede op 2 Februarie 2025. Haar begrafnis vind op Vrydag 7 Februarie 2025 om 12:00 plaas vanuit die NG Kerk Brackenhurst, Alberton, vanwaar die stoet sal beweeg na die Tierkloof Begraafplaas, Alberton.

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Ons onthou met liefde wyle Danie Naude (78), oorlede op 2 Februarie 2025. Sy begrafnis vind op Donderdag 6 Februarie 2025 plaas om 10:00 te Rietvlei begraafplaas. Die troosdiens daarna vind plaas om 11:00 vanuit die kapel te Excalibur Boutique Hotel & Restaurant, R24.

Vir meer navrae, skakel Cobus by 081 379 8919 of Wilna by 074 200 2687 - 'n diens met liefde en waardigheid deur Econo Begrafnis en Verassingdienste.



Na 'n lang siekbed is Isac Jacob Jansen van Vuuren na sy Hemelhuis op 31 Januarie 2025 op die ouderdom van 63 jaar. Hy is nou verlos van pyn. Sy plek is leeg, en sy stem is stil maar hy sal vir altyd bly in die harte en gedagtes van almal wat hy agter gelaat het. Sy diens vind op Maandag 10 Februarie 2025 plaas vanuit die Woord en Lewe Sentrum, Rustenburg, om 10:00.

'n Liefdesdiens gelewer deur Martin's Begrafnis en Verassings dienste -014 592 0037.

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In remembrance

A Light That Shone Bright remembering Patience Kwami Rustenburg - The Bergsig Academy community is mourning the

heartbreaking loss of Patience Kwami (15, Grade 9), a beloved student whose kindness, leadership, and radiant smile touched the lives of many. Patience passed away on 1 February 2025, leaving a deep void in the hearts of her friends, teachers, and loved ones. In honour of her memory, Bergsig Academy held a special memorial on Monday, 3 February 2025, where classmates and educators gathered to celebrate her life and share

A celebration service for Patience will take place on Thursday, 6 February 2025, at His Vision Church, Old Pretoria Road, Rustenburg. Friends, family, and community members are invited to pay their final respects and honour the young life that brought so much joy to others.

For further details, contact Cobus (081 379 8919) or Wilna (074 200 2687) at Econo Funeral and Cremation Services - a service with love and dignity.

A tribute to a beautiful soul

At the memorial, educator Anri Liebenberg shared a moving poem in remembrance of Patience, reflecting on her kind heart, bright spirit, and the silent struggles she may have carried.

Today As the rain clouds surround the town

With sadness and grief Blocking the sun from shining We have to say goodbye Goodbye to a soul that shined As bright as the sun Goodbye to a soul that was patient A soul that was kind A soul that led A soul that always wore a smile A soul whose sadness was hidden We say goodbye to a pure heart

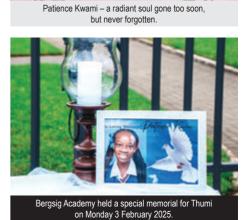
A heart that loved A heart that lifted others A heart that was broken We say goodbye to a friend

A teammate A student A cousin A sister A daughter May that beautiful soul That kind heart That amazing person Be held in the Lord's hands May you that grieve Know that its ok to grieve Its ok to be mad and sad and heartbroken May you who are battling the same battle Know that you are loved

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-In remembrance of Patience Kwami-





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TRAGEDY AT CHROMEWASH PLANT Rustenburg - A devastating workplace accident claimed the scene while awaiting forensic investigators and SAPS for the life of a chromewash plant operator in the Zinniaville Industrial Area late on Saturday evening, 1 February 2025. According to reports, the worker fell into the plant's machinery, leading to his drowning. The exact circumstances surrounding the incident remain unclear, and investigations are ongoing. Rustenburg Fire and Rescue Services responded to the

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

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Sibanye Rustenburg Mine Community Development

Trust

A Sibanye-Stillwater Trust

Address: Libanon Business

1. INTRODUCTION ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to elicit information and costs from suitably qualified service providers to the Sibanye Rustenburg Mine Community Development Trust (SRMCDT).

The proposals should include resources, processes, systems, and infrastructure required to deliver the requested service to the Trust, ensuring and aiding the Trust in effectively communicating its activities to the beneficiary communities and other stakeholders.

1.2 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

The Sibanye Rustenburg Mine Community Development Trust (the Trust) was established and registered with the Master of the High Court on 27 January 2016 under IT000198/2016(T) as a B-BBEE vehicle through which primarily Black Persons who are members of the Community will derive benefits from Newshelf 1335 Proprietary Limited (the Company), which company in turn holds shares in Sibanye Rustenburg Platinum Mines Proprietary Limited (SRPM). The Trust is a vehicle to give effect to the Company's purpose of "improving lives" thereby "creating superior value for all its stakeholders."

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK: DELIVERABLES

The key duties will be:

- · Generate communications documents for a variety of media to aid the Trust in telling the story of its work and impact currently and into the
- Create and manage social media;
- · Create and update Trust website;
- · Media management radio and print;
- · Trust and trustee profiling on various media;
- Projects profiling:
- Co-develop (with the Administrator and trustees) new creative ways of disseminating reports and other written materials to increase the reach and impact of Trust Projects; and
- Increase publicity among the Trust's key stakeholders regarding Trust activities and impact including but not limited to the impact of the community projects and recognition of the Trust's role and place in the development of the Trust's beneficiary communities.

Specific Duties Include:

Writing/Editing:

- · Update and build social media presence (Twitter and Facebook; may expand);
- Update website content and related blogging platforms; write new content as needed;
- Write Trust's annual e-newsletter:
- Develop promotional materials that document and tell the story of the Trust for the Beneficiary Communities; and Content creation- press releases, Op Eds, Briefing documents
- presentations, as required.

Project Management:

- Engage with many SRMCDT partners and project owners to create and or verify communications content and material;
- Manage publications process and timeline;
- Issues management- Act as the liaison between the Trust, the Administrator and media houses on communications issues as needed; and
- · Reporting (progress key learnings and recommendations).

Events Management:

- Venue and catering:
- · Invitations, programmes and other materials for the event;
- · Promoting event;
- · Social media at event:
- Digital media Collate presentations at the event into other online
- Image selection and editing for blogs, social media posts, etc.; and
- · Post event coverage.

Throughout the document, interested parties that respond to this RFP are simply referred to as "Respondents". This RFP is issued and will be managed by the Trust's Administrator. While the basic scope of the information required is prescribed for the sake of comparison, latitude will be given in terms of Respondents' capacity building material and costing. Although the RFP should be largely self-explanatory, any questions for clarification should be submitted electronically (see 2.1 below).

2. SUBMISSION OF RESPONSES POINT OF CONTACT

Name: Megan Naicker

Capacity: Trust Administrators Email Address: srmcdt@rustenburgcommunitytrust.co.za

The following dates have been established as milestones for this RFP. The Trust reserves the right to modify or change this timeline in its absolute discretion

Date	Activity		
5 February 2025	RFP distributed to Respondents		
11 February 2025	Respondent to indicate intention to respond to RFP by 16:00 hours		
21 February 2025	Respondent submissions to be received by 16:00 hours		

2.3 QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE RFP

Respondents are requested to email any questions to the Point of Contact

2.4 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SUBMIT AND SUBMISSION OF **PROPOSALS**

Respondents intending to submit a proposal should indicate this by email before 16:00 hours on 11 February 2025 to the Point of Contact in 2.1 above and in terms of 2.2 above.

To be considered, Respondents must submit only electronic copies of the required documents.

Proposals should be aligned to the documents attached to this request, including the Scope of Work.

2.5 RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSES

Responses will be accepted by the Administrator until the date and time indicated in 2.2 above. No late responses will be accepted or considered.

2.6 RESPONSE EVALUATION

Our goal is to ensure the best possible value for the Trust. While cost is a significant factor, other criteria will also be considered in our decisionmaking process, including but not necessarily limited to the following:

- · Demonstrate your experience in delivering the services as per 1.2 above
- · B-BBEE credentials; and
- · Preference to local companies.

The following documentation should be submitted with the response:

- Company disclosure certificate (CIPC):
- · Tax clearance certificate / PIN;
- B-BBEE certificate / affidavit
- Directors/shareholders identification;
- Quotation indicating price structure (including validity period for quotation); and
- · Company contract information.

2.7 DISCLAIMER

This RFP should not be construed as creating an obligation on the part of SRMCDT to enter into any contract, or to serve as a basis for any claim whatsoever for reimbursement of costs for efforts expended.

The scope of this RFP may be revised at the sole option of SRMCDT at any time. SRMCDT will not be bound by any responses or by any statements or representations, whether oral or written, that may be made by SRMCDT's administrator or any other representatives.

SRMCDT will be free from any liability resulting from the use or implied use of the information submitted in any response unless such information is explicitly agreed to be confidential and is the subject of a Non-Disclosure Agreement between SRMCDT and the Respondent.

Submission of a response shall constitute the Respondent's acknowledgment and acceptance of all the requirements in this RFP.

TAXI DRIVER KILLED WHILE **ATTEMPTING REPAIRS**

DA Ward 43 councillor Luan Snyder emphasised the

importance of workplace safety, particularly in high-risk

Colleagues morn the loss of a worker whose life was cut short

industries like mining and chrome processing.

Rustenburg - A tragic accident on Saturday, 1 February 2025, claimed the life of a taxi driver on the N4 after his vehicle broke down.

The driver was underneath the taxi attempting to fix it when another vehicle crashed into the stationary minibus. Sadly, he succumbed to his injuries on the scene. The driver and passenger of the second vehicle sustained minor injuries.

Emergency responders, including Netcare 911 and Eagle Trauma Rescue, swiftly arrived to assist. Trauma Rescue's Eagle special operations manager, Reyno Dempers, expressed

recovery operation.

in this tragic accident.

thoughts are with the family of the deceased during this difficult time."

Eagle Trauma Rescue press release extracts



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Shattered and shaken - the aftermath of the explosions left the quick shop in disarray, with everything from ceilings to windows needing repairs

ATM bombed in Rustenburg CBD

Rustenburg - Chaos erupted in the Rustenburg CBD on Tuesday, 4 February 2025, when an ATM at a local garage was bombed in broad daylight. Shocked community members reported hearing four consecutive explosions, sending a wave of panic through the area.

The shop owner confirmed that, despite the severity of the blasts, no one was injured. However, the damage to the store was extensive.

Authorities have yet to release an official statement.

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CLAMPING DOWN ON RHINO POACHERS

Rhinos are an endangered species, and despite widespread myths, their horns have no proven medicinal or sexual enhancement benefits. Poaching is not just a crime; it is an act of cruelty against these beautiful creatures.

The relentless pursuit of justice has yielded significant results as two suspected rhino poachers have been arrested in a collaborative effort by law enforcement and conservation officials. Acting provincial commissioner of North West, major general Patrick Asaneng, has commended the multidisciplinary team for their diligence in tackling wildlife crime.

The coordinated operation, executed on Wednesday, 28 January, and Thursday, 30 January 2025, led to the arrest of Eric Ndlovu (47) at the Hartbeesfontein police station, where he was already in detention for a separate rhino poaching incident earlier this month. According to police spokesperson Brigadier Sabata Mokgwabone, Ndlovu has been under investigation for his alleged involvement in four rhino poaching cases reported between June and August 2023 at the Madikwe Game Reserve.

Further investigation led the team to Sghandaff in Soshanguve,

Gauteng, where a second suspect, a 27-year-old man, was apprehended on Thursday, 30 January 2025. This latest arrest brings the total number of suspects linked to these poaching cases to six, with four others arrested between October 2023 and March 2024.

Ndlovu appeared before the Zeerust Magistrates' Court on Thursday, 30 January 2025, and was remanded in custody pending a bail application scheduled for Wednesday, 5 February 2025. In addition to rhino poaching charges, he faces separate charges of unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition following his arrest during a Crime Intelligence-led tactical operation in Rustenburg on 8 January 2025.

The newly arrested 27-year-old suspect made his first court appearance before the Zeerust Magistrates' Court on Monday, 3 February 2025.

Major general Asaneng praised the dedication and teamwork demonstrated by the various units involved, including the Lehurutshe Stock Theft & Endangered Species (STES) Unit, Rustenburg Tactical Response Team (TRT), Madikwe Game Reserve Anti-Poaching Unit, and SANParks officials.



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Donkerhoek Cemetery's Safety Concerns Grow

Rustenburg – For many, visiting the final resting place of a loved one is an act of remembrance and love. However, for those in Rustenburg, a trip to Donkerhoek Cemetery has become a journey of fear

Community members who wish to pay respects to their departed find themselves faced with overgrown grass, unsafe conditions, and the looming threat of crime. Donkerhoek Cemetery, located near Leading Light Funerals & Rustenburg Crematorium in Watsonia Avenue, has become a place of caution rather than comfort.

Gerhard Janse van Rensburg, a member of Community Police Forum (CPF) sector two, recently struggled to reach the grave of a loved one. "It looks terrible. The grass is so overgrown that in some areas, you can barely see the graves. That's what makes it so dangerous. Criminals hide behind the bushes and pounce at the perfect time," he said.

On Sunday, 2 February 2025, Janse van Rensburg attempted to visit the cemetery but was met with a completely inaccessible grave site. "We had to cut a pathway just to reach the grave," he explained.

Platinum Weekly, accompanied by the CPF, visited the cemetery on Monday, 3 February 2025, to witness the conditions firsthand. The cemetery remains unmaintained, posing both physical and security hazards to visitors.

Community outrage

Democratic Alliance ward 16 councillor Johan Cronje expressed frustration with the Rustenburg Local Municipality's lack of action. "The municipality has offered no assistance in maintaining the cemetery. We are told there are no tools. If we inquire about purchases, we are told they were stolen from the storeroom. This has been the excuse since I became a councillor in 2019."

Platinum Weekly reached out to the Rustenburg Local Municipality for comment but has yet to receive a response.



A history of violence

Community members have been voicing concerns for years, with many citing violent incidents as a reason for avoiding the cemetery. Trienie Weitsz, a Rustenburg resident since 1948, has learned this lesson the hard way. "I visit my husband's grave with my sister only on the Sundays when the Rustenburg Crime Combatting Forum (RCCF) provides security. After my husband passed away, I visited his grave for his first birthday in heaven, only to be assaulted by two men wearing balaclavas. They stole everything from me. Since then, I never go alone."

Unfortunately, Weitsz's experience is not an isolated incident. In October 2023, an elderly couple was attacked while tending to

In October 2023, an elderly couple was attacked while tending to a grave. Their vehicle was broken into, and their belongings were stolen. Despite their efforts to fight off their attackers, they suffered physical injuries and emotional trauma.

In November 2024, a couple endured an even more horrifying experience. They were brutally assaulted by an attacker wielding an Okapi knife. The man suffered severe facial and arm wounds, nearly losing a finger, while his wife was stabbed in the chest. They barely escaped with their lives.

CLEARING THE PATH TO REMEMBRANCE... Community Police Forum sector two member Gerhard Janse van Rensburg stands beside his loved one's grave after finding the access path completely overgrown.

What can be done?

Kobus Ferreira, chairperson of the RCCF, strongly advises against visiting the cemetery alone. "We all know that Donkerhoek Cemetery is not safe, especially with the grass so tall that you can't even see the gravestones. For safety reasons, it is better to go in a group. Going alone is a risk. Please join us every last Sunday of the month from 10:00 to 14:00 when we provide security." For more information on the RCCF, contact 074 327 3041.

As the community calls for urgent intervention, one thing is clear: Donkerhoek Cemetery is in dire need of attention, both in maintenance and security. Families deserve to visit their loved ones without fear. It is time for the authorities to step up and restore dignity to this sacred ground.

INVITATION FOR PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS



BID NO. D	DESCRIPTION	DOC. FEES (NON-REFUNDABLE)	AVAILABILITY OF BID DOCUMENT	EVALUATION CRITERION ENQUIRIES	CLOSING DATE
RLM/BTO/0158/2024/25 Al a th traffo	Appointment of a maximum of hree registered raveling agents or Rustenburg Local Municipality for a period of 36 months	TENDER DOCUMENT AMOUNT R 5 000.00	Documents will be available on the E-tender and RLM websites respectively, 5 days after the date of advertisement. NB! Proof of deposit with proper reference as stipulated and required, must be attached with mandatory documents to be submitted	Administrative evaluation (document completion and attachment of all mandatory documents as listed in the tender document) to include all necessary certifications. Agents must be ASATA accredited Functionality minimum qualifying score 80 out of a maximum of 100 points. 80/20 preferential point system (price = 80 & Specific goals = 20) B! That no other evaluation criterion should be used. TECHNICAL Ms. G. Sikwane 014 590 3339 gsikwane@rustenburg.gov.za	DATE: 21 March 2025 TIME: 10H00

Bidders must submit both a hard copy document and an electronic tender document in the form of a clearly marked USB. (Bidders will be disqualified for not submitting a USB with scanned bid documentation)

- Bid documents must be in a sealed packaging clearly marked with the bid number and description, must be placed in the bid box in the foyer of the Municipal offices, Missionary Mpheni House, Beyers Naude Drive, Rustenburg not later than the prescribed closing date, where after the bids will be opened in public at the Municipal offices.
- All bids will be evaluated in accordance with the Supply Chain Policy
 of the Rustenburg Local Municipality, PPPFA 2022 and other related
 legislations. Bids will remain valid for 90 days.
- The lowest or any bid will not be necessarily accepted, and the municipality reserves the right to accept the whole or part of any

bid. The municipality reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities as indicated in the technical specifications. A market analysis conducted will be taken into consideration to ensure right procurement and quality service delivery.

- Tender submission must comply with the instruction note (Tender Completion and Attachment of Mandatory Documents) as well as all other additional tendering condition and requirements stated in the tender document.
- Objections or complaints must be submitted in writing to the Municipal Manager at the address stated, and must contain the following:
- (a) reasons and/or grounds for the objection or complaint.(b) the way in which the objector or complainant's rights have been affected:
- and
- c) the remedy sought by the objector or complainant

- Any objection or complaint must reach the Municipal Manager with a 14day period after award has been made. Late objections or complaints will not be entertained.
- Submissions which fail to adhere to all the requirements and instructions stated on this advert, E-tender advert, CIDB Website for CIDB tenders as well as the tender document will lead to disqualification.
- Should there be any contradictions between the information on this advert and the information in the tender document, then the information on this advert will take precedence.
- Rustenburg Local Municipality will not accept late bids.
- 10. The bid price validity is 90 days.
- Rustenburg Local Municipality will not accept documents which are not in envelopes and clearly marked with the bid number and description.

<u>ERRATUM</u>			
BID NUMBER AND DESCRIPTION	REASON FOR ERRATUM	CLOSING DATE AND TIME	
service provider for meter reading service throughout	It be noted that the tender document cover page has an incorrect closing time of 12H00, however, corrections are as follows: Closing time: 09H00	19 March 2025 09H00	
1	It be noted that the advert published on the 31st of January 2025 did not include compulsory briefing session and the 90/10 preferential point system (price = 90& Specific goals= 10) however, the corrections are as follows: Administrative evaluation (document completion and attachment of mandatory documents) to include all necessary certifications. Functionality evaluation scoring 70 out maximum of 100 80/20 preferential point system (price = 80 & Specific goals = 20) or 90/10 preferential point system (price = 90 & Specific goals = 10) Compulsory briefing session will be held on the 18th of February 2025, Rustenburg Local Municipality' offices at 10H00 NB! That no other evaluation criterion should be used. TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES Busi Faku- 014 590 3476 bfaku@rustenburg.gov.za	25 March 2025 10H00	
	It be noted that the advert published on the 31st of January 2025 had an incorrect email address of the technical person however, the corrections are as follows: <u>TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES</u> Ms. B. Ratsoma 014 590 3903	<u>DATE</u> : 26 March 2025 TIME:	
	bratsoma@rustenburg.gov.za	10H00	

RUSTENBURG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY MISSIONARY MPHENI HOUSE P.O BOX 16. RUSTENBURG. 0300

Mr. L. Jele Acting Municipal Manager

HIJACKERS STRIKE TWICE IN KLOPPER STREET

Rustenburg - Klopper Street has become a Hijacking incident 2 hotspot for hijackings, with two violent incidents
This was not an isolated event. Another hijacking occurring within weeks of each other.

Hijacking incident 1

The most recent incident took place on Saturday, 1 February 2025, at approximately 21:00. A man was hijacked in Klopper Street, right in front of Fields College.

"I saw a car passing by in my mirror. I thought it was just driving past, but then it stopped in my blind spot. Suddenly, I heard something move, and when I looked around. I saw someone cocking a gun and pointing it at me," the victim recalled. "I immediately jumped out and ran that's when I saw the other two, also armed."

The three hijackers were carrying two handguns and a rifle. While only one initially exited the vehicle, the other two quickly joined in when the victim fled. The assailants took his house keys, cellphone, and Toyota Bakkie before making their getaway. The victim reported the crime to Rustenburg SAPS, who are investigating the

occurred on 19 December 2024, at around 20:00. also in Klopper Street.

The victim, a man, was clearing out his car when the ordeal began. "I was taking out papers and rubbish from my vehicle when suddenly, a man entered the driver's side, gun in hand. I tried to escape, but he shoved me back and struck me on the nose with the gun, leaving me disoriented." Two more attackers joined in, aggressively searching the vehicle and the victim's pockets while demanding his car kevs. Thinking guickly. he lied and said the keys were inside the house. His landlord briefly witnessed the incident but shut the door and turned off the lights. The attackers eventually left in another vehicle without taking the car.

Despite sustaining injuries, the man managed to get medical attention and later reported the incident to the police. The traumatic event has forced him to move back home. "My mother always disliked where I lived. Now, I understand





Justice Delayed, Rustenburg Learner's **Family Seeks Closure**

Tsitsing/ Rustenburg - The tragic loss of 18-year-old Lethabo Boitshoko Mangwani, a learner from Rustenburg Technical High School (HTS), continues to weigh heavily on the hearts of his grieving family and the wider Rustenburg community. His life was cut short on 2 June 2023 in a fatal stabbing incident at the Rustenburg Taxi Rank, an act of violence that has left his family yearning

Laid to rest in his home village of Tsitsing, Lethabo was remembered as a respectful young man who had the utmost regard for his elders. His untimely death, following an altercation between two groups of learners (gangs), sparked protests among HTS students.

In response to the tragedy, North West Department of Education MEC, Viola Motsumi, visited the bereaved family, offering condolences and urging community collaboration to safeguard learners. "We call upon parents and guardians to join hands with the police and educators to ensure that schools remain a safe environment," she said during her visit.



Rustenburg – A high-stakes motor vehicle theft syndicate operating in Rustenburg and beyond has been brought to its knees, thanks to the relentless efforts of a multidisciplinary task team. The acting provincial commissioner of North West, major general Patrick Asaneng, commended the team for its dedication in exposing the intricate web of criminal activity that had plagued Tlhabane and surrounding areas. Brigadier Sabata Mokgwabone confirmed that among the stolen vehicles was a police officer's private car, taken in Tlhabane on Sunday, 15 December 2024.

The investigation involved multiple law enforcement units, including the Provincial Investigation Unit, Rustenburg Vehicle Crime Investigation Unit (VCIU), Crime Intelligence, Tactical Response Team (TRT), and Public Order Police (POP).

The breakthrough came on Thursday, 30 January 2025, when two syndicate members were apprehended in Tlhabane West. Investigations revealed that the network extended beyond North West, reaching into Mpumalanga, with stolen vehicles being sold both locally and across the border to Mozambique.

Vehicles were reportedly offloaded for prices ranging between R20,000 and R35,000.

Authorities uncovered the sophisticated nature of the syndicate, which included a former tracking company employee, a signal jammer operator, a remote-controlled gate specialist, and even a police officer. With these specialised skills, the criminals had been operating under the radar, evading capture for an extended period.

Major general Asaneng expressed his gratitude to the team for their unwavering commitment in ensuring justice is served. "Their dedication and enthusiasm in tackling crime are commendable. Those who unlawfully dispossess citizens of their property must be held accountable," he stated.

While two arrests have been made, investigations are ongoing to track down additional suspects and recover stolen vehicles. The arrested suspects appeared before the Rustenburg Magistrates' Court on Monday, 3 February 2025.

The public is urged to remain cautious and report any suspicious activity to local authorities.



A family's long wait for justice

Since the suspect's arrest, the case has been moving through the justice system, but the delays have taken a significant toll on Lethabo's family. The latest court appearance on 16 January 2025 was postponed due to the illness of the accused's attorney. The case resumed on 30 January 2025 at the Rustenburg Magistrate's Court, attended by Platinum Weekly. However, the family remains distressed by the prolonged proceedings, feeling that justice is slipping further from their grasp.

Speaking with Platinum Weekly, a family friend and neighbour, Boitshoko Mangwani, expressed frustration: "We feel that the suspect has been given time to get medical reports, but when Lethabo was stabbed, he was not given time." The family's emotional and financial burden continues to grow as they travel back and forth for court dates, forced to relive the painful memories of that fateful day.

Lethabo's little sister, now left without her older brother's presence, is among those most affected. The grief within their household is immeasurable, compounded by the feeling that justice has not yet been served.

A hope for resolution

Since the court proceedings began on 5 December 2024, the case has faced numerous delays, primarily awaiting the accused's medical report. The most recent hearing on 30 January 2025 saw another postponement, with the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) confirming that the case is now set for 1 April 2025. If the medical report remains outstanding, the court has stated that it will proceed with a final

Sivenathi Gunya, NPA communications officer for the North West, confirmed: "The case has been postponed to 1 April 2025 for the accused's medical report. The accused remains in custody." While the wheels of justice turn slowly, the Mangwani family and the Tsitsing community continue to hope for a resolution that honours Lethabo's memory.







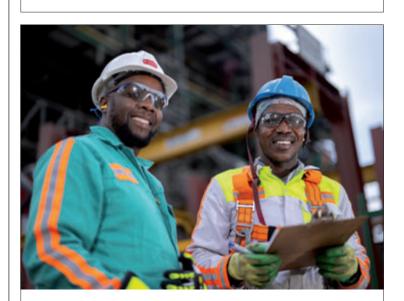
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The Rietvly Mine 2021-2025 Social Labour Plan document is out now. Access the copy at the following locations, Royal Bafokeng Civic Centre, Royal Bafokeng ED office, Phokeng Library, Rietvly Mine Main Security Entrance and through the following link: www.mineralscouncil.org.za/samining/slps and see what we continue to achieve together as a community.

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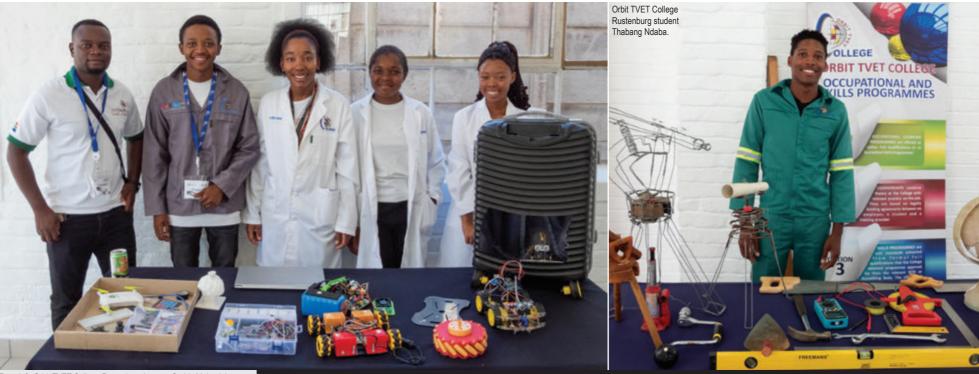
Access the Copy of Waterval Mine Social Labour Plan Now!

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From left: Orbit TVET College Rustenburg lecturer Goddy Mulaudzi, student Tshepo Mamlela, student Lucia Manganhe, student Galaletsang Modisame and student Ponatshego Malope.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN DECEASED ESTATES
In the Estate of the Late: ANNEMARIE EBERSOHN, Identity No:
4801240087087, Estate No: 372/2025, Master's office: MAFIKENG
Date of Death: 18.07.2024, Last address: 434 SMIT STREET,
DERBY, 0347, Date of Birth: 1948.01.24

All persons having claims against the abovementioned Estate are required to lodge their claims with the undersigned within 30 days after date of publication hereof on 7 February 2025.

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CHILD AND FAMILY WELFARE RUSTENBURG

Please assist the organization to search for the whereabouts of the biological mother or any family member of a girl child with surname Sekanise born on 2022/09/29. Please urgently contact the Social Worker, Roseline Mokataka, from Child and Family Welfare Rustenburg on 014 537 2014 or roselinemokataka@gmail.com

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, EMP AMENDMENT, WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENCE AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED EASTERN PLATINUM (PTY) LTD E4 UNDERGROUND MINING OPERATIONS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, MADIBENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

Notice issued in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA); the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended) (EIA Regulations); National Environmental Management Waste Act, 59 of 2008 (NEMWA); National Water Act, 36 of 1998 (NWA); and the Water Use Licence Application and Appeals Regulations, 2017 (GN R 267)

Applicant: Eastern Platinum (Pty) Ltd (EPL) – DMRE Reference Number: Mining Right - NW30/5/1/2/2/292MR and NW30/5/1/2/2/433MR Location: Various portions of the Farm Uitvalgrond 416 JQ, remaining extent of Portion 6 of the Farm Kareepoort 407 JQ, remaining extent of Portion 5 of the Farm Boschfontein 458 JQ, remaining extent of the farm Modderspruit 410 JQ, and remaining extent of the Farm Turffontein 462 JQ

Project Description: E4 Project

The E4 Project (previously Pandora Platinum Mine) is in the North West Province of South Africa, near the informal settlement of Bapong and the town of Brits. The project lies within the Madibeng Local Municipality and the Bojanala Platinum District Municipality, within the Crocodile West and Marico Water Management Area.

The project consists of a decline shaft and supporting infrastructure (access road, offices, change houses, parking area, electrical sub-station, Run-of-Mine Ore Stockpile Area, Ore Silo, stormwater management infrastructure) on Portion 19, 20, 21, 25, 26 and 27 of the farm Uitvalgrond 416 JQ wholly owned by Eastern Platinum (Pty) Ltd (EPL), a subsidiary of Sibanye Stillwater Limited. Development will be via the previously backfilled U17 Pit area to a depth of 621m below surface and production will be at a rate of 160 ktpm for a life of mine of at least 32 years. Ore processed will be conveyed to the EPL Concentrator via an overland conveyor system as replacement tonnages. This aerial conveyor will cross Portion 3 of the farm Uitvalgrond 416 JQ which is owned by M2 INV (Pty) Ltd – Latilla as well as properties owned by the Republic of South Africa in trust with the Bapo-Ba-Mogale Tribe (farm Kareepoort 407 JQ, Farm 460 JQ, Boshfontein 458 JQ, Modderspruit 461 JQ, Turffontein 462 JQ). EPL has a Notarial Agreement of Lease with the Bapo-Ba-Mogale Tribe allowing for the Lessee to conduct mining operations on the lease area effective as from 19 November 2014 till 22 December 2054 and also occupy so much of the surface on the Lease Area as may be reasonably required.

Although the project already carries an approved Environmental Authorisation and an approved Water Use Licence, due to mine design optimisation certain additional infrastructure is required which require approval. It is the intention of EPL to submit an integrated application for authorisation to support the commencement of underground mining and associated activities. Alta van Dyk Oxidane (Pty) Ltd (AvDO) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the required environmental-related applications and associated public participation process.

Authorisations required:

- Before EPL can commence with the proposed project, the following authorisations are required as per the applicable legislation:

 Environmental Impact Authorisation Process in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended in 2017).

 Activities listed in Listing Notice 1 (Activities 9, 10, 12, 14, 19, 21D, 24, 27, Listing Notice 2 (Activities 6, 19), and Listing
- Notice 3 (Activities 8, 12, 14, 18).
 National Environmental Management Waste, Act 59 of 2008 (NEM:WA), GNR 921 of 2013 for Waste Management Activities, listed in terms of Category B (Activity 10 and 11).
- Water Use Licence Application (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (NWA) (Act 36 of 1998) as well as an
 amendment of the existing approved Water Use Licence No 01/A21J/ACFGI/4913 dated 8 September 2021 issued to
 Pandora Platinum Mine. Exemption from GN704 with regards to the locality of certain infrastructure as well as the use
 of excavated material for construction purposes (Water Uses 21(b),(c),(i),(g) and amendment on 21(c),(i),(f),(g) and (j).

The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) North West will be the competent authority for the environmental-related aspects and the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) will be the competent authority for the water-related aspects.

Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report:

The Draft Environmental Impact Report will be available for public review and comment for a period of calendar 30 days from <u>7 February 2025</u> to <u>9 March 2025</u> at the venues listed below and electronically on the AVDE website: https://www.altavandykenvironmental.co.za/public-documents/. For the Water Use Licence Application the documentation will be available for a period of 60 calendar days until 9 April 2025.

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Public Place	Locality	Physical Address	Contact Details	
Sibanye Stillwater Site Office (E3)	E3 Shaft	Boschfontein 458 JQ,	phillip.ramphisa@	
Sibanye Stillwater Data-Free Website	ULWAZI	Ulwazi.datafree.co	sibanyestillwater.com	
Bapo-Ba-Mogale Tribal Office	Bapong	Bapong, Brits, 0269		
Alta van Dyk Oxidane (Pty) Ltd	I ()litantetontain	Unit 2212, 9 Mountain Sherman	Tel: +27 12 940 9457	
		Crescent, Midlands Estate	Fax: +27 86 634 3967	
Website	https://www.altavandykenvironmental.co.za			

In terms of the Water Use License Application, the comment period is 60 days, from <u>7 February 2025 to 9 April 2025.</u> If you would like more information on the project, register as an Interested & Affected Party or wish to provide comments on the project or the Draft Environmental Impact Report, please direct them to

Tehya Henry | Alta van Dyk Oxidane (Pty) Ltd

Tel number: 012 940 9457 | Fax number: 086 634 3967
Postal Address: Postnet Suite #745, Private Bag X 1007, Lyttelton, 0140
Email: tehya@avde.co.za

In terms of Section 11 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), all personal information collected will be processed lawfully and explicitly for the Environmental Authorisation and Water Use Licence Application Processes. **Rustenburg** – Orbit TVET College students are making waves in engineering and robotics, proving that technical education is the key to future innovation. On Thursday, 30 January 2025, students proudly showcased their skills and projects during a visit from the Portfolio Committee on Higher Education.

Thabang Ndaba, a civil engineering student at Orbit TVET College in Rustenburg, shared his passion for the field: "This is my fourth year in civil engineering. There are a lot of opportunities in this field."

Ulenda Mathebula, a former student from Orbit TVET College in Brits, returned to inspire others: "I majored in electrical engineering and earned my qualifications here three years ago."

Robotics also took centre stage. Ponatshego Malope, an Orbit Rustenburg student, introduced the 'Wheeled Robot' project. "Its front lights act as sensors, allowing it to detect objects and change direction."

The Portfolio Committee on Higher Education commended Orbit TVET College for its commitment to excellence, describing it as a role model for other technical and vocational education and training (TVET) institutions. The committee toured classrooms and facilities, recognising Orbit's skills development initiatives and professional standards.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all consumers, residing within the jurisdiction of Kgetlengrivier Local Municipality, that the Pre-Paid Metering contract with Ideal Prepaid (Pty) Ltd has expired

Kgetlengrivier Local Municipality is the proud beneficiary of a National Treasury Grant that will enable the roll-out of smart prepaid electricity meters that will be owned by the Municipality. The Grant will enable the Municipality to continue with its Revenue Enhancement Initiatives. The Municipality will be able to roll-out prepaid smart electricity meters in Koster (ward 7) and Swartruggens (ward 2) through the National Treasury appointed service provider, namely Vodacom (Pty) Ltd.

Public engagement commenced on 7 January 2025 through various social media platforms and was augmented by face-to-face public participation on 16th of January 2025 in Swartruggens and 20th of January 2025 in Koster. The Municipality responded to all the questions raised during the public participation processes regarding the installation of the new smart meters.

This upgrade will bring several benefits, including:

- Accurate monthly billing,
- Reduced electricity losses,
- Replacement of ageing infrastructure.

The Project will include meter audits and meter replacement. Kindly note that the current pre-paid meters are the property of the Municipality and the authorized officials will collect meters upon the installation of the new smart meter. Please note that this initial audit will not involve any interruption of your electricity supply, as it is only intended to assess the requirements for the new meters. However, during the actual installation of the new meters, there may be brief interruptions to your electricity service, depending on the type of connection.

Authorized officials will visit your premises to conduct the audits. These staff members will be carrying official identification cards, which they will present upon request. For your safety, please ensure that only authorized personnel are allowed access onto your property.

No Payment Required:

The entire smart meter installation process is being carried out at no cost to you. Under no circumstances should any payment be made to any individual during this process. If you are asked for money, please report the incident immediately to the Municipality via the contact details provided below.

Prepaid Meter Credit Transfer:

If you have any tokens at hand, please inform the authorized official about any unused electricity tokens, so that these can be transferred to your new smart meter so as to ensure that you are able to vend seamlessly.

Cutoff date: Please note that the Project has commenced and will be ending on 15th of February 2025 as per the National Treasury directives and deadlines. All installations must be concluded by the 15th of February 2025 and all residents/consumers must have migrated their meters by the said date. Failure to migrate by the said date means the electricity service to the resident/consumer may be interrupted or suspended.

To ensure the smooth and successful completion of this Project, we kindly request your full co-operation with our teams during their visits.

Should you have any questions or require any further information, please feel free to contact the Municipality's Customer Care Centre on 082 926 3065 / 063 771 0771.

Mr. AE PHOLOSE ACTING MUNICIPALITY MANAGER





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To remain anonymous, call Crime Stop at 08600 10111.





CALL FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES TO SERVE ON THE MANAGEMENT BOARDS OF GOVERNMENT RUN CHILD AND YOUTH CARE CENTRES IN TERMS OF SECTION 208 OF THE CHILDREN'S ACT, ACT NO. 38 OF 2005

The Acting Head of Department of North West Provincial Social Development, Dr Fezile Ngqobe invites community members and stakeholders to nominate suitable candidates to serve on the Management Boards of government run Child and Youth Care Centres in terms of Section 208 of the above-mentioned Act. Management Boards for the Child and Youth Care Centres are established to ensure that they provide quality service, function effectively, provide opportunities for the training of staff and apply principles of sound financial management.

Eligibility for Nomination

Any member of the community in which the Child and Youth Care Centre is established, beneficiaries from the community that the Child and Youth Care Centres serve as well as members of staff at the Child and Youth Care Centres are eligible for nomination.

Exclusions

No person may be nominated for appointment to the Management Board of a Child and Youth Care Centre if:

- · They are unsuitable to work with children
- They have any conflict of interests, or a potential conflict of interests may be appointed to a management board.
- They have not submitted a clearance certificate, to the effect that his or her name does not appear in Part B of the National Child Protection Register or the National Register for Sex Offenders, issued by the Director-General and the Director-General of Justice and Constitutional Development, respectively, may be appointed to a management board.

Term of Office

The term of office for members of a Management Board of a Child and Youth Care Centre is 5 (five) years. However, the period of membership of any four members appointed may be extended for a second five-year period.

NB: Members serving on the Management Structure will be reimbursed for traveling costs.

Governance

- A management board must meet at least four times a year.
- A chairperson must be elected at the first meeting of the board.
- The quorum for a meeting of the management board is constituted by a simple majority of its members.
- The decisions of the board must as far as possible be made by consensus, but where the matter is put to the vote, a simple majority prevails, and
 where the votes are split equally the chairperson has the casting vote.
- · The board may request the attendance of or a report by any member of staff and may be addressed by any child who is resident at the
- Centre, either at the request of the child or at the board's own request.
- · Minutes must be taken at all meetings, which must include a summary of the discussions and a record of all decisions taken.
- The minutes of the previous meeting must be circulated together with an agenda at least two weeks prior to the following meeting, provided that
 if the meeting is called urgently, this rule may be dispensed with by the chairperson; and
- The board may decide on its own procedures regarding matters on which these regulations are silent, if there is consensus regarding such
 procedures, failing which the procedure set out in paragraph (d) must be followed.

Nomination Particulars

A nomination form must be submitted to the North West Department of Social Development on the **official nomination form** and must include the following:

- A signed motivation for appointment by the nominator, (containing full names, address and contact details) supporting the nomination of such nominee, including the nominee's actual or potential leadership qualities, their expertise in a particular field and the nominee's ability to assume the responsibilities and functions entrusted by the Act.
- A brief and currently updated curriculum vitae of the nominee, including contactable references.
- Certified copies of the nominee's qualifications and identity document.

NB: Please note the incomplete applications will not be considered.

Submission Instructions

Nomination forms may be collected and hand-delivered at the following addresses:

Submission Point/CYCC	Enquiries	Address
Provincial Office	Ms. Temeng Koena, 083 62 59712/060 542 8794	4th Floor Provident House Building, University Drive, Mmabatho, 2735
Reamogetswe CYCC	Ms Lindiwe Mosia, 060 537 8340	Stand no 35, 4th Avenue Spoorweg Sonop, Private Bag x30, Sonop
Matlosana CYCC	Ms Phyllis Fourie, 060 542 9747	21591 Benji Oliphant Road, Jouberton, Klerksdorp, 2575
Rustenburg CYCC	Ms Mirriam Kgafela, tel. (014) 597 5979 or 060 542 0006	4290 Mogwase Street, Boitekong Extesion, Rustenburg, 0300
Khuseleka One Stop Centre	Ms Koketso Mothibi, 060 542 1156	Behind Joe Morolong Hospital, Vryburg

Requests for electronic nomination forms may also be sent to: mcSetshedi@nwpg.gov.za

Enquiries: tel. (018) 388 2961 or 078 099 9261

Nominations must be sent to: Postal Address: The Head of Department, Department of Social Development, Private Bag x 6, Mmabatho, 2735.

Attention: Directorate: Child Care and Protection Services, 4th floor Provident Building, University Drive, Mmabatho, 2735.

Nomination form can be downloaded in departmental website: www.dsd.nwpg.gov.za or visit your local Department of Social Development on the above mentioned facilities in your area.

Nomination forms which do not comply with the above requirements, or which have not been lodged with the Department at the addresses stated will not be considered. Correspondence will only be entered into with shortlisted candidates.

Each nomination shall be lodged with the Child and Youth Care Centre by post, e-mail, or hand delivered before 14 March 2025.

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Trauma Rescue	014 594 0689
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Peglerae Hospital (Casualties)	014 597 2823
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Timothy Strydom (Swartruggens, Koster)	073 009 5970 081 432 0729
Phillip Snyman (Rustenburg)	079 527 4293
Raymond Louwies (Rustenburg and surrounds)	065 523 4466
PDI Wildlife Rescue (Rustenburg, Koster, Derby)	082 843 8465
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Bee Removal	061 657 6085
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HAVE YOUR

Do you think artificial intelligence will improve our everyday lives?

Artificial intelligence (AI) is revolutionising industries, from healthcare and education to transportation, offering smarter solutions and efficiency. But concerns about job losses and ethical challenges remain. Is AI a tool for progress or a potential risk?



Al poses a potential risk, particularly when it comes to job displacement. As AI technologies advance and become more efficient, they may lead to job losses across various industries.

especially among low-skilled workers. To stay relevant in this evolving landscape, the workforce must adapt by acquiring new skills, making reskilling and upskilling more crucial than ever. Kgalalelo Mampone, Rustenburg

Do you think artificial

intelligence will improve

our everyday lives?



No, artificial intelligence can hinder selfimprovement by reducing the need for independent thinking and creativity. Overreliance on AI may lead to a decline in problem-solving skills, critical thinking, and

personal growth, as people become more dependent on automated solutions. Lindi Ferreira, Rustenburg

NO 83% YES 17%

Do you think people are more stressed now than in the past?

With modern technology, fast-paced work environments, and financial pressures, stress levels seem to be rising. But was life truly easier in the past, or did people face different struggles? Share your thoughts — are we more stressed today, or just dealing with stress differently? Here's how you can participate. Email us at news@ platinumweekly.co.za or WhatsApp your response

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- · Your answer: Yes or No
- · Why? We want to hear from you!
- A recent photo We'd love to publish your pic alongside your answer!
- Your town/city
- Deadline Be sure to send your response before 12:00 on Monday, 10 February 2025.

Vote results: The outcome of the poll will be featured in our next issue. Be a part of our community's story! P.S.: Don't forget, you can also voice your opinion on our Facebook post about this topic. Join the conversation!





0 **FUN FACT**

Did you know?

Did you know cockroaches can survive underwater for up to 40 minutes? These tiny survivors close their spiracles — small breathing holes — to conserve oxygen, making them nearly impossible to drown quickly. This skill helps them endure floods and sneak into the smallest, dampest corners of our homes

Cockroaches are also radiation-resistant, can go weeks without food, and even survive without a head for days! While they may not be everyone's favourite houseguest, there's no denying their superpowered resilience. Still think you can outlast a cockroach? Think again!

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Single's Valentines Masquerade party R350 pp Drinks, meal, dessert, entertainment Age: 25-45 years	14 Feb '25	Rustenburg: Stook Koffie Roostery	082-663-0610
Valentynskarnaval	14 Feb '25	Rustenburg: Laerskool Vastrap	014-597-1817
Tamlyn Wessels	28 Feb '25	Rustenburg: Libertas Rustic Wedding Venue	079-495-7043
Rustenburg Monthly Farmers Market	1 Mar '25	Rustenburg: Rustenburg Show Grounds	072-580-1076
Chris Steyn in Rustenburg - Live entertainment - Tickets availible - 16:00	7 Mar '25	Rustenburg: Laerskool Vastrap	014-597-1817
Buffelspoort Karneval - Uitstallings, kunsmark, kosstalletjies, biertuin en MUSIEKFEES		Rustenburg: Rustenburg Gemeenskapskerk	082-377-8682
Love Moment Festival - Tickets availible on Computicket	26 Apr '25	Moruleng: Moruleng Stadium	073-459-5352

SOULFOOD

PSALM 33

The Sovereignty of the Lord

33 Rejoice in the Lord, O you riahteous!

For praise from the upright is

2 Praise the Lord with the harp;

Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing to Him a new song; Play skillfully with a shout of joy.

4 For the word of the Lord is right, And all His work is done in truth 5 He loves righteousness and

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

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6 By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth

7 He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in

storehouses 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord: Let all the inhabitants of the world

stand in awe of Him 9 For He spoke, and it was done: He commanded.

and it stood



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Join us for a day of golf! Tee off with us as we come together to raise funds for Mieke

Esterhuizen. This event promises to be a day of fun, friendly competition, and most importantly,

making a positive impact.

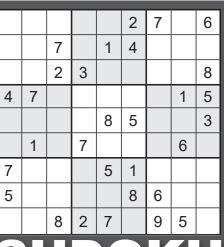
Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner, your participation will help support a

great cause. So, mark your calendars, gather your friends, and let's make a difference

on and off the greens!

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Impala faces Rhinos in season opener!



Sibanye-Stillwater SAPGM Rugby Club SETS SIGHTS ON **Castle Super** League glory



Rustenburg - Sibanye-Stillwater SAPGM Rugby Club is gearing up for an exciting 2025 season, starting with a friendly match against Springs Rugby Club on Saturday 8 February 2025, in Springs.

The club has been selected as one of the top rugby teams to compete in the prestigious Castle Super League, hosted by the Blue Bulls, where the ultimate champion will walk away with an impressive R300,000 prize. Sibanye's first league game is set for 15 February 2025 against Louis Trichardt Rugby

Head coach Joel Scherman expressed confidence in the team's preparation, stating, "We look forward to this year. We have kicked off this year with practice and we will come in with a bang!"

Fans are encouraged to come and support the team. For more information or to join the club, contact Joel at 079 754 3284.

Rugga nuus



Six Nations 2025

UITSLAE

Vrydag 31 Januarie

- Frankryk 43-0 Wallis Saterdag 1 Februarie
- Skotland 31-17 Italië

BEPALINGS

Saterdag 8 Februarie

- Italië 16:15 Wallis
- Engeland 18:45 Frankryk

Sondag 9 Februarie

Skotland 17:00 Ierland



United Rugby Championship

Saterdag 8 Februarie Stormers 14:00 Bulls

Nag ou grote...

Rustenburg - The Rustenburg Impala Rugby Club is gearing up for an exciting 2025 season, marking an incredible 135 years of rugby excellence. Founded in 1890 as the 'Rustenburg Rugby Club', the team adopted its current name in 1996 following a merger with Impala Mine. With three national club championship titles to their name, Rustenburg Impala Rugby Club continues to strive for greatness.

The club's first friendly match will take place on Saturday, 8 February 2025, in Setaria, where they will face off against the Northam Platinum Rhinos. Johan Engelbrecht, the club's director, praised the team's dedication, stating, "The players have been training intensely, with practice sessions held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 18:00 to 19:30." Fans are encouraged to come out and support their team as they kick off another thrilling season.

Vastrap se swemmers blits in die water!



Rustenburg – Laerskool Vastrap se swemmers het op 25 en 26 Januarie 2025 hul staal gewys by die NW Interprovinsiale Gala in Kimberley. Hierdie talentvolle jong atlete het hulle plekke verdedig teen strawwe kompetisie en talle podiumplekke behaal. Cara Louw, Justin de Bruyn, Luan Huisamen, Marthinus le Roux en Marcus Visser het met ongelooflike deursettingsvermoë geswem en hul drome in medaljes verander.

Golden victory for Lynn van Tonder



Rustenburg – Rustenburg Cycling Club's own Lynn van Tonder showed that determination knows no age as she conquered the Northwest Duathlon League 5 on Saturday, 1 February 2025. Tackling a tough 5km run, 20km bike ride, and 2.5km run, she powered her way to first place in the 65-69 age category, proving once again that true champions never



Bergsig swimmers make waves at **Inter-Provincial Gala!**

Rustenburg – Bergsig Academy's swimming stars made a splash at the Inter-Provincial Gala in Kimberley on Saturday, 25 January 2025. Competing against top swimmers from North West, Free State, and Northern Cape, they showed incredible skill and determination in the water

Donovan Breedt, grade 8, delivered a strong performance, securing fifth place in the 50m Freestyle and an impressive second place in the 200m Medley Relay. Naldo Kock, grade 11, proved his strength in multiple events, claiming second place in both the 50m Backstroke and 50m Butterfly, along with a third-place finish in the 100m Butterfly.



Sensei Trevon James - Strength and perseverance pay off as Trevon Ja



Sensei Dominic Vrey - A well-earned black belt! Kancho Albert Venter congratulates Sens



Sensei Hendrik & Sensei Lee-Andre - A proud moment as Hendrik Myburgh (3rd Dan) and Lee-Andre Myburgh (1st Dan) celebrate their achievements alongside Kancho Albert Venter

Local karatekas earn their black belts!

Rustenburg - Dedication, discipline, and the pursuit of excellence were on full display as local martial artists levelled up in their karate journeys at a prestigious Tokon Shotokan Karate grading event on 14 December 2024. Under the guidance of Kancho Albert Venter, these athletes showcased their skills, proving that hard work and perseverance pay off.

Sensei Hendrik Myburgh earned his 3rd Dan black belt, while Sensei Lee-Andre Myburgh and Sensei Dominic Vrey both attained their 1st Dan ranks. Sensei Trevon James also joined the esteemed ranks of black belt holders, marking a significant milestone in his karate career. Kancho Venter, founder and master instructor, beamed with pride as his students reached new

For more on karate events and training opportunities, contact Tokon Shotokan Karate-Do International Africa (TSKKIA) HQ at 082 463 1073, visit www.tskkia.co.za, or explore their YouTube channel by searching



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Saddle up for a love-filled riding event!

Rustenburg – Equestrian Centre Perfect Harmony is hosting its exciting Valentine's Training Show this Saturday, 8 February 2025 — a day filled with passion for horses and thrilling performances!

Alongside the action in the arena, visitors can enjoy a variety of food stalls offering delicious treats, cool drinks, and ice cream. Stunning vehicles will also be on display for enthusiasts to admire. Best of all, entry is FREE, and everyone is welcome! Bring your camping chairs and gazebos for a comfortable day under the sun. Join us at Section 12, Kraalhoek, Rustenburg, and for more details, contact Estelle at 079 293 3569. Don't miss out on this unforgettable event!

103 JAAR VAN TROTS EN TRADISIE





Rustenburg – Op Vrydag, 31 Januarie 2025, het Hoërskool Rustenburg 'n mylpaal gevier wat min skole kan ewenaar – 103 jaar van uitnemendheid, tradisie en 'n onverskrokke skoolgees!

Sedert sy stigting het RHS generasies leerders gevorm en 'n blywende impak op die gemeenskap en die onderwysbedryf gemaak. Van akademie en sport tot kultuur en karakterbou, die Rustie-gees het met elke dekade net sterker geword. Met 'n geskiedenis ryk aan prestasies en 'n toekoms blink van moontlikhede, vier oud- en huidige leerders saam die blywende nalatenskap van hierdie ikoniese skool. Dankie aan elke leerder, onderwyser en hoof wat deur die jare 'n verskil gemaak het – hierdie viering behoort aan julle!

