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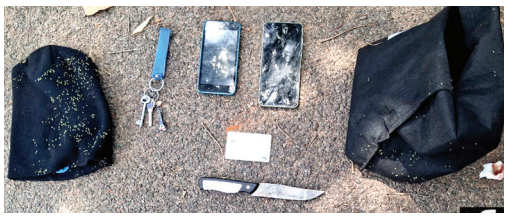
This time, a call for help led to an arrest









Platinum Weekly newspaper* | *Rustenburg – Bleeding from two stab wounds, a Rustenburg domestic worker phoned one of the people she works for to ask for help on Tuesday 17 November 2026. According to Outdoor Arena Security (OAS), the promise of a piece job had drawn her to a secluded spot, where she was stabbed and robbed.

Bleeding, she still managed to make the call that brought help.

For *Platinum Weekly*, this story hits close to home. We reported on the woman who lay injured on a Rustenburg road on 20 August 2025. We also reported on the woman whose arm needed bandaging after an attack on 4 November 2026. Just 13 days later, a third woman needed help in the same area.

To the OAS team, a heartfelt thank you!

You remembered the women you had helped before. You recognised a pattern in what was happening in our community and drew attention to it. And on Tuesday, when this woman's employer raised the alarm, your officers found her, arranged medical assistance and tracked down a suspect.

Reaction officer Franswha was searching alongside Max, Eric, JC and the rest of the team when he spotted a man in the veld near Waterboom Street who matched the description officers had received. He called for backup. OAS said the woman identified the man and officers recovered her cellphone, ID and house keys from his belongings. The team apprehended the 63-year-old suspect, and SAPS took him into custody in connection with Tuesday's attack. Any link to the earlier attacks remains unconfirmed.

Our thanks go, too, to the employer who heard a familiar voice asking for help and immediately made the next call. And to the woman who found the strength to reach out while wounded, our thoughts are with you, as they are with the two women whose stories we have already told.

A woman should be able to follow up on a chance to earn a living and come home safely. Rustenburg will not stand for violence against the women of our community.

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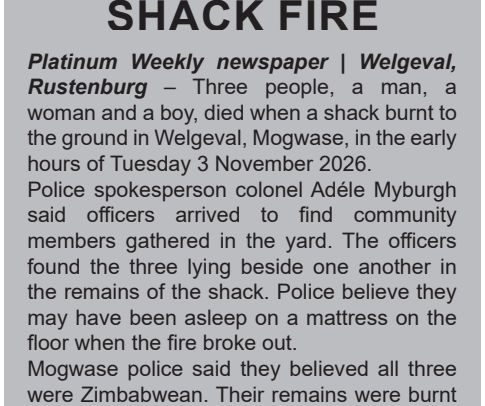

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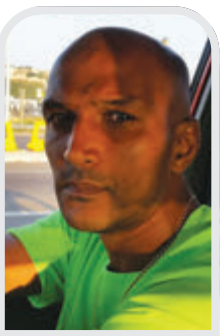
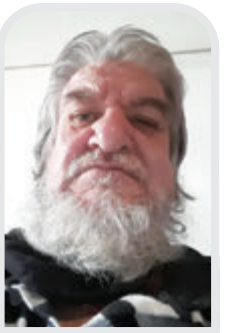


Join us in mourning the enormous loss of the late Rodger Ashwin Singh (46), who passed away on 13 November 2026. The celebration service of his life will take place on Saturday 21 November 2026 at 10:00 from the VGK (NG Kerk) Karlienpark, Rustenburg.

For more information, please contact Cobus on 081 379 8919 or Wilna on 074 200 2687 or Myrtle on 067 926 7383 – a service with dignity by Econo Funeral Services.



Ons onthou met baie liefde wyle Thinus van den Berg (62), oorlede op 14 November 2026. Sy begrafnis-besonderhede sal later bekendgemaak word.

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



Ons onthou met baie liefde wyle Jaco Pretorius (54), oorlede op 14 November 2026. Ons vier sy lewe Donderdag 19 November 2026 om 11:00 vanuit Every Nation Kruislig, R24, Waterkloof, Rustenburg.

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It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Jorge Francisco Machaieie. His burial took place in Chokwe, Chiguidela, Mozambique.

A repatriation service done by Doves Rustenburg. For more information, contact 014 592 1233 or 073 209 2727.



Dit is met groot hartseer dat ons afskeid geneem het van Petronella Maria Luus. Petro se diens het vanuit die Peregrini Venue, Rustenburg, plaasgevind.

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THREE LIVES LOST IN WELGEVAL SHACK FIRE

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Welgeval, Rustenburg – Three people, a man, a woman and a boy, died when a shack burnt to the ground in Welgeval, Mogwase, in the early hours of Tuesday 3 November 2026.

Police spokesperson colonel Adéle Myburgh said officers arrived to find community members gathered in the yard. The officers found the three lying beside one another in the remains of the shack. Police believe they may have been asleep on a mattress on the floor when the fire broke out.

Mogwase police said they believed all three were Zimbabwean. Their remains were burnt beyond recognition. Officers also found a paraffin stove in the burnt shack. Mogwase police have opened an inquest and are still investigating what caused the fire.

Our heartfelt condolences go to all who loved and mourn these three people, especially those grieving the loss of a child.

A smile in the Sunflower Ward
FOR LITTLE AVA-LEIGH

Scan this QR code to visit Ava-Leigh's BackaBuddy page. You can help her family by donating towards her medical bills or sharing her story.



Three-year-old Ava-Leigh Prins, who loves her farm animals, before she fell ill.

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – When Catherina Prins visited her three-year-old daughter in hospital after a severe bout of measles landed her in paediatric intensive care, little Ava-Leigh was still in pain. But on Thursday afternoon, 12 November 2026, in the Sunflower Ward, she had a smile for her mom and managed a few sips of a custard drink.

At home, Ava-Leigh is usually full of energy. "She loves all her farm animals. She is a very energetic, intelligent, loving child," said Catherina. Now her family is asking the Rustenburg community to help cover the cost of her hospital care.

The first sign that Ava-Leigh was unwell came on Monday 2 November, when her eyes became red and itchy. By Thursday she had a fever. When Catherina collected her from school on Friday afternoon, her eyes looked worse and the fever had returned. A doctor sent her straight to Medicare Hospital, where she was treated for dehydration. Catherina also pointed out a small rash on her daughter's back. Ava-Leigh went home late that evening, but by Sunday the rash had spread.

On Monday 9 November, a second doctor referred Ava-Leigh for urgent admission. At Medicare, her paediatrician was concerned about possible septic shock and admitted her to the paediatric intensive care unit. Doctors were also investigating possible meningitis. At the time of the family's update, blood test results were still pending, but Ava-Leigh had improved enough to move to the Sunflower Ward, where she was being cared for in isolation.



Little Ava-Leigh during her stay at Medicare Hospital in Rustenburg.

With no medical aid and an initial estimate of roughly R182,000 for hospital and doctors' fees, the family turned to their parents for an emergency loan. "We had to take an emergency loan from our parents to ensure that she can be admitted immediately," Catherina said.

The family has launched a BackaBuddy campaign with a target of R150,000. At the time of Catherina's update, the outstanding hospital, paediatrician and laboratory accounts already totalled more than R82,000, with further bills still to come.

Catherina thanked those who had already donated and everyone who had shared Ava-Leigh's story. Readers who would like to help can contribute towards her medical bills or share the family's appeal.

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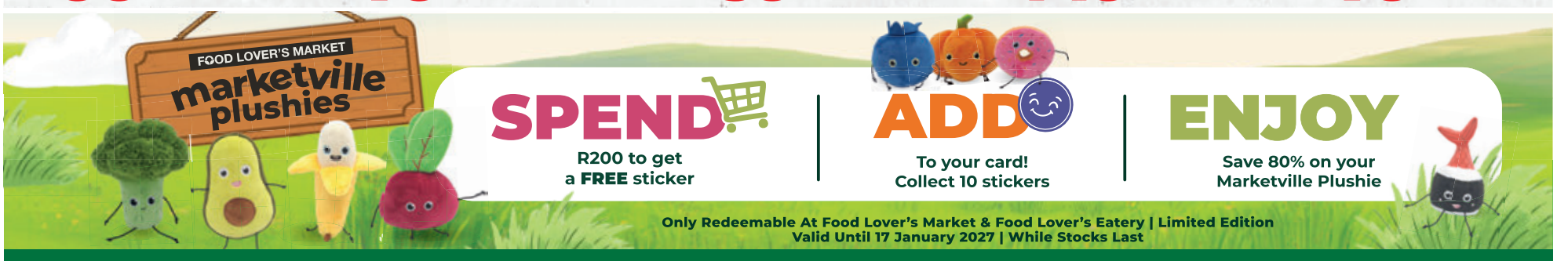

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Spades in hand, the team cleared sand, grass and stones from the road opposite Wildevy Centre on Monday, 16 November.

Spades, sweat and a little petrol



The *Our Ward Matters* team tackles litter and overgrown grass, street by street in Ward 17.

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – A tidy street corner in Ward 17 and a stretch of road cleared by hand opposite Wildevy Centre have something in common. Both are the work of *Our Ward Matters* (OWM), whose team gives residents across Wards 15, 16 and 17 reason to take pride in their neighbourhoods. Ward 15 councillor André van Dyk founded the initiative and now leads it alongside councillor Tanya Rothman.

Ward 17 runs on a little petrol and plenty of goodwill

Under the supervision of Rothman and Kate Roux, the Ward 17 team picks up litter, tidies street corners, cuts overgrown grass and clears illegally dumped rubbish from public spaces. On a hot summer's day, Marilyn Nel found her own way to lend a hand. She brought the team food and cold drinks.

With service delivery still a challenge, OWM is appealing for help with one urgent expense – petrol. Even a small contribution helps fuel the grass-cutting equipment and keeps the clean-ups going.

Spades out at Wildevy

On Monday, 16 November 2026, the team shovelled sand, grass and stones off the road opposite Wildevy Centre. In the open veld next to the Moepel substation, they used brush cutters to cut back the tall grass so people can see across the site again.

OWM hopes that keeping the area clear and visible will discourage illegal dumping, vandalism and unauthorised occupation, and help keep Wildevy safe for residents, businesses and local churches.

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What a teacher carries into class

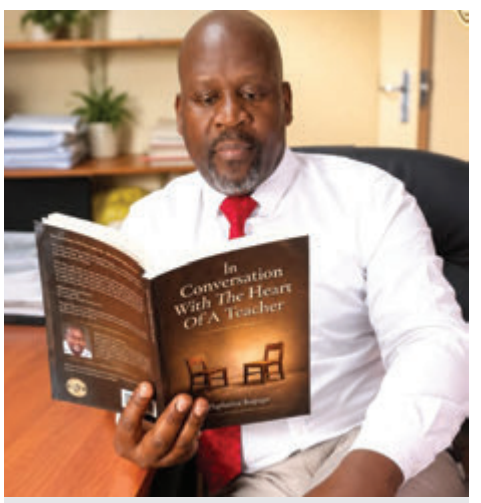
Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – More than once, Freedom Park Secondary educator Dipheta Bopape thought about leaving teaching. Burnout, poor discipline and threats from learners had taken their toll. In a new novel, *In Conversation With the Heart of a Teacher*, the Rustenburg author explores what teachers carry into the classroom and what helps them remember why they chose to teach.

Published in 2026, the novel draws on Bopape's experiences and on years of watching fellow educators teach with courage and care, even on difficult days. Bopape, an advocate for emotional intelligence in the classroom, hopes the book will reach parents and learners too. At the heart of it is a reminder that "teachers are human beings first – individuals who carry stories, burdens, hope and purpose into their work".

Born and raised in Polokwane, Bopape first tried writing radio dramas in the 1990s. The stories never made it onto the airwaves, but finding books by a namesake, Dipheta Henniel Bopape, gave the aspiring author encouragement to keep writing.

Years later, writing served a more personal purpose. After a painful experience in 2011, Bopape spent days and nights in tears, longing for someone to talk to. "The only solace I had at my disposal was a pen and paper." Bopape continued writing through 2015. Those pages became *Why Ask God Why?*, published in 2016 to encourage readers facing a crisis to hold on to their faith. Holding that first printed copy brought tears again, this time of joy.

A second book, *Aren't You Married Yet?*, followed in 2018, challenging the pressure people face to marry before they feel ready.



Freedom Park Secondary educator Dipheta Bopape draws on personal experiences in the classroom for *In Conversation With the Heart of a Teacher*, the Rustenburg author's third published book.

Altogether, Bopape has written eight books and published three. Teaching takes up the days and writing often fills the nights, so finishing a manuscript is itself a moment worth celebrating.

Next on the horizon is the *Heart of a Teacher* podcast. Already at an advanced stage of planning, it will give teachers a place to talk about difficult days, share practical ways forward and feel a little less alone.

Readers can find Bopape's books on Amazon and at South African bookstores. For enquiries, WhatsApp 073 184 5609 or 073 318 8375, or email teachmelegacyhub@gmail.com.

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REMAINING EXTENT OF ERF 833 RUSTENBURG TOWNSHIP REGISTRATION DIVISION J.Q., NORTH-WEST PROVINCE, MEASURING 2855 (TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY FIVE) SQUARE METRES, which has been lost or destroyed.

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Dated at RUSTENBURG on 19 November 2026.

Applicant: Du Plessis Van Der Westhuizen Inc | **Address:** 2 Edam Avenue, Waterval East Ext 37, Rustenburg, 0299 | **Contact number**: (014) 523 4600 | **Email:** veronica@dupwest.co.za

FORM JJJ | LOST OR DESTROYED DEED

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Dated at RUSTENBURG on 11 NOVEMBER 2026

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IN THE REGIONAL COURT FOR THE REGIONAL DIVISION OF NORTH WEST HELD AT TLHABANE | Case No: NW/TLH/RC167/2025, In the matter between, **ORORISENG MOLOANTOA, EXECUTION CREDITOR,** And **KATLEGO BAPHIRING TRADING ENTERPRISES CC, EXECUTION DEBTOR**

NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

In the Execution of a Warrant against Movable Property in the Regional Court Division of Tlhabane a sale will be held on **09 December 2026** at our storage facilities, **54 KOCK STREET, RUSTENBURG** on the Conditions of Sale to be read out by the Sheriff at the time of the sale:

TERMS: CASH OR BY BANK TRANSFER ONLY

SCHEDULES OF GOODS TO BE SOLD;

1. SKYWORTH FLAT SCREEN TV
2. TV STAND BROWN WOOD
3. COFFEE TABLE BROWN WOOD
4. CARPET
5. COUCHES BROWN
6. YAMAHA AMP +5 SPEAKERS
7. HALL MIRRORS
8. DINING ROOM TABLE WOOD + 6 CHAIRS
9. 3 BAR CHAIRS
10. BOSCH FRIDGE SILVER
11. 3 PCS LOUNGE SUIT BROWN
12. SAMSUNG MICROWAVE
13. SAMSUNG TV BIG
14. 4 BAR CHAIRS+ COFFEE TABLE

To the highest bidder

DATED AT Rustenburg on this 10 November 2026.

Mr TAU | DEPUTY SHERIFF | SHERRIFF FOR THE L.C RUSTENBURG | 172A KLOPPER STREET, RUSTENBURG, 0299 | **TEL;** 014 597 0406

A little praise for JST Hospital and its maternity staff

[letter to the editor]

Dear editor,

I feel this needs to be said. We so often see negative posts about state hospitals, and bad experiences tend to get shared far more often than good ones. Today, I want to share my experience at Job Shimankana Tabane (JST) Hospital in Rustenburg and thank the amazing people working in maternity.

From my first visits to the gateway clinics at the start of my pregnancy right through to the birth of my baby on 9 September 2026, I received nothing but good care and kindness.

I know that working in a state hospital is hard. There are so many patients, resources are limited and staff are often stretched far beyond what anyone should reasonably have to handle. Yet the people who cared for me still took the time to explain what was happening, reassure me and simply be kind.

Ward 16

Thank you to the staff who looked after me before my C-section and helped prepare me for theatre. Your care and reassurance meant so much.

The theatre team

A special thank you to the two doctors who performed my C-section. There was an unexpected complication when my baby turned during the procedure. The team stayed calm and focused on getting my baby and me through it safely. I will never forget that.

My anaesthesiologist

Thank you for being there for me every second in theatre. Being awake during a C-section can be frightening. Hearing your voice reassuring me throughout made such a difference.

Ward 3

Thank you to everyone who looked after my baby and me after theatre. When I had difficulties with breastfeeding, you helped me and encouraged me to keep trying. I appreciated every time you came to check on us.

To everyone in maternity, from the doctors and nurses to the cleaners, security officers, support staff and everyone behind the scenes, I see you. You care for mothers who are scared, anxious or in pain. You care for tiny, vulnerable babies. You work long hours, often with too many patients and too few staff, and you keep showing up.

I know that some families have difficult experiences. I also believe it's worth speaking up when something goes right.

From those first clinic visits to the day I walked out of JST Hospital with my baby in my arms, I'm grateful for the care we received. Thank you for looking after me. Thank you for looking after my baby. And thank you for doing such a difficult job, often under difficult circumstances. You deserve some praise too.

My little girl, Lovelle Grace, arrived safely on 9 September 2026. Behind her safe arrival was a whole team of people, and for that I will always be grateful.

Tanya Wagner



NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS (BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS) FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A POLICE STATION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON REMAINDER OF FARM LEDIG 909 JQ, MOSES KOTANE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY WITHIN THE BOJANALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTH WEST PROVINCE.

Notice is hereby given in terms of section 41 of chapter 6 of the EIA regulations (Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 326 of 07 April 2017) published in terms of National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended with the intention to undertake a Basic Assessment Process for the following activity.

Project Applicant: South African Police Services (SAPS).

Proposed Activity: South African Police Services (SAPS) is in the process of applying for Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Police Station in Ledig. The proposed development will include construction of cell block, wash bay, detective block, victim support block, administration block, stores block, staff training block, stormwater detention facility, refuse area and parking.

Project Location: The proposed project is located on remainder of Farm Ledig 909 JQ at Ledig, near Sun City, under the jurisdiction of Moses Kotane Local Municipality within Bojanala Platinum District Municipality in the Northwest Province.

Environmental Impact Assessment Process: South African Police Services has been appointed Ndani Projects (Pty) Ltd as an independent environmental consultancy to undertake the application for the Environmental Authorization (EA). The proposed project is being undertaken in terms of Government Notice (GN) R.326 - the EIA Regulations, 2014 (amended 7 April 2017), where listed activities from GNR 327, Activity 27 is being applied for. In this regard, a Basic Assessment (BA) process contemplated in Section 19 & 20 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (amended 7 April 2017) is being followed.

Registration of Interested and Affected Parties: Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP), who wish to participate by contributing comments or concerns, or would like obtain more information, should please contact us on the details below. You are kindly requested to register your details on this project database and provide your comments on the project within 30 days from the date of this publication.

Availability of the Draft BAR: The report will be available for public review from **18th of November 2026 – 11th of January 2026** at Bakubung Ba Ratheo Tribal Authority Offices in Ledig or may be requested via an email. As a registered I&AP, you will be informed of all updates regarding the proposed project and the decision to grant or refuse an Environmental Authorisation to be made by the Competent Authority, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE).

Forward your comments by using one of the following contact methods

Contact Person: Tokollo Kobe
Contact Number: 073 284 5142
Email address: Info@ndani.co.za

NDANI PROJECTS

Laptops for three Phokeng schools



Pastor Tshepiso David Senne donated laptops to the administrative teams at Kgale Primary School, Bafokeng High School and Matlhware Primary School.

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Phokeng – Pastor Tshepiso David Senne donated laptops to the administrative teams at Kgale Primary School, Bafokeng High School and Matlhware Primary School on Wednesday 11 November 2026. Senne, the newly elected Ward 5 councillor, has been involved in community development in Phokeng for five years.

Donate blood at the South African National Blood Service (SANBS) Rustenburg, situated at the Lifestyle Square centre in Beyers Naude Drive, Rustenburg. Pop in before you do your shopping! Your blood can save up to three lives! You can donate blood every 56 days. **For more information visit www.sanbs.org.za or give SANBS Rustenburg a call at 014 594 2771.**

SANBS



RUSTIES SE FLANK VANG DIE OOG

Platinum Weekly koerant | Rustenburg – Vroeër vanjaar het Hoërskool Rustenburg se Ruben van Heerden die Luiperds se nommer 7-trui vir die o.18-Cravenweek verdien. Nou het dié flank sy skool nóg 'n rede gegee om trots te wees. Ruben in SA Rugby se o.17-Elite Player Development-groep opgeneem.

Die ontwikkelingsprogram bied belowende jong spelers die geleentheid om saam met nasionale afrigters te oefen. SA Rugby se volgende oefenkamp vind van 28 November tot 4 Desember in die Wes-Kaap plaas.



Larries laat hul rakette praat!

Platinum Weekly koerant | Rustenburg – Nathan Bergh en Marinus Smit het by die Noordwes-tennisproewe vir o.10-seuns gesorg dat Laerskool Rustenburg die eerste twee plekke inneem. Nathan het eerste geëindig en Marinus tweede. Wat die Larries se vertoning ekstra besonders maak, is dat die meeste van die skool se seuns 'n ouderdomsgroep hoër gespeel het.

Lehardo Pretorius het agtste geëindig, met Xavier Smit in die 11de plek en Dylan Mokotedi in die 18de plek. Leano Modubu en DW Steyn het albei 19de geëindig en JJ Sibiya 30ste. By die o.11-seuns het Pieter Roux ook die toptien gehaal met sy negende plek.

Die skool het al sy spelers geloof vir die moed en vasbyt wat hulle op die baan gewys het.

Rugga nuus

2026 Nations Championship

UITSLAE

Vrydag 13 November
- Frankryk 21-19 Suid-Afrika

Saterdag 14 November
- Ierland 43-15 Fidji
- Engeland 78-15 Japan
- Wallis 35-28 Nieu-Seeland
- Italië 14-19 Argentinië

Sondag 15 November
- Skotland 15-12 Australië

BEPALINGS

Saterdag 21 November
- Skotland 16:10 Japan
- Engeland 16:10 Nieu-Seeland
- Ierland 18:40 Suid-Afrika
- Italië 18:40 Fidji
- Wallis 22:10 Australië
- Frankryk 22:10 Argentinië

Nag ou grote...





Gold for Grenville's chess captain

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – Grenville High School has awarded its Gold Grenville Medallion to first-team chess captain Lebogang Difotso. On 20 December 2025, Lebogang clinched the under-18 individual title at the Mzansi Youth Chess Championships, finishing unbeaten with five points from six games. He also helped his team take second place overall.

Lebogang went on to represent South Africa at the African Youth Chess Championships in Entebbe, Uganda, where the under-18 competition ran from 15 to 21 May 2026. He earned his Protea Colours for the second year running.

Grenville recently awarded Lebogang the Gold Grenville Medallion for his achievements on the chessboard and the example he sets as captain.

SOULFOOD

PROVERBS 3:1-2

1 My son, do not
forget my law,
But let your heart
keep my commands;
2 For length of days
and long life
And peace they
will add to
you.

NEW KING JAMES VERSION (NKJV)

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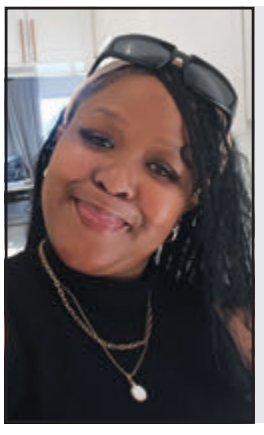
HAVE YOUR SAY

Should children earn their pocket money through chores?

Some parents pay for chores like washing the car to teach children how to earn and save. Others believe everyone should pitch in at home and give pocket money separately so children can practise budgeting.



"Yes. Children learn that life doesn't hand you everything on a silver platter. When they earn pocket money through chores and save for something they want, they learn to be independent and can feel proud of paying for it themselves."

Kgalalelo Mampone, Rustenburg



"Yes. Children should tidy up after themselves as part of family life. For extra chores, choose tasks that suit their age and agree on a fair amount beforehand. That teaches responsibility and helps them learn to manage money."

Cristina Ribeiro, Rustenburg

PUBLIC POLL:
THE RESULTS ARE IN!

NO 39% YES 61%

POLL

Is November too early for Christmas decorations?

Some households already have their trees up, while others keep the tinsel packed away until December. When does Christmas officially begin in your home?

Here's how you can participate. Email us at news@platinumweekly.co.za or WhatsApp your response to **081 579 7000**.

Include the following:
- Your answer: Yes or No
- Why? We want to hear from you!
- A recent photo – We'd love to publish your pic alongside your answer!
- Your town/city
- Deadline – Be sure to send your response before 12:00 on Monday, 23 November 2026.

Vote results: The outcome of the poll will be featured in our next issue. Be a part of our community's story!

P.S.: Don't forget, you can also voice your opinion on our Facebook post about this topic. Join the conversation!



Send your event listing to news@platinumweekly.co.za ** Free Placement!

PLATINUM EVENT DIARY

Olifantsnek Yacht Club Sailing Weekend

21 Nov 2026 - 22 Nov 2026 | Olifantsnek Yacht Club

Bring & braai Saturday evening. Fires will be provided.
Come enjoy the day on the dam with us.
Camping allowed. Non members welcome. Discounted rates apply.
Enquiries / bookings: John Fourie, 083 250 0474.

Bojanala Circuit 3 — 2026

28 Nov 2026 | Laerskool Vastrap, Rustenburg

Chess SA rated circuit event at Laerskool Vastrap, Rustenburg. Circuit points awarded towards the 2026 Bojanala standings. Bojanala Chess Federation is the Chess SA affiliate for 905+ players across Rustenburg, Brits, Phokeng and Hartbeespoort. We organise FIDE-rated opens, school leagues and the famed Bojanala Closed. Register at https://bojanalachess.com/

What's on your community diary

Make a plan in your community.

Scan the QR code or visit platinumweekly.co.za/events.php for more...



Did you know?

WHY FINGERS WRINKLE IN THE BATH…

Ever climbed out of the bath with fingertips like prunes? Those little grooves have a surprising link to your nerves. While your fingers soak, your nervous system signals tiny blood vessels in your fingertips to narrow.

With less blood flowing through them, the pads of your fingers shrink slightly. The skin over them folds into ridges and grooves.

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From vines to coast, Rustenburg brings the *GEES*



Medals for the Just Ride duo! Stephen Erasmus and Justin Brown showed off their Wines2Whales medals after three days on the trails.



Deep Level Legends lived up to their name – Moses Motlhageng and Anton Greeff!



Two teams in one frame. Carel du Plessis and Nico Kruger of The Chain Snappers joined Henri de Kock and Dana Vos of Deko Safari's.

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – A heatwave and strong winds put 14 Rustenburg mountain bikers to the test at this year's Wines2Whales, held in the Western Cape from 6 to 15 November 2026.

Known as "the race with gees", Wines2Whales is as much about the company as the kilometres. Rustenburg brought both spirit and a sense of humour to the trails, with team names ranging from The Chain Snappers to Deep Level Legends.

Here's who rode for Rustenburg

- Elite Team – Luan Vermeulen and Ruan Portwig
- The Chain Snappers – Nico Kruger and Carel du Plessis
- Deko Safari's – Dana Vos and Henri de Kock
- The Cousins – JP Stringer and Noel Thwaite
- LABS – Albie Labuschagne and Louis Bredell
- Deep Level Legends – Anton Greeff and Moses Matlhageng
- Just Ride – Justin Brown and Stephen Erasmus

Yellow belts, bright futures



Kancho Pieter Albert Venter proudly posed with the two award winners after their grading. From left are Frans Brand, kancho Venter and Mohammed Moin Khan.

Platinum Weekly newspaper | Rustenburg – Frans Brand and Mohammed Moin Khan earned their Senior Yellow belts on Saturday 7 November 2026 at the TSKKIA Honbu Dojo in Rustenburg. Both had an extra reason to celebrate when each received the Most Promising Student award in his age category.

For more information on TSKKIA events, call 082 463 1073 or visit www.tskkia.co.za. Find their videos on YouTube by searching for "TSKKIA".



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