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Fury over pay parking

Erica Abrahams

Dolphin Coast residents are furious that from next Wednesday, parking will have to be paid for.

KwaDukuza mayor Ricardo Mthembu announced this week that motorists will have to pay R6 an hour for public parking bays in Stanger, Shakaskraal, Umhlali village and parts of Ballito including the beaches, from November 1.

Aiming to generate more revenue, the municipality has since put up signs in affected areas with that being the only communication to the public, leaving business owners and affected employees horrified at not being informed or consulted.

One of the largest affected areas in Ballito aside from the beaches will be the business park on Sandra Road and public bays along Compensation Beach Road.

However, Ballito ward councillors said they had not been informed of the system before it was launched by the mayor.

DA chief whip in the Ilembe region Malcolm Hubner said when the topic of the parking system came to council, it had already been passed.

"We are now trying to find the council documents for when the system first came to council. What we do know for sure is that there was no public participation."

Owner of Rawson Properties on Sanda Road, Roelof Faul, said he was enraged about the situation and accused the municipality of trying to squeeze unnecessary money out of ratepayers at a time when businesses are struggling.

"Our vehicles take up about 20 parking bays a day and we have no other place to park our vehicles. This is not good for business as it will push away clients who visit our office. This affects my business and my staff who park outside daily but I had not been informed of KDM's intention or how this will work. When the plans for buildings such as this one was passed, it was known to the municipality that there would be no other option for parking except for the municipal bays outside the offices. All the information we have are the boards that were recently put up outside and that is no way of communicating with ratepayers."

Owner of the Galley Beach Bar and Grill restaurant on Compensation Beach Road, Mark van Staden said parking during peak seasons was already a problem and that asking people to pay would directly impact on business.

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The power of flowers



Strelizias reaching into the heavens, larger than life roses and fiery bromeliads lit up the annual Hallelujah Flower Festival at the All Souls Anglican Church, Salt Rock, delighted flower lovers last weekend. From left, arrangers Jane Matkovich, Rosemary Ladlau and Dianne Stewart with one of Jane's impressive arrangements. More pictures Page 10.

Gawler's suspected killer caught

Allan Troskie

The man alleged to be responsible for the brutal farm attack that caused the death of popular retired Glendale Heights farmer Bob Gawler in July has finally been arrested.

Alpha Security's investigation division - led by Rex Hunt - conducted an intensive manhunt over

several months leading to the arrest on Saturday, October 21.

"Through paid informants we were able to track down the suspect's cellphone number," said Hunt.

Working together with the SA Community Action Network, he and his team were then able to track the phone and locate the fugitive's hiding

spot. Hunt said the man had also been linked to another murder in Glendale where he had allegedly attacked a woman with a panga.

"We embarked on an undercover operation and managed to flush the suspect out of hiding, after which he was arrested by members of the KwaDukuza Task Team and SAPS."

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NEWS

Killed in cold blood

Allan Troskie

The horrific murder of a waitress by her ex in Ballito last week sent shockwaves through the town. Siphokazi Khumalo, 32, a waitress at Turn 'n Tender restaurant in the Ballito Junction, was attacked and her throat cut by her ex-boyfriend last Wednesday afternoon.

According to reports from bystanders, before the attack Khumalo was sitting on a couch in the restaurant.

Umhlali SAPS spokesperson Captain Vinny Pilyay said her ex saw her there and flew into a jealous rage. Eyewitnesses said she went to the bathroom and her ex followed.

Ballito resident Pierre Welgemoed heard screams from the toilets and two girls came running out shouting that a man was hitting a woman.

He told his son to stay where he was and ran into the bathrooms with another man. When he pushed open the door to the stall, the attacker stepped out with his arm around Khumalo's throat.

"I shouted for him to get out of the stall and that's when I saw the knife. In that split second I hesitated and my family popped into my head," Welgemoed told the *Courier*.

The attacker then brought the knife down, stabbing Khumalo in the neck and yanking the blade back. Welgemoed said she grabbed at her throat and toppled over.

"The look in her eyes in those last split seconds haunts me. I cannot stop thinking that I should have done something more. I should have tried to grab the knife, I should have jumped into the cubicle and tackled him, I should have done something."

The killer then walked calmly out and presented his hands as though to be cuffed. Welgemoed and another man grabbed him and held him until mall security and police took over.

"I rushed back into the toilet and tried to help her. There was blood everywhere and I was just trying to put pressure on her neck and wrap it with toilet paper."

She died a few minutes later. Welgemoed said he took heart from the rapid response of paramedics and mall security as well as from the public.

"Nobody just walked away, people were ready to help within seconds. I think that shows the true strength of our community, I still believe there are more good people than bad in our corner of the world and we should not let a tragedy like this make us forget that."

The murder has highlighted the ongoing scourge of violence against women in South Africa. She-

hana Kajee, leader of the DA Women's Network (DAWN) in KZN said violence against women was a growing problem that government needed to take more seriously.

"We cannot just stand up against violence against women during the 16 days of activism, it needs to be 365 days a year," Kajee said.

"DAWN will be following the case and opposing bail. We believe he should be handed the maximum sentence."

Meanwhile, Dr Albertina Luthuli, daughter of the late struggle icon Chief Albert Luthuli, condemned this senseless act of violence.

She told the *Courier* the ongoing violence against women in our communities was extremely worrying and that she believed government was not prioritising this enough.

"At the very core of this problem lies the entrenched culture of patriarchy," Dr Luthuli said.

"People keep saying patriarchy is part of their culture but that is just not good enough. Black, white, Indian: it does not matter, as we move forward together as a new South Africa we must leave behind those cultural beliefs that do not live up to our constitution."

Dr Luthuli said South Africans must build a new culture together and called on the courts to quickly deal with this matter so that Khumalo's family could get justice.

"I have gone beyond anger and frustration and I think all women in our Rainbow Nation feel the same. We are living with these beasts among us.

"My father - Chief Albert Luthuli - condemned patriarchy as he knew it could interfere with creating a new, just South Africa," she said.

Siphokazi Khumalo is survived by two young children. The suspect, who is 30 years old, appeared in KwaDukuza magistrate court on Friday and was remanded in custody. He will appear again on Thursday for bail application.



Siphokazi Khumalo was killed by her ex-boyfriend in the Ballito Junction last week.

Pastor tackles then prays for killer

Lesley Naude

A Ballito pastor first tackled a man he saw slit the throat of a woman - then prayed for him.

The pastor was shopping on Wednesday afternoon when he heard screams from the ladies toilets of The Ballito Junction mall.

"Women were running out of the bathroom screaming. Another man and I rushed in and a woman pointed out the cubicle. The guy with me pushed the door open and then stepped back in shock.

"A man stepped out brandishing a knife and as he was leaving he lashed back with the knife, slashing the throat of the woman in the stall with him."

The pastor pushed people out of the toilets. "We were in the passageway for perhaps 30 seconds when he walked out, his hands raised as if to be handcuffed.

"I thought he would run but the other man with me yelled at him to get down on the floor. We both tackled him and put his hands behind his back. A crowd had started to gather and people started trying to kick him, shouting obscenities."

With his knee in the man's back to keep him down he told the *Courier* that he had been suddenly filled with "a strange compassion" for the man.

"I was reminded of Archbishop Desmond Tutu's words with regards to the guy they called the Modimolle Monster. He asked people not to call the man a monster because irrespective of what he had done he was still a human being. That's when I started to pray for

him.

"When I had finished he turned around and thanked me. I asked him why he did this.



The man walks out of the toilets, hands held out, after allegedly slashing his ex-girlfriend's throat.

"He said to me that this woman had been his girlfriend for seven or eight years and had just broken up with him. They had a fight and he said he 'just lost it'."

"That's when I heard that the woman had passed away." The clearly traumatised pastor, who asked to remain anonymous, said he wanted it to be clear that he did not condone what the man had done in any way.

"I feel very deeply grieved for the woman and her family. I cannot imagine what they must be going through."



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Alleged farm attacker arrested

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Hunt said it was particularly reassuring to know this man was caught as his modus operandi suggested he would have continued to commit violent crimes. They are still searching for one of the suspect's accomplices in the attack.

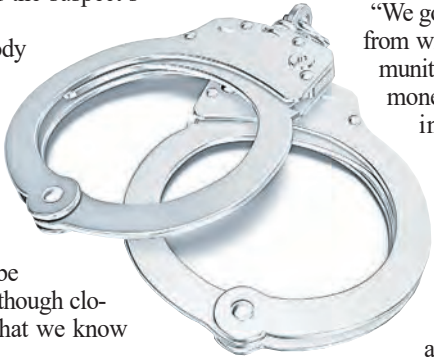
It is believed the suspect in custody was the mastermind behind the attack, as he had previously worked on the Gawlers' farm.

Gawler's son-in-law Ricky Pisarras said the family were relieved to hear that this man had been caught.

"It makes us feel like there may be some light at the end of the tunnel, though closure is still a long way off given that we know

there is still another man out there."

Raymond Rogers, a farmer in the Compensation area and former cluster chairman helped set up a fund to offer rewards for information that led to the arrest.



"We got a lot of support, both from within the farming community and without and this money went towards helping the investigating team uncover the truth."

Rogers said while it was great news that the killer had been apprehended, farmers were all too aware that there are many more criminals like him out there.

Bob Gawler was killed on the evening of July 28 when a group of armed men kicked down the door to their farm house before beating him and shooting him in the stomach. His wife Denise was tied to the bed. The pair were only discovered at 9am the next morning, by which time Bob had died.

Pretty in pink

Allan Troskie

Tiffany's Shopping Centre was pretty in pink over the weekend when the ladies from SA Radiology - based in Netcare Alberlito Hospital - brought the Pink Drive to town.

Selling delicious sweets, treats, goodies and - of course - cupcakes all in support of the fight against cancer. The message they were passing on was to urge women to go for regular mammograms, particularly in women over the age of 40 or if there is a family history of breast cancer.



Little Essen Pulvenis with her mom, Genevieve, were there to show their support. INSET: Colleen Hayward-Butt was only too happy to support the good work going into the fight against breast cancer.



Olivia Hughes getting her face painted while her sister Ruth looks on.

Hmmm, delicious! Kjell Williams bites down on a scrumptious doughnut.

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Parking fury

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The municipality said that the system had been approved by council in 2011, but not implemented. Parking marshals employed by the municipality will collect fees using handheld devices. The marshals will scan vehicle licences or manually capture registration numbers, select the duration and tariff charges, provide the driver with a receipt and account for revenue collected. Drivers will be responsible for displaying the receipt on their dashboard and should customers exceed the time on their receipt, an additional tariff will be charged when they return to their vehicle.

No concessions have been made for employees who park in the parking bays on a daily basis.

Privi Naidoo, an employee of HomeZone estate agency in Sandra Road, said she works eight hours a day, 20 days a month, so parking will cost her around R1000 a month.

"I am already a ratepayer and the implementation of something like this will further fleece ratepayers. As much as I understand the need for paid public parking in some areas of KwaDu-



Patrons and employees will have to pay R6 an hour to park at public bays in Ballito, Shakaskraal, Stanger and Umhlali.

kuza, Stanger and Shakaskraal, where there is a huge retail element, the model simply does not work for places like the Ballito business areas. What is highly concerning is there was no concession made for long stay parking and the system is prejudiced against people who park in municipal bays for work purposes only. I am also highly concerned that there was absolutely no public participation in this process."

The largest employer in Umhlali, Roberts & Chaplin accountants, has 30 employees. Owner Neal Roberts said his employees could not afford R1000 a month for parking.

"The council is completely insensitive to the people. The employees do not have R1000 that they would otherwise spend for food, to pay for parking to fund a greedy municipality. They do nothing for this town and Umhlali is rapidly deteriorating, but they want our money."

Many Stanger residents took to the Courier Facebook page to complain about the new system. Samantha Sankaran said the system was ridiculous and expensive.

"The roads are terrible all round Stanger and crime still so rife, even the parking in Durban CBD doesn't cost so much! KDM doesn't bother about people, just their pockets and how they can milk the public. So many things can be done about crime and the roads in town but nothing ever gets done or completed. Everything is political, so annoying."

Mayor Mthembu said the paid parking system would help to not only grow the economy but to address the challenges of unemployment, poverty and inequality. About 50 jobs are to be created for parking marshals.

"This initiative has been firstly necessitated by a number of concerns that have been raised by the public and it is our key responsibility to ensure that we listen to our people when they speak and it remains our task to deliver on their wishes."

It is believed that the municipality had paid an external company to manufacture and service the parking devices as well as train the marshals. KDM has not responded to questions on how much the devices cost and the anticipated revenue income.

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NEWS

KZN coast smothered in plastic pellets



Ward 6 councillor Tammy Colley was at the beach over the weekend helping to pick up nurdles.

Allan Troskie

An environmental disaster has unfolded along the KZN coastline after the recent heavy storms sent a container carrying billions of little plastic beads overboard and into the ocean.

Presently, the plastic beads - or nurdles - have spread from Durban as far north as Richard's Bay and south to Mbotyi on the Wild Coast, a stretch of more than 500km.

KwaDukuzi lifeguard supervisor Bongani Xulu said they were very troubled by this development and that they already had teams out collecting the beads.

"It is not an easy task because when these tiny plastic balls dry up on the sand they are blown away immediately."

The cleanup is further constrained by the fact that the tides come in and dump them on the shore but later simply carry them back out again. Many people have already spent time trying to pick up as much of the plastic as possible but the tiny size of the beads has made this a very difficult task.

Meanwhile, the Department of Environmental Affairs has dispatched workers to begin the arduous task of cleaning up the beads, starting at Tongaat beach and working their way northwards. However, the only way any real dent will be made is with the help of the public.

The Dolphin Coast Conservancy's Di Jones said they were extremely concerned about the impact this plastic will have on marine ecology. "Scientists at the University of KZN have told us that the pellets are currently not dangerous to humans, but they will shortly become more toxic and start getting into the food chain," Jones said. "Fish see them as a food source as they look like transparent fish eggs and are the size of a lentil. Great harm is being caused to our marine environment and the cleanup will need to continue for as long as the pellets continue to wash up."

Jones explained that fish will eat either them and die because of the plastic clogging up their digestive tracts, or

birds and other animals will eat the fish and the same thing will happen to them.

"Even people eat the fish and this could pose a risk to our health."

Jones urged locals, holidaymakers and all beachgoers to help by taking a bag whenever visiting the beach and collecting as many nurdles as possible.

"We have people power, let's use it!" said Jones. The Tidal Tao ocean exploration group had already embarked on a beach cleanup at the tidal pool at Chaka's Rock over the weekend, collecting hundreds of thousands of the little plastic beads.

Through trial and error it was found that the easiest way to collect the pellets was with an ordinary kitchen sieve and a bucket full of water, scooping up sand in the sieve and dipping it into the bucket, where the pellets will float away. The sand can be emptied back onto the beach and the pellets scooped off the top of the water and deposited in a bag to be taken away.

However, no amount of work will ever completely remove this plastic catastrophe, and the amount of these nurdles

still floating around at sea does not bear thinking about.



It will take the concerted effort of every beachgoer to make an impact on this environmental disaster.



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Lesley's Perspective

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Lesley Naudé

Time for change

Today I deleted Facebook from my phone.

No, I am not leaving Facebook. I just choose to move it out of easy reach. The first step to doing something about a problem is admitting you have one. A few months ago, when I had been mulling over my compulsion to pull out my phone and check Facebook repeatedly I moved the app off my phone's main screen and into a folder, foolishly thinking that this would help.

WhatsApp too, for that matter, is far too distracting.

Part of the problem is that in my profession I have to be on Facebook and WhatsApp constantly as these platforms are vital sources of information. So naturally I belong to almost every WhatsApp group in the area. The message icon is constantly flashing.

There is no way of knowing if the messages pertain to a major crisis, something personal, another lost dog (lost chickens and rabbits at least keep it interesting) or some inane banter about the rugby (despite having emigrated recently to England, former Salt Rocker Bob Russel remains the main culprit of this).

What pushed me over the edge with Facebook were two things: my Facebook stream became inundated with advertisements and cute cat videos (by the way I unceremoniously unfollow anyone guilty of this).

Then a well-timed article that I read, ironically on Facebook: 'Our minds can be hijacked: the tech insiders who fear a smartphone dystopia' by Paul Lewis of London's The Guardian newspaper. Lewis reports on the Google, Twitter and Facebook engineers (the ones who helped make the technology so addictive) who are now disconnecting from the Internet.



People like Justin Rosenstein who created the "like" button on Facebook are taking radical steps to disengage. Rosenstein has tweaked his laptop's operating system to block Reddit, banned himself from Snap-

chat, which he compares to heroin, and imposed limits on his use of Facebook. The 34-year-old tech executive even set up a parental-control feature on his iPhone to prevent him from downloading any more apps.

According to Lewis, Rosenstein is not alone. There is a growing number of tech developers who are now the biggest critics of their own creations. They are taking radical steps to protect their families from technology - cutting off the internet from their homes at set times during the day and sending their children to elite Silicon Valley schools where iPhones, iPads and laptops are banned.

The article makes a profound revelation: most of them are, like me, in their 30's.

We are the last generation that remembers life before Facebook and smartphones (we even remember telephone directories! Hello, just Google it!). And what they are warning us about is worth taking note of.

The impulse to quickly check our Facebook feed and find ourselves mindlessly scrolling 20 minutes later is no accident, they were designed this way. Trillions of dollars are spent every year on finding more sophisticated ways to manipulate people into habitual use of these products. As a result, the thinking of billions of people is being shaped by massive corporations with no real interest in our well-being. But most crucially we are losing the one thing we can never get back: time.

Time is the one commodity everyone has but no one knows how much they have left.

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Response to the article: Accusations fly in Ballito kennel dispute



Shirleen Hulett I have only had excellent service from Ballito Kennels. One of my dogs have been going there for 9 years. I can only recommend Dorothy, Joanne and Jeff.

Response to the article: Woman's throat cut by ex in Ballito Junction



Chantel Damant My thoughts are with her family, the staff of Turn n Tender, and everyone who was there when this happened. What a traumatic thing to go through. May this lady rest in peace. What a terrible day for Ballito.



Cindy Welch Since the new mall has opened all I've heard are negative stories about crime. Maybe the mall needs stronger security.



Sarah Reddy Don't blame the Junction Mall. They don't have any hold over peeps that don't obey the rule of law. Government needs to do more about these criminals that get away with just about anything. Families of loved ones and the community bear the brunt of these.



Candy Ann Zore This is horrific! My sincere condolences to her family, friends and colleagues. I hope and pray that justice prevails and that the criminal who did this serves life behind bars. I do however fear for my family and friends, how safe are we? Are there any precautionary measures being taken? How do we prevent this from happening again? #concernedcitizen #standtogetheragainstcrime



LadyNdu Dlamini Men will never stop killing women because our justice system is so pathetic. I bet he will get a five year sentence or he will be out on bail in a few months, while the woman he killed could not live anymore. They should have let the community deal with him. He is a monster who does not deserve to live.

Response to the article: Plastic catastrophe on Dolphin Coast beaches: how can you help?



Lelani Janse van Vuuren My kids and I were at Umhlanga beach yesterday picking up these beads and a few people stopped and asked what we were doing and I explained what these beads are and the impact they have on the marine life and they were all so concerned but no one helped. It is as if no one really cares.

Response to the article: Corporal punishment still exist in schools



Rashmika Pirtheepal I would say corporal punishment should be implemented in schools as learners are very disrespectful and have no sense of behaviour. In my days we used to get the hiding at school and at home therefore we are so disciplined, however nowadays both parents and learners don't seem to be bothered about their education. This is also shown from recent videos that have been going viral where not only guys but girls are also fighting. If the parents and department of education takes action things would change for the better.



Denise Henry We need corporal punishment, it worked for our generation. Laws must be put in place for those that abuse it. If we are to raise a generation of less criminals and adults that are less destructive to property. We need to have it come back.



Linda Terblanche We as the older generation got good hidings at school and from our parents that's why we understand the word "respect" these days. Youngsters call age just a number that's why there's no respect for their elders and for school teachers.



Lezell Claudine Smith Petersen Not asault. Just a good spanking when out of line is good. It's the monster teachers who made things bad by abusing the kids and now we have this mess.

Water, water everywhere

Allan Troskie

The old story about seven fat years and seven thin years seems particularly applicable to the water woes of South Africa, and the Dolphin Coast is no exception, albeit the other way around.

From years of droughts to street floods in Durban, things sure have turned the corner and the Lower Thukela Bulk Water Supply Scheme (LTBWSS) is just another part of the effort to ensure that water shortages will be a thing of the past for the North Coast.

The LTBWSS includes planning, design and construction of a new 110 Ml abstraction (phase one) and 55 Ml water treatment works on the Tugela River near Mandeni. Inspection of the scheme is currently being conducted by the construction companies in order to identify and correct defects that may be found. Once this process has been completed - which is expected to be in the first week of November - production and supply to iLembe are likely to increase, according to Umgeni Water spokesperson Shami Harichunder.

"From a financial perspective, this is one of the largest bulk potable water infrastructure projects to be constructed in KwaZulu-Natal," said Harichunder.

Construction on the plant began in February 2013 and has, to date, cost about R1,6 billion, which is in line with budgeted cost.



The Lower Thukela Bulk Water Supply Scheme is expected to be fully functional by the first week of November.

"The plant is already in trial operation and some communities in Darnall and Zinkwazi have begun receiving potable water from this scheme through iLembe District Municipality's reticulation network."

The 55Ml abstraction plant can serve between 28 000 and 45 000 households (230 000 people). It will provide a reliable and sustainable supply of safe drinking water to communities that had to rely on small schemes in the past. The plant was completed with certain components constructed for the future and ultimate capacity of 110 Ml/d.

During construction, work was created for members of local communities and some permanent job opportunities are expected to become available for operation and maintenance of the scheme.

In a nutshell, the project comprises infrastructure to draw raw water from the Tugela River, treat and then distribute it into the existing bulk supply network to provide water to various surrounding communities in iLembe, south of the river from its first phase and then northwards from a future 55Ml second phase.

Harichunder said the second phase would be built when it was needed.

Letters

Write to: The Editor, P O Box 694, Ballito 4420. E-mail letters@northcoastcourier.co.za.

Complete disregard for other drivers

Now that the new taxi rank is in full operation one would think that our problems with these "rulers of the roads" would be over.

Far from being satisfied with what has been laid on for them at their new rank they are now creating more chaos by using the old site outside the tourism offices as another rank.

With complete disregard for other legal road users, these thugs now double park in Ballito Drive and block the traffic lane which is clearly marked for those wanting to turn left into Simbithi Drive. Should one hoot at them you are completely ignored as the driver looks the other way as if he has the right to this double parking.

Have we no traffic officers in Ballito? If there are any, do they ever do any work? One officer at this traffic obstruction could earn a fortune in fines. That is if these cowboys of our roads ever pay fines and/or license fees for that matter.

Is it not bad enough that taxis can pull up to a sudden halt, without any signals, right in front of you anywhere they choose to stop?

If the laws are not strictly applied to these taxis we will soon reach a stage where it will not be possible for legitimate road users to travel in Ballito.

G C FLETT
Ballito

Highway robbery

In spite of the reports that Bob had called off the police highway robbery in Zimbabwe it seems nothing has changed.

A good friend of ours was out from the UK last week and drove with her brother up to Harare from Bulawayo.

Although the road is apparently now much improved, the trip was a nightmare as they went through 16 roadblocks travelling up and 18 on their way back. Total cost for fines for petty items (e.g. the front reflectors are old and worn!) Was US\$180 for the round trip.

So, this highway robbery continues unabated and the police thugs can be likened to the infamous highway robber Dick Turpin with two exceptions: - 1. He wore a mask 2. He robbed the rich to pay the poor and these thieves rob the poor to pay the rich.

Little wonder that just about everyone I have spoken to in

South Africa refuses to travel to Zimbabwe because of this. It is almost laughable if it was not so serious.

It has a serious impact on the tourist industry in Zimbabwe and they are robbing Peter to pay Bob, while shooting themselves in the foot.

The paltry earnings from this practice would be far exceeded by getting tourists back to visit Zimbabwe.

Hopefully a new government next year will put a stop to this practice which makes Zimbabwe the laughing stock of developed countries.

One roadblock made the passengers remove their shoes as they had been instructed when stopping cars, they must look in the boots!

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NEWS

The power of flowers

Elana Geist

Strelizias reaching into the heavens, larger than life roses and fiery bromeliads lit up the Hallelujah Flower Festival at the All Souls Anglican Church last weekend.

The annual flower festival, organised by the admirable floral 'Dame' Rosemary Ladlau and her talented daughter, Jane Matkovich was a blooming success with about 700 visitors from as far as Italy

visiting to admire the flower arrangements with spiritual meaning.

Fellow local flower arranger and author, Dianne Stewart said the arrangements, which were visual representations of Biblical texts, were absolutely marvelous this year.

"We truly have world class arrangers on the North Coast. The skill and creativity in the arrangements are magnificent," said Stewart.



'Be bold, be strong, for the Lord your God is with you' - Joshua 1:9.



'The desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly and they shall see the glory of the Lord and the excellence of our God,' - Isaiah 35:1-2.

RIGHT: One of Jane Matkovich's fiery creations. 'Set our hearts on fire with joy and power' - Psalm 91:2.



LEFT: Kids United's sweet arrangements inspired by the following verse: 'All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all' - Genesis 1.



Rev. Elaine Gilchrist and Joan Hammond having a wonderful Sunday morning.



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Enjoying the beautiful flowers are, from left, Tiz Pieroni with her friends from Italy, Pina Bucciero and Chiara Cevola.



'Praise with elation, praise every morning God's recreation of the new day' - Lamentations 3:22

NEWS



DJ's Records

DJ Reed
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Jesus Christ has had more influence on mankind than any other human being. This claim was published in a Cambridge University Press publication: "Who's bigger - Where historical figures really rank?" by Professor Steven Skiena, a mathematician and professor of computational science.

After devising a complex mathematical model and using a very sophisticated computer program, he came to this conclusion: Jesus is the most influential human being in history. His monumental unbiased study on the lives of thousands of well-known figures led to this statement.

Jesus' most important influence is on perception of God's nature. He demonstrated that "God is love" and God is good.

Civilisations have been culturally influenced and informed by Jesus' life and teachings. His life has inspired masterpieces in art, music and literature. He also modelled unique examples of compassion, forgiveness, humility, sacrificial service, faithfulness and love. Up until His appearance on the human stage, these attributes were very rare, and in most cases, culturally despised. In short, His influence introduced a culture of honour and dignity for all strata of society. His influence has also had a profound impact on science, law, good government, medicine, care of orphans, widows, the aged, the physically and mentally challenged.

In the Greco and Roman world, unwanted children were lawfully disposed of or abandoned. The sick were taken out of their homes to die out in the cold. His coming into the world changed this for the better.

Education was reserved only for the male children of the wealthy. Because of His influence, schools for the poor and disadvantaged were founded at monasteries, as were clinics and homes for the aged.

In spite of the enormous impact His life has had, He never held an office, never wrote a book, nor was from a prominent family. He lived in a small and insignificant nation, in a relatively unimportant town and mixed with those who were "unschooled and ordinary men" (Acts 4:13).

Yet some of the world's most prestigious universities such as Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard and Yale were established to further Christ's values and form of knowledge.

Alfred North Whitehead, a professor of mathematics and the philosophy of science at Harvard and a dominant thinker of the 20th century was asked: "What made it possible for science to emerge? It was the medieval insistence on the rationality of God."

Two men killed and ten arrested

Sboniso Dlamini

Two men were shot and killed and ten men were arrested by police in Maphumulo on Sunday.

One of the men who was killed was wanted for killing a policeman in Gauteng earlier this year. A police firearm was also found next to the man's body.

"The arrested men are aged between 18 and 29 and they were found in possession of two rifles and ammunition," said KZN police spokesperson lieutenant colonel Thulani Zwane.

The men are suspected to have robbed teachers at Nomakhaladi High School in Kranskop on Saturday. Cellphones and money were taken from the teachers.

Zwane said the men were caught after the Kranskop community complained about their criminal activities.

"Police spotted a white Isuzu open bakkie with 12 occupants at Mambulu area. When police tried to stop the vehicle, the occupants fled towards Mphise area in Maphumulo. They also opened fire on police and a shootout ensued, resulting in two suspects aged 29 and 35 being killed."

Charges of attempted murder, possession of unlicensed firearms and ammunition were laid against those arrested.

He said the arrests follow the recovery of seven firearms and the arrest of four people in Maphumulo last week.

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Holding hands, the ladies started their Pilates session.

Elana Geist

Ladies wearing stylish tights and powerful pink tops arrived at the TashB Pilates -

Pink Phoenix Fundraiser and were ready to stretch for breast cancer at Canelands Beach Club and Spa last week.

The inspiring event has been

running for four years, headed up by the invigorating Tash Barnard and the Pink Phoenix Cancer Foundation who raise funds, create awareness around breast cancer and support fighters, admire the survivors and remember the taken.

Barnard said the event started off with only 15 people and has

grown to over 55 this year.

"This day has been such a blessing and you ladies have been wonderful. Whenever I come home to Ballito after travelling somewhere, I think how lucky I am to live in such an amazing place," said Barnard.

Mom of five and cancer warrior, Cathy van Lill shared her story with the ladies and left them with a strong message that she has learnt to live by.

"You have the power of choice and you are in complete control of your thoughts and your reaction to what is happening around you. It is up to you to make it positive or negative," said the 32-year-old Van Lill, who was diagnosed with stage four metastatic breast cancer last year.



From left, Luella Engelen and Brenda Albertse.



Lycia Macdermott and Jeanne Zettler.



Fazila Bodasing, Shona Chetty and Melisha Peters.

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R20 million bust at King Shaka airport

Erica Abrahams

Heroin, illegal skin lightening cream and counterfeit clothing altogether worth over R29 million was intercepted at the King Shaka International Airport last Thursday. SA Revenue Services (SARS) officials using detector dogs found 15.63 kg of heroin with a street value of R3.1 million hidden in the lids of mascara containers being freighted to Liberia.

This case has been handed over to SAPS for further investigation.

In the second incident on the same day, 2469 kg of illegal skin lightening

cream valued at R12.9 million was intercepted. The shipment was bound for Durban from Lagos and had been labelled as hair attachments.

Lastly, 7 380 counterfeit branded football shirts valued at R6.2 million were intercepted in a shipment from Hong Kong to Durban.

Airports Company South Africa senior corporate affairs manager Colin Naidoo said he was pleased with SARS efforts.

"We would like to not see drugs or any other illegal products brought into the country. We would like to commend SARS on their work."

Fingers crossed for matric

It is crunch time for the matrics of 2017 as they put pen to paper for the start their final examinations on Monday.

Last year, KZN scored the third lowest pass rate in the country at 66.44 percent while the Ilembe district hit rock bottom as the lowest performing district in KZN, with a pass rate of 52.24 per cent. One school within the district was among the nine with zero per cent pass rate.

There are 163 669 pupils registered for the final examinations.

The education department replaced the previous Ilembe district director Thembi Vilakazi with Dr Musa Madondo at the beginning of this year.

Meanwhile, in Tongaat the princi-

pal of Fairbreeze Secondary School said the main challenge in addition to the language barrier is that the culture in schools has changed where mediocrity is being passed as excellence. He said the schools mid-year and trial results did not look promising.

"Despite many classes and programmes, we are still seeing pupils struggling to pass. For most pupils in this school and in KZN, English is not their first language and this is a serious challenge. Last year, 26 of our pupils failed and of that 26, 19 failed English. We can never know the true potential of this country or our children if they are not taught that failing and not taking education seriously, is unacceptable."

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NEWS

Fashionable conservancy

Allan Troskie

A fantastically fashionable fundraiser was held for the Dolphin Coast Conservancy (DCC) last week.

The action went down at Maroupi wedding venue outside Umhlabi where Mellou Fashion held a stunning fashion show along with an enlightening talk on style, trends and how to get the most out of your wardrobe.

DCC chair Di Jones said they were extremely grateful for the support and that the money would go towards the behind the scenes work the conservancy does in keeping the Dolphin Coast natural and beautiful.



Stephanie Maingard and Delia Jay were there to get some fashion tips.



Margi Bruyns, Paddy Palmer and Wendy Nelson looking very colourful.



The hall was absolutely packed with fashion hungry ladies.



Senta Duffield, Judy Seele and Karen Ward came to support the DCC.



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Alice Leah and Lauren Ginn.

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The number of people with breast cancer is high in KZN and people are encouraged to do regular breast cancer check-ups, before it is too late.

Conducting a breast cancer awareness session at the Ballito Clinic last week, KZN DA health spokesperson Dr Imran Keeka encouraged men and women to learn how to do a self-examination and seek medical help if they find anything different.

He said common breast cancer symptoms are a lump in the breast or armpit, bloody nipple discharge, inverted nipple, orange-peel texture or dimpling of the breast's skin, breast pain or sore nipple, swollen lymph nodes in the neck or armpit, and a change in the size or shape of the breast or nipple.

"Breast cancer is also a problem in men and children. So, I strongly advise men to also do a check-up," said Keeka.

It is also encouraged to get a "breast buddy," someone who will remind you to check your breast or with whom you can check your breast together. At least once a week have a breast checking session.

A change of lifestyle can decrease the risk of breast cancer even in high-risk women.

The following are steps you can take to lower risk:



KZN DA health spokesperson Dr Imran Keeka engaging with patients at the Ballito Clinic.

Limit alcohol and do not smoke. Not smoking is one of the best things you can do for your overall health.

Control your weight. Being overweight or obese increases the risk of breast cancer. Exercise regularly. The health department and

human services recommend at least 150 minutes a week of exercise.

Breastfeeding might also play a role in breast cancer prevention. The longer you breastfeed, the greater the protective effect.

Limit the dosage and duration of hormone therapy. Combination hormone therapy for more than three to five years increases the risk of breast cancer. If you are taking hormone therapy for menopausal symptoms, ask your doctor about other options. You might be able to manage your symptoms with non-hormonal therapies and medications.

If you decide that the benefits of short-term hormone therapy outweigh the risks, use the lowest dose that works for you and continue to have your doctor monitor the length of time you are taking hormones.

Avoid exposure to radiation and environmental pollution. Medical-imaging methods, such as computerised tomography, use high doses of radiation. While more studies are needed, some research suggests a link between breast cancer and radiation exposure. Reduce your exposure by having such tests only when absolutely necessary. Eating a healthy diet might decrease your risk of some types of cancer, as well as diabetes, heart disease, and stroke.

Dream-in-pink breakfast for super women

Elana Geist

While being seated at a delicious dream-in-pink breakfast table at the stunning Zimbali Fairmont Lodge and Resort, the ladies got tips on all things womanhood at the Rise and Shine Wellness Event hosted by Willow Stream Spa last week.

The event raised funds for PinkDrive, an organisation focusing on breast cancer education and mobile treatment through their three, pink trucks.

The six guest speakers gave the ladies some top secret tips: seven steps to confident styling; the right multi to achieve healthy, dewy skin; a survival guide in a superwoman society; the importance of mindfulness; easy steps to check for lumps and a refreshing strawberry smoothie recipe created by chef Tony Kocke to give you superhero powers.

From left, Futhi Hlela and Phiwo Shange.



From left, Ugeshni Naickel, Glenda Austin, Leanne Perkins, Emma Demmer and Kathy Williamson.



From left, Janice Steyn, Tamryn Apps, PinkDrive KZN administrator and cancer survivor Janice Benecke and Caley van Doorn.

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Erica Abrahams

Like a perfectly aged

wine, the love between Westbrook couple Derrick and Edna Sheldon has grown sweeter over time.

Celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary this week, the couple who can be spotted holding hands and whispering inside jokes during their outings on the Dolphin Coast, said they are still as deeply in love as when they were young adults living in Cape Town. Attributing their marital success to God's grace, Derrick (85) remembered when he first saw Edna (87) 65 years ago. Saying that she had been the object of his affection from the moment he laid eyes on her, he is certain that fate played a large role in their union.

"I was 18 years old and on that particular day I went to the sports field to watch my sister play softball and I laid my eyes on Edna, who I thought was a real picture. I asked my sister who this woman was and how I could meet her, but all she could tell me was that her name was Edna Smith." Being shy, Derrick wondered how he would meet Edna again and lost hope until he returned to work from a three week holiday to find that a new typist had been hired, by the name of Edna Smith.

"To me, that was God's grace and I never left

her alone since that day." "He was quite the pest," said Edna jokingly.

The couple married after four years of courting and described their lives together as a tremendous journey, with a few challenges. As they walk hand in hand on their dates, the pair are often stopped and asked for advice - something they find a privilege to be able to offer.

"Marriage has many challenges and I would say that the first seven years are the hardest. The first year or two are great because it is all new and exciting. But marriage is when two different characters come together and it is not easy. My advice to anyone, I didn't know it then but I know it now, is to make God your partner and he will sort out your problems. He has blessed us particularly in the last 15 years and I wish that I knew that sooner. Now everything is great."

Having shared many memories, the ones they treasure most were when their two children were born, the first after seven years of marriage.

"We had many adventures like when we



Westbrook couple Derrick and Edna Sheldon celebrate their 63rd wedding anniversary.

moved to the Wilderness in Cape Town. We decided to retire and make and sell canoes while we lived in a wooden cottage that we built on a river bank."

With deteriorating health, the couple said they now take their days one at a time with their goal being to celebrate their 75th anniversary together.

"We were walking in the Ballito Junction mall hand in hand when a young couple came up to us and asked what our secret was. It was such a glorious moment for us to think that God could shine through us and someone would see it. We shared that each night before we went to sleep, we thank God for the day and ask him that we may by his grace wake another morning to be together."

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Art in the Shade

If you are looking for a fun day out next weekend, then Mtunzini's inaugural Art in the Shade festival will be the place to be on Saturday, 4 November.

Almost 50 leading artists have booked their stalls for the open air lifestyle event - a major Mtunzini Rotary fund-

raising project to benefit the community. Artists who will display their works include leading painters, sculptors and professional photographers such as acclaimed international photographer Alice van Kempen and Zulu-

land creatives Shelley and Marian Mattinson (mixed media), photographer Theresa van der Vyver and artist Cathryn Paver.

Also in the mix, among others, are well known marble crafter Sarah Rheeders, painters Louise Dainty, Zelda Grobbelaar, Asoti Naidoo and Karlien Erasmus, Empangeni fantasy artist Donovan Smith and Hluhluwe's master wood carver Sakhwe Mthembu.

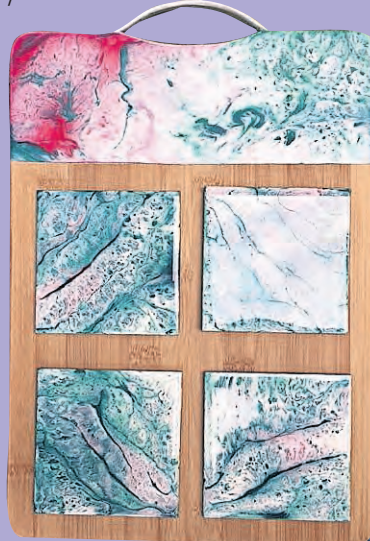
Apart from the obvious emphasis on professional visual and performing arts displays, complementary activities in tune with a 'fine living and culinary excellence' theme will ensure a good diversity of entertainment for

the whole family.

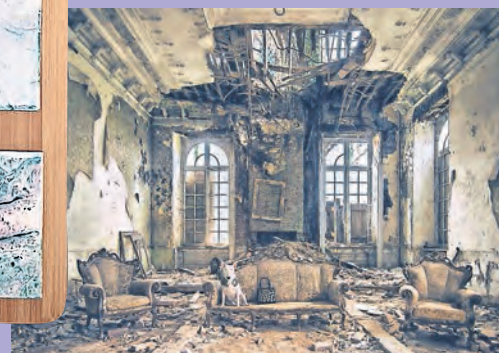
These include an array of pop-up restaurants offering a good selection of gastronomic delights and a tea garden with sweet treat temptations.

Wine tasting and the customary beer tent will allow for chilling opportunities in the shade between all the art browsing and social interaction.

Festival goers will also be treated to a range of entertaining performances by musicians, Zulu dancers, mime artists, jugglers and the like, with a special



Marble crafter Sarah Rheeders has booked a stall at the Mtunzini open air art festival.



'Chateaux Congo' by international photographer Alice van Kempen, one of the leading artists who will display her work at the Art in the Shade festival.

focus on participation of the local community.

The Art in the Shade initiative has no commercial profit motive. All funds raised will be channeled to community upliftment projects as per the Mtunzini Rotary's mission of serving society.

Entry is R20 per adult and R10 per school-going child. The gates will open at 9am. For more information contact festival coordinator Elize Viljoen on 082 3721669 or email elize@1kzntv.co.za.

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Bride of the Month

Congratulations to the February bride of the month Rochelle Bholanath.

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Etre Belle (valued at R250), as well as a Neostrata product (stock dependant - value can be anything from R300-R800). Rochelle gets to sample a unique Glacier Mousse mask for instant tightening and intense hydration of the skin. Ideal for all skin types, this oil free mousse also makes the skin glow, hence dubbed "Glow Gel".

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Genre: Superhero, action

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17 November



Justice League

Fueled by his restored faith in humanity and inspired by Superman's selfless act, Bruce Wayne enlists the help of his newfound ally, Diana Prince, to face an even greater enemy.

Starring Ben Affleck, Gal Galdot, Jason Momoa
Genre: Superhero, action

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Star of the Week

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| The Last Word 2D | 13L |
| Fri,Sat 17:00, 19:30, 22:00 | |
| Sun-Thu 17:00, 19:30 | |
| Secret Superstar 2D | TBC |
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| The Son of Bigfoot 2D | 7-9PGLV |
| Fri-Thu 09:15, 11:45, 14:15 | |
| Tyler Perry's Boo 2! A Madea Halloween 2D | 16L |
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GEOSTORM (10-12PG LV)

Showing in the fully immersive Xtreme theatre (3D) at Nu Metro Ballito Junction - featuring powerful 360 degree Dolby Atmos-sound and the best visual quality on KZN's largest cinema screen. Also showing in multi-sensory 4DX at Nu Metro Cornubia Mall. The thrilling new "natural disaster" action adventure, GEOSTORM, tracks events after an unprecedented series of natural disasters threaten the planet, forcing the world's leaders to come together to create an intricate network of satellites to control the global climate and keep everyone safe. But now, something has gone wrong—the system built to protect the Earth is attacking it, and it's a race against the clock to uncover the real threat before a worldwide 'geostorm' wipes out everything...and everyone along with it. Dean Devlin (writer/producer, INDEPENDENCE DAY) makes his feature film directorial debut with suspense thriller GEOSTORM, starring Gerard Butler in the leading role, and also featuring Oscar nominees Ed Harris and Andy Garcia.



Tyler Perry's BOO 2! A MADEA HALLOWEEN (16L)

Showing in 2D at Nu Metro Ballito Junction. This new comedy horror from Tyler Perry sees the return of his very popular and signature Madea character. Madea, Bam and Hattie venture to a haunted campground and the group must literally run for their lives when monsters, goblins and the bogeyman are unleashed. It promises to be another laugh-out-loud outing to the movies with this one, packed with a few spooky thrills.



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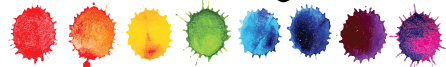
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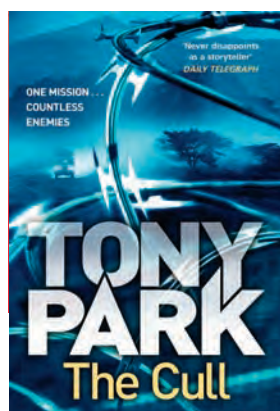
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BOOK REVIEW

In The Cull



In The Cull by Tony Park, former mercenary Sonja Kurtz is hired by business tycoon Julianne Clyde-Smith to head an elite squad of anti-poachers. Their mission is to dismantle Africa's poaching kingpins and bravely enter a race against time to protect the continent's most endangered wildlife.

The Cull is author Tony Park's fourteenth novel, after releasing thirteen previous action adventure fiction novels based in our beloved South Africa.

Park is an accomplished and most prolific writer who has earned a large fan base. His writing is strengthened by excellent first-hand knowledge of the African bush veld and the animals that live there. His vivid portrayals of the harsh and yet stark beauty of the landscapes between South Africa's Kruger National Park and the Serengeti of Tanzania capture the imagination and form the perfect backdrop for the unfolding of a conspiracy that threatens

to swallow our hero before she can complete her mission. As Sonja delves deeper into the underbelly of the black market she soon realizes that she can trust no one and her mission will not just put her own life at risk. The Cull is a fast paced, cutthroat adventure where passion and betrayal are closely intertwined. It asks the question, how far you are willing to go to protect the things you believe in? LN

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What's happening



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A comprehensive events calendar is available on our website: www.northcoastcourier.co.za

27 October - Litchi Orchard night market every last Friday of the month at 7pm to 9pm.

28 October - Sugar Rush market every Saturday from 7am to 11am. Contact Gill at 079 528 4665 or gill@sugarrush.co.za.



29 October - Ballito Autohaus and the Ballito Lions Club will host their annual breast cancer awareness walk. The 4 and 8km walk will start at 7.30am at Ballito Autohaus. Entry fee is R30. Contact melisha.baboolal@bmwdealer.co.za or lizemarie.pieterse@bmwdealer.co.za or call 032-9465300.

30 October - Botanical Society of South Africa - KZN Coastal Branch to host a lunch-time talk about the conservation challenges in KZN. Durban Botanic Gardens visitors centre at 12. 45pm for 1pm. Entrance: R30 for members, R40 for non-members, R20 for students. Email botsoc-kzn@mweb.co.za or call 031-2015111 or 071 869 3693.

1 November - Art and Soul Painting morning at Karibu Nursery at the Old Mill Café at 9am to 12pm. For bookings call Angie at 072 2253116 or Nats at 083 3012245 or paint.artandsoul@gmail.com



29 October - Ard Matthews and Arno Carstens will be performing together at Sugar Rush Park at 3. 30pm. Cost: R130 per adult, Kids R70.

1 - 2 November - Do all your Christmas shopping at the Fair with Flair at Colisheen Estate. Inspired Christmas gifts, jewellery, décor, furnishings, toys, clothing, fresh flowers and much more! Order your Christmas puddings in advance from Maryderne Boyce on 082 801 1942. Entry is R60 per person, available online on Quicket or at the gate.



4 November - The Lifestyle Centre Foodies Market every first Saturday of the month, from 8am to 12pm.

8 November - Acclaimed Christian artist Martin Smith will be at LINC Church in Salt Rock. The UK artist has written many of the church's best-loved songs - including I Could Sing of Your Love Forever, Shout to the North and Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble? Tickets will be available on iTickets soon.



1 November - Umhlali and District Garden and Flower Club monthly meeting at 9.30am at Driefontein Garden Centre at the Litchi Orchard. The meeting will be followed by a talk on the use of herbs and a demonstration of Christmas table decorations. Visitors welcome at R25. Contact Pete at 032-9463935 or Elma at 084 406 5917.

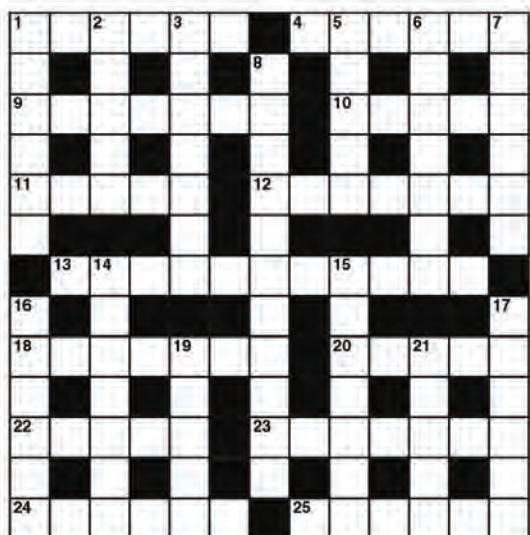


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CROSSWORD

NO 43

40 MINUTE PUZZLE



Solutions to Crossword No 42 (40 minutes)
Across: 1 Numbers, 5 Makes, 8 Assembly rooms, 9 Stern, 10 Entitle, 11 Reside, 12 Adopts, 15 Attends, 17 Woods, 19 Turn the tables, 20 Rises, 21 Postmen. Down: 1 Nears, 2 Masters-at-arms, 3 Ermined, 4 Silver, 5 Merit, 6 Knotty problem, 7 Systems, 11 Reactor, 13 Dewlaps, 14 Asleep, 16 Notes, 18 Susan.

Across
1 Good man maps out marks of approval (6)
4 Blast a variety of rock (6)
9 It may qualify as part of agreement (7)
10 Composer of the twist? (5)
11 Demand and obtain old deed (5)
12 Money still to be paid on a watch (7)
13 Admitted one may have had to pay it (8,3)
18 Unusual up-trend in showing commonsense (7)
20 Be best man? (5)
22 Collector's piece that will be odd to us (5)
23 He makes a practice of seeing complaints (7)
24 Dennis did the wrong thing making a comeback (6)
25 Debate the cause (6)

Down
1 His job is to dig out fresh papers (6)
2 Perfume from far Oman (5)
3 Bow tie for an artist (7)
5 Time for a bad liar to keep quiet? (5)
6 Go ahead and give someone money (7)
7 He reckons to work in a bank (6)
8 With such locks there's safety in numbers (11)
14 Turn one out though it's free of charge (7)
15 Sign of implement (7)
16 Step on board for vacant accommodation (6)
17 Key operators may strike against it (6)
19 Slip away for the match (5)
21 Slices approach shots (5)



SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placement puzzle, 9 squares by 9, further divided into 9 boxes or regions, each square measuring 3 squares by 3. To complete the puzzle the player must insert the missing numbers so that each row, each column, and each region contains the numbers 1 to 9 once only, without repeats.

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BRIDGE

Umhlali Bridge Club Results from 20 October 2017
Friday mornings duplicate Bridge Club takes place at 8.30am at Umhlali Country Club. Bring a Partner, all welcome. Need a Partner? Call Norma at 032 9460667 or 082 873 5387

Section A

- 1 Jeff Murley / Sipke Beyl
- 2 Moyra Attwood-Smith / Wendy Attwood Smith
- 3 Lovey Hulett / Beth Oldacre

Section B

- 1 Rob Wentzel / Joan Wentzel
- 2 Ann Laatz / Di Paterson
- 2= Valda Goble / Denyse Brown

Section C

- 1 Chris Macdonald / Danny Macdonald
- 2 Graham Cranston / Trish Thompson
- 3 Louis de Wet / Pieter Pelsler

Beverley Hills Bridge Club Results from 23 October 2017

- 1 Joan Wentzel and Rob Wentzel
- 2 Jeannette Boorsma and Lindi Grant
- 3 Jo Maclachlan and Pieter Pelsler

All Souls Bridge Club Results from 23 October 2017

Red Section

- 1 Robert Noble and Jan Kaljee
- 2 Nanette Rogerson and Shirley Yates
- 3 Jeannie Burns and Roger Blumenthal

Yellow Section

- 1 Jenni Reynolds and Tony Tasker
- 2 Wendy Loker Illing and Dawn Sparks
- 3 Paul Wilks and Irene Wilks

Blue Section

- North/South**
- 1 Irene Joss and Jean Gittings
- 2 Wendy Nalson and Patti Thompson
- 3 Peter Hood and Carol Hood

East/West

- 1 Carol Lipman and Jenny Cowie
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By Sean Nurse
 It's safe to say that the Land Rover brand finds itself in a pretty position within the global market. As a purveyor of premium Range Rover and off-road ready Land Rover products for decades, the age of the SUV looks primed to be kind to the British carmaker.

With the brand offering the right sort of product for the global market, it's only reasonable to expect Land Rover to plug a niche where it sees fit. That niche, as I discovered, is in the medium-sized premium SUV market where style and a degree of off-road ability is prized.

Enter the Velar, the fourth Range Rover in the brand's portfolio. I joined the local motoring media in the Western Cape recently to give a number of variants of the newcomer a go.

There's no two ways about it, the Velar looks fantastic and despite the fact that Land Rover's designers claim it was designed from the ground-up, it most certainly resembles its bigger sibling, the Range Rover Sport.

This isn't necessarily a bad thing with the Velar cutting a more compact silhouette, cleaner lines and a more elegant aesthetic. Items such as full LED headlamps and the gimmicky, but infinitely cool retractable door handles make the car look and feel a bit more special.

The Velar is therefore, in my opinion at least, a better interpretation of a luxurious British SUV than any other Range Rover currently on sale.

The inside of a Range Rover is

where the driver needs to feel cocooned in luxury. In other Range Rover models, I remember being impressed by the fit-and-finish as well as the material quality. But, some of the ergonomics and indeed the resolution and functionality of the infotainment system lacked that cutting-edge feel when compared to the Germans.

In the Velar, these issues have been rectified, with a more logical layout of instruments and switches, as well as an all-new Touch Pro Duo infotainment system which makes use of two screens, both 10-inch items, situated in the centre console which allow the user to switch between climate control, media, seat, smartphone and navigation functions.

The Velar might be smaller than your average Range Rover, but it isn't exactly a Turkish prison in there, with 673-litres of boot space and impressive passenger leg and head room.

In terms of off-roading, the Velar has the brand's impressive all-wheel system which send power to the rear most of the time, until a loss of traction is detected.

Combine the all-wheel drive system with 213mm of ground clearance (optional air suspension provides up to 251mm), the Terrain Response 2 and All Terrain Progress Control systems, and you have a car that is pretty capable off-road, despite having heavily road-biased tyres fitted to most models.

The engine options within the Velar range are quite familiar, with the base diesel Ingenium engines displacing 2.0-litres and producing either 132kW/430Nm or 177kW/500Nm re-

spectively.

The latter is twin-turbocharged and was on offer for us to drive. It made its presence known with an impressive lump of torque low-down and a reasonably low fuel consumption figure during our test drive.

The other diesel in the range is also impressive with 221kW/700Nm from a 3.0-litre V6 twin-turbo, making for effortless progress with a 0-100km/h time of 6.0 seconds along with incredible overtaking ability. This engine suits the Velar best, but comes at a price.

On the petrol front, there are two 2.0-litre turbo models, a lower output with 185kW/365Nm and a more heavily boosted version with 221kW/400Nm. These were not available for us to drive at launch.

Another model that we had a chance

to sample was the rather sublime, but equally thirsty, 280kW/450Nm supercharged 3.0-litre V6 petrol. This is the most exciting model in the range in terms of driving fun, with a 0-100 km/h sprint time of 5.7 seconds and a wonderful exhaust note both contributing to its charm.

If there's one thing that you can bet on, it's that in the premium segment, you're likely to come across some rather intricate and confusing model naming and badge designations.

In the Velar range it's no different, but I'll try to simplify. The range comes in either standard S, SE, HSE, R-Dynamic, R-Dynamic S, R-Dynamic SE or R-Dynamic HSE trims. In basic terms, the further you go up the list, the more features and technology the car will have and indeed, the more inflated

the price becomes.

Then we get to the badge structure, which, if you see the letter 'D' at the rear, stands for diesel while the letter 'P' stands for petrol. The number associated with the aforementioned letter is the power rating in pferdestärke or PS, meaning a D300 has a diesel engine with 300 PS (221kW).

All Velar models come with a five-year/100,000km service plan, a five-year/100,000km maintenance plan and a five-year/100,000km warranty, as standard.

There are simply too many models within the Velar range to include all pricing, so in the interest of saving space, we've only included the base model pricing for each engine derivative. For the full pricing, please visit our website at www.autodealer.co.za.



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It's no secret that when it comes to going off-road, Mitsubishi knows what it's doing. With twelve Dakar Rally titles, including seven in a row along with a World Rally Championship title in 1998, the Japanese car maker likes it when the going gets tough.

Recently, the South African motoring media were invited to test out the brand's latest Super Select 4-II four-wheel drive system, which allowed the brand's local representatives to demonstrate just how capable this system makes the latest Pajero Sport.

We know what you're thinking; this Super Select 4-II system has been available in Mitsubishi products for years now.

While that might be true, it's the upgrades that the company has made to the system that has made it even more complete for those who fancy a bit of 'bundu bashing'.

Whereas in previous products where the selection of the various driving modes such as 2H, 4H, 4H Lc and 4L Lc was done with a manual gear lever, the latest system is done via a small toggle switch in the centre console.

This makes it more convenient and also means that switching from two-to four-wheel drive can be done on the fly, except for the 4L Lc of course.

Another differentiating factor with the new system is that it is mated to a slick eight-speed automatic gearbox whereas

previously there was the older five-speed 'box, which despite getting the job done, was nowhere near as smooth or efficient as the latest unit.

The next new feature sees the previous Viscous Coupling Unit being replaced by a Torsen limited slip differential. The benefit of having the Torsen setup is that it is a torque sensing unit that improves traction instantly when it senses wheel slip versus the older Viscous Coupling Unit which is a speed sensing system.

Another really impressive feature on the latest Pajero Sport is the off-road mode selector, which is operated via a button in the centre console.

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VW Golf R Shines in performance stakes

VBy Gavin Foster Volkswagen in South Africa gave their Golf GTI and TSI a facelift in May, followed soon with a revamped Golf R that ups power from 206 to 213kW while peak torque remains unchanged at 380Nm. This makes the R the most potent Golf ever sold in South Africa.

Now's the time to stick out your bottom lip and grumble, because our cousins elsewhere get a 228kW engine and an optional six-speed manual gearbox. Despite the styling changes the Golf remains pretty understated and in my opinion a little ugly with its long, deep bonnet, but none of that really matters. What really counts is the way it drives.

The Golf R comes with four drive modes, ranging from Eco through Comfort and Normal to Race, and I initially played around between the three lesser modes.

I'm not really keen on this "Mode" stuff because my creator gave me a semi-functioning brain to make the decisions and a perfectly healthy right foot to apportion torque delivery to the wheels - all four, in this case.

The car felt like a lively enough hatch in "Normal", and despite the big 19" wheels with 235/35 R19 rubber, the ride quality was firm but surprisingly good.

Then I popped the button to summons Race Mode, and the experience was akin to how you'd feel when stumbling across your mother moonlighting in a strip club - shock and surprise.

The suspension and steering ten-

sion up (if you have the R12,700 optional adaptive chassis control that the test car had), the exhaust note becomes hard-edged and sonorous, and the engine pulls like a steam train from virtually any revs. Steering is precise and cornering ability brilliant, although I never got to try it on a race track.

Volkswagen claims a 0-100km/h time of 4.6 seconds, and top speed is electronically-limited to 250km/h but the Golf R will reputedly reach a genuine 270km/h if you force the electronic nanny to remove the speed limiter.

If I may draw a foolish comparison, the Golf R has nowhere near the delectable Alfa Romeo 4C Coupe's styling and presence, but it's a country-mile ahead in terms of affordability, at R647,000 vs the Alfa's R1,162,000. The VW has 213kW of power and 380Nm of torque on tap while the lightweight Alfa gets away with a mere 177kW and 350Nm.

The VW does the 0-100 dash in a claimed 4.6 seconds, while Alfa quotes a figure of 4.1 seconds for their 4C.

Top speed for the Italian car is 258km/h, while the German offering is good for 250km/h standard, or 270km/h if you have a friend with the right computer. And you can switch the Golf into eco or normal mode, take your family to work and school every day, and then in December set off from Durban to Cape Town, all in comfort.


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'The difference with Mitsubishi's system is that it's more intricate and customisable'



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ERRATUM
 With reference to the advert published in the North Coast Courier, Friday, October 20, 2017, for the properties described as Portions 28, 29, 304, 305, 312, 313, 315, 316, 317, 318, 324, 326, 327 and the Rem of Erf 1 Zimbali Lakes The date for closing for comments on the Zimbali Lakes application submitted in terms of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013 (Act No. 16 of 2013) read with the KwaDukuza Municipality Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-law No. 1630 (March 2016) (KDM SPLUM By-law) will be 21 November 2017 and not 20 November as per the original advert. Please note that all other details of the original advert remain valid and that this erratum must be read together with the original advertisement. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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NOTICE OF A 24G APPLICATION

APPLICATION FOR THE RECTIFICATION OF THE UNLAWFUL COMMENCEMENT OF LISTED ACTIVITIES IN TERMS OF SECTION 24G OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT ACT.
 Notice is hereby given, in terms of Section 24(G) read together with sections 24(F) and Section 7 of the National Environmental Management Amendment Act (Act No. 8 of 2004) that

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a Section 24G Application (rectification process) has been lodged with the KZN Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (ED-TEA) for the undertaking of listed activities without environmental authorisation being granted. The activities were undertaken on A. C. Reynolds Farm, which is located approximately 3km to the north of the town of Sheffield Beach. The activities undertaken comprised construction of one dam of approximately 1500m² on the site in 2012, two small dams (80m² and 400m²) in 2015 and undertaking of a road repair resulting in a dam of approximately 80m² also in 2015. In terms of the prevailing and current similarly listed EIA Regulations (2014 as amended Listing Notice 1, No 12 (2 dams) and No 19 (all), these activities required an environmental authorisation from the relevant authority prior to commencement. The S24G Application therefore aims to rectify the activities undertaken on site and will also ensure that compliance with the requirements of the applicable legislation is achieved. Parties wishing to formally comment on the proposed rectification authorisations are requested to forward their comments (with reasons) to Metamorphosis Environmental Consultants no later than 30 days after the publication of this notice. Comments/queries regarding this matter must be referred to: **COMPANY: METAMORPHOSIS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS**
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Junior Superstar



Senzo Mbuyazi is a grade six learner at Sizani Combined School. He was recently chosen to be a part of the Supersport United junior team in KZN. Senzo plays wing and says he is a Kaizer Chiefs supporter. His favourite subjects at school are Zulu and English.

Cheesecake queen takes cooking throne

An aspiring young chef from Ballito wowed the judges with her flawless cheesecake and won the recently held KZN finals of the SPAR Junior Cook competition at Gecko Culinary Adventures, Durban.

Six mini chefs took to their state-of-the-art cooking stations and let their creative culinary juices flow, but it was senior-primary pupil Ryleigh Rutherford from Ballito who stole the show.

The annual cook-off involved the youngsters preparing a recipe that they had submitted as their competition entry, as well as a mystery dish - a ginger bread family - that was given to them following the completion of the first dish.

One of the judges, SPAR advertising and promotions manager Nelene Rampersad, who was instrumental in conceptualizing the competition in an effort to encourage young chefs, said she loved the range of dishes made this year.

"The variety of dishes made judging difficult, and our taste-buds were put to the test, but after much deliberation, Ryleigh's cheesecake came out tops. It was faultless - a great presentation, and top-class texture and flavour. Her gingerbread man was done to perfection with a crisp texture and some fun, iced decorations. Well done to all for the good food, great spirit and enthusiasm," said Rampersad.

Ryleigh won a R5,000 shopping voucher for her first place position with runner up Tiana Gangaram receiving a R2,000 shopping voucher and all four remaining finalists each receiving a R500 SPAR



Ballito resident Ryleigh Rutherford creating her mystery dish. Photo Sophie Thompson

shopping voucher. All finalists received a SPAR sweet hamper and a hamper packed with baking utensils to further their culinary aspirations.

Ryleigh said the whole experience was really fun.

"I enjoyed making my cheesecake here today. It was so exciting to work in a professional kitchen," said Ryleigh, who has always helped her mum in the kitchen ever since she can remember,

Junior Superstar



Luan Fourie is Curro Mount Richmore's cricket superstar after his recent big win against Reddam House Umhlanga. The Grade 5 pupil scored 90 runs, not out, in the U11 team. His favourite food is good old pap en wors and his role model is his dad, Jacques Fourie. He enjoys playing rugby, hockey, tennis, swimming and mountain biking in his spare time.

Junior Superstar



Umhlali Preparatory Schools' 12-year-old Michael de Beer is a real sport superstar. In cricket, he plays for the Umhlali U13A, Ilembe U13A and KZN U12A teams, he is part of the Umhlali U13A rugby team and he plays in the Umhlali U13A, Ilembe U12A and KZN Coastals U12B hockey teams.

Preparing for TED

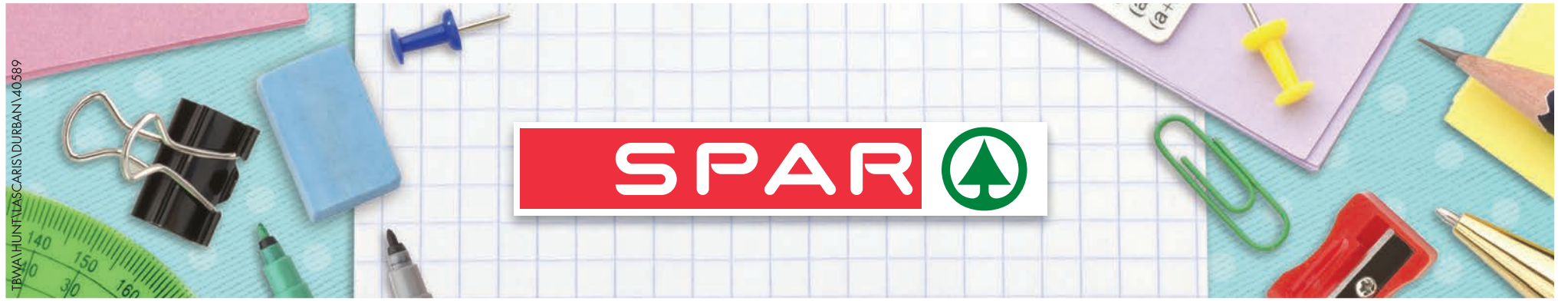


Crawford North Coast Preparatory's Grade 7 pupils shone at the Inter Crawford Public Speaking Competition that was recently held with the theme "CED Talks That Matter". The topic they spoke on was Education in 2022 and Beyond and the competition was held in TED talk style where each pupil was videoed. The Inter Crawford public speakers, from left, Staesha Sankar, Tannah Duncan, Jodie Glenn and Justin Coetzee.

I make sure their lunchbox comes home empty.



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Senior Superstar



Mxolisi Mkhize is a 19-year boy in grade 12 at Groutville high school. He is from Ntshawini at Chris Hani. His poor family background has not stopped him excelling academically and beyond. He has excelled in Mathematics and English. In term 3 he obtained distinctions in Maths, English, Accounting, and Economics. He has composed a number of R&B songs and is also a short story writer. He intends to pursue a B Com at UKZN next year.

Softball newcomers' starting success



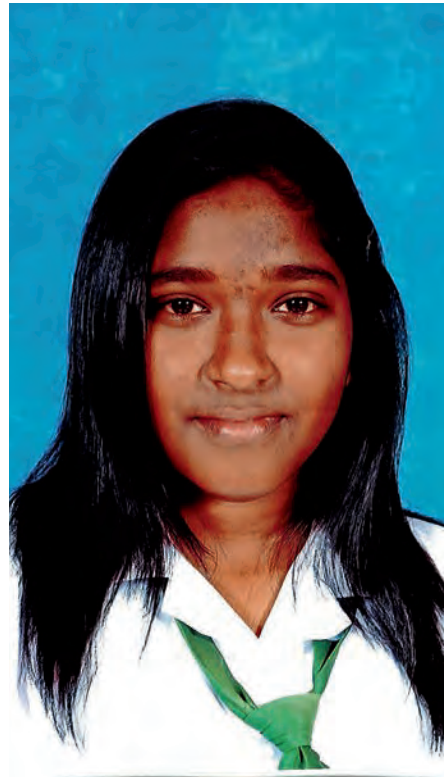
Trinityhouse Palm Lakes softball girls took to the Durban Softball League this year in their first ever softball games. Trinityhouse is the only school on the North Coast that currently plays softball and this is the first year the girls have played. They got a well-deserved fifth place out of the nine competing schools. From left (back), Kelsi John (coach), Sikhona Sibiyi, Nqobakha Shange, Nothando Majozi, Nolwazi Zaca, Nelisa Mayaba, sports coordinator/coach Bronwyn Leeming, (front) Caitlin Barkley, Asande Buthelezi, Ciaran Slabbert and Marina Viljoen. Asemahle Mzoneli and Yusharia Gunasse are absent from the photo.

Senior Superstar



Superstar twins, Zenya and Amera Naicker are grade 9 pupils at Crawford College North Coast. Zenya got a SIAT distinction for English as well as junior full colours and was first in grade 8 last year. Amera came second in grade eight and got a SIAT distinction for Science and English as well as junior full colours. They are currently first in their grade and recently came second in the AMESA Maths Challenge. When they are not entering academic competitions, the twins enjoy playing tennis and soccer. Their parents are their role models.

Senior Superstar



Casey Narainen is a matric pupil at Shakaskraal Secondary School. She is a consistently excellent academic performer and managed an incredible seven A's in the trial examinations earlier this year.

Senior Superstar



Nolwazi Zaca is Trinityhouse Palm Lakes' all round superstar. The grade 11 pupil plays first team softball and netball and academically she is also top of her grade. She recently came second in Toastmasters and has full academic colours. Her hobbies include dancing and collaging. Her role model is her dad, Siyabonga Madlala.

Senior Superstar



Keren Wessels is a Form 3 pupil at Ashton International College and their community service superstar. She is an active member of the Outreach Club and has spent her year knitting teddies which will be handed to orphanages over the festive season. Keren also swims for the first team and manages to keep her academics at the highest level.

I know where to find my child's favourites.



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Ilembe grooms in J-Bay

The Ilembe Surf Riders association's junior team (U12 to U18) together with manager Theo Viljoen, coach Quinton Jones and parents, traveled down to Jeffrey's Bay earlier this month to compete in the South African Junior Champs 2017.

There were 170 junior surfers representing eight districts around South Africa including an SA development team.

Ilembe is the newest district to join Surfing South Africa's body of districts and though they had entered for the first time as a small team, all the surfers participated with commitment, passion and great team spirit.

"We left there feeling positive about the future of Ilembe Surf Riders and know that we are an association that is growing from strength to strength," said Nathalie Carbonel, a committee member for the Ilembe Surf Riders

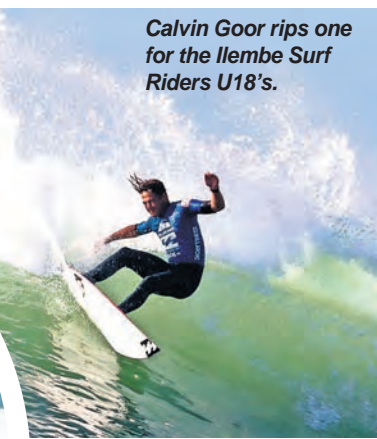
The next event is the KZN Champs from December 1-3 in Umhlanga.

In order to compete, you need to have temporary affiliation to Ilembe Surf Riders.

Online entries and registration forms can be found on the Ilembe Surf Riders Association Facebook page. For more information, contact Dee Southwood at 082 890 3909.



Junior Cini showing off some of the talent from Ilembe in Jeffrey's Bay.



Calvin Goor rips one for the Ilembe Surf Riders U18's.



Young Kai Hall proved he was a surfer to watch.

Running with Taylor Swift

Elana Geist

Despite hallucinations and being plagued by Taylor Swift, Ballito extreme athlete Andrew Erasmus conquered the first 100 miler (160km) race in KZN recently, finishing only three minutes behind the winner.

The Karkloof 100 saw 45 runners cross the start line at 10pm on a cold, misty night with only 25 finishing the next day, or in some cases, night.

The trail run takes you through beautiful forests and wetlands as you run 50 miles out and 50 miles back on a winding single track.

With an incredible finishing time of 18:15:08, Erasmus said the key to success is to have a solid race strategy and to pace yourself.

"The plan was to run out and back at the same pace, running conservatively for the first half so that you have enough fuel left in the tank for the second."

There was a fuel stop every 17 km, with the half-

way mark being a critical point, as runners got a much needed pacer.

His twin brother and fellow extreme athlete, Steven and another athlete from Cape Town, Kane Reilly were his sane keepers.

"Somewhere in the second half, you start losing your mind a little bit. A friend of mine, Alasdair Leslie started chasing Hadidas and I had a Taylor Swift song stuck in my head. I kept telling the guys to keep talking to me, so that I didn't have to hear the song. They kept me going with bad jokes and talked some sense into me!"

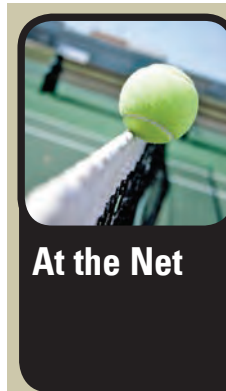
Why go through all of this craziness?

"Just to see if you can and if you can, how fast can you do it. It is just my competitive nature," said Erasmus with a chuckle.

He is already training for his next big race, the SkyRun - a 100km self navigated trail run based on the track of the grueling Wartrail, which the brothers won last year.



Happy and relieved to have finished one of his goal races is Andrew Erasmus with the winner, Bennie Roux enjoying a beer.



At the Net

During the past two months men's tennis teams from all over Durban played each other in different leagues. Umhlali Country Club entered four teams. Juniors Dylan Atherstone, Ollie Naude and Yuichi Nishihira played in all the matches. Alex Styan filled in as a substitute on occasion. These

young boys experienced the highs of a win and the lows of a close loss. Through all this we can proudly say that their court etiquette and behaviour has been outstanding and that they are maturing into great ambassadors for our club. We can see the influence of our coaches, Roger and Waylon Ferrandi.

The difficulty in selecting successful men's doubles teams remains in finding the correct combinations. Ollie Naude and Mike Papageorge were paired from game one. Of the six games they played they won and lost one each in straight sets. The rest were all decided in three sets with Mike and Ollie winning most of them. Mike will need to stay fit as he will have to repeat this in 12 years from now with his own son, born last week.

Dylan Atherstone and Bruno Vittory took a match or two to gel. Yuichi Nishihira played the roll of all rounder and adapted well to a number of partners. His best match was against UKZN where he won both his matches.

Thanks to all the parents who came to support us. A new rule from 2018 regarding spectators will unfortunately require dads to have their hands tied down during matches if they want to attend. Moms, you are always welcome.

Stephan



Yuichi Nishihira, Alex Styan and Dylan Atherstone.



Hole in One

Umhlali Country Club

Saturday, October 23 - Jawitz Four Ball Alliance

1st M Chamberlain, C Chamberlain, D Drake, J Bullock 96 pts, 2nd G Horlock, R Theron, H Adendorf, Z De Wet 94 pts and 3rd D Cousins, V Wright, D Carter-Brown, S Jones 93 pts. Nearest the pin: M Sneddon (18th). Nearest the pin for two: G Schafer (8th).

Jackpot: L Jansen 12 pts.

Thursday, October 19 - Ladies Fourball Alliance

1st K Taylor, S Hyatt, C Hintereger, M Nel 89 pts, 2nd J Ledger, L Hepburn, J Pearce, M Morrison 87 pts, 3rd Van der Veen, Scott, Kelly, J Claxton 85 pts c.o and 4th V Colby, Sykes, Botes, E Rae 85pts o.c.o. Nearest the pin: J van der Veen (4th), H O'Reilly (6th) and J Claxton (11th). Hole in one: Bronwyn Rae (18th).

Monday, October 17 - POB's

Team: 1st M Harrison, P Aitken, I Taylor, J Visser 98pts, 2nd B

Bezuidenhout, D Coughlan, M White, T von Weichardt 95pts c.o., 3rd J van Rensburg, R Turner, R Laatz, W Haupt 95 pts c.o and 4th K Hales, E Ewan, R Hardstone, M Vine 94pts Individual: 1st R Peinke 46pts, 2nd D du Plessis 40 pts, 3rd H van Zyl 39 pts c.o., 4th P Aitken 39 pts c.o., 5th J Visser 39 pts c.o., 6th J van Rensburg 38 pts, 7th P Mills 37 pts and 8th R Turner 36 pts. Nearest the pins, sponsored by Pick'n Pay: K Rieseberg (6th) and D du Plessis (18th).

Mandini Sports Club

Friday, October 13 - Renckens Meat Competition (Individual Stableford)

1st Peter Chandler 21 pts, 2nd Rafique Khalid 19 pts and 3rd Malcolm Meek 17 pts.

Friday, October 20 - Renckens Meat Competition (Individual Stableford)

1st Andre Van Rooyen 20 pts, 2nd Nicholas Masinga 20 pts and 3rd Graham Van Niekerk 20 pts.

Prince's Grant

Saturday, October 21 - Monthly Mug

Men: 1st H Grobelaar 64 net, 2nd H vd Merwe 67 net and 3rd A Visagie 71 net.

Best gross: H vd Merwe 70 gross

Ladies: 1st J Gavin 70 net and 2nd M Gdanis 73 net.

Visitors, Individual Stableford: 1st Danie Herbst 39 pts.

Friday, October 20 - Chicken Run:

1st P Laverick 21 pts, 2nd E van Niekerk 21 pts c.o and 3rd M Meyers 21 pts c.o.

Zimbali Country Club

Friday, October 20 - Meat Competition, Individual Stableford

1st Ingrid Carter Brown 23 pts, 2nd Mike Treyvellan 22pts, 3rd Karel Minnaar 21pts c.o., 4th Steve Walker 21 pts c.o and 5th Tony Pitham 20pts.

Nearest to pin: Johan Steyn.

Saturday, October 21 - Individual Medal

Men: 1st A Loizides 66 nett and 2nd John Allan 67 nett.

Ladies: 1st G Graham 71 nett and 2nd Penny Fourie 72 nett.

Betterball Medal
1st Alex Loizides, Paul Barnes 61 nett, 2nd Johan and Marie Louise Steyn 63 nett and 3rd Paul and Corrinne Botha 63 nett.

Nearest to the pins: Arrie Robertson and Lynda du Toit.

Two clubs: Alex Loizides (14th) and Lynda du Toit (14th).

Simbithi Country Club

Friday, October 20 - PG Glass Meat Competition

1st Mike Algje 41 pts, 2nd Janine Parkins 41 pts c.o and 3rd Darryl Govender 41 pts c.o.

Saturday, October 21 - Dormehl Property Group

Four Ball Alliance

1st Stephanie Carter, Nicky Heuer, Paul Carter and James Heuer 110 pts, 2nd Gary Clarke, Derek Adami, Kelvin Sparks and Ivan Sammons 107 pts and 3rd Kevin Daniel, Veronica Daniel, Jean Milojkovic and Nicky Bowles 107 pts c.o.



Zimbali: Saturday competition winners Gesi Graham and Alex Loizides.



Simbithi: meat competition winners Janine Parkins, Darryl Govender, Mike Algje and Sidney Boulanger (sponsor).



UCC: Jawitz Fourball Alliance winners M Chamberlain, C Chamberlain, J Bullock and K Broadfoot-Brown (sponsor).



UCC: Bronwyn Rae scored a hole in one, here she receives her flag from S Ellis.



Zimbali: Meat competition winner Ingrid Carter Brown.

Paddling onto the podium

Hank McGregor, still the best of the best and not looking like slowing down anytime soon. Photo: Gameplan Media.

Allan Troskie

The Dolphin Coast appears to be a fertile breeding ground for paddling superstars.

This became abundantly clear after Hank McGregor, World Surfski Series champion, and Jenna Ward sealed first in their respective races during the second race of the Illovo Suncoast Pirates Wall and Back Surfski Series at Pirates Surf Life-

saving Club in Durban last week Friday.

“My focus is now definitely on surfski paddling with the world champs in Hong Kong coming up, and I have been trying out some new equipment which has been working well,” the ten-time Marathon World Champion said.

“I was glad to get the win today against some really good paddlers.” McGregor took the victory from a

strong bunch of paddlers that saw Gene Prato come home in second place with Matt Bouman finishing in third.

“It’s great to be back in my ski after the world marathon champs and to get the focus back on my ocean racing,” McGregor said.

The race also saw Jenna Ward register her first win of the series. Ward, who won the Wall and Back

Series in 2016, has taken strong first steps in defending her crown, and will also be using the series as a fine-tuning exercise in her build-up to the surfski world championships in Hong Kong in November.

The third race of the 2017 Illovo Suncoast Pirates Wall and Back Surfski Series takes place at 5pm on Friday, October 27. More information can be found at www.walland-back.co.za.



On the Road

I’ve come to the realization that running in the mountains is good for the soul. As we headed up to the Golden Gate I decided to take a hiatus from “normal” life. I left my computer behind, packed my trail shoes, sleeping bag, camel pack and got ready for another trail running adventure. In 2014

five extremely nervous and inexperienced Dolphins participated in the Golden Gate Challenge. This weekend 20 intrepid Dolphins tackled the race. This three-day track and trail run takes participants through some of the most rugged yet scenic mountains of the Golden Gate Highlands National Park. We covered just over 70km in three days; the daily distances should not be underestimated as you are climbing big mountains at high altitudes.

The mountains offer the opportunity to prove to yourself that you are indeed stronger than you ever imagined. If you never climb up you never get to see the sheer taking view from the top and enjoy the sheer thrill of running the down on the other side.

Congratulations to all the novices who chose to take on the mountains. The first day I watched as many crossed the finish line; exhausted, tired and maybe even a little bit overwhelmed. The smiles at the finish line on the second day were bigger as the realization dawned that you completed 29 km of harsh terrain! By the end of day three the mountains had been conquered; our legs may have been exhausted but our souls were rejuvenated by the sheer majesty of the scenery. Special congratulations to Shannon Clark who had three days of strong running and Marise Fourie who placed in eighth overall in the ladies results. Also to Gary Henwood-Fox and Michelle Tall for completing the Wild Series Grand Slam; Nikola Ramsden on a solid run to receive her permanent number and Denton Muil for finally getting to the start four years in the making.

Sarah



Kim and Simon Peacock with Denton Muil.
Photo: Kirsten Oliver.

Game, set & match for Maxine!

Allan Troskie

She has been playing tennis since she was six years old and still enjoys fighting for each match and the amazing feeling of winning a tough one.

Maxine Bateman was born in Durban and has lived in Ballito for the last nine years. She is currently a matric student at St Johns DSG in Pietermaritzburg.

Her impressive resumé on court includes having won seven Super 7 tournaments in SA, making the KZN team every year since 2011, the SA schools team in 2014, 2015 and 2017 and playing for South Africa in Botswana in 2015, and in Tunisia in 2016.

Bateman’s skill with racquet in hand has even landed her a full scholarship for tennis at Stetson University in America in 2018.

Of course, all this success does not come without plenty of hard work. Bateman trains on court at least two hours a day and does cardio fitness on court and in the gym. She also does strength and conditioning to get physically strong for tennis.

She told the *Courier* her toughest match to date was against Minette Van Vreeden.

“I played a match against Minette and it was the longest match I have ever played, I managed to win 7-6, 6-7, 7-6. The match took four hours and I was physically nowhere afterwards,” Bateman remembers.

“The next day when I played my semi-final I could hardly move my body, I was so physically drained.”

Her budding career on the tennis court has not come without cost.

“My worst injury was in 2014 when I was playing the junior SA masters and I tore my stomach muscles. I could not play tennis for six months.”

Bateman’s hero in the world of tennis is Swiss tennis superstar Roger Federer.

“I have always looked up to him. He has inspired me to believe in myself and strive for my goals, I love his humility and sportsmanship. He has taught me how to be a modest tennis player.”



Maxine Bateman is Ballito’s rising tennis star.



Fish Eagle

The weather was much improved last week except for some strong winds, but the sea and surf improved as the week progressed. Unfortunately the dirty water remained for most of the week and it took a really strong South Westerly wind on Thursday to clean the sea. By Friday morning the fishing conditions were good and anglers

could eventually spend some time fishing at the weekend.

I visited some of the angling beaches and although some had been cleaned up nicely, there was still evidence of the debris washed down the rivers when they flooded. I stopped at one beach on Tuesday morning and was surprised to see that there were a considerable number of anglers fishing in a reasonable surf except for a big shore dump. Just about every angler was using a shad rig and seemed unconcerned that the season was closed. The word was that a few big shad had been caught in the area. I spent about an hour watching the anglers but saw no action at all which was not surprising because I felt that they were fishing at

the wrong time of the day for shad anyway.

On Saturday morning early, Ivan from KwaDukuza phoned me and said that there was a lot of pollution being washed up on the beach at Blythedale and this was in the form of plastic type pellets. Otherwise conditions were perfect but the fishing was quiet with nothing being caught. Friends of his had been targeting the summer flatfish up north but had no luck at all and the only fish being caught were by those illegally fishing for shad. During Saturday I also spoke to a couple of other friends of mine fishing in different areas and I received similar reports. It seems as if the shore angling will take a bit of time to improve and I was surprised that there were no reports of brusher on the bite when the sea was rough.

I was talking to an offshore angler last week who had just returned from a couple of days fishing at Cape Vidal and he said that the sea and surf had been rough but he did manage to launch in his surf ski. On the first day he caught a few shoal sized couta on Rapalla lures and said the ski boat anglers had caught couta and dorado, also that several sailfish had been seen. On the second day he caught another two couta but had to return to the beach early for the trip home. Another angler also told me a few days ago that the fishing was reasonably good at Vidal and he had seen a couple of really big yellowfin tuna caught.

Anglers fishing in local waters found snoek on

the edge of the dirty water and a couple of nice tuna were caught as well and I believe that the guys are eagerly awaiting the dorado that should arrive anytime now. Some of the anglers have had big shad nailing their lures when fishing for the snoek and one angler fishing just North of Umhlanga Rocks said that he had to move to another area because of the shad activity. Surprisingly there was no news of any garrick being hooked by these guys and even the sharks were scarce.

The bottom anglers were able to try their luck again at the weekend and there were reports of some nice fish being boated. Geelbek salmon, big rockcod and a few decent reds made up the majority of catches. The weather normally begins to settle at this time of the year and before long there should be reports of the first billfish being caught, but if the weather does not settle there are going to be some frustrated anglers. One offshore angler told me at the weekend that the water had been pretty warm out at sea so this could be a good omen for the forthcoming gamefish season. Asked about baitfish, he said they had struggled for live bait except for small shad that seem to be widespread on the reefs.

On Sunday a surf angler told me that a shad weighing just over 6kg had been caught from a local beach very early that morning.

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Ngubane shatters Golden Gate record

Allan Troskie

Local runner Eric Ngubane was crowned the champion of the 2017 Old Mutual Wild Series Golden Gate Challenge for a second year in a row, blowing away his competition over the weekend.

The grueling trail race takes runners through some of the most scenic and rugged mountains forming part of the Golden Gate Highlands National Park in the Free

State.

The defending champion ran like a man possessed for three days, shaving almost seven minutes off his 2016 winning time (and event

record) to complete the 73km race in an overall time of 6:23:23.

Second and third position for the men's race went to Old

Mutual development runners Nomore Mandivengeri and Linda Zondi respectively more than 20 minutes behind the intrepid Ngubane.

The three-day trail run, now in its seventh year, was the final Old Mutual Wild Series event of the year, with participants enjoying perfect conditions on all three days of running. Unique amongst events in South Africa, the Golden Gate Challenge features no prize money, with race fees also going towards conservation efforts in the Golden Gate National Park.

Eric Ngubane on top of the world and eating up the kilometers at the 2017 Old Mutual Wild Series Golden Gate Challenge. Photo: Anthony Grote.



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