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PAC COMES FACE TO FACE WITH POMPOUS SUSPECT PRINCIPAL THIEF

Stories by Sabatha Dlamini
Lobamba

A highly pompous Mpofu High School Principal, John Dlamini, was hauled before the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) for alleged embezzlement of funds.

The suspected corrupt administrator took misappropriation of school funds to another level, rewarding some of his blue-eyed staff members with huge unauthorised allowances.

He allegedly turned the agriculture department into his feeding scheme, literally, helping himself on the proceeds received from the sale of eggs.

Despite being a criminal suspect and facing a litany of charges, Dlamini never showed any remorse, arrogantly telling the PAC the officer who audited the school was not telling the truth.

The auditor general found that the headteacher was collecting money from parents and not giving them receipts and also operated a secret bank account as well as made unsupported payments, amongst some of the dishonest activities, he allegedly undertook at the rural school.

The school is situated some few kilo-

When the PAC demanded answers on his illegal behaviour, his elevated arrogance got the better part of him and almost broke the recording device which he hit with suppressed anger and barefaced egotism



FACE TO FACE: PAC Chairperson Thuli Dladla and Principal Secretary in the Ministry of Education and Training Pat Muir.

metres from Buhleni in the northern Hhohho region.

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The school committee that should

have, under normal circumstances, held the alleged thieving headteacher accountable, were silenced and to an extent allegedly colluded with him.

The term of office for the school committee had long expired but no elections were conducted deliberately to ensure the looting of school funds continued undisturbed.

Double payments for Mpofu High teachers

JOHN Dlamini, the alleged corrupt Mpofu High Principal, fraudulently paid his chosen teachers varying amounts of E500 to E1 500 from the school coffers.

The auditor general found that these illegal payments were additional to the teachers' lawful salaries paid by government.

The parents who are main stakeholders in the school were not aware that

Dlamini was illicitly and secretly using school funds to reward the chosen few teachers for work that was known only by him.

Teachers he single-handedly appointed as heads of departments were paid an additional E500 each per term directly from the school coffers.

He then audaciously deployed others to the school bookshop and secretly paid them a lucrative amount of E1

500 each per term. When grilled over these illegal transactions, Dlamini gave a lame excuse that he wanted to ensure school books were looked after and did not get lost. With regard to the payments made to the heads of departments, he egotistically told the PAC his decision was justifiable following the ministry of education's failure to respond to his request for posts of heads of departments.

Wayward principal forced to withdraw SWAYOCO statement

THE wayward and highly pompous Mpofu High School principal was forced to retract his statement in which he referred to his subordinate teachers as 'SWAYOCOs'.

Whilst the disobedient Dlamini was grilled by the PAC on the non-payment of rentals by the school teachers, his loose tongue, driven by his desire to reflect his self-importance, let him down.

Speaking in vernacular, he boasted: "Ngatsatsa konkhe lokweSWAYOCO ngakufaka kuyami indlu!"

The PAC members were outraged at

hearing this, prompting the Chairperson, MP Thuli Dladla, to demand a retraction of the antagonistic and belittling statement.

Gangs

The principal sarcastically retracted the statement and further referred to the teachers as 'gangs,' another description that did not go down well with the committee.

He was again forced to withdraw that 'gangs' description of the teachers but, by then it was quite apparent the committee was more-like battling with a greased pig.

SWAYOCO stands for the Swaziland Youth Congress, a proscribed youth wing for the equally banned People's United Democratic Movement (PUDEMO).

The badly behaved principal said the teachers were now paying rent for occupying the school houses as demanded by the auditor general.

Although he said they were now paying the rental fees, he still had the audacity to question government's logic in collecting them, pretentiously arguing that the houses were the product of the toil of the people of Mpofu.

PAC chairperson losing her sting

THE PAC Chairperson, MP Thuli Dladla, is slowly but surely losing her sting.

The workaholic Dladla, once described as an Iron-lady, has suddenly become 'Mother Theresa,' treating crooked criminal suspects and lazy government officers with kid gloves.

Admittedly, MP Dladla attributed this to her motherly nature and old age which she said was catching up with her.

Her once sharper teeth have

become blunter, resulting to some culprits walking scot-free, much to the disappointment of auditors who painstakingly nail down all the fraudsters brazenly looting the public purse.

Position

She sent a warning though to these criminal suspects, mainly school principals, that there would come a time when she would relinquish her position to a younger MP who would have no mercy on them.

Pat Muir a state burden

PRINCIPAL Secretary in the Ministry of Education and Training Pat Muir has become nothing but a state liability.

Parliamentarians were shocked in the manner the elderly Muir was failing to properly manage the ministry for the benefit of the country. With school principals throughout the country involved in massive embezzlement of funds and misappropriation, Muir remained a sitting duck. Millions of Emalangeni worth of building materials was found by the auditor general lying idle and rotting in most schools while some were stolen.

All these criminal activities, it was revealed during the PAC sitting, were results of inefficiencies taking place right under Muir's nose. The PAC members were shocked to learn that Muir

transferred funds to the government development wing, Micro-Projects, for schools construction only to sign for the same amounts to be corruptly utilised by the ministry's planning department. Several schools were getting double deliveries for building materials in a massive looting strategy that involved officers of the ministry and corrupt suppliers of building materials. The government officers reportedly receive illegal commissions from the suppliers. MP Owen Nxumalo said the irregularities were exposing the country's education system and raised concern over the lack of proper coordination and management by the principal secretary.

The elderly Muir is currently engaged on contract following his retirement.

PAC set police on hiding govt officer

A manhunt for a corrupt government officer ensued following an instruction by PAC Chairperson Thuli Dladla to have him brought before the committee.

MP Dladla wanted the planning officer, a Mabuza, to answer on allegations that he was responsible for the unlawful procurement of thousands of Emalangeni worth of building materials for several schools.

The officer was with the planning department in the ministry of education and training but had since been transferred to the ministry of agriculture. MP Dladla dispatched police officers to look out for the suspected corrupt officer.

Officers sent by the PAC leader to summons the planning officer from the ministry of agriculture returned with a response that at

the ministry the officer left under the pretext he was going to parliament.

MP Dladla said the police should go to as far as his home to look for the suspect. Mabuza allegedly purchased thousands of Emalangeni worth of building materials that were found lying idle at Mvembili Lutheran Primary School, Galile Bantu Education School and Ngololweni, to name a few. The ministry had a toilets construction project for schools and engaged Micro-Projects to carry it out. But seeing the opportunity to make a killing on illegal commissions from the suppliers, Mabuza pushed aside Micro-Projects and took the responsibility to procure the materials. MP Dladla ruled that the runaway Mabuza be charged with contempt of parliament.

EU commits to support people living with albinism

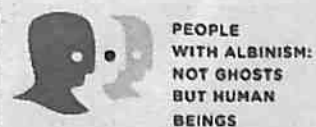
By Gugu Simelane
Mbabane

THE European Union (EU) has committed to aid funding initiatives that will support the end of discrimination and violence against people living with albinism.

EU Ambassador, Nicola Bellomo, stated that awareness-raising was very important adding they were ready to support initiatives that

seek to sensitize the nation about albinism.

"Much more needs to be done. All possible measures need to be taken to provide greater protection to persons with albinism at risk and investigate crimes committed on this basis. In order to address the root causes of the problem, we urge the governments where attacks take place to raise awareness throughout society, including at the family level, regarding persons with albinism, and to foster respect for



their rights and dignity," he said. Today is the International Albinism Awareness Day.

Bullying

Bellomo said in many countries and regions, persons with albinism faced bullying, prejudice and vio-

lence because of stereotypes based on the colour of their skin.

"The International Albinism Awareness Day is an opportunity for all of us to consider the challenges faced by those living with albinism. It is also a day to pay tribute to the dedicated activists who stand for the rights of persons with albinism around the world. The proclamation of this international day as well as the appointment of the first ever UN Independent Expert in 2015 are important steps towards increasing attention to this issue and putting an end to discrimination.

APOLOGY

In our June 9, 2016 publication, we carried a story under the headline 'Pupil dies after donating blood' where we reported that a pupil from Ngwane Park High School died after donating blood.

It has since been brought to our attention that while it is true that a pupil died from the school but his death had nothing to do with the blood donation exercise that took place on the same day at the school.

We wish to apologise to the management of blood transfusion services, the school and all concerned for the regrettable error.

Ombudsman

SOLDIER ARRESTED FOR IMPREGNATING SISTER TWICE

COVER STORY

Stories by Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlalano

POLICE pounced on a brother and sister for continuously having sex, which resulted in two children being born.

The incestuous relationship between Sampi Dlamini (35) who is a soldier and his blood sister Ntombifuthi Dlamini (22) had worried residents of Mahlalini for a long time.

This newspaper established that the Dlamini siblings had even gone public with their illegal relationship. It is a crime in Swaziland to have a sexual relationship with your biological relative.

Relationship

What probably started as a kinky sexual game developed into a full blown relationship between the sister and brother.

As a result, in 2013, a child was born. This infuriated residents who wondered why the family allowed the children to go against the rules of nature and justice.

The relationship gained ground after the child was born. The last straw for some of the annoyed residents was the

● Also fined seven cattle for sleeping and impregnating his sister who had to leave school

birth of the second child by the couple. This particular child is two months old. When the woman gave birth to the first born child she was doing Form III. She had to leave school.

The incestuous relationship became the talk of the community to a point that the family, which had assumed it was their secret, felt embarrassed and forced to take action.

The two lovebirds were called into a special family meeting where they were grilled about their illegal relationship. They confessed to being madly in love and proud parents of two children.

Shocked by the revelation, it is said the elders of the family were so upset they resolved that the soldier should be taken to task and was as a result ordered to pay seven cattle as fine for what he did to his biological sister.

The matter was subsequently reported to the police and the two were arrested and charged.

They appeared in court last week before Principal Magistrate Florence Msibi charged with the crime of incest.

Sampi, as first accused, when the court asked him as to how it all started,

he said they fell in love years back and claimed he never knew they were blood relatives.

"I proposed to her and she fell for me. What I knew was we were distant family members," Sampi told the court without expanding on his submission.

Ntombifuthi also related a similar story to the court only that hers differed in that she asked her brother if he was aware they could be relatives.

Lovers

"He proposed to me but I did ask him if he was aware that we are related as we are both Dlamini. He insisted on us being lovers and I fell for him.

The relationship has resulted to two children born with the first one aged three years and the second one is two months old," she told the court.

Members of the public who were present in court were left stunned.

The charge sheet reads: "The two accused are guilty of the crime of incest.

The accused persons had sexual intercourse with one another at around 2013 at Mahlalini area, the said Sampi Dlamini, being a male person and Ntombifuthi Dlamini, being a female

Family, couple to face Umphakatsi

MAHLALINI authorities have reacted with shock to the incident of two blood relatives impregnating one another.

The Umphakatsi, whose chief is the late Khondlo Sibande, was not aware of the matter.

When called on the matter, Indvuna Mandlenkosi Lushaba sounded shocked and stated that he never heard of such.

He knew the accused persons as from the area but that they were arrested for such a crime, he was hearing it for the first time from this newspaper.

"I am blank and doubt it was ever reported to the elders here at Umphakatsi. It is a matter I am going to take up with the authorities.

It is such an embarrassing thing to us all. I am going to report this to the leadership and we are going to take it from there.

The family should not have

kept this matter secret. Now that it is known, I wonder what explanation they are to give to us. It's immorality we cannot allow to happen here," said Lushaba.

Lushaba said the family would need to be prepared to give answers as to why such a thing happened and failed to report it.

"I don't want to believe they don't know what to do if such a thing happens. Such incestuous issues are not promoted not only here but worldwide. Its animalism and fathering a child with your sister is outrageous and unbelievable. *Sikwati kwentiwa tilwane loku hhayi bantfu labaphilako*," said Lushaba. He said courts should have not given them an option of a fine, especially the man.

"He deserved a harsh penalty which should have been a custodial sentence without any fine," said Lushaba.

person did unlawfully and intentionally have sexual intercourse with one another, the said Sampi Dlamini being a blood relative of the said Ntombifuthi Dlamini whom he was consequently legally prohibited from marrying."

Principal Magistrate Msibi noted that this was a serious incestuous crime.

She then sentenced them to two years in jail with a fine option of E5 000 each.

The Crown was represented by Sakhile Hlophe while the two conducted their own defence. By the time this report was compiled, the two were still to pay the fine.

Swaziland to celebrate climate change week

Stories by Gugu Simelane
Mbabane

THE department of Meteorology and key stakeholders have partnered and collaborated in the organisation of the climate week starting tomorrow under the theme "Saying yes to climate action", #ClimateActionNow.

The purpose of the Climate Week is to raise awareness on climate change, impacts and how everyone can contribute to the solution.

The objective of the climate week is to build partnerships with key stakeholders in climate change awareness, and promote climate action.

The ministry of natural resources and energy will tomorrow co-host the awareness day with its stakeholders, Swaziland Electricity Company, Renewable Energy Association of Swaziland and Swaziland Energy Regulatory Authority at the Mbabane Plaza.

A lot of activities will be showcased, such as the electricity consumption box, TV slides show displaying different technologies, brochures on efficient use of fuel, solar energy, ethanol blend fuel, clean cooking technologies. There will also be a drama team from SEC to show case something on energy and climate change.

Theminkosi Ndzimandze, energy officer in the ministry of natural resources and energy, said the climate week was a one week public awareness campaign that would have a series of climate change events on each day of the week. The different partnering institutions are expected to lead one day each and will choose the sectors of



Temperatures to pick up - MET

THE nation should expect a warm week, forecasters have said.

"Temperatures will remain cold today but temperatures will pick up from tomorrow with a minimum temperature of eight degree Celsius rising to 21 degree Celsius in Mbabane. Today, drizzle in the morning and light afternoon rains are to be expected," said the forecaster.

focus for that day based on the Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs).

Each institution will undertake specific public awareness activities to raise awareness on the impacts of climate change to the chosen sector and showcase or encourage positive climate action in that sector.

Launch

The week will culminate to the launch of the Swaziland Intended Nationally Determined Contributions to the Paris Agreement on the last day of the week.

"Climate change is one of the biggest challenges facing our generation and has an impact on almost everything we do in our day-to-day lives. The country

Today's high temperature will hit up to 19 degrees Celsius in the Lowveld while the Highveld will hit up to 13 degrees Celsius.

Today, there will be morning fog with drizzle, otherwise cloudy and mild but cold in the Highveld becoming partly cloudy.

Light rains can be expected at some places in the afternoon.

is already experiencing impacts of climate change and has witnessed more frequent floods, heat wave, severe droughts and storms in recent years. We have seen a shift on the onset of rainfall and the rainfall distribution pattern is slowly changing.

This has no doubt serious implications on food security, people's livelihoods and overall socio-economic development of the country," he said.

Ndzimandze, however, said to date very little efforts have been done to engage the public in the climate change debate and a majority of them is not aware about climate change, its impact and the available options for mitigating and adapting to it.

THIS WEEK'S WEATHER FORECAST

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Tomorrow, it will be fine and mild but warm in the Lowveld.

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On Wednesday, it will be fine and mild but warm to hot in the Lowveld.

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On Thursday, it will be fine and mild but warm to hot in the Lowveld becoming partly cloudy later.

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INDLOVUKAZI IMPLORES SWAZIS ABROAD TO COME BACK HOME

By Simon Shabangu
Mbabane

HER Majesty Indlovukazi told Swazi students studying in Taiwan that the nation looks up to them to come back and develop the country as it strives to achieve first world status.

Her Majesty made the remarks when addressing Swazi students who are currently pursuing their studies in that country. Indlovukazi returned home yesterday afternoon.

She said what will make them succeed and become a great resource to the country is to focus on their studies and further come

● We are expecting you to come back home and help in the development of the country as you all know that it has a vision of becoming a developed state. We are banking on you to come with the different skills and information to put it to use back home so that we can realise the development that we so much desire as a country

back home once they are done.

Her Majesty hosted a dinner for the students as part of her working visit to Taiwan where she met almost all the students who are there on either Swazi or Taiwan governments' scholarship studying in different fields.

Her Majesty's address was captured from the Swazi TV News Bulletin on Friday night.

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know that it has a vision of becoming a developed state. We are banking on you to come with the different skills and information to put it to use back home so that we can realise the development that we so much desire as a country," Her Majesty said.

Bongani Tsabedze who spoke on behalf of the students assured Her Majesty that once they are done with their studies they will come back home.

"We note with joy and apprecia-

tion that the country is developing in many spheres. When I left home back then, I used the Matsapha International Airport but it brings me joy to note that going back home I will land at King Mswati III International Airport.

We appreciate all the development that the King and the country is doing back home especially because it also comes with job opportunities for the people of Swaziland. The New Science and Technology Park that is under con-



MHLEKAZI: Her Majesty Indlovukazi.

struction at Nokwane is another facility that will enhance the country in many ways," he added.

He said they were humbled to have been hosted by Her Majesty and will forever cherish the moment they spent with her while in Taiwan. He added that they are well taken care of in that country noting that for them it is to work hard and make the country proud.

Meanwhile, the local students are among their counterparts from countries like the Asia Pacific, West Asia, Africa, Burkina Faso, Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, Nigeria, Sao Tome and Principe, South Africa, Caribbean, Central America, South America, and Europe among others.

Among the many courses on offer by the Taiwan government are undergraduate, master's and doctorate level courses in the various fields of Science and Technology, Engineering, Public Health and Medicine (including Nursing, Laboratory science, Healthcare administration, etc), Sustainable Agriculture Development, Humanities & Social Science, and Private Sector Development.

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Loverboy surrenders himself to police after killing girlfriend

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi
Manzini

THE man who has been on the run for the murder of his 23-year-old girlfriend at St Anne's teachers' quarters in Malkerns has surrendered himself to the Malkerns police.

Ntfobeko Peter Dlamini (26) of Bhadzeni 1 under Chief Lusendvo, was at large after he allegedly stabbed Nobantu Sukati to death who was a student teacher at St. John Bosco

last week Sunday. Dlamini surrendered himself on Saturday night to the police. Dlamini has been in hiding for the past couple of days after a warrant of arrest was issued against him for the murder of Sukati.

Accused

The accused made his first court appearance before Principal Magistrate David Khumalo at the Manzini Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Dlamini was appearing to make his confession but unfortunately the principal magistrate stated that he was on leave hence could

not deal with the matter. Khumalo was in court dealing with matters of people who were nabbed while driving under the influence of alcohol.

The accused was taken back to police custody and told to come back to court today. According to the charge sheet, Dlamini is facing a charge of murder in that he allegedly stabbed Sukati several times on the neck with a sharp object. On the day of the incident, the accused is said to have been engaged in a heated argument with the deceased that

resulted into Dlamini allegedly stabbing her with a sharp object before dragging her body into a nearby bush where he hid it. Deputy Police Information and Communications Officer Assistant Superintendent Phindile Vilakati, confirmed that the accused handed himself in on Saturday night to the police.

It would seem the accused was madly in love with the deceased as he always posted her greetings on popular social networking site, Facebook.

Dlamini's timeline is filled with nothing but love messages directed to the deceased. The messages posted by the accused expressed his undying love for the deceased and this can be envisaged by the love songs he would request using his Facebook account under the name Ntfobeko Teabag Dlamini from time to time since 2014 up to last year.

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Purpose of the Position

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Responsibilities

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DJ MFUNDO ARRESTED FOR DRINK-DRIVING

Stories by Mbono Mdluli
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

POPULAR Siteki Disc Jockey (DJ) Mfundo Mthamali was yesterday busted for drink-driving.

Mthamali (32), popularly known as DJ Mfundo, was nabbed by Lobamba police at or near Mlalatini Development Centre around 3:30am to be precise. He was driving a Peugeot motor vehicle registered SSD 948 AM when he committed the offence.

Mthamali appeared before Mbabane Principal Magistrate Fikile Nhlabatsi. He was charged with contravening

Section 91 (1), as read with Section 122 (2), of the Road Traffic Act No. 6 of 2007. He is said to have wrongfully and unlawfully driven the said motor vehicle along MR103 public road.

He was under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or drug having a narcotic effect when driving the said vehicle.

This then led the state to press the above charge against him.

The alcohol content in his body system was 1.07 mg/l. When he appeared in court, his rights to legal representation were explained.

He was told he had a right to get a lawyer to represent him, if he did not want to conduct his own defence.

Mthamali elected to conduct his own defence. He pleaded guilty when the charge was put to him and the court eventually found him guilty.

The DJ was then given an opportunity to mitigate.

"I ask the court to be lenient in sentencing me as I had not intended to commit the offence. I was driving a certain person to Manzini because his child was sick," Mthamali said. Principal Magistrate Nhlabatsi sentenced Mthamali to pay a fine of E2 000 or face spending two years behind bars. At the time of writing this report, it was not ascertained whether Mthamali was able to pay the fine or not.

RA Masuku involved in car accident

By Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlanguano

SHISELWENI Regional Administrator Themba Masuku was involved in an accident after his car was knocked from behind in Mbabane last Wednesday.

Masuku was reportedly driving in his Hyundai when all of a sudden his vehicle was hit from behind by another. It is said the accident, which almost led the RA being delayed for a meeting he was to chair in Manzini, drew a number of people as it occurred along part of the road where there are speed humps.

The RA, according to those who witnessed the accident, had his vehicle knocked from behind as he was slowing down when driving along the speed humps.

Shocked by what was happening, he stopped the vehicle and came out. The vehicle that knocked his from behind bore foreign registration numbers.

The driver was cooperative and acknowledged his mistake.

"The damage on Masuku's car was quite bad but it was not a write-off. The rear bumper was completely broken and it would need professional attention. The damage on the other car was worse compared to the RA's," a witness said. When called, Masuku confirmed that he was involved in an accident while driving around the capital city last Wednesday. He said he was alone in the car and was on his way to



IN ACCIDENT: Shiselweni Regional Administrator Themba Masuku.

Manzini to chair another meeting when the accident occurred.

"At first I did not know what was happening. I was relieved when I noticed that the other driver realised his mistake and never gave me a problem when police arrived," said Masuku, who wondered as to how such an accident had reached the newspaper.

Deputy Police Information and Communications Officer Assistant Superintendent Phindile Vilakati confirmed that Mbabane police attended to a road accident where one of the vehicles involved was driven by Masuku. "It is true the Shiselweni RA had his vehicle hit from behind by another vehicle around Mbabane on Wednesday," said Assistant Supt Vilakati.

The accident happened a few days after another vehicle belonging to the RA was also involved in a pile up near KaMjuda T-Junction.

Red Bull beverage lends SA lady in jail for DD

ONE can of a Red Bull beverage was enough to lend a woman from South Africa in jail.

Ntombi Skhosane (34) was nabbed by police officers at or near a place known as SNC. She was nabbed for drink-driving and was driving a BMW vehicle registered HLV 828 MP.

This happened early in the morning yesterday, at about 1:29am. Skhosane appeared before Principal Magistrate Fikile Nhlabatsi. She was charged with contravening Section 91 (1), as read with Section 122 (2), of the Road Traffic Act No.6 of 2007. She is said to have wrongfully and

unlawfully driven the said motor vehicle along Mahlokohla Street. She was under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or drug having a narcotic effect when driving the said vehicle.

Submission

The intoxicating liquor, according to her submission in court, was the Red Bull beverage.

This offence then led the state to press the above charge against him. The alcohol content in his body system was 0.48 mg/l. When she appeared in court, her rights to legal representation were explained.

Skhosane elected to conduct his own

defence.

She accepted the charge when it was put to her and the court eventually found her guilty of committing the offence.

Skhosane was then given an opportunity to convince the court to give her a lighter sentence.

"I plead for leniency as I am a foreigner in this country. We were looking for a guest house and I took one can of Red Bull. I then took medication," Skhosane said.

Principal Magistrate Nhlabatsi sentenced her to pay a fine of E1 000 or face spending 10 months behind bars.

E2M TO BUILD MAHWALALA CEMETRY

Stories by Nozipho Sibiya
Mbabane

IT will cost the Municipal Council of Mbabane over E2 million to build a new cemetery to be situated at Mahwalala.

The figures were revealed by the Chief Executive Officer Gideon Mhlongo during a community meeting held at Msunduzi yesterday. The cemetery will be used by the residents of Mbabane.

Mhlongo said the over E2 million would go towards renovating the place.

"The money will be used to build toilets, roads and other structures," he said.

Present during the meeting between the community and Council was Mbabane East Member of Parliament Esther Dlamini and management.

By revealing the figures the CEO was trying to explain where the Council utilises rates money. "Rates serve as income for the municipality and the money is used to run community projects such as collecting garbage, repairing of potholes, etc."

He also highlighted that rates were similar to any other tax paid by the citizens of the country.

'Pay your rates in instalments'

MBABANE ratepayers have the privilege of paying their rates in instalments.

It transpired during a meeting at Msunduzi that the residents were allowed to pay rates in instalments. "This means you can spread your rates bill over a maximum of 12 months instalments in any rating year," said Mhlongo.

However, it is said residents first have to apply to pay by instalments, then they can choose which date of the month they want to pay.

The municipality said their office was open for any arrangements with its clients.

Municipal Council of Mbabane

During the meeting a resident asked Mhlongo why they were not refurbishing roads at Msunduzi like they do in other townships. "Why are the roads of this township not maintained like in other areas such as Dalriach? We want Msunduzi to look like Dalriach as well since we also pay rates," said the resident.

In responding to the question, Mhlongo said the Council was still

Chief Executive Officer Gideon Mhlongo said rates were not only paid in the capital city but in all the townships around the country.

"Rates help in managing projects such as drains, collecting of garbage, potholes, building of markets, checking if shops are selling clean food to the public and other projects."

He, however, mentioned he was happy that others of the residents of Msunduzi paid the rates while some were defaulting. "We urge the residents of Msunduzi to pay the little they have since this money is also used to build roads in town, clinics and others important infrastructures," he added.

working on accumulating funds for the refurbishment of the roads. "It will cost over E70 million for the refurbishment of the Msunduzi local roads." He also mentioned that they would also need help from government because rates money alone cannot be enough.

He, therefore, asked the residents to be patient. He said what the community of Msunduzi was asking for would be too much for the



PAY: Municipal Council of Mbabane Chief Executive Officer Gideon Mhlongo.

municipality alone, so they were still waiting for government to intervene. Mhlongo said it was not only Msunduzi faced with the challenge of bad roads. "Even Nkwalini residents have a challenge of bad roads."

He said rates were introduced in parliament in 1995. "Residents of Msunduzi should assist us by paying rates so we deliver according to their expectation."

Residents question LCCs, WCs Policy

MEANWHILE Mhlongo says Local Community Committees (LCCs) and Ward Committees (WCs) are the simplest channels for reaching their residents.

This comes after the residents of Msunduzi accused the Council of imposing the Local Community and Ward Committee Policy, which were presented to them during a meeting held last year.

The residents were not happy about some of the provisions of the policy and were demanding that the Council should explain to them the reasons behind it.

States

According to them, the policy states that through the Urban Development Project (UDP) and the Mbabane Upgrading Fund Project (MUFUP), the informal areas will be upgraded and eventually divided into townships instead of zones.

One of the residents said they were against implementation of the policy and were demanding an answer from Mhlongo. "We are not pleased by some of the provisions including that of the eligibility criteria or the LCCs and WCs."

The residents claimed the Council Selected their own choice of people. However, the Council CEO disputed the claims made by the residents.

Man cuts another with chain saw

By Wonderboy Dlamini
Siteki

A resident of Lugongolweni was almost killed when he was 'sliced' on the shoulder with a chain saw, allegedly by a fellow workmate at a homestead belonging to a late prince.

The man, who is reported to be currently undergoing treatment at a hospital, resides at the prince's homestead with the other man as they are both employed to look after the farms and properties belonging to the prince.

The two men have been staying at the homestead for about two years, with the prince's grandchildren making regular visits to check on the state of the homestead.

A source close to the matter revealed that the two men have always been living in harmony until the day where they engaged in an argument after one of them came back from a drinking spree. One of the men, *Sabelo is said to have left earlier on the day and went to a nearby drinking hall and imbibed in alcohol.

Sabelo is also known as a troublesome person in the community,

with his psychological wellness being questionable to many.

On this particular day, he is said to have returned to the homestead and started a fight with the other man. In the process of their argument, Sabelo is said to have taken a chain saw and sliced his fellow workmate on the upper body, causing him serious injuries.

The injured man raised an alarm, upon which neighbours made a swift response and rushed him to Good Shepherd Hospital.

When the injured man was paid a visit at the hospital on Saturday, he was reported to be at the surgery

room where he was being stitched.

Yesterday, he was said to have been discharged from the hospital and is expected to be returning for further treatment.

"It is true that we had admitted a man with injuries on the shoulder which looked like he was sliced with a sharp object but he was discharged this morning," said a staff member who was however reluctant to reveal further information.

However, when Deputy Police Information and Communications Officer Phindile Vilakati was asked on the incident, she said the matter has not been reported.



NOT REPORTED: Deputy Police Information and Communications Officer Phindile Vilakati.

Driver in E1.4m dagga case gets E20 000 bail

By Phesheya Kunene
Mbabane

TRUCK driver Sikelela Abraham Mabuza, who was arrested after being found in possession of 67 bags of dagga weighing 1782.3kg, has been granted E20 000 bail.

Mabuza, 51, from Mankayane, was arrested last Thursday by police officers based at Ngwenya border post. He was instantly charged for being in possession of 67 bags of dagga with a street value of E1 425 840 without a permit or licence.

Mabuza was allegedly trying to sneak out the illegal drug into South Africa when he got arrested after the strong scent of the drug sold him out.

The suspect was also found in possession of an undisclosed amount of cash.

He appeared before the Mbabane Magistrate's Court last Friday and was granted bail fixed at E20 000.

Assistant Police Information and Communications Officer (PICO), Phindile Vilakati, commended the cooperation displayed by the institutions responsible for the entry points in the country, including the Swaziland Revenue Authority (SRA).

She said the institutions worked hard to foil crime at the different border posts.

"Their cooperation and swift response to crime is very much appreciated, we urge other institutions and individuals to do the same as we fight crime. People are warned to stay away from all unlawful acts because the hand of the law is very long. Also, we appreciate the cooperation shown by SRA, we say let the spirit prevail," Vilakati said.

Mabuza when arrested revealed that he had picked up the bags of dagga at Matsapha and was destined for Durban, South Africa with his illegal consignment.

HOSPICE'S OLD VEHICLES NOW A DRAIN

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi
Manzini

SWAZILAND Hospice at Home (SHAH) is considering selling its old vehicles as they are proving to be a drain to the organisation.

This was revealed during a special Annual General Meeting held on Saturday at Matsapha.

Responding to a question posed by one speaker asking why the organisation is still keeping its old vehicles which drain the company funds as they are proving too costly to fix, Busi Ndlela, who is the treasurer for the organisation, stated that indeed fixing the vehicles was costly as at one time they had to spend a huge amount of money fixing one vehicle.

According to the treasurer they are currently engaged in talks over that issue. She also revealed that the organisation has been promised new vehicles but was quick to add that it was still too early to put their hopes on that promise.

Chairman of the board Arnold Dlamini said it was sad that the organisation once had a lot of vehicles which left the organisation's yard in good condition but never returned. He said they have proof that those vehicles are rotting away in other people's yards.

Dlamini said the organisation would do whatever it takes to



ATTENDING: A section of the people who attended the meeting. (Pic: Sifiso Nhlabatsi)

reclaim what belongs to it. Friends of Hospice wanted to know why it was taking so long for the organisation to get its vehicles back from former Director Thuli Msane but Dlamini said dealing with the sacked director was a headache.

Dlamini told the gathering that dealing with Msane was a tough task as she was not willing to cooperate; saying even delivering a letter to Msane was a tough task as messengers ran from pillar to post.

The Chairman stated, however, that everything belonging to Hospice that is in Msane's possession would be reclaimed by the organisation.

It is also said that the financial woes at the organisation seem to be far from over even though the newly elected interim board is try-

ing all it could to revive the organisation.

According to the treasurer of the organisation, reviving the institution will not be a walk in the park because as a new board they are walking on thin ice.

Ndlela stated that they have to work harder to get money to solve the financial woes they are faced with.

She added that for an institution that has been faced with cases of mismanagement of funds the people who are taking over must be cautious so that they do not end up being blamed for other people's crimes.

"*Sidvonsa kalukhuni*", it is stressful to handle finances of Hospice at Home", the treasurer said as she presented a financial report to the



CHAIR: Chairperson Arnold Dlamini addressing Friends of Hospice.

Friends of Hospice who attended the meeting.

She highlighted how they had tried to cut down on costs this year as compared to last year. It was also noted during the meeting that it was not clear whether Hospice was a parastatal or a charity organisation because most of the funding for its facilities came from government.

Another thing which was noted as having had an impact in the organisation's coffers was the legal battles it is currently involved in. Legal fees for the organisation are currently standing at E71 081.

The treasurer also revealed that assets for the organisation including staff were uninsured and the interim board was working around the clock to sort that out.

RETIRED SECURITY GUARD DEFRAUDS GOVT

By Mbono Mdluli
Lobamba

A retired government security guard owes E3 893.58 which he allegedly defrauded government while he was employed.

This was disclosed by Ministry of Natural Resources and Energy Principal Secretary (PS) Winnie Steward. This was during an appearance of her ministry before the Public Accounts Committee (PAC).

Alfred Dlamini was supposed to retire on January 18, 2015, but did not retire on that date. He was paid in February and was given another salary in March last year.

The reason for being overpaid

was that he had submitted two different years in which he was born. He had submitted that he was born in 1955 while he also cited 1957. He was earning E713.72 per month and there is still no agreement on how he is supposed to pay back the money.

This was not well received by members of the PAC, who wanted to know why such a problem was not prevented before government lost the money.

Manzini South Member of Parliament (MP) Owen Nxumalo blamed government for this loophole, saying such incidents showed that there was negligence on its part.

His sentiments were shared by his

Manzini North counterpart Jan Sithole, who said someone must have slept on the job hence Dlamini was left to work for two more months after he was retired. He said this because, according to him, there was a human resource personnel that was meant to make sure that such issues were in order.

Mbabane West MP Johane Shongwe said the person who did not do his job here should be punished so that government money is not lost in such a careless manner.

However, it was stated that Dlamini got paid for two months because there was still no information from the ministry of public service that would shed some light on the particular year in which he was

born. The message from the ministry of public service was only communicated in March, when the salary was stopped.

PAC Chairperson Thuli Dladla was of the view that Dlamini was not honest with government. She said he should pay back the money owed to government.

The chairperson said the right year was the one that was submitted first, which was 1955. She said the other year might have been submitted in order to shorten the years in order to cash in more money from government.

The attorney general is said to have advised government that the best year to accept in such a situation is the one that was submitted when the person was still looking for the job, because that was when he was still honest.



MPs REPORT CARD



MP Mabulala Maseko

Maphalaleni MP

MP MABULALA DOES IT FOR MAPHALALENI

- Builds E6 million clinic
- Residents give him new name for bringing electricity to 80 percent of the constituency – 'Bakhanyisele Mabulala'

THEY had to walk at least 17 kilometres before they could access the nearest health facility.

Due to transport shortages, incidents such as snake bites resulted to unprecedented deaths that frustrated residents here.

In 2013, the electorate under the Maphalaleni constituency entrusted MP Mabulala Maseko to represent them in the 10th parliament. They assigned him to, among other projects, develop the constituency and build them a clinic.

A true legislator he is. He is also a former principal of Ekuvinjelweni High School.

MP Maseko has brought smiles to over 15 000 residents under his constituency by successfully fulfilling their dream – constructing a state-of-the-art clinic worth over E6 million.

The clinic is yet to be officially opened and construction has reached final stages.

When motivating the project on behalf of his constituency in parliament in March 2014, the legislator emotionally narrated to the minister of health that residents, for years, did not have access to a health facility. He argued the situation was so dire such that when a person was bitten by a snake in Maphalaleni he/she would be considered no more.

His request bore fruits and the residents are rallying behind him and the constituency council.

About 10 chiefdoms are set to benefit from the construction of the clinic. They include Nsingweni, Mcengeni, Mfeni, Madlolo, Entsanjeni, Meleti, KaSiko, Sitseni, Ndlozini and Maphalaleni.

A recent survey has reflected that apart from the construction of the clinic, MP Mabulala managed to implement several projects within his constituency that have brought smiles and a sigh of relief to residents here.

It has reflected that with 18 months remaining before the electorate go to the polls; the legislator has brought electricity to almost 80 percent of the constituency.

He did this through the implementation of over 50 electricity schemes that were brought to his office to work on.

Given his tireless efforts to bring electricity in the area, the residents have given their legislator a new name. They have since christened

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED BY MP MABULALA MASEKO

EDUCATION

- » Built a kitchen at Maphalaleni High School plus wiring of four classes.
- » Constructed 10 toilets at Nsingweni High School plus a water project.
- » Constructed a staff house that accommodates four teachers at Sikanye High School plus 10 toilets.
- » Constructed three blocks of classes at Ekuvinjelweni High School.
- » Constructed a staff house at Maphalaleni Community Primary.
- » Developed a water system at Mabheleni Primary School.
- » Constructed 10 toilets at Maphalaleni SAGM Primary School.
- » Constructed four staff houses plus two blocks of classes and 10 toilets at Mcengeni Primary School.
- » Installed a borehole at Elubhaceni Primary School.
- » Constructed a staff house plus a borehole at Mdlunkhulu Primary School.
- » Constructed an animal house plus a borehole at Nsingweni Nazarene Primary School.
- » Constructed three staff houses for Mpumalanga Primary School.
- » Constructed an administration block plus developed a water system at Nkalangeni Primary School.

- » Constructed 10 toilets plus two block of classes at Kuhlahl Primary School.

BRIDGES

- » Mkhomazane low-level bridge
- » Emfolozi bridge
- » Gidithole bridge
- » Ensakane bridge

HEALTH

- » Constructed the Maphalaleni Clinic
- » Rehabilitated the Ekuphileni Clinic

DIP TANKS

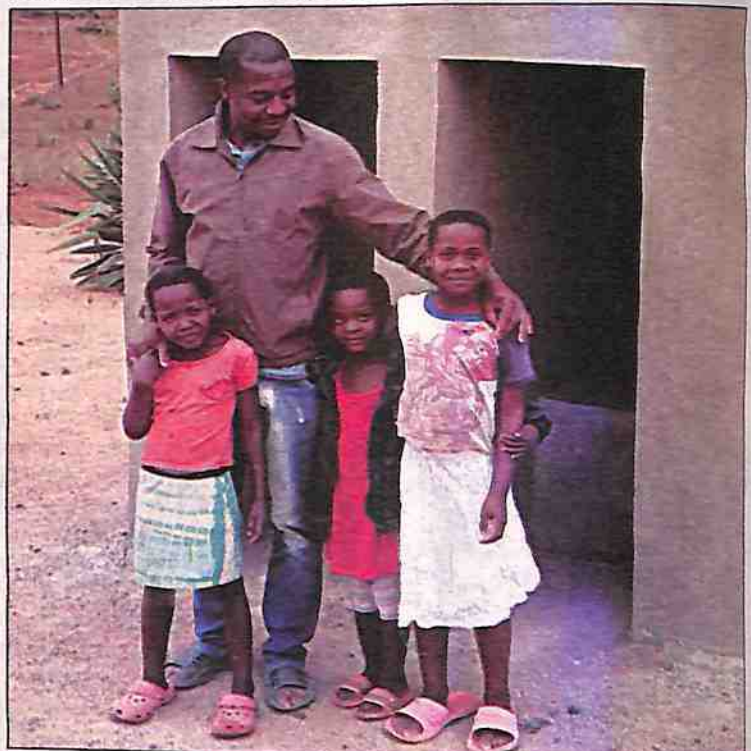
- » Emawulwani dip tank
- » Emphatsa dip tank

OTHER PROJECTS

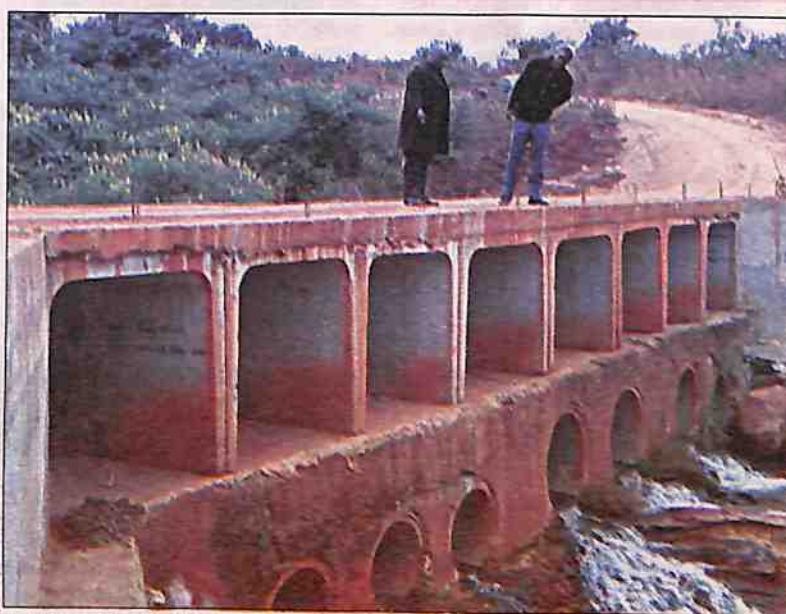
- » The MP has connected over 80 percent of the constituency with electricity through over 50 electricity schemes.
- » Opened the Ndlozini Sports Ground
- » Nsingweni Sports Ground
- » The proposed E6 million sports centre to be constructed at Maphalaleni
- » Construction of two dams for irrigation purposes at Lubuyane and Ntsakane
- » Setting up of three MTN aerials worth over E3 million
- » Three new high schools



UNDERWAY: A block of toilets being constructed at Kuhlahl Primary. Standing next to MP Mabulala is the school's Chairman Jabulani Maseko.



DADDY'S LITTLE GIRLS: Zama Mncina posing with his family near one of the toilets constructed at the inkhundla.



DEVELOPMENT: The Maphalaleni MP together with Gabangani Dlamini, Indvuna Yenkhundla, inspecting the Ntsakane bridge that was recently constructed.

him

'Bakhanyisele Mabulala'.

In addition, the workaholic legislator, within three years in office, has facilitated the construction of four bridges, two dip tanks and three water projects.

MP Mabulala said in terms of progress, projects were progressing smoothly in his constituency. Even though government had financial challenges, his constituency was one

of those that benefited through funding from Micro-Projects, World Vision, World Bank, the Regional Development Fund and other NGOs. "I can safely say about 80 percent of the projects we were targeting have been implemented.

In a nutshell, we have covered almost all our targets.

We are still going to put more effort in bringing water in the constituency," he said.



MORE: The MP inspecting the Gidithole bridge.

MP MABULALA PROVIDES 2 000 TOILETS

MAPHALALENI – A home without an ablution facility poses a health hazard to inhabitants.

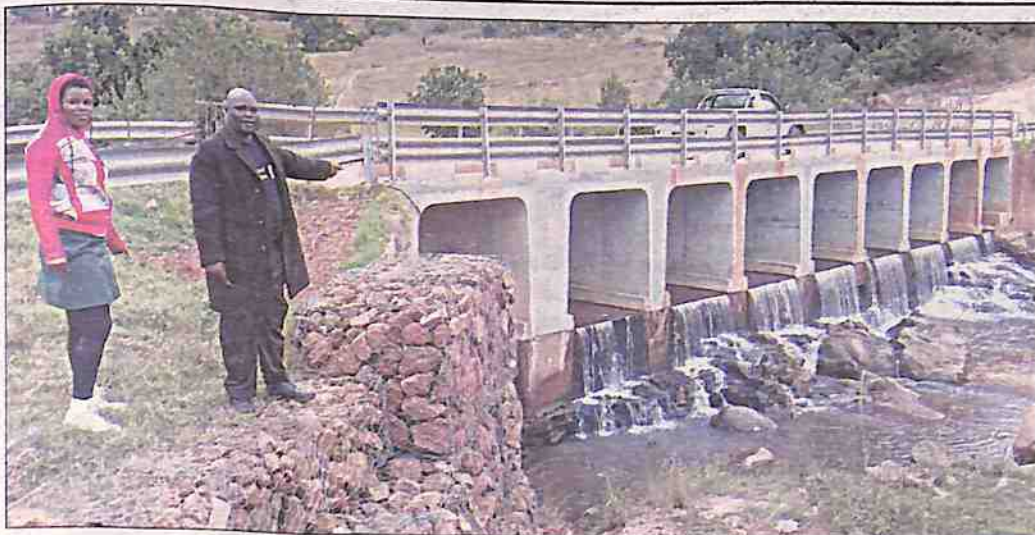
However, over 2 000 residents under Maphalaleni are no longer worried about issues of health following the construction of toilets around the constituency through the assistance of ablution facilities project – a programme initiated by MP Mabulala Maseko.

Maseko said health issues were

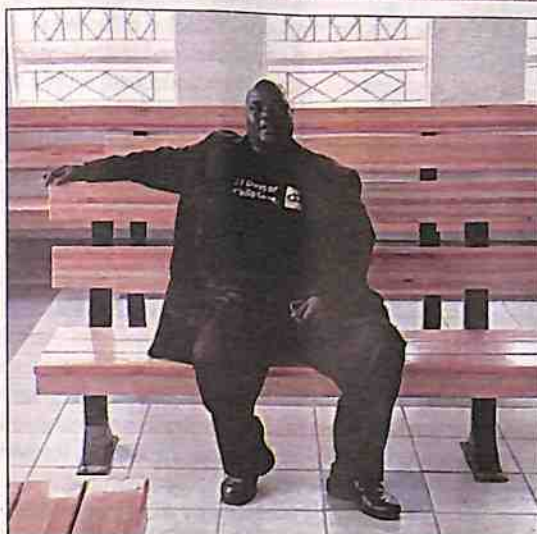
a big concern in the constituency. He said at first they wanted to venture into a project of installing water within the constituency.

However, this exercise, after a survey, was hindered by the fact that most homesteads did not have toilets.

This prompted health experts to give advice against the installation of water since most homesteads did not have toilets and were using the forest to respond to the call of nature.



THERE WE GO: Nomfundo Mncina with MP Mabulala Maseko captured at Mkhomazane Low-Level Bridge. **RIGHT** - The Mfoloji bridge that was constructed in 2014.



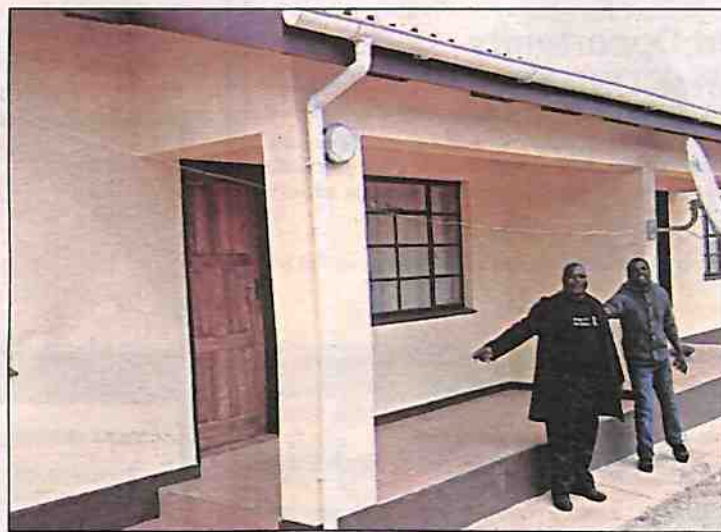
COMFORTABLE: MP Mabulala Maseko relaxes in the waiting room of the newly constructed clinic.



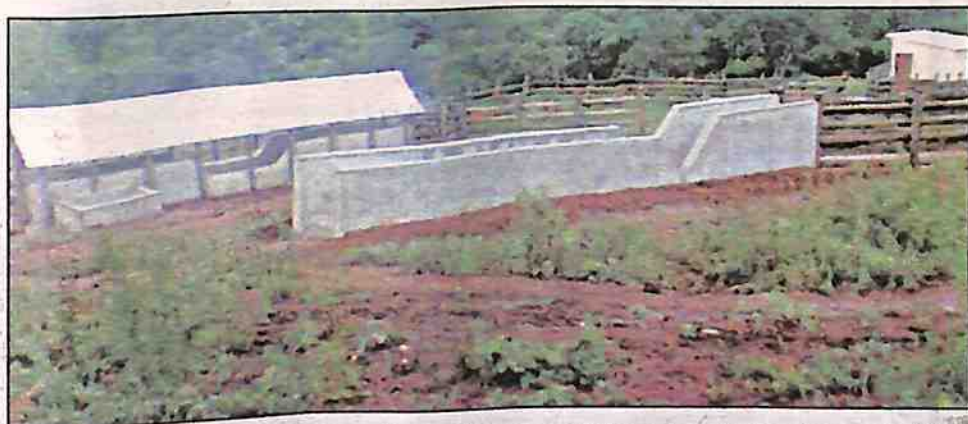
MODERN: The kitchen constructed at Maphalaleni High School.



MOVING FORWARD: A classroom constructed at Kuhlaha Primary School. **RIGHT** - LOOK: Bucophu Maphevu Dlamini and the MP posing next to a teachers' quarters recently put up.



SET: Water project that was installed at Maphalaleni.



BRAIN CHILD: The Mphatsa dip tank is one of the projects implemented by the MP.

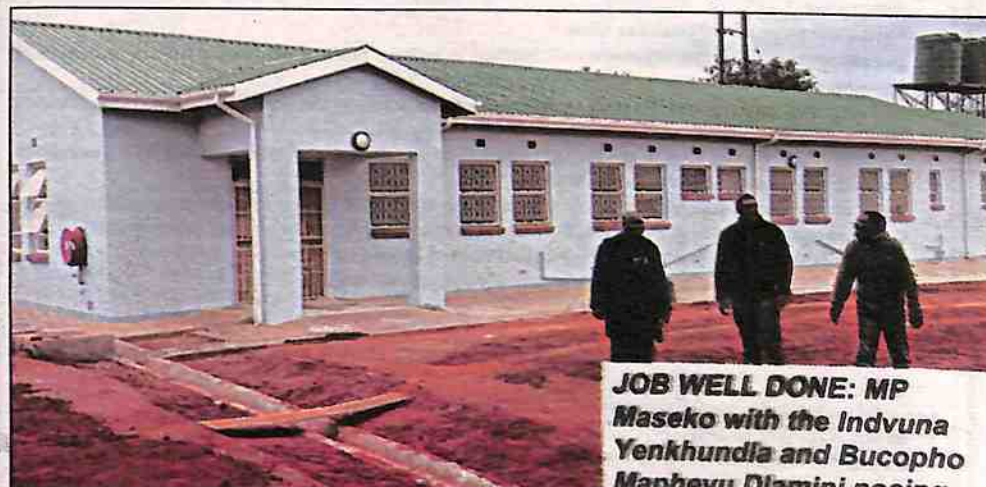
It was then that Maseko motivated parliament to assist in mobilising the ministry of health to attend to community health issues. "A survey was conducted and we decided to engage on a programme of building toilets for residents," he said. Each homestead received three bags of cement plus three corrugated irons and all other items associ-

ated with building a toilet, which translated to E800 per unit. About 2 000 homesteads have benefitted so far. They include Maphalaleni, Sitseni, KaSiko, Mfeni and Nsingweni. Zama Mncina, one of the residents that have benefitted from the construction of the ablution facilities, said they were happy to now have formal structures of relieving

themselves. "Prior to the construction it was a mess. We used the forest when answering to the call of nature but now we have our perfect structures," he said.

E1.7 MILLION BRIDGE CONNECTS TWO TINKHUNDLA
MAPHALALENI - Tireless

efforts by MP Mabulala Maseko has seen the construction of a historic bridge that connects two constituencies - Nkhaba and Maphalaleni. The bridge, which is known as Mkhomazane Low-Level, was constructed in 2014 and is worth E1.7 million. MP Maseko said over 1 200 residents benefitted from the construc-



JOB WELL DONE: MP Maseko with the Indvuna Yenkhundla and Bucophu Maphevu Dlamini posing next to the newly constructed E6 million clinic at Maphalaleni.

tion of the bridge including schools. The bridge is found between Ekuvinjelweni and Lubhujini. "Before the bridge was constructed, residents were using an informal foot bridge. This was, however, a risk as some children feared drowning," he said.

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58 NABBED FOR DRINK-DRIVING

THERE was a slight drop in figures for those nabbed by police for drink-driving over the past weekend.

A total of 58 people were busted over the weekend compared to last weekend's 65, Deputy Police Information and Communications Officer Superintendent Phindile Vilakati announced yesterday. She said these incidents happened in different places.

A number of people have already appeared in court to answer for their misdeeds while others will be brought before magistrates this morning. Meanwhile, a VW Golf 3 driven by a 31-year-old man of Herefords knocked down a cow, lost control and overturned several times along

Dvokolwako/Madlangempisi Public road at Mthamuzi yesterday.

A 27-year-old man of Herefords who was a passenger sustained serious injuries and was rushed to Dvokolwako Health Centre, where he was certified dead on arrival.

The driver and another passenger, a 22-year-old man of Herefords, were also seriously injured and rushed to the same health

centre for treatment. They were later transferred to Raleigh Fitkin Memorial Hospital (RFM) where they both were admitted and currently recuperating.

Matter

In an unrelated matter, Sidvokodvo Police arrested and charged three people for being in possession of 11 bags of dagga weighing 64.5 kg on Saturday.

The 35-year-old man of KaNdinda, a 34-year-old man of Lwandle and a 25-year-old woman of KaNdinda were found in possession of dagga that had a street value of E51 600 without a licence or permit while at Kandinda.

All the suspects are expected to appear at the Manzini Magistrate Court today.

Meanwhile, a 38-year-old man of Mzaceni discovered a body of a man believed to be around 30 at Nkomanzi River in Nkambeni. The matter was reported to the police and the body was retrieved by the police with the help of members of the public. The body was taken to Dvokolwako Health Centre.



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Key responsibilities

- Exercise oversight responsibility of the organisation's compliance program whilst monitoring its effectiveness
- Establish procedures to detect and correct non-compliance
- Identify, assess and provide sound advice on all regulatory compliance requirements
- Monitor changes in relevant legislation and the regulatory environment, applying appropriate action where necessary
- Liaise with external regulators and advisors such as auditors, FSRA, Central Bank and law practitioners
- Provide periodic reports on the status of the organisation's compliance to relevant regulators
- Provide training to relevant stakeholders on procedures and practices necessary to achieve compliance
- Mitigate legal risk in all business areas
- Ensure protection of the organisation's interest in vetting, drafting, reviewing and the provision of legal opinions on all contracts with business partners
- Conduct legal analysis and research in order to provide timely professional advice within the relevant legal framework
- Assume responsibility for the conduct of litigation on behalf of the organisation and where necessary instruct and monitor external legal advisers
- Keep abreast with compliance laws, rules and standards and advise relevant stakeholders of any developments of same, as well as identify any opportunities presented by such developments
- Advise management on the regulatory implications of actions taken or being considered
- Act as custodian of the department budgets and manage variances

Qualification and competencies

- Admitted Attorney with an LLB plus litigation exposure, as well as 5 years compliance/regulatory experience
- Good negotiation, communication and stakeholder management skills
- Strong attention to detail
- Concern for excellence and continuous improvement
- Ability to enhance compliance knowledge and skills in a changing environment
- Customer and team orientation
- Highest levels of discretion, honesty and diplomacy

Closing date for applications is 17 June 2016. All applications will be acknowledged. No late applications will be accepted. Should you not receive further correspondence within one month of the closing date, please consider your application unsuccessful. Written applications are to be submitted together with a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae. Preference will be given to Swazi citizens.

Please apply in writing clearly specifying the position applying for to:

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Embrace donating blood - WHO

Stories by Gugu Simelane
Mbabane

AS the world commemorates World Blood Donor Day tomorrow, the World Health Organisation (WHO) is calling upon all individuals to embrace the culture of blood donation.

The country will join the global community to commemorate World Blood Donor Day under the theme "Blood connects us all". This theme aims to highlight the dimension of sharing and connection between blood donors and patients and to thank voluntary, unpaid blood donors for their life-saving gifts of blood.

WHO Regional Director for Africa, Dr Matshidiso Moeti said: "As we commemorate World Blood Donor Day, I call upon every healthy person, national health officials, patient groups, professional societies, civil society organisations, the private sector and international organisations to work towards ensuring their countries' self-sufficiency in safe blood and blood products. This will contribute towards achieving universal health coverage and Sustainable Development Goals in the African Region".

Moeti said blood transfusion has an essential life saving role in all aspects of health care including maternal and child care, particularly in cases of haemorrhage during or after childbirth, severe anaemia, for victims of trauma and accidents, and in the event of man-made and natural disasters.

She went on to say it also supports complex medical and surgical procedures, among others. The WHO Regional Director revealed that in

the WHO African Region, the demand for transfusion of blood and blood products is high and the national blood transfusion services are facing the challenge of making sufficient, safe and quality blood and blood products available.

She said from 2013 to 2016, blood donations rose from about 3.9 million units to 4.4 million units. Though that is an 11.4 percent of increase, she said that only covers around 50 percent of the annual requirement of blood. So far, only 21 countries are collecting 80 to 100 percent of their national blood needs through voluntary unpaid blood donors.

"The shortage of blood in most countries in the African Region is often due to the weak implementation of policies, and lack of systems and structures to ensure an adequate supply of safe blood and blood products to meet the needs of all patients requiring transfusion. In addition, most young people and adults have not yet embraced the culture of voluntarism when it comes to blood donation," she said.

Moeti further expressed her gratitude to voluntary unpaid blood donors for their regular blood donation and thanked blood donor associations, nongovernmental

organisations and volunteer groups which are working alongside health workers to make safe blood available throughout the African Region.

"Concrete actions are needed to improve the safety, quality, accessibility and timely availability of blood and blood products in the African Region.

WHO remains committed to continue to provide technical support to member states to strengthen service delivery and safety as well to improve access to safe blood and blood products for patients in need in the African Region," she said.



World Health Organization



Ministry of Labour and Social Security

Vacancy

LECTURER - BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Applications are invited from qualified candidates for appointment to the above post in the Civil Service tenable in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security under the Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Services Unit.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

The candidate must have:-

- A Degree or its equivalent in Building Construction and at least five (5) years working experience in the same field
- He/She should be a self driven person who should be ready and willing to work with persons with various disabilities
- Training in Special Education, Sign Language, Adult Education and Entrepreneurship skills will be an added advantage

RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES

- To evaluate the vocational aptitude of persons with disabilities in Building Construction starting with Carpentry and later expanding to the other disciplines of building construction
- To prepare a detailed syllabus and break it into modules
- To provide vocational assessment and skill development to the Trainees
- To impart theoretical and practical training in building and construction (carpentry) trade to persons with disabilities
- To be responsible for all training equipment and tools
- To maintain inventory for all tools and other equipment used for training
- To carry out periodical tests on Trainees, groom them either for industrial operation and/or income generating projects and through production arrangements
- To maintain discipline among Trainees and enforce the principle of on the job training
- To prepare and maintain records of all Trainees in their individual file
- To assist persons with disabilities to maintain a healthy mind and body by actively engaging them in sporting activities
- To organize and conduct study tours in line with the relevant trade for purposes of familiarization
- To liaise with Centre Manager in terms of relevant placement of Trainees with respect to training and development issues and reports to him/her
- To carry out any other official duties that may be assigned by her/his immediate Supervisor

SALARY

The basic salary is on Grade C6: E177, 452 rising to E199, 726 per annum

APPLICATION FORMS

They are obtainable from:

The Executive Secretary,
Civil Service Commission,
P.O. Box 158,
Mbabane.

The candidate's Curriculum Vitae and copies of certificates of the required qualifications must accompany applications. Candidates must complete CSC Form B or Form C for serving officers. Candidates who do not have the above qualifications should not apply because their applications will not be considered.

CLOSING DATE: 21st June, 2016

PS Lorraine accused of arrogance

By Sabatha Dlamini
Lobamba

JUSTICE Principal Secretary, Lorraine Hlophe, is arrogantly refusing to recover the taxpayer's money corruptly paid to Lillian Zwane, a senior Anti-Corruption Commission Officer.

The ministry's controlling officer, Hlophe, was instructed by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) to recover all government monies that were corruptly and unjustly paid to Zwane through questionable contracts she signed with the ACC when she was engaged from the Correctional Services Department. Instead of implementing the PAC recommendation to recover the money from the officer, Hlophe's response to the parliamentary committee was found to be absurd, at least by the PAC Chairperson, MP Thuli Dladla.

Hlophe, in her attempts to run away from her responsibilities as overall controlling officer for the ministry of justice and constitutional affairs, told the PAC in a heated response that pursuing Zwane's case and demanding the money due to government would attract lawsuits. "It is at this point in

time not clear for the controlling officer which monies are to be paid back without attracting lawsuits," said PS Hlophe.

She further said: "Worth noting on this issue is there are various role players involved, who are custodians of policies and safeguard the interests of the government." MP Dladla, however, differed with Hlophe and cut her to her to size. Dladla said the committee could not tolerate Hlophe's wild outburst on the matter. "I found it absurd that we are not expected to demand public funds," said MP Dladla.

All the explanation she advanced to the PAC, Dladla said, should have been directed to the auditor general when she first demanded answers on the controversial payments made to the ACC officer through the fraudulent contracts.

PS Hlophe conceded though that Zwane unjustly received the government money. Hlophe said she was of the view that: "the extent of the officer's unjust enrichment in respect of the first two contracts, the first signed in 2008 for five years and the four month extension contract in 2012 have not been determined in any legal forum."

In this regard, she said it would be very difficult for her to single-handedly



ARROGANT: Justice Principal Secretary Lorraine Hlophe.

calculate the extent of Zwane's indebtedness to the government.

Hlophe said Zwane had already taken the government to court regarding the contracts hence the matter could only be dealt with after the court had delivered its judgement, not while the matter was still pending in this forum.

After the PAC drummed sense into Hlophe's head, she concluded the matter by telling the committee in future she would be more alert; further conceding it was wrong to shift blame to other departments on issues she should be addressing herself. "The committee is directing us and we appreciate that," she concluded.

Residents bay for man's blood

By Nozipho Sibiya
Mbabane

ANGRY Mhlabubovu residents are threatening to set alight a 22-year-old man for an accident in which two people died after a van he was driving cap-sized.

The young man now fears for his life after getting death threats from the residents of the area.

According to a source, the 22-year-old man, whose name is known to this publication, reportedly stole a van from his home and allegedly took his friends for a drinking spree around Malkerns. It is said at first the car was driven by a sober driver.

However, upon their return, he and his girlfriend felt they still wanted to continue enjoying their alcoholic beverages. "The 22-year-old in the middle of the night decided to drive the car with his girlfriend with 13 other friends packed at the back of the van."

The eyewitness said the car cap-sized just a few kilometres from the young man's home.

Three of the passengers were severely injured while others sustained minor injuries.

"They were rushed to Mankayane Government Hospital by the Royal Swaziland Police and two of them were certified

● *after accident claims two lives at Mhlabubovu*

dead upon arrival," said the source.

One of the passengers is reportedly still fighting for his life at the hospital.

The man upon realising he had caused an accident ran away since he was drunk and did not have a valid driver's licence.

However, he was caught in the early hours of last Sunday by Mankayane police.

Angry

The source said angry residents have blamed the young man for being reckless resulting in the fatal accident. "They said they want to set him alight. Actually, they want him dead," said the source.

As a result, the young man has vacated the area in fear for his life. "The people of Mankayane are baying for the young man's blood."

The source said the man was charged with three counts including drink-driving, driving without a licence and culpable homicide. He appeared in court last Monday and was admitted to a bail of E2 500 and ordered by the court to report on a daily basis.



Ministry of Labour and Social Security

Vacancy

LECTURER - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Applications are invited from qualified candidates for appointment to the above post in the Civil Service tenable in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security under the Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Services Unit.

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

The candidate must have:-

- A Degree in Computer Science or IT or ICDL with five (5) years working experience. Knowledge or qualifications in A+ or N+ CCNA will be an added advantage
- He/She should be a self driven person who should be ready and willing to work with persons with various disabilities
- Training in Special Education, Sign Language, Adult Education and Entrepreneurship skills will be an added advantage

RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES

- To evaluate the vocational aptitude of persons with disabilities in Information Technology
- To prepare a detailed syllabus and break it into modules
- To provide vocational assessment and skill development to the Trainees
- To impart theoretical and practical training on the relevant trade to persons with disabilities
- To be responsible for all training equipment and tools
- To maintain inventory for all tools and other equipment used for training
- To carry out periodical tests on Trainees, groom them for computers and industrial experience through production work arrangements
- To maintain discipline among Trainees and enforce the principle of on the job training
- To maintain progress reports and records of all Trainees in their individual file
- To assist persons with disabilities to maintain a healthy mind and body by actively engaging them in sporting activities
- To organize and conduct study tours in line with the relevant trade for purposes of familiarization
- To liaise with Centre Manager Trainees with respect to training and development issues and reports to him/her
- To carry out any other official duties that may be assigned by her/his immediate Supervisor

SALARY

The basic salary is on Grade C6: E177, 452 rising to E199, 726 per annum

APPLICATION FORMS

They are obtainable from:

The Executive Secretary,
Civil Service Commission,
P.O. Box 158,
Mbabane.

The candidate's Curriculum Vitae and copies of certificates of the required qualifications must accompany applications. Candidates must complete CSC Form B or Form C for serving officers. Candidates who do not have the above qualifications should not apply because their applications will not be considered.

CLOSING DATE: 21st June, 2016

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Vacancy

LECTURER - AGRICULTURE

Applications are invited from qualified candidates for appointment to the above cited post tenable in the Civil Service in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- The candidate must have a Degree in Agriculture Education with 5 years working experience;
- Must be self driven person who should be ready and willing to work with persons with various disabilities;
- Training in Special Education, Sign Language, Adult Education and Entrepreneurship Skills will be an added advantage.

RESPONSIBILITIES/DUTIES

- To evaluate the vocational aptitude of persons with disabilities in crop and vegetable production as well as Animal Husbandry in Agriculture;
- To prepare a detailed syllabus and break it into modules;
- To provide vocational assessment and skills development to the trainees;
- To impart theoretical and practical training on the relevant trade to persons with disabilities;
- To be responsible for all training equipment and tools;
- To maintain inventory for all tools and other equipment used for training;
- To carry out periodical tests on trainees and groom them either for industrial operation and income generating projects;
- To groom trainees for industrial experience through production work arrangements;
- To maintain discipline among trainees and enforce the principle of on the job training;
- To prepare and maintain progress reports and records of all trainees in their individual file;
- To assist persons with disabilities to maintain a healthy mind and body by actively engaging them in sporting activities;
- To organize and conduct study tours in line with the relevant trade for purpose of familiarization;
- To liaise with Centre Manager in terms of relevant placement of trainees;
- To liaise with Centre Manager with respect to training and development issues; to carry out any other relevant duties as may be delegated by the supervisor;
- To report to the Centre Manager;
- To perform any other official duties as may be assigned by the immediate supervisor and/or Head of Department.

SALARY

The salary will be on Grade C6: E177, 452 rising up to E199, 726 per annum

APPLICATION FORMS

These are obtainable from the:
Executive Secretary,
Civil Service Commission,
P.O. Box 158,
Mbabane

Applications must be accompanied by the candidate's Curriculum Vitae and certified copies of Certificates of required qualifications. Civil Servants must have completed CSC Form C. Officers who do not possess the above qualifications should not apply as their applications will not be considered.

CLOSING DATE: 21st JUNE, 2016

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21 DAYS OF Y'ELLO CARE

MTN

everywhere you go

MTN, PARTNERS COME THROUGH FOR ST JOSEPH'S

Stories by Nomfundo Sifundza
Manzini

AS MTN continues to roll-out this year's 21 Days of Y'ello Care, St Joseph's Primary School was last week pampered with innovation programmes to suit the beneficiaries' needs.

MTN brought the programmes in partnership with Edit Microsystems, a company based in Cape Town.

The school has three streams which cater for the respective needs of the pupils. There is the Zama Centre for visually impaired pupils, resource centre for the visually impaired and mentally impaired pupils as well as the mainstream for able bodied pupils. Once a pupil from the resource centre or the Zama Centre was fluent in languages and would cope in all situations, he is then transferred to the mainstream which had able bodied pupils.

The clicker seven programme brought to Swaziland by Edit Microsystems, a company based in Cape Town, seeks to



help children with special needs to operate computers and interact with those around them.

It gives visually impaired pupils the opportunity to hear their work read back to them in a friendly age-appropriate voice they can identify with. Once visually impaired pupils can operate a computer they would be able to surf the internet like every other person and that makes them eligible to compete in the job market with those who have full sight.

"Our children will feel normal, we would not have afforded it on our own" said St Joseph's Deputy Headteacher,

Thandi Zulu. She said they were a big school with children of all abilities and disabilities, the need for computer literacy was bothering them as they felt their children could do exceedingly well outside their borders.

Zulu further expressed her gratitude for the drain MTN and Afrisam built for the school. "We have had a headache about our drains as when it rained, it poured directly into the classrooms," Zulu said.

The MTN 21 days of Y'ello Care campaign is yet to make an impact in two more special needs schools, Equisweni and Embasheni.



BE CONFIDENT: FLAS staffer Thobeka Kunene interacting with the pupils as she encouraged them to be confident in life. (Pics: Thandeka Ndlangamandla)



GOOD MOOD: Manzini Deputy REO Nhlanhla Dlamini joined by teachers as they enjoy performances by pupils.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION IS HEREBY GIVEN BY CANHAM Mining International Limited FOR A GENERATION LICENCE FROM THE SWAZILAND ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY (SERA) ESTABLISHED IN TERMS OF THE ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY ACT OF 2007

Applicant: CANHAM Mining International Limited
Country of Registration: SWAZILAND
Registration Number: 1616 of 2005
Postal Address: P.O. Box 1805
MANZINI SWAZILAND
Business Address: 7/131 Mbababa Street
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Technology: Pulverised Super-Critical Thermal Power
Type of Application: Generation
Site location: Farm No. 1049, Mpaka, LUBOMBO Region
Site coordinates: Latitude S 26° 25' 30.0
Longitude E 31° 48' 34.7

In accordance with the requirements of SERA the following information will be available to any interested person to inspect complete information in respect thereto at the physical address of SERA, 1st Floor RHUS Office Park, Karl Grant Street, Mbababa, Kingdom of Swaziland

1. Map showing proposed location where CANHAM Mining International Limited ("CMI") intends to erect an plant.
2. Description of the technical design including a one-line diagram of the proposed plant and its surrounding electrical system.
3. Description including the site layout of the area within which CMI intends to carry out activities authorized under the license.
4. Calculation of the net present value of the proposed plant and any alternative plants.
5. Other information regarding the plant and design deemed necessary by the SERA.
6. Desired license period: 30 Years.
7. Such other information as the SERA may require or as it required in terms of the Electricity Act of 2007.

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Any person willing to object against this Application may within a period of 30 days after the date of publication of this advertisement lodge a written objection against such Application with the SERA in a form determined by the Board and in compliance with the relevant requirements of the Authority which are available on request.

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WORK, WORK: AfriSam staff joined by MTNers as they build the school a drainage system.



VISUALLY IMPAIRED PUPIL WANTS TO BE A SURGEON

A visually impaired pupil at St Joseph's aspires to be a surgeon.

Sindisiwe Simelane (17), a Grade Five pupil is alert to some obstacles in her journey but is willing to overcome them.

Sindisiwe speaks fluent English which she learned through Braille. Braille is a tactile writing and reading system based on a grid of six raised dots. Each dot is numbered from one to six, which helps describe the letter pattern to the learner.

"Sindisiwe is a smart, responsible caregiver and I have no doubt as a doctor she will do well, of course with the assistance of nurses as she is visually impaired," said her class teacher Maggie Ginindza.

Sindisiwe is so adept in Braille she even teaches some of her classmates how to read using it. Ginindza said they encouraged their pupils they could become whatever they wanted



AIMING FOR THE STARS: Sindisiwe Simelane being assisted by her class teacher Maggie Ginindza.

to be and should never degrade themselves because of disability. "Despite my challenges with sight I will be able to operate a computer. We thank Swazi MTN for the

Clicker 7 programme" said Sindisiwe who lives in the hostel at St Joseph's. Sindisiwe further advised other disabled pupils to learn so that they reach their goals.

A HELPING HAND: MTNers ferry equipment from the ground to the drainage site.

MTN undertakes construction of facilities

SWAZI MTN has partnered with AfriSam to rebuild a drainage system at St Joseph's Primary School.

Swazi MTN and AfriSam joined hands to make young people's life better under the theme 'Investing in education'. At Ekwetsembeni special needs school, there is a guard house under construction which the entity needed. On the other hand, St Joseph's School has been

experiencing problems with its drainage system and pipes. Swazi MTN and AfriSam would start and finish these two structures during the course of the 21 days of Y'ello Care campaign.

The campaign is expected to end on June 21. Activities undertaken in this year's campaign were painting, robotics, clicker 7 programmes (these are computer based concepts which enable pupils who have diffi-

culty with speech to electronically capture thought and ideas), Macmillan talking stories, construction and the Y'ello Smart School App (an application designed for teachers' use). Swazi MTN CEO, Ambrose Dlamini, said the Y'ello Smart School App would be installed free of charge in the schools selected for the MTN 21 Days of Y'ello Care campaign. It will later come with a price tag to other schools.



INGADLA: The school's Ummiso group entertaining guests.



FUCA: An MTNer hard at work. **RIGHT - GUMBOOT DANCE:** St Joseph's funny pupils do the gumboot dance.



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HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

Our client, the Swaziland National Provident Fund invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for the above position of Human Resources Manager in the Corporate Services Department. The position reports to the Head of Corporate Services.

MAIN PURPOSE

To develop Human Resources Strategies that enhance harmonious employee relations, performance improvement, and HR best practices, whilst ensuring that required skills and competencies are available and well managed through a planned people development strategy.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- A Bachelor's degree in the Social Sciences
- 10 years' experience in an HR Environment, of which 3 years should be in a Management Position
- Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resources or Industrial Relations or Industrial psychology or any related field will be an added advantage.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE / SKILLS / COMPETENCIES

- HR Strategy
- Career Development / Succession Plans
- Policies & Procedures
- Operational Manpower Plans
- Training & Development Solutions
- Organizational Development
- Industrial Relations
- Remunerations & Benefits
- Budgets & Costs
- Performance Management System
- Information & Reports
- Health Safety & Environment (SHE)
- Recruitment & Selection
- Job Evaluation
- Payroll management

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- The incumbent will be responsible for the following:
- Developing HR Strategy
- Preparation of capital and recurrent budget for the HR section
- Development of HR policies and procedures
- Ensure that an effective, fair and transparent succession system is in place
- Identify manpower needs through forecasting (age analysis of current employees, current vacancies) to determine future needs of SNPF
- Compile SNPF's training and development plan and ensure delivery
- Develop initiatives for improving staff morale and other cultural assessments within SNPF
- Maintain sound labour relations at SNPF conducting regular consultations with stakeholders on employee and business issues
- Ensure that a Performance Management system is in place, adhered to and it is generating desired outcomes
- Ensure the existence of the appropriate Recruitment & Selection tools
- Facilitating job evaluation exercise within SNPF
- Health Safety & Environment issues

APPLICATIONS

Interested candidates must submit their applications with a detailed resume and certified copies of academic qualifications to:

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P.O. Box 801
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Swaziland Beverages hailed for promoting culture

SWAZILAND Beverages (SB) has been appreciated for its contribution in promoting culture in the country.

The company's involvement in sponsoring some of the events and activities in the country has been viewed as another way of assisting in the upliftment of the country's economy and also empowering people in a number of ways.

Speaking during the Imvelo Brew Sibhaca Competition at Maseyisini Inkhundla on Saturday, Chief Executive Officer of the Swaziland National Council of Arts and Culture Council (SNCAC), Stanley Dlamini said it was everyone's responsibility to promote culture which has played an important role in having Swazis remaining a unique nation.

Swaziland Beverages sponsorship for this year's competition is E75 000 while last year it was E45 000. "Let me appeal that let us make sure that any company which is contributing in changing people's lives must be supported by buying its products. This is a plea that the Council of Arts and Culture is directing to Swazis and anyone who is here, that let us buy no other beverage but Imvelo products. The good thing is that these are Swazi products and the



APPRECIATIVE: SNCAC CEO Stanley Dlamini making some remarks at Maseyisini Inkhundla.

company is sponsoring the *sibhaca* competition thus promoting our culture," said Dlamini. Dlamini said as Imvelo was a brew made with the right ingredients, it was healthy for 'guzzlers' and also different to the dangerous and poisonous substances that are served in shebeens. He said Imvelo was healthy and was a high quality product. He also added that communities would benefit a lot if they supported SB by buying Imvelo products. This then would mean that the company ploughs back to the community. Dlamini also advised those taking the brew not to abuse it. He cautioned its consumers to drink it in a responsible



WHO'S THE WINNER?: Judges still deciding the winners during the Imvelo Sibhaca Tournament.

manner.

"Abusing any beverage is not good, you have to drink responsibly and I have no doubt that even SB, which is the manufacture of some of these products, they don't encourage the abuse of their products by customers," he said.

Coming to the teams, the CEO said it was important to stick to the rules and regulations of the tournament. He said apart from the dress code, punctuality was also important. He said the laws of the tournament were there and should be followed. He said any tournament was guided by rules and the participants or competitors should stick to all the rules in order for the tournament to be successful.

"The rules have to be applied and therefore teams should respect all the rules of the tournament. Sponsors work with rules and for this tournament to enjoy further support, we should obey the rules," he said. The CEO said there was a chance to have more companies sponsor the competition, thus rules must be well respected.

"This tournament could have sponsorship running to over E1 million as there can be other companies keen to be part of it. There must be somethings in place for this to happen. Imvelo has laid the foundation and let's appreciate this by making sure the tournament is run smoothly," said Dlamini.

Sibhaca teams must sharpen their skills

SIBHACA teams around the Shiselweni region must sharpen their skills so that they form part of the Sagila Semnikati Sibhaca team.

Speaking during the *sibhaca* and *indlamu* competition sponsored by Imvelo Brew held at Maseyisini Inkhundla on Saturday, Sagila Semnikati Captain Peter Maseko noted that the region must match all the necessary requirements to become best *sibhaca* dancers who then would be recruited to the national team (Sagila Semnikati). Imvelo is sponsoring the tournament to the tune of E75 000 and this year's finals have been slated for July 2, 2016. Maseko as he watched the teams perform, noticed a number of things which would be considered even when the 'scouts' for the national team starts recruiting in communities. "Sagila Semnikati wants to see people who show respect even when performing. Respect is part of our culture and it starts here. The Swaziland Beverages' Imvelo tournament is also promoting culture, and we congratulate them for such a step. We appreciate what the company is doing. *Babambise live kutsi emasiko siwagcine*," said Maseko.



ACTION: One of the sibhaca teams that participated during the Imvelo Tournament at Maseyisini Inkhundla.

Imvelo happy with support from communities

IMVELO Sales Manager Ernest Mavuso says their products enjoy massive support in most communities.

He said even those operating 'joints' or 'spots' known as shebeens should sell the product without any fear but should do so legally. He said there was a licence for selling Imvelo brew which was easily obtained.

"That licence is known as the traditional African beverages licence. We can assist anyone in this regard as far as possible as we want to see our product being sold legally. We brew this beverage for customers to

enjoy and not abuse it.

Already, we have observed how much people from this region are enjoying it and we appreciate that. I must say that the more we see our product flying off the shelves, the more we will assist communities by sponsoring tournaments such as this one," said Mavuso. Mavuso said it was during such tournaments where talent was unearthed in communities, where others could end up even getting jobs.

"Participants of this tournament are the armed forces and this then could also see someone from the communities

being recruited to join any of these forces. We are unearthing talent which is another way of opening job opportunities to some," said Mavuso.

Mavuso also mentioned that what the company was appreciating during the tournament was the behaviour shown by the communities in all the areas they visited.

"It is a tournament that is not marred by violence and we don't even have to see people brought to order. It's a friendly tournament compared to many others hosted around the country," said Mavuso.

Imvelo should replace 'bomankanjane'

INDVUNA Yenkhundla of Maseyisini Nonhlanhla Mhlanga believes Imvelo Brew should be sold in rural areas and not the infamous brews by shebeen kings and queens which destroyed people's lives.

Speaking during the Imvelo Sibhaca Tournament at Maseyisini Constituency on Saturday, Mhlanga said Swaziland Beverages (SB) was doing a great job by producing Imvelo.

"Let the shebeen owners know what is good for their customers' health. Imvelo, I am sure is the right stuff to serve. SB can provide you with any amount of stock you require. Desist from serving any of this other deadly substances. The brew (Imvelo) you get from SB is brewed in a very professional manner and it has no health risk," said Mhlanga.

Mhlanga said as a constituency, they were humbled that SB decided to choose them to stage the tournament there out of the many.

She said her wish was to see more of such events or gatherings continue throughout the year as they benefitted communities in a number of ways.

Meanwhile, the area's Member of Parliament Mduduzi 'Small Joe' Dlamini said Swazis should make it a point that they do not look down upon themselves in as far as culture was concerned. He said a number of nations envied Swazis because of the culture. He said Swaziland, despite being a small country, had its impact felt globally because of its rich culture.

"Go anywhere around the world, you find that if they hear that you come from Swaziland, they come closer and show interest of taking pictures with you. You are treated with respect because you are a Swazi. The culture has contributed to the unity we are famous for around the world," said the MP.

The MP thanked the Arts and Culture office for its role in making sure that cultural activities were promoted and encouraged like the Imvelo Sibhaca competition sponsored by SB.

"We express many thanks to the management of the Arts and Culture for its tireless efforts in promoting such activities. This is what we want to see happening as through such cultural activities, it's how we are identified as a nation," he said.

Meanwhile, teams which qualified to compete in the finals slated for July 2, 2016, under the armed forces, were *indlamu* from Correctional Services under Pool A qualified while in Pool B (teams from communities) Zombodze Emuva together with Lusikinyane progressed to the finals as well.

For *ingadla*, Nhlanguano Police in the armed forces section (Pool A) won and progressed to the finals while Ebuseleli under Pool B also qualified to compete in the finals.

Savemore employee, 4 others arrested for theft

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi
Manzini

ABOUT four men have been arrested for allegedly stealing goods at Ruchi Cash and Carry and selling them to an Asian man using a forged authorisation form from Savemore.

Information gathered is that Sabelo Nkambule who is currently employed by Kwaluseni Savemore stole an authorisation form at his place of employment and gave it to a former colleague Zwakele Mbuli.

It is said the two worked together and forged a signature and stamped the form which allowed them to buy goods on credit at Ruchi Cash and Carry where SaveMore has an account.

It is said the accused then roped in two other people who assisted them to steal stock amounting to E27 000.



Information gathered is that Nkambule is the one who would be sent by the company to buy stock on their behalf as such he was familiar with the requisitioning process.

However, on this occasion it is said the accused was not sent by Savemore but was stealing from the company.

Last Wednesday, the accused were caught red-handed taking stock from Ruchi Cash and Carry and they were arrested.

When asked as to where they were

taking the items, it was alleged that the accused revealed that they sold the goods to a foreign national who owned a store.

Police discovered that a letter from Savemore Supermarket was used, the management was called and they informed the police that the signature was forged and the stamp was theirs.

The management informed the police that they did not give Mbuli any permission to use the stamp.

Police recovered items amounting to E27 000. The four together with the Asian were then arrested. The foreign national identified as Patel Seras made his first appearance before Magistrate Mthokozisi Dlamini at the Matsapha Circuit Court.

He pleaded not guilty to the charge he was slapped with and he is currently out on E10 000 bail.

Ex-Passada's employee arrested for stealing from patron

By Jozane Maziya
Mbabane Magistrate's Court

A former employee of Passada's Bar and Restaurant has been found guilty of stealing E7 000 from his former workplace.

The accused, Mxolisi Simelane is alleged to have stolen E7 000 from one Zandile Nsimbini whilst Nsimbini was enjoying a night out on June 4.

Simelane pleaded guilty to the offence.

Mbabane Magistrate Vilakati asked the accused man why he had taken the money without permission and he responded that he had been going through a difficult time financially.

The magistrate informed the man that financial constraints were not an excuse to get oneself involved in criminal activities. As the accused pleaded guilty, the crown chose not to lead evi-



PRESIDING: Mbabane Magistrate Sifiso Vilakati.

dence against Simelane as his guilty plea meant that he would be found guilty. Before handing down Mxolisi's sentence Magistrate Vilakati informed the accused man that he must compensate the complainant Zandile Nsimbini and he agreed. However, the magistrate wanted to know where the accused

would get the money to pay both the fine and the compensation.

The accused said he would ask for the money from his relatives, Magistrate Vilakati appeared to be amazed by this plan as he asked Simelane if his relatives had sent him out to commit the crime as they would now be burdened by his fine. The accused could only answer "no." Mxolisi Simelane was fined E2 000 but it was discovered later that the amount stated in the charge sheet, E7 000 was much higher than the amount that the accused claimed he took which was only E3 000.

As the Magistrate expected Simelane to compensate the complainant, the actual exact amount stolen had to be ascertained so the matter was postponed. This would give the crown sometime to ascertain the exact amount stolen from the complainant. Mxolisi was ordered to return to court on June 30.

SA healer fined by court for live python

By Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlengano

THE South African traditional healer who was arrested at Sicunusa Border Post for the possession of a live python has been sentenced to one year in a correctional facility or pay a fine of E4 000.

Nkosinathi Mosea (50) from Blood River in SA appeared before Shiselweni Principal Magistrate Florence Msibi after he was charged with the possession of a python which is a protected species under the Game Act.

The court heard that Mosea was in the company of another traditional healer also from SA and when they were nabbed at the border post.

This was after police requested to search their vehicle as is the procedure when one arrives at the border gate.

It is said Mosea who was driving the vehicle, seemed not at all aware that being in possession of such a snake was illegal in the country.

Explained

He is said to have explained to the police that together with the other inyanga, they had come to the Kingdom to perform a ritual at an unidentified place.

He said he was aware that the snake they carried was alive and it was part of the items they would use in some ritual.

The snake was wrapped with something and bundled in the car.

After the bag was opened, police were shocked to find the live snake.

Mosea when asked by the court as to where the snake was, he answered that it was nowhere near the court premises as it was taken by game rangers who were called by police while they were still at the border post.

"The accused person is charged for contravening Section 8 (4) as read with Subsection (5) of the Game Act 51/1953 at Sicunusa, the said accused person did unlawfully and intentionally possess a trophy of a Royal Game with a python," reads the charge sheet.

Magistrate Msibi sentenced Mosea who pleaded guilty to one year in a correctional facility or E4 000 fine. He paid the fine and gained his freedom. Sakhile Hlophe stood in for the Crown in the matter.

Mhlatane High pupil tries to commit suicide

Stories by Sizwe Dlamini
Pigg's Peak

A minor who is a scholar at Mhlatane High School last week tried committing suicide by overdosing on painkillers.

She was rushed to Pigg's Peak government hospital by his father.

The minor is suspected to have been trying to end her own life and was saved by her father who found her in bed instead of getting ready for school.

The incident took place at 0500 hours at Buhleni.

A source close to the matter said the girl's father came to

the hospital holding his daughter in his arms.

The source said the old man told nurses that he made her vomit out some of the tablets but he thought she had some left in the stomach.

"Nurses on duty took the minor and pumped out her stomach using an intervenal tube and an oil mix.

Vomited

She vomited fluids mixed with six semi dissolved paracetamol tablets," the source said.

One of the nurses believed that the minor was trying to take her own life as her father had a note allegedly written by the minor.

The minor is believed to be aged 17.

WOMEN STEAL, CONCEAL JACKETS BETWEEN THEIR LEGS

TWO women were last week busted at Dunns for stealing jackets and concealing them between their legs.

The women are also believed to be part of a shoplifting syndicate based in Mbabane.

Dunns employees at Pigg's Peak stopped the unidentified women from leaving the store after they were caught stealing.

Working

Dunns Manager Bongwiwe Mthombeni said they were working on a tip-off from a concerned member of the public who advised them to be wary of the two women.

The two women were earlier spotted stealing groceries at an Asian's grocery shop.

"A concerned member of the public came and advised me of

the two women whom I recognised from Mbabane. The person said he had first seen the women shoplifting at an Asian national's grocery down the street and the women were inside our shop maybe to steal some more," she said.

Mthombeni said she then informed the rest of the staff and they watched the two ladies who first took clothes from the clothing rack, slipping them in-between their legs. She said she knew both women from Mbabane adding that she suspected that they were part of a syndicate and targeted shops. Mthombeni then called the police who arrested the two women.

Both women refused to be interviewed by this newspaper.



SUSPECT?: This woman was suspected of stealing clothes at Dunns in Pigg's Peak but she denied ever stealing anything



NABBED: This woman was found at Dunns Pigg's Peak having concealed a jacket in-between her legs.

DRINK-DRIVING SUSPECT GRANTED E500 BAIL

By Mbono Mdluli
Magistrate's Court

A drink-driving suspect has been admitted to E500 bail and is expected back in court on June 26.

Sizwe Masuku had been slapped with five counts of contravening the Road Traffic Act No. 6 of 2007. On the first count, Masuku is said to have wrongfully and unlawfully driven a VW Golf motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or drug having a narcotic effect. The motor vehicle was registered NSD 952 BM. He pleaded guilty on this offence.

On the second count, he was charged for driving the above cited motor vehicle without a driver's licence.

This was evident when he was instructed by a traffic police officer, identified as Constable C. Motsa, to

produce the licence.

Masuku allegedly failed to do that as the licence was not with him. He also pleaded guilty on this offence.

Masuku, on the third count, was accused of failing to follow instructions given to him by Constable Motsa.

He pleaded not guilty to this offence. On the fourth count, he was accused of resisting arrest and fighting police officers when they were arresting him for the violation of the traffic offences. He pleaded guilty on the fourth count.

Masuku pleaded not guilty on the fifth count. He was accused of parking the motor vehicle he was driving on the road.

Masuku appeared before Mbabane Principal Magistrate, Fikile Nhlabatsi.

When he appeared in court, his rights to legal representation were explained.

He was told he had a right to get a lawyer to represent him, if he did not want to conduct his own defence. Mbhamali elected to conduct his own defence. Prosecutor, Chris Sibandze, applied that Masuku be remanded in custody until Friday.

Nhlabatsi eventually granted Masuku E500 bail. She warned him not to interfere with crown witnesses. He was also told to be in court when ordered to do so. The principal magistrate told him not to commit any similar offence when his bail was still valid. He was told to be back in court on June 26, if he was able to pay the bail. He was further told that if he failed to abide by the conditions, he would have to forfeit his bail.

Failure to pay the bail would result in Masuku being kept in custody and be brought before the court on Friday.

American counsellor for SANU pastoral training

By Sifiso Nhlabatsi
Manzini

AFTER noting with concern the alarming rate of cases involving psycho-social challenges such as suicides, violence, drug abuse and marriage family issues, the Southern Africa Nazarene University will conduct free pastoral counselling to be led by Dr David Orlowski from the United States of America (USA).

SANU Communications Officer, Petros Mavuso, said pastoral counselling was a branch of counselling in which psychologically trained ministers, priests, and other professionals provided psychotherapy services.

"This workshop which will be held at SANU auditorium is suitable for pastors, counsellors, psychotherapists, health clinicians, SANU students and staff who are currently supporting individuals and families in society faced with psycho-social challenges such as suicidal tendencies, violence, drug abuse, marriage, family

issues".

Mavuso said the mandate of the Southern Africa Nazarene University was to shape and model persons of Christ-like character for community service through high quality innovative, inquiry based-interactive teaching and learning and transformational leadership.

Each year, the university offered opportunities for personal development. During the workshop, the division of continued education would avail the opportunity to members of the public to participate in the pastoral counselling training at a fee of E50. Mavuso said the special guests who would be at the university usually go around the globe conducting such workshops and this time around they would be visiting Swaziland.

He stated that they chose to discuss such issues because they conduct statistics and determine the main challenge that the country they visit is faced with. The training, according to Mavuso, would take three days starting from tomorrow.

Maphalaleni High need food parcels to provide pupils with breakfast

By Nomfundo Sifundza
Maphalaleni

MAPHALALENI High School Chairman, Petros Dlamini, has requested that pupils be provided with breakfast before classes start daily.

Dlamini pleaded with Princee Bandzile during MTN's visit to the school as part as its 21 days of Y'ello Care.

"Some of the pupils come to school on empty stomachs and have lunch here but by then most would have

lost concentration," he said.

The chairman's words were echoed by the school's Headteacher, Musa Simelane, who made known the need for home economics and woodwork classes.

Living

"We want our children to learn handwork because one can make a living through woodwork and cooking," said Simelane.

Maphalaleni High School currently has a computer laboratory and a kitchen only.

The school needs more laboratories for the benefit of learners.



PLEASE: Maphalaleni High School Chairperson, Petros Dlamini.

About Dr. David Orlowski

Dr. Orlowski has worked as a pastoral counsellor for 25 years and been a Certified Professional Counsellor for 17 years. He earned his Doctorate of Ministry degree under Pastor Jack Hayford from The King's University in 2003, and Masters of Divinity Degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in 1986.

He is currently completing his PhD in Psychology from Northcentral University (9/16). He has authored the books: 'The Apple', 'Living from Love', 'Not for Love', as well as 'Our First 22 Days in Heaven', and 'The Rapture - The Tribulation Reign of the AntiChrist'.

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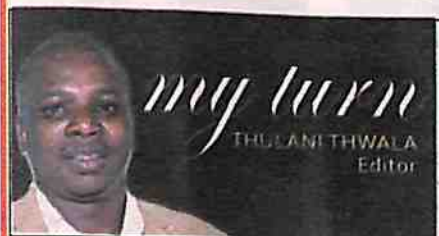


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Bending protocol like Beckham



TODAY I want to address myself to UNICEF.

This is an important UN organ. I respect UNICEF. I admire the work done by the organisation.

For UNICEF to continue to be regarded as important; it must or should I say the people who work for UNICEF must learn to respect countries and their people irrespective of their HIV and poverty levels.

Last week UNICEF paraded signs of total disrespect to the country, its leaders and lastly its hungry and HIV ravaged people as it was put in subsequent reports.

More than anything, protocol was never observed. They bent protocol like Beckham for Beckham. Our poverty should not be used against us.

We should not be blackmailed because of our plight. This will pass.

The sneaking or should I say the broad daylight legal 'trafficking' of soccer star David Beckham into the country smacked of total disrespect and taking us for granted as a sovereign state.

Any country has protocol and ways of dealing with instances like that of Beckham's visit. I would be minding my own business if Beckham had brought his wife Posh and children on a private visit.

This was not private. He had come to meet some of our sick brothers and sisters. He visited the country's health institutions and took pictures with our sick brothers.

Humanitarian

May be let me break things down before I elaborate on the matter. What is UNICEF?

UNICEF is a leading humanitarian and development agency working globally for the rights of every child. Child rights begin with safe shelter, nutrition, protection from disaster and conflict and traverse the life cycle: pre-natal care for healthy births, clean water and sanitation, health care and education.

For how long has UNICEF been around? UNICEF has spent nearly 70 years working to improve the lives of children and their families.

Working with and for children through adolescence and into adulthood requires a global presence whose goal is to produce results and monitor their effects.

UNICEF also lobbies and partners with leaders, thinkers and policy makers to help all children realise their rights—especially the most disadvantaged.

As you may have already read above, UNICEF likes to partner with leaders, policy makers and thinkers to achieve all its goals. Beckham happens to be one of the above. He comes across as a leader to me. He thinks so as well. While he may not make policies he

● My major concern is what else gets smuggled into the country under the 'he requested privacy' tag? What lessons has government learned from the Beckham incidence? Another organisation will sneak in a terrorist under the same guise because he is 'funding a certain project and requested privacy'. I still can't come to terms with the explanation that Beckham requested privacy for him to focus on 'his work'. Where? What work really because the people he met only posed for pictures with him because of language barrier?



A MOMENT OF PRIVACY: David Beckham with Sebenele last week.

does shape them with his money and iconic status. The man is an embodiment of success.

Those who like stroking people's egos voted him sexiest man alive.

Last week Beckham secretly flew into the country. According to UNICEF, that is how the flamboyant football icon likes it. And because he is putting his money into the whole project, his wish had to be granted.

Money can buy everything. Even a country, from a UNICEF perspective!

Granted

Look, I am not part of those who probably wanted selfies with Beckham but rather part of those who hate it when a whole country is taken for granted because of its gullibility.

Yes, we have a high prevalence of HIV, and it is also true drought has worsened our poverty levels but that should not take away our pride and appetite for respect as a country by whosoever.

UNICEF mishandled the whole Beckham issue. The ministry of health (I hope they are not being economical with the truth) was

never briefed about Beckham's coming to Swaziland.

Government, as stated by its spokesperson, Percy Simelane, was also not briefed. Only UNICEF staff and their families knew about Beckham coming to our shores.

Simelane is on record lamenting about protocol not being observed.

What was the secrecy for?

In all secrets there is a kind of guilt. Secrecy means evasion, and evasion means a problem to the moral mind. Personally, I hate secrecy particularly the one that has the potential to embarrass a country if things go horribly wrong.

Secrecy

Politicians often claim secrecy is necessary for good governance or national security. To that I say nonsense. To me secrecy is the enemy of efficiency.

Beckham is an international brand right, loosely explained; I would say Beckham is a head of a non-existent state. He is big so will be his death.

His movement is always followed and that is why it makes international news when he buys a sweet at any shop in the world.

He is that big.

Added to that, British people are proud to have him and are proud about him. In the event he died in Swaziland during the hours he was trafficked in, it would have been a huge international scandal.

The country would have been in the international news for having killed a world icon. No one would buy our story that he had requested privacy or secrecy assuming this is related.

What would have made things worse was that authorities of the country would not have known he was here. Only UNICEF knew.

Why was he secretly taken to our brothers and sisters without the knowledge of the leaders of the country? Again, he had his own people covering his somewhat secret tour, why? Why was the local media shunned?

Talk of the worse kept secret.

Is the local media less important when it comes to covering Beckham when we are always fetched from the newsroom to cover donations by UNICEF?

My major concern is what else gets smuggled into the country under the 'he requested privacy' tag? What lessons has government learned from the Beckham incidence?

Another organisation will sneak in a terrorist under the same guise because he is 'funding a certain project and requested privacy'. This is dangerous for a country as adolescent as ours.

Explanation

I still can't come to terms with the explanation that Beckham requested privacy for him to focus on 'his work'. Where? What work really because the people he met only posed for pictures with him because of language barrier?

So does it mean the work he had come for was posing for pictures with the hungry Swazis he left with cooking oil and maize meal? What is so special about that because the king offered his people that sort of meal?

I still can't believe that Beckham flew all the way to donate cooking oil and pose for pictures with people who did not even know his significance in their lives.

All has been kept a secret.

As rightly stated by one resident of Makhewu, he saw a white person who led others walk into a homestead. UNICEF should have known that visitors are reported to the chieftdom or some authority in a community.

I still feel the Beckham debacle could have been handled well than the way it was. HIV and poverty are at the heart of His Majesty and I am sure he would have loved to meet someone who is meeting him half way in addressing such.

The PM heads the big organ entrusted with fighting HIV- NERCHA, he too or the organ itself should have been notified. UNICEF owes the country and the local media an apology.

Next time we must not bend it like Beckham because it would backfire, badly.

ON THIS DAY

...JUNE 13

1951 - UN troops seized Pyongyang, North Korea.

1966 - The landmark "Miranda v. Arizona" decision was issued by the US Supreme Court. The decision ruled that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitutional rights before being questioned by police.

1967 - Solicitor General Thurgood Marshall was nominated by President Lyndon B. Johnson to become the first black justice on the US Supreme Court.

1971 - The New York Times began publishing the "Pentagon Papers". The articles were a secret study of America's involvement in Vietnam.

1978 - Israelis withdrew the last of their invading forces from Lebanon.

1979 - Sioux Indians were awarded \$105 million in compensation for the US seizure in 1877 of their Black Hills in South Dakota.

1983 - The unmanned US space probe Pioneer 10 became the first spacecraft to leave the solar system. It was launched in March 1972. The first up-close images of the planet Jupiter were provided by Pioneer 10.

1988 - The Liggett Group, a cigarette manufacturer, was found liable for a lung-cancer death. They were, however, found innocent by the federal jury of misrepresenting the risks of smoking.

1989 - The Detroit Pistons won their first National Basketball Association title. They beat the LA Lakers in four games.

1989 - US President George HW Bush exercised his first Presidential veto on a bill dealing with minimum wage.

1992 - Future US President Bill Clinton criticised rap singer Sister Souljah for making remarks "filled with hatred" towards whites.

1994 - A jury in Anchorage, Alaska, found Exxon Corp. and Captain Joseph Hazelwood to be reckless in the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

1995 - France announced that they would conduct eight more nuclear tests in the South Pacific.

2000 - In Pyongyang, North Korea's leader Kim Jong Il welcomed South Korea's President Kim Dae for a three-day summit. It was the first such meeting between the leaders of North and South Korea.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Chris Evans -
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June 13, 1981



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HOPES HANG ON NEW REGIONAL ANTI-CHILD MARRIAGE LAW



By
Moses
Magadza

IT is the 3rd of June, 2016. The clock ticks towards 4pm at the Royal Swazi Sun Hotel here during the 39th Plenary Assembly Session of the SADC Parliamentary Forum.

It has been approximately a year and a half since the SADC PF and other partners began developing a SADC Model Law on eradicating Child Marriage and protecting those already in marriage.

The Plenary Assembly Session is the highest decision-making body of SADC PF – the deliberative body that brings together 14 national parliaments of Southern Africa.

Today, the region's parliamentarians stand on the cusp of history. After nearly nine hours of intense debate and poring over all parts of the draft model law, a bold decision must be made.

In attendance are about 190 people. They include speakers of national parliaments, parliamentarians and traditional leaders – the first time latter have attended a SADC Plenary Assembly Session. Also present are observers. Mostly representatives of organisations that collaborate with SADC PF.

Commonality

Special care has been taken to develop a regional law with so much commonality that it can be easily adapted or adopted as member states enact or refine national laws to eradicate child marriage, which Dr. Esau Chiviya, Secretary General of SADC PF, has branded "an abomination."

Now the region's lawmakers must adopt the model law or throw it out. After an impassioned submission, Zimbabwean lawyer and parliamentarian, Innocent Gonesse, rests his case with a plea to the plenary to adopt the law.

Perched on the podium, Malawian lawmaker, Joseph Njobvuyalema – the Deputy President of SADC PF – is acting president during this plenary. He is presiding over proceedings with magisterial seriousness.

With his head tilted and peering over his spectacles, he calls for order.

"Honourable members," he says, "I now pose the main question: those who think the SADC Model Law on eradicating child marriages and protecting those already in marriage should be adopted, say 'Aye'."

A young woman – she can't be more than 25 years old – sits nervously, eyes wide open with



I PUT IT TO YOU: Zimbabwean parliamentarian, Innocent Gonesse (right) makes the case for the adoption of SADC Model Law on eradicating Child Marriage and protecting those already in marriage. (Pics: Moses Magadza)

anticipation. She is so young that she looks out of place in this august house. I make a mental note to interview her later.

In response to Njobvuyalema's question, there is a loud chorus of 'Aye!'

Out of formality, he says: "Those of the contrary opinion, say 'Noe'."

There is so much silence you can hear a snail clearing its throat a kilometre away.

Once again, the acting president's authoritative voice booms through the public address system.

"The 'Ayes' have it."

He bangs his fist on the table, closing the matter.

Excitement

While many delegates in the house cheer and others hug each other with excitement, the young woman raises two clenched fists into the air, closes her eyes and smiles.

As soon as I can, I approach her and introduce myself. I am curious to know why she is here.

"My name is Chipasha Iliamupu. I am 23 years old and am a child marriage survivor from Zambia," she tells me.

She agrees to tell me her story and our interview begins. My 20 years of journalism experience have not prepared me for what I am about to hear.

"Where were you born, and how many siblings do you have?" I ask.

"I was born in Livingstone. I have five brothers and two sisters. I am the second from last," she says.

"What did your parents do for a living?"

"They were never in any formal employment. They had tailoring skills and were peasant farmers."

"How old were you when you started school?"

"I was seven years old at Kalumwange Primary School in the western province of Zambia."

"Teachers often ask first graders what they want to be when they grow up. What did you aspire to become?"

"My mother saw a freedom fighter in me. She called me 'Mama Kankasa' (one of the freedom fighters during Zambia's struggle for independence). I said I wanted to be an ambassador."

"When and how did the going get tough for your family?"

"When my mother passed on. Things got very hard."

"How old were you and were all your siblings in school?"

"I was nine. All my siblings were in school, but the majority ended in primary school. Only two of my siblings reached Grade Nine."

Raise

"Did your father remarry or did he try to raise you and your siblings alone?"

"He never remarried."

"How was your marriage arranged and how did you meet your husband?"

"I saw him for the first time on the day I was married off. He was 20 years older than me. He had three children with three different women. I was nearly 15 years old."

"How were you prepared you for what you were getting into?"

"My tradition prepares girls for marriage at puberty, regardless of one's age. I had already been taught to maintain a home at the age of 14."

"What is the name of that cultural initiation, how long does it take, who does the teaching and what were you taught?"

"It is called *Sikenge* of the Lozi people."

The duration is dependent on how slow or fast one is on catching instructions. The curriculum includes how to take care of a man in the bedroom, how to care for a family and how to treat in-laws. The most repeated and emphasised thing is to be secretive about whatever treatment one receives in the marriage home. Fast learners only learn for a month. Slow learners can go for three or more months."

"How much was your father paid in *lobola* and why do you think he married you off?"

"My *lobola* was ZMK300



UNBROKEN: Ms
Chipasha Iliamupu.

(about USD30). He married me off due to financial constraints. Besides, I had already been prepared for marriage. I dropped out of school in Grade Eight."

"How was life in your new home?"

"Life was pathetic. Our relationship lacked intimacy. I fell pregnant within four months of my arrival. My first sexual encounter was very, very painful and that triggered a lot of things in my mind. After being prepared for sweet, enjoyable sex, I got the opposite."

"Were you physically, emotionally or sexually abused?"

Prepare

"Yes. He never used to prepare me for intercourse. He just used to force himself on me. He used to beat me up a lot and strip me naked in public. He ill-treated me. He would write budgets and give me exact amounts of money."

"How old were you when your child was born?"

"I was 15 years and 10 months old. I had serious problems during labour because it was prolonged and difficult. After a while I met officials from Young Women Christian Association (YWCA) and decided to go back to school. That made my husband more violent."

"What prompted your desire to go back to school?"

"I thought I was being subjected to inhuman treatment due to lack of education."

"How difficult was it for you to walk out of that marriage?"

"It wasn't easy. I was all alone. My relatives didn't want me to leave. Others said I would suffer if I left. I filed for divorce and followed the procedures alone. The only 'relatives' I had were the documents I got from the Victim Support Unit of the police."

"Did you succeed?"

"Yes. The court ruled that I must have custody of the child and that the father must support her until she is 18 but he threatened me; said whatever happened to the child – even if she died – I mustn't inform him."



"WE believe God will use organisations like the GBR-Global Business Roundtable to ensure that His people take over and control the economies of the world."

FACT: One of the challenges facing modern business and private sectors globally is the fact that the current financial and economic systems and organisations, unless inspired by God and led by the Holy Spirit, will not prevail in solving the deepening economic problems of the world.

HISTORY

The Global Fund for Jesus (GFFJ) was born out of the mandate given directly to the chairman, Sipho Mseleku, in a vision whilst in Jerusalem, Israel, when he was on a tour of the Holy Land.

On November 15, 2007, in the early hours of the morning and in a vision, he saw a blinding cloud of light, and from it came a voice saying: -

"Arise, setup a Global Fund for Jesus." "Global Fund for Jesus" was repeated three times.

Immediately after the inception of the Global Business Roundtable (GBR), it was revealed to the convener that actually the GBR structure and platform would be the vehicle or conduit through which the GFFJ would be made manifest. The Global Fund for Jesus was officially launched on November 18, 2010 at the Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa at a Gala Dinner attended by 1 000 people.

THE MANDATE

The mandate of the GFFJ is to do that which Jesus Christ would do if He was physically present amongst us.

He would take care of the poor, the vulnerable, the afflicted, the sick, the oppressed, and all those so adversely affected by all forms of life's challenges that they are marginalised by society.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GFFJ AND GBR

GBR actually paves the way, and is the platform, for GFFJ by focusing on empowering its members. GFFJ, on the other hand, focuses on uplifting those who are less privileged. The compelling idea being, to have a world, continents, regions, countries, cities, communities, families, and individuals fitting into God's master plan, as He had purposed from the very begin-

GLOBAL FUND FOR JESUS (GFFJ)



FOUNDER: GFFJ Chairman Sipho Mseleku.

ning. While the two (GBR and GFFJ) may look different, they are actually one, they only differ in terms of mandate.

In a country, or location therein, a GBR chapter is launched first, and then later the GFFJ is established. The same members of GBR are expected to be members of GFFJ. Consequently, the GBR members embrace the mandate, vision and mission of GFFJ and become ambassadors or champions for GFFJ programmes.

The successful execution of GFFJ programmes is also directly linked to the growth and effective management of the GBR structures. That today GBR is represented in more than 50 countries, globally, means that GFFJ is, inevitably, poised for establishment therein as well. Likewise the presence of GBR in all the four regions of the country - Manzini, Mbabane, Ezulwini, Simunye and Nhlalango - has set in motion the process of establishing a solid GFFJ structure in the country.

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE GLOBAL FUND FOR JESUS (GFFJ)

In delivering on its mandate, the Global Fund for Jesus aims to focus on six key areas of interventions and human support. The Global Fund for Jesus will invest in high impact projects, and, where necessary, it will partner with existing organisations to execute its mandate. Proceeds, from the investments it will embark on, will be ploughed back into projects that will enable it to deliver on the mandate.

Six Key Areas of Focus of the Global Fund for Jesus are: -

- Education
- Healthcare
- Food Security
- Job Creation
- Prosperity and
- Economic Empowerment Entrepreneurship

RESOURCES MOBILISATION

For purposes of financing its programmes, GFFJ has embarked on the strategies explained below. Each one of these strategies has its own unique and creative ways of generating the desired resources.

People (Human Resources)
The strength of GFFJ is in the membership, the ambassadors, who are at the centre of its programs execution. Consequently, GFFJ is continuously looking for more members (ambassadors), through the GBR forum, to implement the vision

CASH

Without money no vision can ever flourish. Projects that GFFJ will embark on include building schools, clinics, hospitals, old-age homes, orphanages, entrepreneurship centres, etc. On February 1, 2014, during a GBR Prayer Camp and Retreat, held at Alpine Heath - Drakensburg, South Africa, the cash mobilisation campaign was launched, wherein approximately 400 GBR members pledged to contribute monthly, in support of the vision. This campaign has now spread to all GBR sessions/meetings.

This campaign will run continuously until Jesus Christ comes back.

As GFFJ spreads throughout the globe, we will see millions of people, around the world, committing to give to the GFFJ vision and programmes, weekly, monthly, or at any interval of their choice.

Shares (Equity) Mobilisation
In the 2015 GBR Prayer Camp and Retreat the campaign for shares or equity mobilisation was launched. This saw companies pledging a percentage of their shares to GFFJ. Each country where GFFJ has been established, is expected to register GFFJ as a legal entity in line with

the laws of that country. In Swaziland GFFJ was registered in May 2016, as a Section 17 company. Any company in the country that is looking for a credible partner in its endeavour to issue shares towards empowering the less privileged, should look no further than GFFJ (Swaziland).

Property (land and buildings) Mobilisation

The fourth leg of resources mobilisation focuses on property (moveable and/or immovable) - land, buildings, and farms to be used for the GFFJ projects that will help in delivering on the mandate. This campaign was launched at the GBR Prayer Camp and Retreat in January 2016.

The month of June 2016, marks the rolling out of the detailed awareness campaign of the GFFJ forum, structure and programmes in all the existing GBR chapters in the country. This will lead to the activation of all the GFFJ programmes in the GBR chapters. It is, therefore, doubtful that any well-meaning person would want to miss out on being holistically developed so as to be empowered to plant in initiatives aimed at doing that which Jesus Christ would do if He were physically here on earth. So, all are urged to stand up and be counted by joining a GBR chapter nearest to them.

GBR/GFFJ MEETINGS

We have our meetings commonly known as sessions, every Tuesday and Thursday from the different regions of the country. Everyone is free to attend the GBR sessions, at no cost and anyone can become a member free of charge. Every after the session, we network... a powerful session where business deals are clinched and sealed over coffee and tea. Our sessions start promptly at 6pm-8pm and the venues and days are as follows:

In Mbabane - City Court-last Tuesday of the month

At Ezulwini - Bethel Court-1st Tuesday of every month

At Simunye - Simunye Club-2nd Tuesday of every month

Manzini - Third Tuesday of the month, presently at The Caritas

At Nhlalango - Ngwane Teacher's Training College-every last Thursday of the month

More on GBR shall be shared every Monday on this platform. For more information log in to the GBR website: www.globalbusinessroundtable.com or contact: +268 7872 2063



1. "I refuse to answer that question on the grounds that I don't know the answer"

— Douglas Adams

2. "Wit beyond measure is a man's greatest treasure." — J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Oscar Wilde

3. "Patience, grasshopper," said Maia. "Good things come to those who wait." "I always thought that was 'Good things come to those who do the wave,'" said Simon. "No wonder I've been so confused all my life." — Cassandra Clare

4. "Don't let the muggles get you down." — J.K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban

5. "I am not absentminded. It is the presence of mind that makes me unaware of everything else." — G.K. Chesterton

6. "If they can get you asking the wrong questions, they don't have to worry about answers." — Thomas Pynchon, Gravity's Rainbow

7. "Heterosexuality is not normal, it's just common." — Dorothy Parker

8. "I don't deserve any credit for turning the other cheek as my tongue is always in it." — Flannery O'Conno

9. "Humour keeps us alive. Humour and food. Don't forget food. You can go a week without laughing." — Joss Whedon

10. "The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers." — William Shakespeare, King Henry VI

11. "Clever as the Devil and twice as pretty." — Holly Black, White Cat

12. "Two roads diverged in a wood, and I took the road less travelled by and they CANCELLED MY FRIKKIN' SHOW. I totally shoulda took the road that had all those people on it. Damn." — Joss Whedon

13. "There is, I believe, in every disposition a tendency to some particular evil, a natural defect, which not even the best education can overcome." "And your defect is a propensity to hate everybody." "And yours," he replied with a smile, "is wilfully to misunderstand them." — Jane Austen, Pride and Prejudice

14. "The world was my oyster but I used the wrong fork." — Oscar Wilde

15. "Any woman who is sure of her own wits, is a match, at any time, for a man who is not sure of his own temper." — Wilkie Collins, The Woman in White

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VITALS

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| Prime Rate | 10.5% |
| First National bank | |
| Inflation Rate | 8.5% |
| Central Statistical Office | |
| Mortgage Rate | 9.5% |
| Swaziland Building Society | |
| Bank Rate | 7.0% |
| Central Bank | |
| Petrol (u) | E11.30 per litre |
| Replacement | E11.35 per litre |
| Diesel | E11.25 per litre |
| Paraffin | E 7.45 per litre |
| Engen Garage | |

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES



Correct as at 10 June 2016

| CURRENCY | BUY | SELL |
|-------------------------|------------|---------|
| US Dollar / SZL | 14,7291 | 14,7791 |
| British Pound/SZL | 21,3844 | 21,4570 |
| Japanese Yen/SZL | 7,2244 | 7,2469 |
| Swiss France/SZL | 15,3668 | 15,4029 |
| Botswana Pula/SZL | 1,3566 | 1,3907 |
| Australian Dollar/SZL | 10.9909 | 11,0311 |
| Canadian Dollar/SZL | 11,6151 | 11,6499 |
| Mozambique Meticals/SZL | 3,9717 | 4,0375 |
| Euro/SZL | 16,7823 | 16,8393 |
| Gold | 1,261.5000 | |
| Oil | 50.5700 | |

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Moving Forward

ELECTRICITY AND WATER TARIFFS MIGHT INCREASE

Stories by Manqoba Makhubu

THINGS might get tighter for consumers as there is high anticipation that utility prices, especially water and electricity might further increase.

In 2015 electricity tariffs were hiked by 11.7 percent whilst water tariffs were hiked by 7.2 percent. The Central Bank of Swaziland (CBS) Governor Majozi Sithole said this together with surging food prices as a result of the drought, as well as the weaker currency would further create an upward pressure in inflation.

"In the short to medium term, monetary policy remains uncertain but likely to tighten further given the notable deterioration in the inflation outlook," he said.

The governor was speaking during his annual monetary policy statement address for 2016 at the Royal Villas Hotel, Ezulwini.

However, he said the bank projected inflation to deteriorate to an average of at least seven percent in 2016, however, with a high possibility of averaging above seven percent. The governor said improvement in the inflation outlook might arise from lower international oil prices combined with a notable recovery of the rand/lilangeni exchange rate.

"The bank will thus continue to monitor the developments and endeavour to strike a

balance between conserving price stability and supporting sluggish economic growth momentum," he said.

Consumer inflation remained on an upward trend in March 2016 rising to 7.8 percent from 7.3 percent in February.

Sithole said food inflation, which reflected price pressures exerted by food shortages as a result of the persistent drought conditions remained the main driver for increases in overall prices.

He said food inflation rose by 13.4 percent in March compared to 10.5 percent in February mainly driven by increases in the price of rice, maize products and other cereal products, fruits and vegetables as the region grapples under the ongoing drought conditions.

Other inflationary pressures were noted in the price indices for restaurants

and hotels and miscellaneous goods and services.

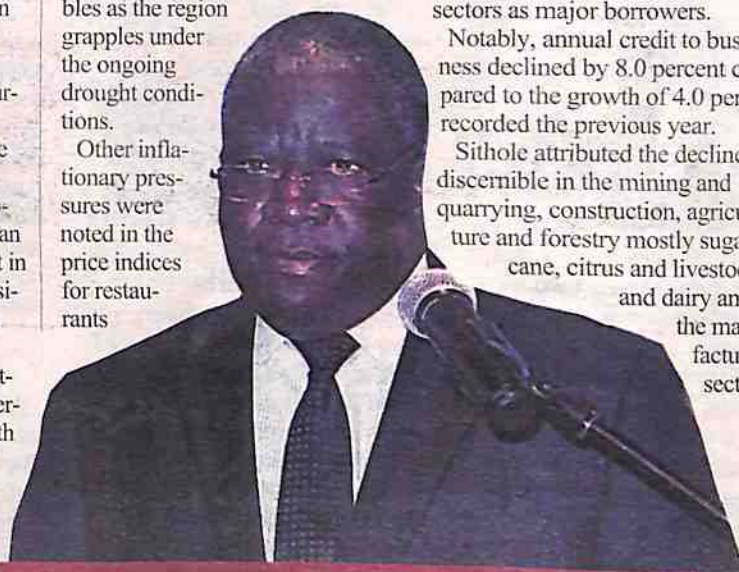
Sithole said as a result economic growth was projected to remain subdued below two percent in the medium term due to the persistent drought conditions and anticipated fiscal challenges.

"The drought will mainly affect the agricultural output and electricity and water supply and through strong forward and backward linkages manufacturing and services sectors," he said.

Therefore, he said short to medium term outlook for private sector credit was predicted to slow down, exacerbated by the drought conditions particularly affecting the agricultural and manufacturing sectors as major borrowers.

Notably, annual credit to business declined by 8.0 percent compared to the growth of 4.0 percent recorded the previous year.

Sithole attributed the decline to discernible in the mining and quarrying, construction, agriculture and forestry mostly sugar cane, citrus and livestock and dairy and the manufacturing sectors.



GOES UP: Central Bank Governor Majozi Sithole.

...New E10, E100, and E200 notes

THE Central Bank of Swaziland (CBS) has announced that they will be introducing new sets of notes before the end of this financial year.

The new sets of notes would include E10, E100 and E200.

The CBS Governor Majozi Sithole said the new notes would comprise of new security features to curb money counterfeiting.

"This is in response to the public's concerns, especially for the E200 note which has been susceptible to counterfeiting," he said.

This follows shortly after the bank introduced a new set of coins to out phase the old series of coins effective from September, 1 2016.

The CBS objectives are that the currency should be issued economically, be aesthetically pleasing, secure against currencies of neighbouring countries, secure against counterfeiting, and should cater for the needs of every member of the public including visually impaired people.

FSRA WORKING ON SSX LIQUIDITY

By Linda Dlamini

THE Financial Services Regulatory Authority (FSRA) is working to resolve the illiquidity of the Swaziland Stock Exchange (SSX) market.

Liquidity refers to the ability to buy and sell shares on the SSX market.

FSRA Chief Executive Officer Sandile Dlamini said it was currently difficult to buy shares on the stock exchange as there were currently no sellers, hence it could be said that the exchange is illiquid.

Dlamini was speaking during a workshop for SSX operations and latest developments held recently at the Happy Valley Hotel.

He mentioned a number of factors

that could promote or rather enable the liquidity of the stock exchange.

The factors included a vibrant primary market, a vibrant secondary market, and the free flow of funds.

"With regards to the vibrancy of the primary market issues such as free float, quality of listings and the free flow of information are important," he said.

Quality of listings referred to the ability of the exchange to attract quality companies from sectors investors are looking for exposure to.

"With regards to free flow information, it is essential that for exchange news service to be broadcast internationally, for international investors to be abreast of local

exchange developments," he said.

He said therefore, there was a need to create a vibrant secondary market and to introduce market makers in the exchange.

Market makers buy securities that an investor wishes to sell and sell securities the investor wishes to buy.

"Market makers are only willing to make markets in the most liquid instruments, liquidity begets liquidity," he said.

With regards to the secondary market, Dlamini said the issue was technology.

"Critical to have stable, reliable systems that are scalable when your markets grow," he said.

Adding, he said another important element was a derivative market and the availability of a vibrant

securities lending market place to enable short selling.

He said another aspect of liquidity enablers, was the free flow of funds to ensure that the market would be available on international platforms.

"Partnering with well-known Index Providers also helps with free flow of funds," he said.

Dlamini made an example of how the FTSE based in London greatly aided the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE).

However, he said the issue of liquidity cannot be fully covered without mentioning volatility.

"Increased volatility results in increased liquidity, but could result in severe market movements which negatively affect investors who then lose market confidence," he said.

World Vision, EU disburse E54 000 worth of prizes

By Manqoba Makhubu

WORLD Vision Swaziland, in partnership with the European Union (EU), has awarded individuals and associations with a total of E54 000 worth of prizes.

The beneficiaries were awarded for working tirelessly in sustaining and growing their businesses after a skills training workshop through the EU funds.

The handover was held last Wednesday at the Maseyisini Constituency during a market day.

Minister for Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduduzi Dlamini who also doubles as the constituency Member of Parliament (MP), appreciated World Vision and the EU for initiating the project which has resulted in a number of unemployed starting running their own businesses.

The project started in 2013 in five constituencies, including Maphalaleni, Shiselweni, Matsanjeni, Maseyisini and Lubulini.

It was aimed at empowering unemployed people the youth to acquire skills, start businesses and savings. They were trained on saving groups, sewing, agriculture/farming, welding, electricians, handcraft and many more.

"I am proud about what this project has done to our communities. We now have young people who are very committed and have come out of unemployment to self-employment. In this inkhundla we now have a feedlot and are now producing beef. We have beautiful gardens; indigenous chickens, goats, plumbers, electricians and some of them have created job opportunities for others.

We have a young man, Sanele Dlamini who is doing very well in welding. I have been informed that he has been admitted to one of the local colleges to pursue his studies. I would like to see some of you showcasing your products at the International Trade Fair this year. I was very excited last year to see some of you at the main hall at the Trade Fair. Our target now is to export some of our produce from Maseyisini to the rest of the world," the minister said.



PLENTY: Minister for Tinkhundla Administration and Development Mduduzi Dlamini viewing the stalls with World Vision's Jeff from Austria during the Maseyisini Market Day. (Courtesy pics).



I DID IT: Sanele Dlamini promoting his products while the minister and Jeff listen. Sanele was the overall winner of the competition.

However, due to the ongoing drought, some of the projects in the constituency have been affected, especially the gardens. This has been restrictive to the farmers in their agricultural businesses.

One of the speakers, Patricia Simelane, who joined the Woman Farmer of the Year in 2014, encouraged other women to join the competition. Simelane was placed sixth position six for two years and has been the only candidate from Maseyisini.

"I am not the best farmer around. I know some women who are

doing great and I would like to encourage them to join this year's competition. We need to produce more to feed the whole nation and beyond," she said. World Vision Swaziland Resilience and Livelihoods Manager, Wonderful Khumalo, encouraged the communities to make use of the available opportunities that his organisation and European Union was availing to them through the project.

He further appreciated the people for taking up the challenge to start doing something for them.

Meanwhile, Small Enterprises

Development Company (SEDCO) Marketing Manager Fanelwako Fakudze said it was important for the residents to recognise themselves as business people.

He said they should have millionaires' mentality so that by 2022 they would be big business people. Fakudze further encouraged that each household should have at least one product that would generate income. According to the Project Manager Mlamuli Busika from World Vision, this project would be phasing out in February 2017.

COTTON PRICE GOES UP

By Linda Dlamini

THE price of cotton will increase from E5.85 to E 6.00 per kilogram of top grade cotton for the 2016/17 farming season.

This was announced by Minister of Agriculture Moses Vilakati during a press conference on Friday.

"The price of seed cotton is a key driver in the motivation of growers to commit to cotton production. We are optimistic that the price increase will motivate cotton farmers to continue producing the crop for income generation and economic growth," he said.

Vilakati noted that the industry struggled during the previous season and cotton production gradually decreased in the last two seasons due to the ongoing drought.

"We recognise the effort put in by cotton farmers who have ensured a continued existence of the industry and produced under challenging conditions in an effort to sustain their livelihood," he said.

Due to the importance of cotton, the government established the Cotton Board through Act No.26 of 1967.

Matters

The board has, inter alia, six main functions, namely; to advise the minister of agriculture on all matters concerning the cotton industry, promote cotton growing, ginning and processing in the country. It is also responsible for cotton improvement in Swaziland chiefly by controlling planting seed through the administration of the seed improvement scheme, contributes towards the expenses of cotton research, provides cotton extension service and marketing intelligence and enters into agreements to buy and sell seed cotton and its derivatives in a profitable manner.

Meanwhile, the minister said government would also support livestock farmers who would be purchasing hay bales.

"We will recall that the country lost approximately 65 000 cattle as a result of the drought and we don't want to see a recurrence of the same situation," he said.

Vilakati added that the government would also assist cattle farmers in severely dry areas by providing water tankers for the cattle.

"This is a stop-gap measure while the drilling of boreholes in areas where ground water is a potential source is being exploited as a sustainable option."

The hay will be stored at the Cotton Ginnery in Big Bend, payments and collection would also be done at the ginnery.

He said farmers could also pay at the Cotton Board offices in Manzini and collect their hay from Big Bend.

"We will facilitate where possible in bringing hay closer for those who have paid for it," the minister said.

Achieve Success Summit tickets now out

By Mbono Mdluli

TICKETS for the much-awaited Achieve Success Summit are already on sale in various outlets countrywide.

The tickets are for gaining access to the event to be held at Royal Swazi Convention Centre in Ezulwini on July 7, 2016.

Achieve Success Communications Officer, Nongcebo Fakudze, said

the tickets would be sold in outlets like Ocean Basket and Nandos.

"We will also deliver the tickets for organisations and individuals as well," Fakudze said.

Interest

She said they wanted to host 400 people, but if the interest was more than that, they would add the number of tickets printed to accommodate such developments.

She stated that the summit would

be divided into two parts. It will start with a workshop, which will be in the morning.

It will then be followed by the summit in the evening. Each person will have to fork out E1 400 for both the workshop and the summit. For the summit alone, a person will part with E850.

Attending the workshop only would mean the individual pays for the the summit as well.

The communications officer said business people and those interested in business issues should not miss out at the event.

Speakers

She also said everyone was welcome to attend. One of the speakers, she said, was from Harvard University.

According to the poster promoting summit, one such person is Fanele Mashwama, who is a 2016 World

Debating Champion. He is also a son to Minister for Natural Resources and Energy Jabulile Mashwama.

Fakudze said Fanele might take his time to visit local tertiary institutions, where he would be motivating his peers on matters bordering on education and business.

Other speakers include Metcash Africa Executive Vusi Thambekwayo, financial journalist Iona Minton and Bunengi Holdings Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Savannah Maziya.

VUSI THEMBEKWAYO READY FOR SWAZILAND AGAIN

Stories by Manqoba Makhubu
Midrand, South Africa

"On my best day, I am the best speaker in the world, when I am prepared and I have done my work, its seven billion people on this earth and no one can touch me."

This was the sentiment of Vusi Thembekwayo, the global celebrated public speaker christened, 'The Rockstar of Public Speaking' during an interview at his office at the Waterfall Office Park in Midrand, South Africa last Friday.

Thembekwayo who said he would be in the country for the fourth time, confirmed his participation in the upcoming Achieve Success Summit to be held on July 7, 2016 at the Royal Swazi Sun Convention Centre, Ezulwini.

Competitions

Asked if he was working towards claiming the first position for public speaking in the world, Thembekwayo sounded stunned.

"What, I am already number one in the world!" he exclaimed.

He said he had proven it, by winning world championships.

Thembekwayo was currently rated

third in the world at the English Speaking Union International Competition.

However, on a serious note he said he was not working towards claiming the first position.

"So for me, what I am saying is, I am not after the results, or to be ranked number one, that's not what I am after. I am after doing the things that will get the results, and then the results would just come by," he said.

"I am good when I am not prepared; when I am prepared no one can touch me," he added.

Schools

Adding, he said the global public speaking rankings were complex.

"It is not only about how well you speak. It's about where you speak, the countries you work in, and it's about who you speak for. So if I go to speak in schools it doesn't count, I have to go to speak at the Wall Street in New York not in some small street in Sandton, that counts and then it's about how much you charge," said Thembekwayo. He likened himself to Floyd Mayweather, a boxing legend who is well known for winning matches, though he threw the least punches. "Mayweather didn't try not to lose a fight; but tried to

become the defensive boxer in the world, by becoming the best defensive boxer in the world made him to never lose a fight," he said.

He said this was a good analogy for entrepreneurship, because entrepreneurship is not about doing a lot, but doing small things that matter, adding that so many entrepreneurs got themselves into the trap where they try to sell everything.

As an emphasis to his argument he said Toyota also got them in a big strategic problem.

Toyota also owns Lexus; in the late 1980s the company started exporting cars to the United States of America (USA). However, the feedback that came was US customers' preferred bigger cars and luxurious cars. However, Toyota at that time didn't have luxury cars. So they started making luxury cars for export to the US which then led to the creation of the new Lexus brand.

However, according to Thembekwayo the problem the company has now is are they going to keep making cheap cars or just make expensive cars.

"Sell one thing and become the best at one thing, you don't have to sell everything," he said.

...says most talented people are employed in Swaziland

MEANWHILE, Thembekwayo says most of the talented people who are supposed to be bringing change in Swaziland are unfortunately employed.

"When entrepreneurs get jobs, that doesn't build the country, if they get employed they then get married, after that they have kids and then when they have kids they don't start businesses, because I can't take a risk as I might then not be able to feed my kids," he said.

Adding, he said the market size is not big enough.

Business

"That is another reason why in Swaziland there are so many talented people who are employed," said Thembekwayo.

He said the second reason was the strength of incumbency.

"What it means is I would never set up a sugar business in Swaziland, because the industry is too big, so I can't compete with it. I would never set up a power business; I would never set up telecommunications business. There are two or three players and they own the whole mar-

ket, so the minute I set up they can even drop prices to kill competition," he said.

He said when investors set up a business one of the things they considered is the fragmentation of players.

"I prefer to start a business in a mature market with a thousand players than a developing market with two players. Because a developing market although promising, means when I come in they will be able to easily see me and they

could kill me, whereas when there is a thousand that would be difficult," said Thembekwayo.

Expects

Adding, he said businesses potential entrepreneurs should also look at the customer service experience gap, "meaning if I can build a business where what the customer expects and what the current providers provide is not the same thing there is a gap there, and my business should be based on fulfilling that gap."

Sadly, he said that is not what most entrepreneurs on the continent are thinking.

He also came up with another example.

"Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) do chicken, South African Chicken Licken also do chicken, why create a Nando's, *Inkukhu yinkukhu nje*. The reason is, KFC is deep fried and there were health issue with deep fried chicken, two there are people who actually like Portuguese chicken."

Health

However, the guy who introduced Nando's, Robbie is not Portuguese. Robbie also didn't create Nandos he bought it, he was an accountant doing articles, one day he finished his articles early, left the office, he walked down the road and walks into the shop, buys the chicken, this was the best chicken he's ever had. So he goes to his friend and he and his friend Fernando bought the business," he said.

"Robbie is Jewish, not Portuguese, Nandos make Portuguese chicken, so the point of my story is this, the reason they were able to come in and compete, was because the customer was eating chicken either at home or deep fried, there was no healthy chicken outside, there was no Portuguese chicken so they created Nando's," said Thembekwayo.

"If you have a big market size, fragmented players, and a customer experience gap, that's the formula," he concluded.



READY: Vusi Thembekwayo.

...He applauds Summit's new programmes

VUSI Thembekwayo has applauded the new developments on the packaging of this year's Achieve Success Summit (ACS).

Thembekwayo was responding to an update by the ACS representatives Jose Rego and Mzwandile Nxumalo in a brief meeting in his office at the Waterfall Office Park in Midrand, South Africa last Friday.

During the briefing Rego explained that this year's summit would be targeting a diverse group of beneficiaries with different offerings including an entrepreneurship mentorship programme, corporate leadership programme

and innovators mentorship programmes.

The programmes would be rolled out over the 12 months succeeding the 2016 ACS summit and seminar.

Thembekwayo said these programmes were critical for the sustainability of the summit and to add value to the summit's participants.

"These developments are interesting, we really need to focus on how we can practically impact the lives of people more than just speaking and living it like that. Because we don't want to raise people's expectations and then leave them unsatisfied," he said.

ABOUT VUSI THEMBEKWAYO

At the age of 17, Vusi was already ranked first in Africa for public speaking and went on to receive a third in the world at the English Speaking Union International Competition. He speaks in four of the seven continents (more details at www.studentshare.net) to over 350 000 people each year! He delivered over 200 keynotes in 2011 alone. At 25 years-old he was the youngest director of a multi-national company with a turnover of R17bn a year, where he served on the operations board. His humour is the glue that binds some of his most diverse audiences in the world. John Howard, former Prime Minister of Australia

called Vusi the "Rock Star of Public Speaking" and global strategist and scenario-planning guru Clem Sunter said he was "simply riveting while Sir Bob Geldof said "Vusi is a great speaker".

● March 2013: Voted in Top 10 Venture Capitalists to follow (global list)

● Featured in leading entrepreneurship blog "Emerging Stars"

● February 2013: appointed to board of AltX listed telephony operator

● invited to speak at Global Youth Entrepreneurship Summit in Russia

● January 2013: appointed Judge of Black Business Quarterly Awards

World News

'SOBBING' OBAMA ATTENDS DAUGHTER'S HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

WASHINGTON - President Barack Obama made the short but sentimental drive across Washington to attend his oldest daughter's high school graduation.

Obama joked that Malia's graduation was the one event where he could not give an address.

"Malia's school asked if I wanted to speak at commencement and I said no," Obama said in Detroit earlier this year.

"I'm going to be wearing dark glasses... and I'm going to cry."

True to his promise, Obama was photographed by guests at Sidwell Friends School wearing dark glasses.

He was accompanied by First Lady Michelle Obama, Malia and his youngest daughter Sasha.

Malia was 10 years old when Obama entered office, almost eight years ago.

She is expected to attend Harvard in 2017, after a gap

year. Earlier this year Obama told television host Ellen DeGeneres of his sorrow at thinking that she would soon fly the nest.

He said he would be "sobbing" at the graduation.

"She's one of my best friends. And it's going to be hard for me not to have her around all the time. But she's ready to go. You can tell. She's just a really smart, capable person and she's ready to make her own way."

News24.



GOOD FATHER: President Barack Obama and Malia..

3 000 arrested in Bangladesh

DHAKA - Bangladesh police have arrested more than 3 000 people in a sweeping nationwide crackdown following a spate of gruesome murders, they said on Saturday, as the prime minister vowed to catch "each and every killer".

Those detained include 37 suspected Islamist militants and hundreds of potential criminals who previously had warrants out against them, as well as several hundred ordinary arrests, police said.

Bangladesh is reeling from a wave of brutal killings that have spiked in recent weeks, with religious minorities, secular thinkers and liberal activists the chief targets.

"We have arrested 3 155 people including 37 Islamist militants as part of the special drive over the last 24 hours," AKM Shahidur Rahman, deputy police inspector general told AFP.

"The militants included 27 members of Jamayetul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB)," he said.

The JMB is one of the main domestic militant outfits blamed by the government, which rejects claims from Islamic State group and a South Asian branch of al-Qaeda that they are behind the killings.

The country's Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina told a meeting of her ruling Awami League party Saturday that police would stamp out the violence.

"It may take time, but God willing, we will be able to bring them under control," Hasina told a meeting of her ruling Awami League party on Saturday.

"Where will the criminals hide? Each and every killer will be brought to book as we did after the 2015 mayhem," she said, referring to a deadly transport blockade last year organised by opposition parties.

However, Bangladesh opposition parties immediately accused the police of using the crackdown to suppress political dissent.

News24

Guatemala's ex-ministers face corruption charges

GUATEMALA - Guatemala's attorney general on Saturday brought corruption charges against five former ministers who served in the government of Otto Perez, a former president impeached and arrested for suspected graft last year.

The five are accused of money laundering and unlawful association to buy gifts for Perez and ex-vice president Roxana Baldetti through an aide, said Ivan Velasquez, head of a local U.N.-backed anti-corruption body known as the CICIG.

The announcement was made in a joint news conference by Guatemala's attorney general, Thelma Aldana, and

the CICIG, who worked together to build a case against Perez last year.

Police detained two of the five officials, ex-defence minister Manuel Lopez Ambrosio and former interior minister Mauricio Lopez Bonilla on Saturday.

Alejandro Sinibaldi, who had the infrastructure job, former energy minister Erick Archila and Lopez Ambrosio's predecessor at defence, Ulises Anzueto, are facing arrest.

Only Lopez Bonilla has so far responded to the charges, denying them as he was taken in handcuffs to a court-house on Saturday.

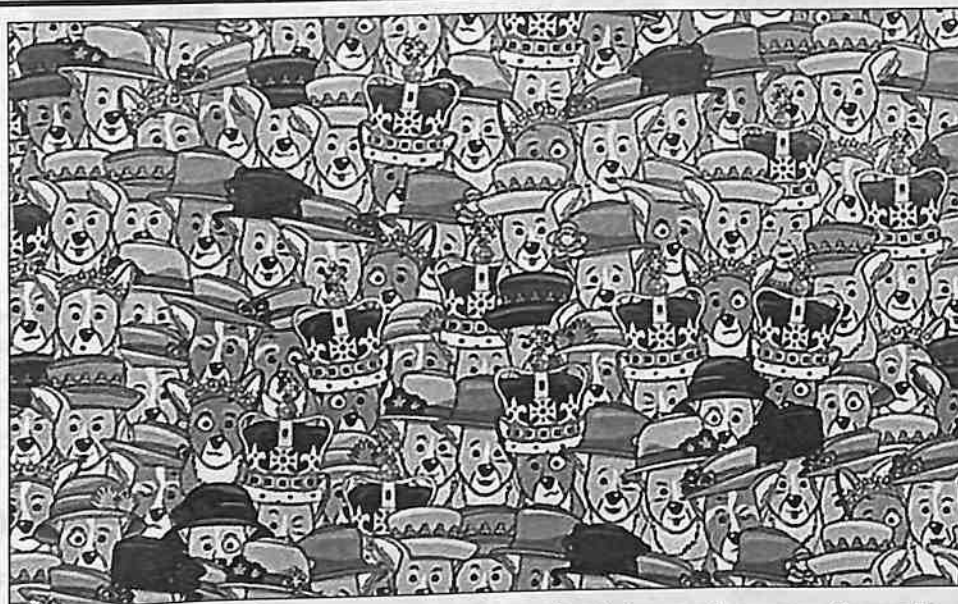
Velasquez said the five had channelled some \$4.5 million

in cash to Baldetti's private secretary, Juan Carlos Monzon, to buy beach houses for Baldetti and Perez, as well as a helicopter and a boat for the former president, a retired general.

Investigators discovered the purchases after raiding Monzon's offices in April 2015. Monzon was arrested in October and subsequently confirmed the transactions, authorities said.

Velasquez said investigators suspect that the money delivered to Monzon for the gifts was illicit because the sums involved went far beyond the ministers' salaries or what they had stated in their asset declarations.

News24.



CAN YOU FIND THE QUEEN: The latest brainteaser to sweep the web features the Queen hiding in a sea of Corgis, who all appear to have borrowed her headgear. But can you spot Her Royal Highness in this birthday tribute? The illustration was created by fashion website *Skyllight.co.uk* as a tribute to Her Majesty ahead of her landmark celebrations. It is the latest in a string of Where's Wally-style teasers which have had puzzle fans scratching their heads. (*Daily Mail*)

BRIEFS

Christina Grimmie killer identified

FLORIDA - Orlando, Florida (CNN) Florida authorities answered one of the major questions in the shooting death of Christina Grimmie, the 22-year-old singer who made her name on NBC's "The Voice." The man who killed her was Kevin James Loibl, 27, of St. Petersburg, Florida, according to Orlando police. But they didn't give any background on Loibl or offer a possible motive. CNN affiliate WFTS photographed a handwritten note posted on Loibl's family home.

CNN

Dubai airport shut for over an hour

DUBAI - Dubai International Airport, the world's busiest airport for international travel, closed its airspace for 69 minutes due to unauthorised drone activity, causing 22 flights to be diverted, aviation authorities said. Government-owned Dubai Airports, which operates Dubai's two main airports, said in a statement the closure lasted between 11:36 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. and Dubai Airports chief executive Paul Griffiths said thousands of passengers suffered disruption to their journeys. Sixteen of the diverted flights went to Dubai World Central, Dubai's other main airport, a Dubai Airports spokesperson told Reuters. *Timeslive*

Suicide bombers kill 20

BEIRUT - Suicide bombers struck

outside a Shiite shrine near Syria's capital on Saturday, leaving at least 20 people dead, a monitor said, in an attack claimed by the Islamic State group. The official SANA news agency said two suicide bombers, one in a car, attacked the entrance to the Sayyida Zeinab shrine, which is revered by Shiites around the world. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a British-based monitoring group, said at least 20 people were killed, including 13 civilians, and more than 30 wounded in the blasts.

eNCA

Shooting at Florida gay bar

MIAMI - A shooting erupted at a gay nightclub in downtown Orlando, Florida, leaving "multiple injuries," police said. "There are injuries. I am not sure if there are any deceased at this time," a police dispatcher told AFP, describing it as an "active shooting." Officers are going in to search the building and to get people out," the dispatcher said. The shooting occurred at the Pulse nightclub, which advertises itself on its website as 'Orlando's hottest gay bar'. *Citizen.*

Dutch woman is arrested in Qatar

QATAR - A Dutch woman who told Qatari police she had been drugged and raped in March has been in government detention ever since on unclear charges, a lawyer has claimed. The Dutch Embassy in Qatar confirmed the woman remained held ahead of a scheduled hearing in Doha, which will host the 2022 FIFA World Cup.

News24

Focus on SA scene



DISQUALIFY ANC FROM ELECTIONS – EFF

JOHANNESBURG - In the wake of major violence that the EFF says is being directed against it by the ANC, it has asked the IEC to bar the ruling party from certain regions.

According to a report by City Press, the EFF feels the violence against it by what it alleges are ANC supporters has gone too far.

In the wake of the deaths of EFF members, including a woman who was shot (and whose attacker Malema named this week), the party has asked the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) to bar the ANC from participating in elections in violence-struck regions.

The party blames the ruling party for the violence in these areas, according to what its spokesperson told the Sunday paper. The EFF is complaining that its meetings coun-

trywide are being attacked and disrupted by the ANC.

The IEC asks all political parties to sign a conduct agreement, with a peaceful approach to campaigning being a top priority. It is not inconceivable that any party stands to be disqualified for violent behaviour.

The IEC told the paper that they had received the EFF's formal complaint. It offered to mediate with dialogue, but the opposition EFF told City Press it did not consider that enough, since it feels the ANC should be given heavier sanctions for violating the Electoral Code of Conduct.

The EFF has already warned of civil war ahead of the August 3 municipal polls. Political analysts warned in April already that South Africa would need to brace itself for the most violent and brutal local

government elections in its history.

Both the ANC and the IFP released their provincial election manifestos in KwaZulu-Natal yesterday.

On Friday, the ANC released a statement in which it condemned the election violence. President Jacob Zuma condemned the recent acts of violence and intimidation.

In his statement, he said political parties should adhere to the Charter of Election Ethics, which was signed in May.

"We must all ensure peaceful and orderly campaigning, as well as free political activity throughout the country," he said. He said the SA Police Service would ensure stability and security.

About 10 people have been killed so far in politically linked incidents. *Citizen*

DA mayoral candidate deviates from campaign

WINDVOGEL - The Democratic Alliance's mayoral candidate for Nelson Mandela Bay deviated from the electoral trail to help fight a blaze that destroyed three homes in Windvogel in the northern areas of the metro.

The DA's head of campaign communications for the metro, Kristoff Adelbert, said while driving back from an event in Cleary Park, they noticed a house burning near Main Road. "We were the first to arrive,

and assisted residents with getting as many belongings out as possible. Athol Trollip assisted firefighters, who arrived shortly thereafter, where necessary to ensure that the blaze was doused," he said. Adelbert said there were no fatalities but some people had suffered minor burns and smoke inhalation. Three homes were destroyed in the blaze, he said. "Three families – about 15 people – lost all of their possessions in the fire," he said. *Timeslive*

A call for unity ahead of Soweto uprising anniversary

SOWETO - As the country grapples with political and racial turmoil, the SA Council of Churches says the country is in need of healing.

Hundreds of members of the faith community gathered in Soweto to commemorate Youth Month.

Religious leaders called on churches to play an active role in rebuilding society – and uniting the nation.

On June 16, 1976, pupils were gunned down by police. They were protesting against the unjust apartheid system.

On Saturday religious leaders made a commemorative walk to mark the youth uprising.

The group made its way to Orlando Stadium, which was meant to be the final destination of the class of '76.

"We are a nation with wounds but the wounds of 76 became the impetus to fast track our journey to liberation," Bishop Ziphazile Siwa of the SA Council of Churches said. Religious leaders agree that political and economic issues continue to erode the fab-

ric of our society.

"We were involved in the struggle that got rid of apartheid and sort of backed off and left it to the politicians. But you see politics don't unite people,"

Reverend Frank Chikane said Chikane says the church should be a haven for whistle-blowers.

"The council of churches has

committed

itself to dealing with mal-administration," Chikane said.

"That that's why we have set up the panel so that people who don't go to commissions or the ANC or

wherever to talk about the corruption and capturing of the state go to a safe place in the church and talk to someone." The faith community has called on the youth to honour the class of 76 by not forgetting the sacrifices they made for a better South Africa. *eNCA*



LET'S UNITE: Reverend Frank Chikane.

Mediator sent to Canada to resolve SA firefighters' strike

JOHANNESBURG - A mediator will go to Canada to try resolve the dispute involving a team of local firefighters who are striking over pay.

Environmental Affairs Minister Edna Molewa has deployed Working on Fire MD, Trevor Abrahams, to assist in the talks. The 301 local firefighters arrived in the Canadian province of Alberta on May 30, 2016, but went on strike this week, demanding more money. In a statement, the minister says the firefighters should be compensated fairly and equitably. "The

minister is confident that the matter can be resolved in a mutually satisfactory manner, allowing the firefighters to be demobilised and return safely back to South Africa. Failing which, the mediation team will ensure that the firefighters are demobilised and return safely back to South Africa (sic)," Molewa said in a statement. She says Canadian and South Africa authorities will also draw up a formal agreement, detailing employment conditions. "To this end, the department will continue to engage directly with the implement-

ing agent, WoF personnel and with the Canadian government on the conditions under which South African firefighters are deployed both now and in future," she said. "This will include the negotiation of a memorandum of understanding between the governments of Canada and South Africa, as well as a concomitant implementation plan between the implementing agencies of Canada and South Africa, respectively. This implementation plan will be done in consultation with WoF firefighters." *eNCA*

Murdered media personality Hope Zinde 'strong-willed, independent'

HARTBESPOORT - Murdered media personality, Hope Zinde, was strong-willed, strong-minded and very independent, her family spokesperson, Majota 'Phat Joe' Kambule, said yesterday.

He described the former host of 'Good Morning South Africa'

(GMSA) as family, who was instrumental in getting him interested in working in media. "I remember she used to let me come visit her and watch her working at SABC," he said. "[She] was born long before me – well she wasn't that much older than me, but she was definitely like an older sister to

me and in many ways like my mother." She started her career at Channel Africa and SAfm before getting her TV break when she covered the country's first democratic elections as a Durban correspondent. In 1995 she travelled with former President Nelson Mandela on his first trip to

Mozambique before joining GMSA for a two-year stint as an anchor and producer. At the time of her death, Zinde was General Manager of Corporate Affairs at the Passenger Rail Agency of SA (PRASA).

Zinde was a former member of the SABC board, who, along with

colleagues Rachel Kalidass and Ronnie Lubisi, was removed from her position by Minister of Communications Faith Muthambi. Zinde accused the minister of acting against them as they had not supported the appointment of Hlaudi Motsoeneng as Chief Operations Officer of the public broadcaster. *News42*

MEET THE MAN WHO HAS LIVED FOR 555 DAYS WITHOUT A HEART

USA - Without a heart to pump oxygenated blood around the body, you die pretty quickly.

Transplants though, are hard to come by, which is why scientists are looking into using CRISPR to allow pigs to host human-like hearts.

In the meantime, however, one 25-year-old man has proved that it's possible to live over a year while literally heartless.

Stan Larkin went a massive 555 days wearing an "artificial heart" backpack, which filled in after his ticker was removed while he awaited a transplant donor.

Both he and his brother Dominique were diagnosed with familial cardiomyopathy as teenagers – a terrible condition where your heart can fail without warning.

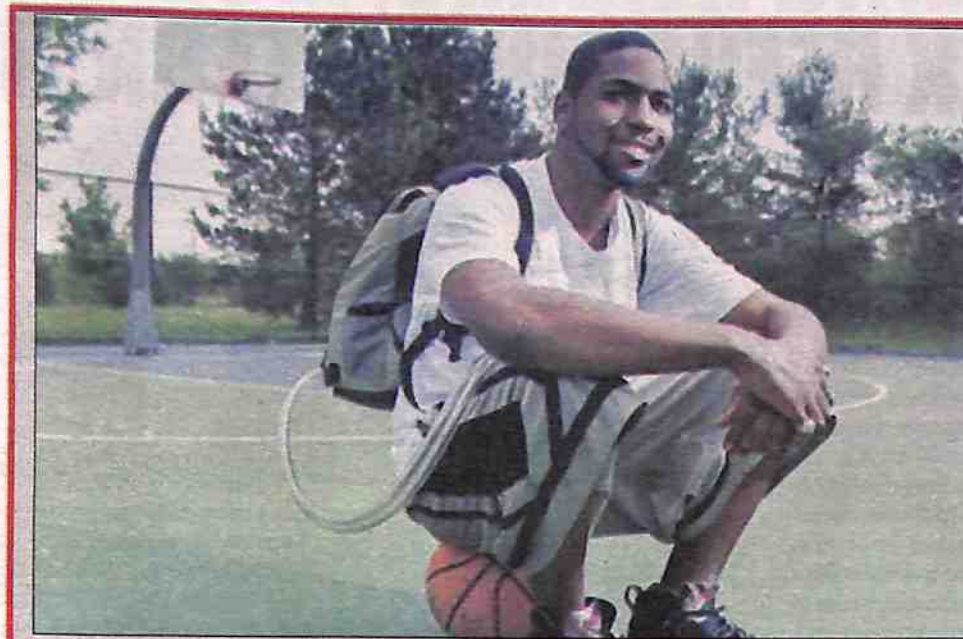
Siblings

Both siblings were on the transplant list for several years, and eventually had their hearts removed to make way for healthy donor ones.

For the duration of the wait, both brothers were fitted with a 13.5 pound backpack that connects directly to the cardiovascular system and takes over where the heart leaves off.

While implantable defibrillators and similar technology can assist with partial heart failure, this device – known as Syncardia – is designed to be used when both sides of the heart fail.

While Dominique only needed the device for a couple of weeks, Stan was plugged into his 24 hours



MIRACLE: Stan Larkin went a massive 555 days wearing an "artificial heart" backpack, which filled in after his ticker was removed while he awaited a transplant donor.



GENERIC: Both Stan and his brother Dominique were diagnosed with familial cardiomyopathy as teenagers. (Daily Mail)

per day for 555 days, finally receiving a full transplant on May 9, 2016.

Despite what Larkin describes as an "emotional rollercoaster," he is now back to full health. "I got the

transplant two weeks ago and I feel like I could take a jog as we speak. I want to thank the donor who

gave themselves for me. I'd like to meet their family one day. Hopefully they'd want to meet me," he said.

Larkin stunned doctors by being able to continue playing basketball, despite having a backpack the weight of nearly four Macbook Pros strapped to his back 24 hours a day.

Worry

"He really thrived on the device," said Jonathan Haft, associate professor of cardiac surgery at the University of Michigan, who carried out his surgery.

"This wasn't made for pick-up basketball. Stan pushed the envelope with this technology.

"They were both very, very ill when we first met them in our intensive care units.

We wanted to get them heart transplants, but didn't think we had enough time.

"There's just something about their unique anatomic situation where other technology wasn't going to work."

Younger brother Dominique has been with a donor heart since January 2015, and was able to explain a little of what his brother must be going through, being without the backpack for the first time.

"It's been like having a new life. You can do everything you weren't able to do and everything you thought you would probably never be able to do again," he said.

"You can live without the restrictions you had when you were sick and not have to worry about every little thing."

For Stan, though, it's one step at a time - he's even staying off the basketball court for a little while.

"I'll probably run a few pick-up games, but not right away," he told Michigan Live.

"I haven't taken a shot yet without the backpack hooked up. I just want to put the heart to use."

Daily Mail

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Libyan forces 'retake port' in Sirte

TRIPOLI - Forces allied with Libya's unity government said on Saturday they had recaptured the port in the jihadist stronghold of Sirte from Islamic State group (ISIS) fighters encircled inside the city. The fall of Sirte, the home town of ousted dictator Muammar Gaddafi, would be a major setback for the extremists who have also lost territory in Syria and Iraq where they have declared an Islamic "caliphate". The Libyan forces also retook residential areas in the east of Sirte, which for the past year has been the main ISIS base in the North African country, a spokesperson for the forces, Rida Issa, told AFP. *News24*

Double AIDS treatment to be used

UNITED NATIONS - Countries committed to nearly doubling the number of people who receive life-saving HIV treatment over the next five years as a high-level United Nations conference devoted to ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030 drew to a close. During the three-day-long meeting, countries also saw the UN's 193-member states commit for the first time to monitoring the quality of treatment, with a goal of getting 90% of those receiving anti-retroviral medicine to reduce their viral load to the point where it is undetectable — something that improves quality of life and reduces the risk of transmission. *News24*

Two killed in Durban horror crash

DURBAN - Two people died and one was injured in a horrific road accident on the N2 northbound near the NPC Cement factory in Durban, KwaZulu-Natal paramedics said. "Just after 7pm Rescue Care paramedics arrived at the accident scene and found carnage," Rescue Care spokesman Garrih Jamieson said. "A minibus and a bakkie had collided; however, the minibus came to rest on top of the bakkie." One person was still trapped in the one vehicle. *Citizen*



US wants forensic audit of Moza debt

MAPUTO — The United States ambassador to Mozambique, Dean Pittman, has called for an independent forensic audit of the accounts of the Mozambican state, in order to assess the causes of the current public debt crisis. This demand for a forensic audit is similar to that made by British High Commissioner, Joanna Kuenssberg. *AllAfrica*

Former leader appeals conviction

DAKAR - Chad's former ruler, Hissene Habre, has appealed against his conviction for crimes against humanity and war crimes, a spokesman for the Special African Chamber that conducted his trial in Senegal said. Habre, 73, an ally of the West during the Cold War, was sentenced on May 30 to life in prison for rape and ordering the killing and torture of thousands of political opponents during his eight-year rule. *AllAfrica*



FLEEING RENAMO, MOZA VILLAGERS SEEK REFUGE IN EASTERN ZIMBABWE

CHIPINGE - A traditional chief living near Zimbabwe's eastern border with Mozambique claims villagers are fleeing across the border to escape attacks by RENAMO rebels, a report says.

In the first reports this year of Mozambican villagers seeking refuge in Zimbabwe, Chief Mapungwana told the state-controlled Manica Post newspaper that a number of Mozambican villagers had asked for permission to build temporary homes in his area in the Chipinge area of Manicaland province.

Luthando Mapepa, a reporter from the newspaper, said he crossed the border to Espungabeira last weekend and found "affected communities... were fleeing to Zimbabwe, running away from RENAMO ban-



dots."

Espungabeira is in Mozambique's Manica province and lies just 4km from the border with Zimbabwe.

Villager Arimando Sithole was quoted as saying: "We are taking our important belongings to Zimbabwe because here property is not safe." The paper did not give the number of villagers who have fled so far but said they

were bringing cattle and goats with them to Zimbabwe.

The Zimbabwe authorities have previously dismissed claims that RENAMO is active on their border.

RENAMO waged a 16-year civil war that ended in 1992. It has refused to accept the FRELIMO party's victory in the 2014 elections.

FRELIMO has been in power

in Mozambique since independence in 1975.

As unrest worsened, hundreds of Mozambican refugees were reported earlier this year to have flooded into Malawi. Some of them said they were fleeing a crackdown by government forces hunting down RENAMO supporters. The Manica Post reported in March on claims that RENAMO forces were recruiting youths on the Zimbabwe side of the border, targeting farm-workers in particular. But government officials have dismissed the claims. There have been rumours on social media that RENAMO forces had entered Zimbabwe's Chipinge area but the district administrator, Edgars Seenza, told the Manica Post on Friday that the reports were untrue. *News24*



DEATH RIDE: The nephew of a man that rides on the back of crocodiles has opened up about his uncle's antics saying he's suffered a few nips and grazes from the dangerous act. Queensland's 'Barefoot Bushman', Rob Bredl (main), 65 and his nephew Daniel (inset) run tours with groups of 20 or more visitors who come to watch Rob wrestle and 'play' with massive crocodiles. But it isn't all fun and games for the thrill-seeking bushman who claims he has been bitten by both crocs and other reptiles over 40 times, although his nephew describes them more as 'love bites'. (*Daily Mail*)



Four women killed by Boko Haram in Nigeria

KANO - Boko Haram has killed four women in a remote village in Nigeria's northeast in the latest attack by the Islamist group, local vigilantes assisting the military said.

Fourteen Boko Haram gunmen on seven motorcycles stormed Mairari village, 80 kilometres from Maiduguri, the state capital late Friday and picked four women from their homes and slit their throats, they said.

The women were aged between 27 and 45.

"They went into four homes while residents were breaking their fast around 7pm, brought out the four women and slaughtered them," Babakura Kolo, a vigilante in Maiduguri told AFP.

"We believe the killings were targeted, the gunmen were from all indications after the husbands of the women," he said.

"They killed the women when they didn't find their husbands". Another vigilante, Musa Ari, gave a similar account.

"The general feeling is that the women's husbands either refused to accept Boko Haram's invitation to join their ranks or the group suspects them of passing information about them to the authorities," Ari told AFP.

Boko Haram has been accused of forcing residents to join its fighters or get killed. The Islamist group has abducted thousands of people, including women and children who it used as conscripts, suicide bombers and sex slaves. *AllAfrica*

Anti-Mugabe protesters freed

HARARE - At least 15 people, including a journalist and the brother of a missing political activist, arrested during a public protest against President Robert Mugabe were freed on bail Saturday, their lawyer said.

The activists were rounded up Thursday while they were holding a vigil in Africa Unity Square in central Harare calling upon Mugabe, in power since 1980, to step down.

"They have all been granted bail," lawyer Obey Shava told AFP.

Five of the group were charged with robbery and obstructing the course of justice and were granted \$1 000 (about 890 euros) bail each.

The other 10 were released on \$500 bail each after being charged for obstructing the course of justice.

Africa Unity Square has been the venue of a series of protests over the disappearance of political activist Itai Dzamara who was abducted in March last year, allegedly by military intelligence agents.

His brother Patson, who was among those arrested and charged with robbery, last week released a picture he said showed the missing man being held at an undisclosed location.

Opposition is mounting against the 92-year-old Mugabe, whose decades in office have been marked by economic decline, repression of dissent, claims of vote-rigging, mass unemployment and emigration. *eNCA*





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HOPEFUL: Young ladies who came for the Miss Swaziland selection process pose for a photo shoot at the Happy Valley Hotel on Saturday afternoon. (Pics: Tenele Dlamini)

Miss Swaziland Selection process smooth sailing

Stories by Tenele Dlamini

IT was smooth sailing for the Miss Swaziland 2016/2017 selection process that was held at the Happy Valley Hotel on Saturday afternoon.

It was all systems go at the event that began around 3pm, as young ladies from all over the country with their parents filled

up the hotel's conference room.

A total of about 13 girls ranging from the age of 18 to 24, were called out one by one to a separate room where they met judges for the question and answer session.

The three panel of judges consisted of committee members from Pageant SD, who have assumed the role of ensuring all pageants in the country are con-

ducted fairly, transparently and professionally to ultimately meet international standards.

Selection

According to Pageant Swaziland's Mellissa DuPont, the process of selecting the 12 finalists was conducted in a closed setting as per international standards.

"At the selection process we had invited the parents and

friends of the girls to give them moral support.

"The selection process is done behind closed doors to keep it professional. We wanted to ask the girls questions separately and didn't want to disadvantage anyone.

This keeps the whole process fair, honest and transparent," explained DuPont.

The committee member further added that each girl will then be contacted individually and notified telephonically, informing them of whether they made the final selection list or not.

The unveiling of the 12 finalists will then be announced publicly within a week.

...Girls exude confidence at selection process

MANY of the girls who spoke briefly to this newspaper's reporter were articulate and displayed a lot of confidence while being friendly to their competition.

One participant aspires to do community work with young vulnerable children. Another 18

year old was inspired to join by her aunt who also held the much sought after title in the late 90s, while another added that she answered her questions very well.

The MC for this year's Miss Swaziland contest will be recently crowned Mr.

Intervarsity, Rodney Lansburg, who was also ushering the girls to the selection room at the Saturday event.

Objective

"The main objective of this day was for the committee and all of us to get to know the girls better in this meet and greet ses-

sion," said Lansburg. The handsome student from the University of Swaziland together with Pageant Swaziland committee member and model, Ncediswa Sihlongonyane, made the young ladies feel relaxed throughout the proceedings and offered everyone in attendance refreshments before the completion of the long session.

...Happy Valley General Manager pleased

THE General Manager at the Happy Valley Hotel, Luigi Rusi, expressed pleasure at the partnership that has been formed by the hotel and the Miss Swaziland pageant.

"This is a very positive event and will hit the international platforms very soon.

We are very happy that we have been chosen to host the Miss Swaziland pageant event this year," stated Rusi who added that they believe they have the capacity to host the contest, for their largest conference room seats a maximum of 300 to 400 people.



BOSS: Happy Valley Hotel's general manager, Luigi Rusi speaking to the media in his office.

By Majaha Nkonyane

ELANGENI HIGH SCHOOL A STRONG CONTENDER

IN what was meant to be a tough battle in the Hhohho elimination round of the Swazi Bank Schools music competition, Elangeni High School proved to be a stronger contender.

The Swazi Bank Schools music competition Hhohho elimination held at KaBoyce High School proved to be an easy bridge to cross for Elangeni High School, the school posed as a stronger team in all the categories.

Competing against twelve tough competitors, Elangeni took first place in all categories followed by KaSchiele high school and SOS in third place.

The competition was opened by a word of prayer before the competing schools started battling it out to make it to the finals.

The KaBoyce high school hall soon turned into a battle ground as schools from the Hhohho region, after hours

of preparation, battled it out. The air was thick with tension and a deafening silence while the room was filled with aspiring hearts, as each school did all they could to make it to the finals.

Present to witness the event was Swazi Bank Managing Director's representative Zakithi Dlamini, Mathokoza Mtsetfwa, vice president of the National Executive Committee Swaziland Schools Culture Association, Tancle Magagula, parents, teachers and former students.

"The event is exciting, interesting and fun to watch.

I am happy to support my former school and I believe there should be a trophy for best dressed conductor," Simphiwe Mnisi KaBoyce former learner said.

In a twist of events, Entfonjeni High School was having it really tough on stage. Despite a very confident conductor with energetic



BUSY AT WORK: Judges were hard at work calculating scores and noting important details as each school went on stage.

moves, the school failed dismally to stay on key. The conductor's moves seemed to have plunged the knife deep as he was all over the place dancing up a storm instead of directing the students when they were off key. This led to a poor performance by the school who delivered in both

vernacular and English songs.

Swazi Bank continues to strengthen ties with the ministry of education and training in sponsoring the music competition. "This partnership has and continues to unearth singing talent in pupils and provide them with a unique platform to display such,

music also provides a career opportunity which pupils can pursue to earn a living," Zakithi Dlamini said.

The road now leads to the crowning of the best in the Swazi Bank Schools music competition dubbed Flying High with Our Voices' on June 19.

UZALO'S 'MASTERMIND' A NO SHOW AT FINESSE

Stories by Phumelele Mkhonta

MUCH to the surprise of all revellers, the highly anticipated, 'All Black Party' with Uzalo's 'Mastermind' did not take place as the handsome yet ghetto character did not show up.

Ntokozo Dlamini is a dynamic and vibrant all-round media personality who plays the part of 'Mastermind' in Uzalo, which is SABC1's drama portraying life at KwaMashu in KwaZulu-Natal, Durban.

'Mastermind' was due to appear at Finesse Restaurant on Friday as the guest.

Meet

He's role was to meet, greet and mix with the crowd and his fans during the 'All Black Party'.

The birthday boys that were also hosting included; Andrew Brown,

who is a student at Limkokwing, Mcondisi Msibi, an upcoming rapper studying at U-Tech College and Magongo Mkhuleko, who is a known businessman.

The trio had initially offered surprise goodies to the Best Dressed Male and Female.

The Dopest Crew also promised to award the Best Dressed a chance to mingle, wine as well as dine and spend the day



with the next guest in the next event they will host. Revellers were greeted by a 'No Show' sign upon entering the venue. Some revellers decided to stay for the night while others made a U-turn due to being disappointed. There were no protests; fun lovers did not resolve to violence.

The organisers were absent on the night of the intended 'event'.

NO SHOW: Uzalo's Ntokozo 'Mastermind' Dlamini.

Hold on to your tickets - Dopest Crew

DOPEST Crew's co-founder and Director, Samkeliso Dlamini, pleaded with fun lovers and his supporters who already had tickets in their possession to hold on to them.

Pre-sale tickets cost E70 for general and E120 for VIP.

"It was a result of a misunderstanding between the organisers, us and the main guest.

We had challenges in his transportation to Swaziland and by the time we had resolved the issue it was too late to fetch him in Johannesburg in time for the

show.

"I would like to apologise to all those who had highly anticipated the show, especially those who had bought the tickets. I request them to hold on to their tickets as there is still going to be a make-up event," said Dlamini.

Ngwane Teacher's College music lecturer off to US

By Majaha Nkonyane

VINCENT Kunene will soon jet out to the United States of America after winning in the 'Evoking Sound' Choral Conducting Competition hosted earlier this year.

As part of the prize he will be jetting out to the US later this month to attend the Conducting Institute at Westminster Choir College of Rider University which will be held in Princeton, New Jersey from June 26 to July 2. "It is an exciting avenue and a great opportunity for me to have won and be part of such a big move in my music career. I am very grateful and looking forward to this trip," he said.

The department of Music at Swaziland Christian University conducted a choral conducting workshop and competition early this year. The event was open to all students of the institution's school of music and other choral music conductors as well as music lecturers in the country.

The winner of the competition was awarded an opportunity to attend the Conducting Institute at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, USA in the summer of 2016.

Kunene, a lecturer in the Music Department at Ngwane Teacher's



WINNER: Vincent Kunene who will be jetting to the United States of America posing with his certificate and music facilitators.

College was the eventual winner.

The competition was run by three facilitators. One of them being Hee Jung Kim, DCM (South Korea). Dr. Kim is the Chairperson in the Department of Music at the Swaziland Christian University.

In addition, there was also Mercedes Chen, MM (Hong Kong). Mercedes' qualifications and accolades include an MM in Choral Conducting obtained at Westminster Choir College, BA in Music obtained at the Chinese University of Hong

Scara releases two artists

Stories by Phumelele Mkhonta

ZION music gospel singer Scara Maziya, now has two artists under his management, STJ Music Marketing Company and musical guidance.

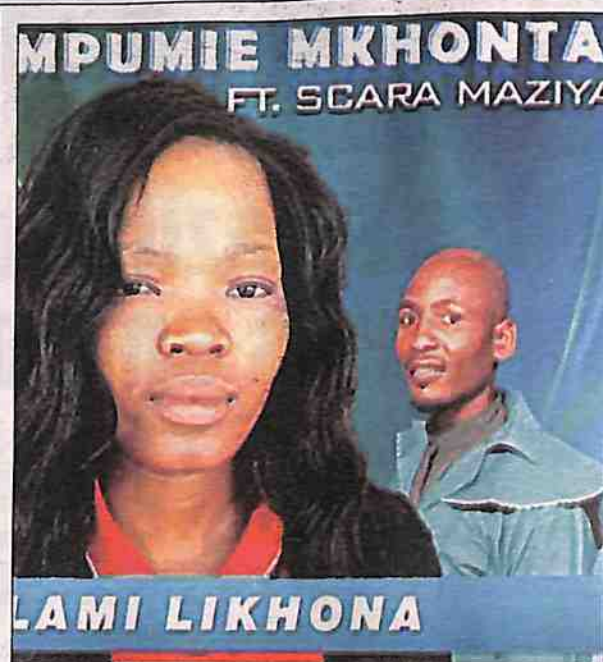
The member of the Cornerstone Christian Church said the artists were presently in the studio and would release their singles anytime from now.

The artists are Mpumi Mkhonta who will soon be

launching her single 'Elami Likhona' which features Maziya and Mbukani Sibandze, who will be dropping a whole album titled 'Injalo Imihla Yemuntfu' soon.

Mkhonta expressed her sincere gratitude to see this project coming alive.

"Firstly, I would like to thank STJ family in having faith in me, may their territory be enlarged. To my supporters, this project is for you. I hope you enjoy it and continue supporting my work," said the ecstatic Mkhonta.



OUT SOON: Mpumie Mkhonta who recently signed with STJ Music Marketing Company will soon be releasing her debut album.

Scara to host live DVD recording, CD launch

SCARA Maziya will host a live DVD recording and CD launch on July 30 at an open area at KaMgiliji Shopping Complex in Mhlabubovu.

"This will be a huge extravaganza for the people of LaMgabhi Inkhundla. I plead with gospel lovers from Malkerns, Bhunya, Luyengo and across the country to come and enjoy music with us. To top it up,

there will be no entry fee," said the enthusiastic Scara.

Consist

The line-up will consist of; Mbukani Sibandze and the Relay Gospel, Mpumi Mkhonta, Sncobo Simelane, Eswatini God's Creation Zion Mass Choir, Nonhle Mthethwa, Smallz the Comedian, Phetsile Masilela, Zaga Dlamini, Moses from Mozambique and Maskandi singers.

Kong, Chorister, Spoleto Festival USA and Licentiate Diploma in Piano and Associate Diploma at Violin obtained at Trinity College in London.

Moreover, there was Joseph C. Kim, BM from the United States. Kim is the youngest of the three facilitators. He holds a BM in Music Education obtained at Westminster Choir College. He is a member of the Westminster Williamson Voices (2014 Grammy nominated). He was also a participant at the

Conducting Institute at Oxford and Westminster Choir College and is a member of the American Choral Director's Association.

During the conducting competition, all participants and facilitators were singers, except for the conductor on the day. Participants felt it would have been more exciting if a chamber choir had been organised. Nonetheless, the competition progressed well and all the conductors did their best under the circumstances.

MISS SWAZILAND SELECTION PROCESS IN PICS



BEAUTY QUEENS: Miss Swaziland hopefuls posing for a photoshoot after the selection process at the Happy Valley Hotel on Saturday afternoon. (Pics: Tenele Dlamini)



PRESENT: Pageant Swaziland committee members, Mellissa DuPont, Gladys Rudd-Smith, Cathrine Potgeiter, model Ncediswa Sihlongonyane and Mr Intervarsity Rodney Lansburg pose for a picture.



POSE: One of the contestants Quality Dlamini looked lovely as she posed for a picture.



I GOT IT FROM MY MAMA: Precious Naude who had come to support her daughter Tai Tia Naude.



STUNNING: Contestant Tai Tia Naude smiles for the camera.



I CAN DO THIS: Baby Mthimkhulu, another Miss SD contender.



SUPPORTIVE: Contestant Baby Mthimkhulu flanked by her friends, Philsiwe Simelane and Dolly Dlamini, who had come to support her at the event.



COLGATE SMILE: Keisha Jean Bullock is one of the hopefuls competing for the Miss Swaziland crown.



MOTHERLY LOVE: Norma Nxumalo-Thwala came to support her daughter accompanied by her sister-in-law Choosy Thwala and her niece Nolwazi Thwala.



MAIN MAN: Mr Intervarsity Rodney Lansburg who will be the MC at the Miss Swaziland finals.



TIME FOR REFRESHMENTS: Friends and family members having refreshments at the event.



HIGHLIGHTS


Tamanna
Today at 17:00 on Star Plus
(453)

'S1/E129 - 1/129'. The story of Dhara and her childhood, marriage, divorce and life after divorce. The common thread that connects these phases of her life is her passion for cricket.

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Monster Fish
Tonight at 18:00 on Nat Geo
Wild (182)

'S6/E6 - Thai-Tanic Titans'. Home to more megafish

species than anywhere else on Earth, Thailand is the 'Monster Fish' Holy Grail. Zeb Hogan travels across the country to hunt down the biggest and baddest monster fish on the planet.


Greed And Desire
Tonight at 19:30 on Mzansi
Magic (161)

'S1/E41 - Who Killed The Princess?'. Mapule returns

home to find Tokelo in her house. Maru makes it clear to the family that the resort will happen, and that Atleha has been promoted.

Tonight at 18:00 on Discovery
Family (136)

Dick and Dom are joined by a team of helpers as they go behind the scenes at one of Britain's busiest veterinarians, wildlife sanctuaries and animal rescue centres in 'Dick 'n' Dom Go Wild'. A massive challenge awaits the volunteers, as not all are animal lovers! Will a day of looking after wounded wildlife and poorly pets change their

minds? From swans, seals and snakes, to donkeys, dogs and hedgehogs, the teams get mucky, wet and smelly as they rise to the challenge of helping animals in need. But the quirky duo don't just stand back and let their teams do all the work; viewers see them roll up their sleeves and get stuck in. Each episode reveals little known yet insightful animal facts through a series of informative sketches and funny challenges.

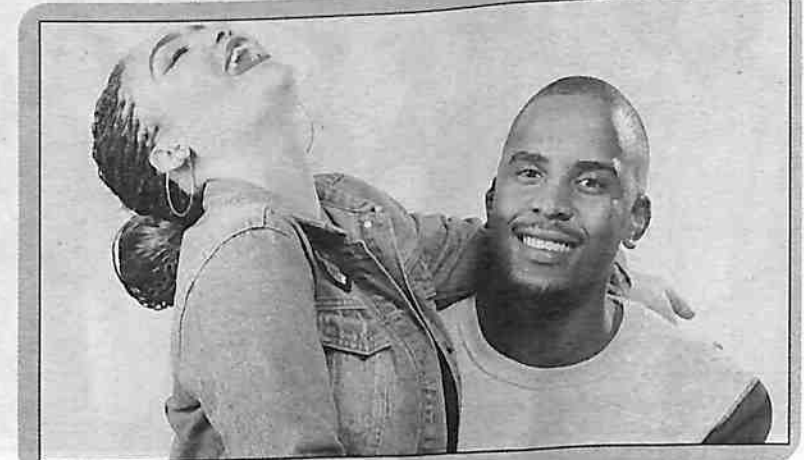
MANDLA AND LEXI ARE BACK

BIG Brother Mzansi Season 1 winner Mandla Hlatshwayo and his girlfriend, Lexi Van Niekerk, return for a second season of hit reality show, 'Mandla and Lexi', from Wednesday July 13 at 20:00.

The couple, popularly referred to as 'MandLexi', met in the Big Brother House in 2014 and are still going strong after two years, so fans are wondering whether marriage and children are now on the cards? But everyone's remained tight-lipped about where the relationship will go in this season.

When asked what she feels will stand out about the second season, Lexi shared that this instalment will show growth, both in their relationship and as individuals. "The audience has fallen in love with our journey, but Season 2 may have some surprises in store for viewers as there's also a strong focus on the two of us as individuals this time round."

Lexi, who was recently voted



among the 12 sexiest celebrities in Mzansi, believes she has grown in the industry. According to her, she has also evolved into a businesswoman, exploring her passions, while sustaining strong family bonds. Viewers will also catch interesting glimpses of some of Lexi's family members throughout the show.

"Reality formats are extremely pop-

ular on our TV screens and Mzansi Magic always aims to bring viewers the best. 'Mandla and Lexi' season one was well received by our viewers, so why not bring the most talked about couple back for a second season?" says Sphumelele Sibeko, Head of Reality for Local Entertainment Channels at M-Net.

Wayward Pines with Jason and Djimon

THE week has marked the awesome return of Wayward Pines on FOX and it's all we can talk about. Season 2 started off with a bang and there's so much more that we can't wait to sink our teeth into.

Tune in for the action of Wayward Pines S2, Mondays at 21:00 on FOX (125).

If you missed it, connect your DStv Explora and watch Wayward Pines S2 on DStv Catch Up.

Along with the new season, we meet an almost entirely new cast. Jason Patric (as Dr. Theo Yedlin) and Djimon Hounsou (as CJ Mitchum) talk about the eerie series.

Let's talk character. Who are you? What are you doing?

Jason Patric: So Theo Yedlin, the surgeon, is dropped in the middle of Wayward Pines.

I don't have any definitive ideas about who he is or where he's going, but I think that was one of the interesting things about choosing to do the project. I've always been attracted to characters in movies that are at some primal moment that's going to determine who they are – their character – one way or the other.

How does that play into the civil unrest that's happening around him?

Jason Patric:

Let's just say – someone was picked up, knocked out and brought behind enemy lines in Nazi Germany. And all of a sudden there's this world that exists and that you

can't get out of. And so I look at it that way. And I think that's just more interesting. I think the science fiction movies are supernatural movies that I've liked and felt worked. The ones where people were not playing into the supernatural aspect, but they were just trying to find a reason for anything that's happening, and emotionally attacking that. And that's what I'm trying to do.

And Djimon, can you talk a little bit about your character on this season?

Djimon Hounsou:

Yes. I play CJ Mitchum, and I've been described as the duster of 'Wayward Pines'.

He comes out of animated leave every 20 years, and sorts out the major infrastructure of 'Wayward Pines'. I just started a new show, and he's my buddy on the new show now. We don't have a history before. We're starting the history now.

Was there something more cinematic about this show that made you guys want to do TV, as opposed to having mostly film careers?

Djimon Hounsou:

I think, this past decade, TV has proven to have quite great writers, and certainly they have the ability of creating that world very quickly and establishing a world for the audience very quickly.

The series is a mystery, so each episode – it always concludes with what's going to happen next. How far advance to you guys get for the next episode?

Djimon Hounsou:

I mean, for the next week now, we have the script for the next week. And that's pretty much it.

Jason Patric:

Which is interesting again. Because it forces you into the present and into the moment. You're not projecting something that's going to happen later on.

What does Theo have the most difficulty with accepting? Is it the town? Is it the abbies outside?

Jason Patric:

All of it. I mean, he does not believe where he is or what's happened. And why would he? The problem with most of these science fiction or supernatural movies is – they believe it in two seconds. And then you go okay, now we're along for the ride. It's not real. He doesn't believe it.

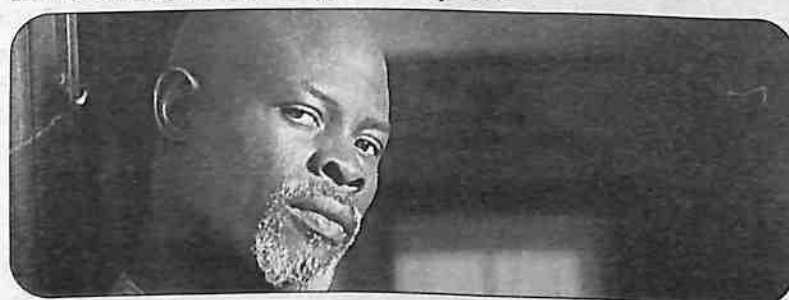
For all he knows, he could be in a dream, a hallucination. It's not real. None of you would believe that. You would if you were on a Fox show. But if you got plopped into some place and someone told you that you just were having a vacation, and now you've been frozen 2 000 years, you wouldn't believe it.

What attracted you guys to this role?

Djimon Hounsou:

I like the fact that CJ Mitchum is at a conflict with humanity. He seemed to be the one brain that understand the motor of the town, where at the same time, he feels like humanity is doomed, and that the abbies are the new generation. Certainly they are behaving still like a caveman. So they don't really quite seem to evolve as we evolve.

As they see us evolve, they evolve at the same time. But they're basically looking at us and getting their wisdom from the mistakes they see us do, and so on and so forth



★ Celebrity ★ Watch ★

Chris Brown found stoned, dirt riding

AMSTERDAM - Chris Brown was allegedly high when he was stopped by police for driving a dirt bike in Amsterdam without licence plates.

The 27-year-old was stopped in the Dutch capital on Friday for the traffic offence, but earlier had been posting pictures of himself smoking in a local coffee shop on Instagram.

Brown was taken to a nearby station where he was fined for failing to add plates to his brand new ride, but not the more serious charge of driving while under the influence of drugs. His entourage had attempted to



PUFF AND PASS: Chris Brown.

intervene before he was taken to the station, but the Dutch officers were apparently oblivious to who they were dealing with. *Daily Mail*

Nicole Scherzinger 'paid £125k more than Sharon Osbourne'

LOS ANGELES - The auditions have only just begun, but the gloves could already be off between Sharon Osbourne and Nicole Scherzinger after it's been reported the Pussycat Doll secured £125k more.

Nicole, 37, was said to have swung the massive pay deal of £1.8million to return to the panel and bring the glamour to the ITV talent show, while Sharon, 63, is said to be getting £1.7million.

A source told The Mirror: 'Sharon stipulated that she had to be the highest paid judge other than Simon [Cowell] on



MONIED: Nicole Scherzinger.

the panel. But what she doesn't know is that Nicole is set to pocket an extra £125 000." *Mail Online*

Marco Pierre White's son cooks up a Big Brother

KENSINGTON - As the son of a multi-millionaire, many people wondered why Marco Pierre White Jr was reduced to joining the latest series of reality show Big Brother.

But I can reveal a reason why he might be in there - he is trying to raise money to pay off debts. The 20-year-old owes £2 000 to upmarket antiques shop The Client in Kensington, West London.

Owner Dietrich Briese claims that Marco has taken a vintage fur coat, sunglasses and a Cartier watch but has not paid for them. Dietrich says: "He took the



COOKER: Marco Pirre.

items and promised to transfer the money online. He showed me the screen, but he never pressed the "confirm" button. Cunning little child." *Daily Mail*

It's official! Zahara is engaged

JOHANNESBURG - Songstress Zahara and her man Amaza Ntshanga are engaged. Zahara revealed the news to Move! magazine saying she is happy about the new development in her life.

"Yes, I'm engaged to Amaza and the lobola negotiations are done. I'm so excited about this. I will only reveal the date of the wedding when the time is right," Zahara told the magazine. Zahara also let us in on how Amaza proposed saying: "It's a good feeling to be in love with someone you respect. I



ITS OFFICIAL: Zahara.

was shocked when he popped the question even though I knew that one day this would happen. I was in my pyjamas preparing to sleep when he went down on one knee and asked me to marry him." *Drum*

'It's a very emotional time'

NEW YORK - Many people speculated that his music was haunted by his marriage to Billie Piper. But Laurence Fox used the connection somewhat more insulting on Friday night, when he quipped with the Isle Of Wight Festival audience "that these songs are about my old hamster." Appearing to take a swipe at his now ex-wife, the actor-turned-musician then added that the recent loss of his 'pet' had been 'a very emotional time' because you need to think of the 'kids' and the 'cage.' According to The Mirror, he joked: "Some of you may know



EMOTIONAL: Laurence Fox.

I've lost my pet hamster recently. It's a very emotional time. As he went on to sing a number of songs about heartbreak, he added: "All these songs are about my old hamster. I miss him terribly." *Mail Online*

Mbali set to make it official!

JOHANNESBURG - International DJ Black Coffee and his traditional wife, actress Mbali Mlotshwa, are allegedly set to make it official! Sunday Sun has learnt DJ Black Coffee, whose real name is Nkosinathi Maphumulo, and his customary law wife are rumoured to be planning a white wedding before the end of the year.

A source said the wedding will take place at an undisclosed location.

The source said the guest list will include only close friends and family.



POWER COUPLE: Mbali and Black Coffe.

The source added the couple is keeping news of their white wedding a closely-guarded secret - only those who are close to them know about it. *Drum*

Social media reacts to Emtee's acting debut

JOHANNESBURG - Award winning rapper Mthembeni Ndevu known amongst his peers as Emtee made his first appearance on SABC 2 soapie Muvhango on June 8, 2016 and cast members were impressed with his acting.

"Some people panic when given instructions by the director or producer, Emtee was relaxed and followed the director's orders," said one cast member.

Social media however thought differently, with the response going both ways: love and hate. Some people were pleased by



IT'S MY TIME: Emtee.

Emtee's acting and some wondered why he was cast, going so far as to ask whether he would have been cast on the show were he not famous. *Drum*

Minnie rocked up late to host SAMAs!

DURBAN - IT seems tv presenter, Minnie Dlamini, may be biting off more than she can chew! Sunday Sun has learnt she allegedly rocked up late to host the E! Red Carpet Samas show at the recent South African Music Awards, which were held at the Durban ICC, in KZN. According to sources, Minnie, who was presenting with award-winning presenter Katlego Maboe couldn't get out of her Nedbank Ke Yona Challenge commitment.

A source on the production team claimed they were left in a panic. The source said Minnie



LATE COMER: Minnie.

was supposed to report for duty on Friday for rehearsals, but didn't. The source claimed the SABC refused to release her, and that she only informed the E! Red Carpet SAMAs production team on Friday. *Drum*

WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST

ISIBAYA

TODAY

Mkabayi convinces Mpiyakhe to let her try out her new plan to deal with the Ngwenyas. Fezile gets a key piece of evidence. Sihle has exciting plans for her Youth Day Event.



HAS A PLAN: Mkabayi.

ISIDINGO

TODAY

Gabriel is saved from danger by Barker. Tyson is not letting go of his search for Katlego and lands on crucial information. Tiffany pours cold water over Bradley's excitement about working with Rajesh.



SAVED: Gabriel

Muvhango

TODAY

Nthabeleng is stunned when she bumps into Ndalamo in Cape Town. Vusi comes up with a brilliant plan to help the unemployed youth. Azwindini reads the riot act to Vele.



STUNNED: Nthabeleng.

RHYTHM CITY

TODAY

Zinzi tells her parents that she is leaving to go and stay with Sakhile. It's awkward when Reneilwe bumps into Zolani on her first day to fill in for Mampho. On his way home, Jafta is beaten up by two men. He tells Sis Bee he's sure something is wrong because he's been having such a run of bad luck.



LEAVING: Zinzi.

Unsaved number: I miss you

Me:



TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

Capricorn - Relationships, involving partnerships, private life or the social scene in general, are very important during this time and can have a very decided influence on your career and workplace.



Cancer - You enjoy working hard and you exercise skill and discipline in anything that affects your career and reputation. You have the perfect combination for an excellent manager position.



Aquarius - It is important not to become distracted while working this day. There is a sense of emotional coolness or detachment at the personal level.



Leo - Your career could assume a much more determined and solid form. This is a real time to buckle down and firm up your career goals. Your own ambition and drive are strong.



Pisces - There are options today for you to discover new ways to relate in marriage and social affairs. You are very tolerant and accepting of differences and have good insights into problems. You are independent. Today is a good time to promote compromise and otherwise show your abilities to understand others.



Virgo - In the workplace today, you may find that a particular project is just not exactly where you excel. Determination wins out and you will find yourself succeeding at what others need you to accomplish.



Libra - Today you spend a great deal of time exchanging information with one group of people in order to keep a different group of people up-to-date on new developments in or on some project.



Taurus - Many people find that you are a fine teacher, regardless of where or in what condition. You are innovative, friendly and effective.



Scorpio - You naturally are a giving person, sacrificing your own interests for the sake of an inner vision-what you feel is right. A born psychologist, you may find you enjoy counseling and caring for the mental needs of others.



Gemini - You may be more focused on your goals now than ever before. You may be able to create plans for putting them into effect. You respond well to responsibility and you enjoy your work.



Sagittarius - You could be busy outlining some goals in order to make a presentation or in presenting a request for funding a particular project. You may be working with new styles of communication such as e-mail or fax, or you could just mail a letter.



BABY BLUES

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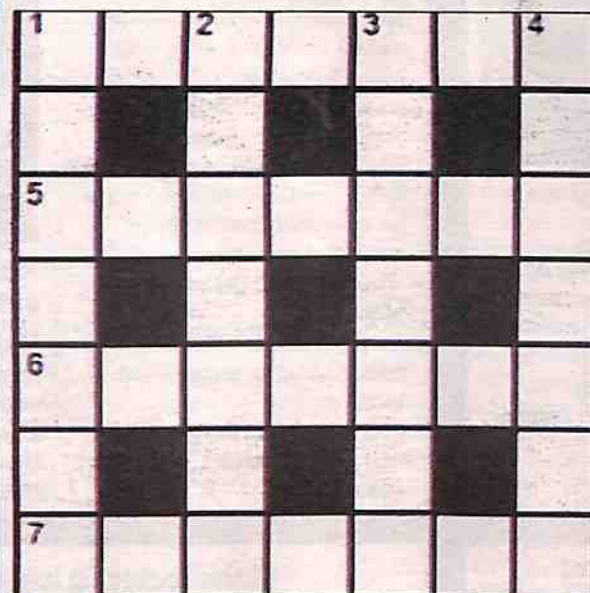
BUCKLES



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



PUZZLE CHOICE



Across

1. Assign a duty
5. Amazing or wonderful occurrence
6. Bane
7. Firedog

Down

1. Pungent nitrogen and hydrogen compound
2. Egyptian tomb
3. Tooth
4. Perfidy

PUZZLE CHOICE

A friend was arguing with me that onion is the only food which gets your tear out. So I throw a coconut on his face to prove



him wrong!

USELESS FACTS

1. Maine is the toothpick capital of the world.
2. Seoul, the South Korean capital, just means "the capital" in the Korean language.
3. Libya is the only country in the world with a solid, single-coloured flag - it's green.
4. Panama hats come from Ecuador not Panama.
5. Ogdensburg, New York is the only city in the United States situated on the St. Lawrence River.
6. St. Paul, Minnesota, was originally called Pigs Eye after a man who ran a salon there.

BRAinteasers
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Last Friday's Brain Teasers

1. He who builds me doesn't want me, he who buys me doesn't use me, he that uses me doesn't know he's got me.

What am I?

A. A coffin.

2. What can you feed but if you give it water it will die?

A. Fire

Today's Brain Teaser

1. What starts with a P and ends with an E and has a thousand letters in it?

2. It's so strong, it does not break, It's so powerful, it penetrates a lake, sometimes it's weak as a twig left out in the sun, It's so wonderful it gives us the power to have fun. What is it?

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BOLT SHAKES OFF BAD START TO CLOCK 9.88SEC IN HOME WIN

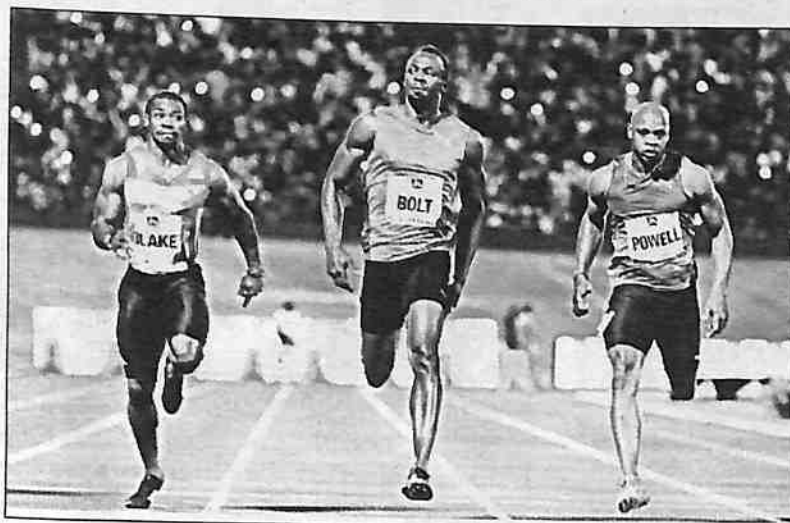
KINGSTON - Jamaica's Usain Bolt shook off a "horrible start" to win the 100m at the Racers Grand Prix athletics meeting in 9.88sec, the second-fastest time in the world this year.

"It wasn't a perfect race, but the good thing was that I won and I came out injury free," said Bolt, who got away slowly but powered home, catching the field at about 50 meters and celebrating as he got to the line first to the delight of a big crowd at the national stadium in Kingston.

The sprint superstar led three compatriots under 10 seconds in a race run in a wind of one meter per second.

Nickel Ashmeade and Yohan Blake were both timed in 9.94sec, with Asafa Powell finishing in 9.98.

The race was only the fourth time that Bolt, former world record holder Powell and 2011 world champion Yohan Blake have clashed in Kingston and more than 30 000 fans



VICTORIOUS: Yohan Blake, winner Usain Bolt and Asafa Powell in action. (AP)

turned out for the warm up for Jamaica's Olympic trials later this month.

Powell had hoped for better, running fourth despite what he described as a calf cramp.

Running before his home crowd

for the first time in about two years, Bolt said: "It's good to be back, it has been a while since I ran here."

While Bolt said execution was key in the 100m, he was pleased to overcome his technical flaws on the night. *ENCA*

Springboks were 'tactically naive'

CAPE TOWN - Allister Coetzee has acknowledged that the Springboks were 'tactically naive' in their 26-20 loss against Ireland at Newlands on Saturday.

The Boks played the majority of the match against 14 men, and some of it against 13 men, but they were only able to score two tries as their discipline and execution let them down on a day where the dawn of a new era was supposed to be celebrated.

But nothing went according to script for the Boks, and they now travel to Johannesburg this week knowing that only a win will suffice. Coetzee revealed afterwards that a major part of the Bok plan had been to kick into space behind what was expected to be a rushing Irish defence.

That didn't happen, due largely to the fact that Ireland's positional play was good and they always had two or three man back anticipating the kick.

As a result, the option to keep ball in hand seemed attractive to Boks and their numerical advantage meant that they often had the numbers out wide.

"I think we were a bit naive, tactically," Coetzee conceded.

"The second opportunity (to kick in behind the defence) was when Patrick Lambie got tackled.

"He saw that space, but we didn't do it again.

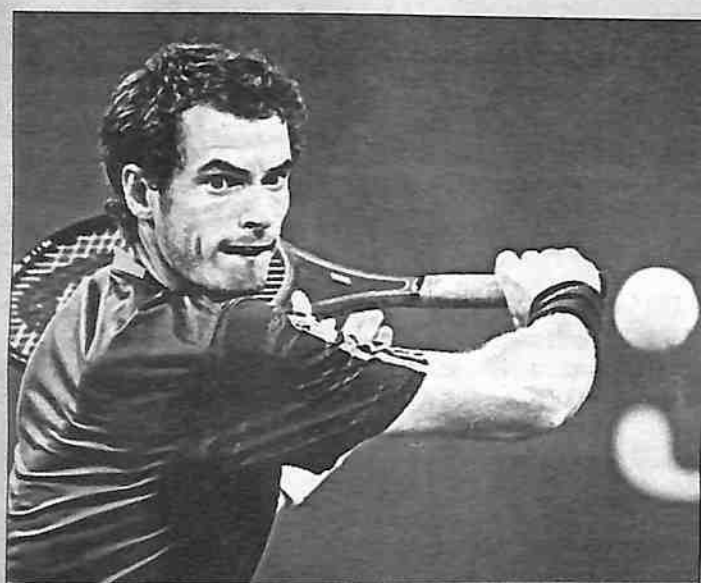
"The space was given by the Irish out wide ... and then we weren't clinical. We moved laterally across the field and then got pushed into touch or we lost the ball out wide. If we could fix those little things I think we could improve."

Lambie was knocked out cold by a flying CJ Stander - the Irish flank was sent off as a result - and Elton Jantjies entered the fray.

The Lions flyhalf looked to spark attacks whenever possible and he was extremely influential in Lwazi Mvovo's try, but the plan to go to the boot disappeared with his arrival.

"I wouldn't want to use that as an excuse. I have to go look at why we didn't kick in behind them because that was definitely our plan," said Coetzee.

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OUT TO WIN: Andy Murray. (AP)

Murray starts Queen's title defence against Mahut

LONDON - Defending champion, Andy Murray, will start his bid for a record fifth Queen's Club title with a first round tie against former finalist Nicolas Mahut. Murray won the Wimbledon warm-up event for a fourth time last year to equal the record tally set by John McEnroe, Andy Roddick, Lleyton Hewitt, Boris Becker and Roy Emerson.

After losing in his first French Open final appearance against Novak Djokovic earlier this month, Murray is back on the practice courts in west London ahead of today's start at Queen's and on Saturday the world number two learnt he will begin his Wimbledon preparations against French

world number 49 Mahut.

Murray's grass court pedigree is among the best in the world after he memorably ended Britain's 77-year wait for a male singles champion at Wimbledon in 2013.

Success

The 29-year-old Scot had lifted the Queen's Club trophy just a few weeks prior to that epic success and will hope a similar feat is on the cards this year as he looks to add to his two Grand Slam crowns.

But top seeded Murray, who also won Queen's in 2009 and 2011, won't have it easy against Mahut, a big-serving 34-year-old who reached the 2007 Queen's final before losing to Roddick.

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England, Russia warned they face Euro 2016 disqualification

MARSEILLE - England and Russia will be thrown out of Euro 2016 if the fan violence from their competition opener in Marseille continues, UEFA have warned.

Ugly scenes both before and during Saturday night's Group B game in Marseille left a number of supporters injured, with one England fan in a critical condition in hospital. And the bloody events have been deemed serious enough for European football's governing body to speak out with a threat of disqualification, a move away from their usual protocol of not acting on incidents away from stadiums.

In a statement, UEFA's executive committee said they: "will not hesitate to impose additional sanctions on the Football Association (FA) and Russian Football Union (RFU) including potential disqualification... should such violence occur again."

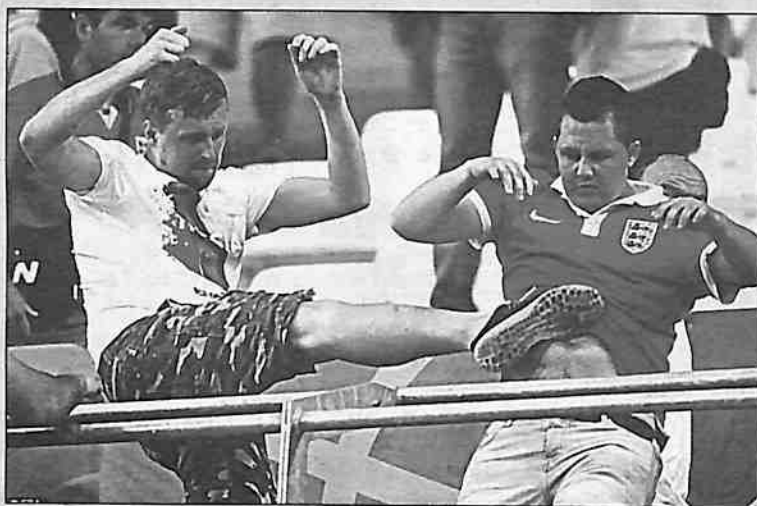
The Russians were charged with "crowd disturbances, racist behaviour and setting off of fireworks" on Sunday but England have now been issued with a strongly-worded warning, too. The FA have also been told to inform England's travelling fans of their responsibility to behave in France this summer.

Expected

Further flashpoints could come next week though, with England, Wales and Russia supporters are expected to all be in Lille ahead of the next round of Group B fixtures. UEFA's full statement reads: "The UEFA executive committee would like to express its disgust for the violent clashes which occurred in the city of Marseille.

"Such unacceptable behaviour by so-called supporters of the national teams of England and Russia has no place in football, a sport we must pro-

...UEFA charge Russians with 'crowd disturbances, racist behaviour and setting off fireworks'



WARNED: England fans were the ones to come under attack inside the ground and the English FA have not been charged by UEFA.

tect and defend.

"The UEFA executive committee has warned both football associations that - irrespective of any decisions taken by the independent disciplinary bodies relating to incidents inside the stadium - it will not hesitate to impose additional sanctions on the Football Association (FA) and the Russian Football Union (RFU), including the potential disqualification of their respective teams from the tournament, should such violence occur again.

Responsible

"We urge both the FA and the RFU to appeal to their supporters to behave in a responsible and respectful manner.

"We would also like to publicly voice our support for the work of the French Authorities and security forces for their efforts to deliver a

safe and secure tournament in challenging circumstances." UEFA initially announced no disciplinary charges against England but their executive committee's statement has now placed blame at the Three Lions' door."

Incidents

Although UEFA holds national federations responsible for their fans' behaviour inside stadiums, it typically does not act on incidents elsewhere. This occasion has been deemed serious enough to take action, though. Fear of more violence has prompted the government to send more British police to help their French counterparts ahead of England's next game against Wales in Lens on Thursday. FA chief executive Martin Glenn spoke on Sunday about his dismay at the scenes from Saturday night in Marseille. *Daily Mail*



ENGLISH PREMIERSHIP

Pep can buy Bayern players - Rummenigge

MUNICH - Bayern CEO Karl-Heinz Rummenigge has refuted suggestions Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola is prohibited from signing the Bavarians' players.

Earlier this week, winger Douglas Costa was asked if he would consider joining former coach Guardiola in the Premier League if the opportunity arose, to which he responded that it was a non issue because the Spanish boss had a clause written into his contract stating he was not allowed to sign Bayern's players.

However, Associated Press indicated their sources at Manchester City believe that not to be the case, which has now been confirmed by Rummenigge.



GO AHEAD: Pep Guardiola has been given the greenlight to poach players from his former team. (AP)

"There is no agreement," he told Sport Bild.

Despite the fact there is no agreement between Guardiola, Bayern and Manchester City, Rummenigge is not concerned about losing top players to Manchester City or any of the other clubs around

Europe. "Nobody needs to make any enquiries about them. We have closed the door," he added. His stance seemingly puts an end to speculation linking star striker Robert Lewandowski and full-back David Alaba to Primera Division giants Real Madrid. *Sport24.*

Khaka gives 80 per cent of his wages to family

LONDON - The Switzerland international, who has joined Arsenal from Borussia Mönchengladbach in May, is keen to repay his family

and insists they are the ones trusted with his money.

Grant Khaka appears to be gunning for Juan Mata's "nicest guy in football" crown. The midfielder com-

pleted a £33.1 million move to Arsenal last month and impressed in Switzerland's Euro 2016 opening victory over Albania on Saturday. *Goal.com*



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HOSTILE RECEPTION: Rebekah Vardy slammed the behaviour of officers as 'horrific' and claimed that English supporters were caged in 'like animals' as they tried to make their way into Stade Vélodrome in Marseille. (AP)

'WE WERE CAGED, TREATED LIKE ANIMALS'

PARIS - Jamie Vardy's wife was tear-gassed by French police as she travelled to England's match against Russia last night.

Rebekah Vardy slammed the behaviour of officers as 'horrific' and claimed that English supporters were caged in 'like animals' as they tried to make their way into Stade Vélodrome in Marseille.

Vardy did not make it onto the pitch to help his teammates in their Group B opener, with the game ending 1-1.

However, his lack of action was far from the mind of Rebekah as she tweeted furiously about the

treatment of England fans.

Before the match she posted a picture of herself holding a pint of beer as she enjoyed the 'carnage with England fans'.

However, after the game she told a contrasting story. Rebekah wrote: "That has to be up there with the worst experience EVER at an away game!"

Animals

"Teargassed for no reason, caged and treated like animals! Shocking!"

"I witnessed this with my own eyes! I can't comment on things I didn't see but what I got caught up in was horrific and uncalled for!"

"And this happened

before the game even kicked off!"

When MailOnline editor at large Piers Morgan called her tweets a 'shocking claim', Rebekah replied: 'Mr Morgan.....a fact! They closed the gates so the fans couldn't get through then tear gassed us!' As well as trouble on the way to the ground there were mass brawls inside, with Russian fans sparking brutal violence.

Hundreds of English supporters hurled themselves over railings as they tried to flee from the stadium with stewards attempting to break up fights across rows of seats. *Daily Mail*



United ready to trigger Kante's £22m release clause

MANCHESTER - Jose Mourinho is looking to revamp his midfield and is prepared to make a move for the Leicester City star.

Manchester United are ready to launch a £22 million bid for Leicester City midfielder N'Golo Kante, according to the

Sunday Mirror.

The report claims that Jose Mourinho is ready to activate the France international's release clause as he plans to rebuild United's squad.

Kante is also attracting interest from Chelsea, Arsenal and Paris Saint-Germain. *Goal.com*

Mphahlele coy on 'Downs future

PRETORIA - Mamelodi Sundowns defender, Ramahlwe Mphahlele has insinuated that the club would have to table a much better offer, amid interest from rival clubs.

Mphahlele is believed to have a number of lucrative offers on the table from, among other teams, Kaizer Chiefs.

The 26-year-old has expressed his love for Sundowns but also warned he has to consider what was best for his future.

"The truth is I love Sundowns and I

think they are one of the best teams in the country. But football is not only about playing," Mphahlele told The Sowetan.

"There are other things you should consider. I would love to stay and have made it clear to them I want to stay, but it has to be something that makes you happy."

"There are a lot of clubs enquiring about my services. I am free to talk to anyone. I will wait to see how things pan out."

Sport24.



ERIC MATHOHO'S CONTRACT CLARIFIED

JOHANNESBURG - Eric Mathoho's agent has clarified the erroneous assumptions that the Kaizer Chiefs defender will be a free agent next month.

It was reported earlier this week that Mathoho's contract with the Glamour Boys was set to expire at the end of June.

Football agent Tim Sukazi has clarified that his client has one more year remaining on his Chiefs deal.

"His contract comes up on the 30th of June 2017, not now. There is nothing further

to that at this moment and in any case, a contract of a player like that cannot expire easily," Sukazi told The Sowetan.

Sukazi admits he wants to secure a move abroad for Mathoho, but denied links with French Ligue 1 club, Monaco.

"We are trying hard to get him abroad, but my trip to Monaco had nothing to do with football. It is business as usual in terms of trying to get him abroad. We believe he is ready," he said.

Sport24



Masuku could leave Pirates on-loan

JOHANNESBURG - South Africa under-23 international Menzi Masuku could leave Orlando Pirates on-loan during the upcoming July-August Transfer Window.

Goal has learnt that the Bucs technical team will decide whether the 22-year-old attacker is part of their 2016/17 season plans.

The attacking midfielder was expected to feature more this past season following his impressive performances towards the end of the 2014/15 campaign - scooping the Absolutely Awesome Goal of the Season accolade. However, Masuku was limited to just seven Absa Premiership starts during the 2015/16 season largely because of Luvuyo Memela's impressive displays in the Bucs midfield. Goal has discovered from a well-informed source at the Houghton-based side that the former Dynamos midfielder is likely to leave the club on-loan for the 2016/17 campaign.

"There's a possibility of him leaving on-loan - so that he can play regularly and grow as a player. But the technical team will advise the management when the time is right in pre-season," the source told Goal.

With Mahlatsi Makudubela expected to join Pirates from Platinum Stars, Masuku could find himself having a number of players ahead of him. *Goal.com*

AmaTuks need to be history makers to survive

PRETORIA - University of Pretoria must make history if they are to save themselves in the PSL Promotion/Relegation Play-offs.

No side has ever come back from losing their first two games in the play-offs to survive and after 1-0 defeats to

National First Division teams Mbombela United and Highlands Park, the future looks grim for AmaTuks.

Better

Coach, Shaun Bartlett, feels his side performed better in Saturday's loss to Highlands Park, but the problem that has plagued the side all season, an

inability to convert chances, haunted them again.

"I think the performance was better than the last time out, but it's about taking your chances, taking that responsibility when you get into the final third," he told SuperSport after the game.

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- To inspect all workplaces to ensure compliance with occupational safety and health legislation and standards;
- To inspect specialized machinery e.g lifts and escalators to ensure compliance with occupational safety and health legislation standards;
- To carry out occupational hygiene measurements to control noise, temperature, lighting levels, dust, biological agents and chemical agents in the work environment;
- To ensure safe use of chemicals and prevention of toxic effects from direct repeated or prolonged exposure;
- To investigate accidents and incidents in the workplace to establish the casual factors and make recommendations to prevent recurrence;
- To conduct research and provide information and advice concerning safety and healthy environment to the employees;
- To develop, monitor and review arrangements to promote, at the level of undertaking, cooperation between management, workers and their representatives as an essential element of workplace related prevention measures.
- To raise workplace and public awareness on occupational safety and health through national campaign linked with, where appropriate, workplace and international initiatives;
- To perform any other official duties as may be assigned by the immediate supervisor and/or Head of Department.

SALARY

The salary will be on Grade C4: E118, 838 rising up to E133, 755 per annum

APPLICATION FORMS

These are obtainable from the Executive Secretary, Civil Service Commission, P.O. Box 158, Mbabane

Applications must be accompanied by the candidate's Curriculum Vitae and certified copies of Certificates of required qualifications. Civil Servants must have completed CSC Form C. Officers who do not possess the above qualifications should not apply as their applications will not be considered.

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UEFA OPENS DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST RUSSIA

PARIS - The governing body has launched an investigation after crowd disturbances and racist behaviour inside the Stade Velodrome after Saturday's draw with England.

UEFA have confirmed they will open disciplinary proceedings against the Russian Football Union after the fan unrest that marred the end of their Euro 2016 clash with England.

The European football governing body has labelled three charges against the country - crowd disturbances, racist behaviour and setting off fireworks.



Violent scenes overshadowed the 1-1 draw in Group B as Russian fans appeared to force their way through security barriers in the Stade Velodrome's south stand and proceed

to attack England supporters on the full time whistle.

The clashes - which also included flares and firecrackers - followed three days of trouble in Marseille between a mixture of French police and supporters of various nations.

Injured

Local media quoting Marseille police say a total of 35 people were injured in Saturday's violence.

Russian supporters were involved in violence at Euro 2012 and will be hosting the next World Cup in 2018.

Any sanctions will be revealed tomorrow once the cases have been investigated further. *goal*

No place for Vardy in England team

MARSEILLE - Leicester City striker Jamie Vardy was left on the bench as England manager Roy Hodgson handed no fewer than five Tottenham players their major finals debut in the opening Euro 2016 Group B match with Russia on Saturday.

England will be desperate to put a positive spin on the first day of the tournament at the Stade Velodrome in Marseille after scenes of sickening fan violence in the port city.

But Vardy's stunning season was not enough to reward the Leicester striker with his first start for England at an international tournament.

The 22-year-old Tottenham midfielder Eric Dier will play at the heart of England's three-man midfield, with England captain Wayne Rooney, who has lately played in midfield for Manchester United, to his left and Dier's Spurs teammate Dele Alli on the right.

Dier and Alli have never played at a major finals for England, although their recent performances for club and country symbolise England's recent renewal under the 68-year-old Hodgson.

Up front, Spurs striker Harry Kane leads England's attack, with Manchester City winger Raheem Sterling to his left and Liverpool's Adam Lallana to his right.

Russia's recent injury crisis has left coach Leonid Slutsky with a selection dilemma and he deployed a 4-5-1 formation that will see German-born Roman Neustader make his major finals debut for his newly-adopted country.

sport24.

Late equaliser deals blow to England hopes

MARSEILLE - Russia captain Vasili Berezutski headed a last-gasp leveller against England on Saturday to steal a 1-1 draw in a European Championship match marred by a third day of fan violence.

England seemed to be heading for victory when midfielder Eric Dier fired in a 20 metre free kick past Russia's veteran goalkeeper Igor Akinfeev.

But three minutes from the final whistle in the Group B match, Joe Hart and his defence took their eye off the ball. Berezutski rose to meet a cross and sent a looping header into the net.

England players walked off disconsolate while there was more violence in the Stade Velodrome as fans left, adding to the 31 injured in street battles in the Marseille port district earlier.

"It's very disappointing," said Dier. "We gave away a draw. We just didn't see it out the right way. We have to pick

ourselves up and go again."

England manager Roy Hodgson handed five Tottenham players their major finals debut for the match, leaving Leicester City striker Jamie Vardy on the bench.

England had to battle with the injury-depleted Russians to get ahead in the 77th minute however.

England won a free kick on the edge of the area when Russian left-back Georgi Shchennikov impeded Spurs midfielder Dele Alli.

After Harry Kane's dummy run, Gary Cahill created a hole in the defensive wall and Dier stepped up to fire into the top corner of the net.

It was England's first free kick goal in a major tournament since David Beckham scored against Ecuador in 2006.

Hodgson must now be concerned about England's wastefulness however. The Young Lions' zest, energy and superior footwork helped created a succession of opportunities in a one-sided opening half that had the Russians struggling to keep pace.

Adam Lallana wasted their best chance when he drilled wide of Akinfeev's far post just before the half hour.

It looked promising for England when Lallana pounced on Kane's flicked header to send Sterling through the middle, but Igor Smolnikov slid in to clear the danger. Russia, looking slow in comparison, were bamboozled by Alli's footwork deep on the right. He set up Rooney, who flicked the ball up to fire a volley that Akinfeev punched to safety eight minutes before the interval.

It brought raucous applause from England's support but, immediately afterwards, even louder calls for the ball to hit the back of the net.

Russia resumed in more positive fashion after the interval and when Aleksandr Kokorin broke free on the right to set up Artem Dzyuba, it took Raheem Sterling to rush in and clear the danger.

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Germany, Italy copied Spain in search for success

PARIS - The midfielder dismissed La Roja's tag as one of the tournament favourites but claims his country's record-breaking achievements inspired, among others, the new Chelsea manager.

Cesc Fabregas has claimed Spain's rivals at Euro 2016 have copied the holders' style in the search for success.

La Roja head into their opener against Czech Republic at the Stadium Municipal in Toulouse among the favourites to lift the crown on July 10, having won the previous two tournaments.

Fabregas feels Spain's short passing and possession-based approach has been emulated by the likes of world champions Germany and new Chelsea manager Antonio Conte's Italy.

"I have no doubt about it (Spain's influence)," Fabregas told Goal at a Q&A during Puma's #choosetricks boot launch in London.

"Since 2006-08 when we started

playing this kind of football, I don't remember seeing so many teams trying to play or trying to adapt their system to what we were used to do.

"If you play the same way and you don't win no one will copy you, but if you win and you have success then you will see people trying to copy your tactics or the way you are playing.

Course

Of course there was Germany or even Italy under Conte."

The Azzurri boss is charged with getting Chelsea back to the top of English football after a disastrous season saw the club record a worst ever defence of a Premier League title, with Fabregas previously telling Goal that he forgot how to play football.

Fabregas is aiming to return to Stamford Bridge with another European Championships winners' medal, but dismissed Spain's pre-tournament favourites tag.

goal

ITALY'S DEFENCE THE BEST AT EURO 2016 - VIALI

PARIS - The former Chelsea and Azzurri star is confident that Antonio Conte has a solid back line and goalkeeper at his disposal, but has concerns over the team's attack.

Gianluca Vialli believes Italy have the strongest defence at Euro 2016, but is not confident in the country's attacking options.

Antonio Conte's men are looking to improve on their group stage exit at World Cup 2014 when they line up against Belgium, Republic of Ireland and Sweden in Group E.

And Vialli is happy to see the Azzurri led by next season's Chelsea coach Conte, adding that he is sure the likes of Gianluigi Buffon, Giorgio Chiellini and Leonardo Bonucci will do the country proud.

"I think we have a very good manager, which is a very good start," he told Goal. "We have a

very united group of players. It's quite rare to be able to reproduce the same atmosphere and brotherhood and spirit at the national team, but they will pride and I'm sure they will play with humility.

"On paper we don't look like a great side, but from the waist down we are probably the best team at the Euros. We've got Buffon, three formidable defenders and we will defend as a team, so I think we will concede very few goals."

However, the former Italy and Chelsea star is expecting a rather underwhelming showing from the strikers, insisting they lack world class options further up the field.

"Up front is where we need to step up to the next level," he said. "We've got a variety of goof players, but we need at least one of them to use this championship to establish himself as a champion and a top class player. *goal*

Fellini urges Belgium to down Italy

PARIS - It will be Belgium's star-studded attack against Italy's dogged defence and Marouane Fellaini says his team have the weapons to make a winning start to Euro 2016 tomorrow.

Marc Wilmots' Belgium have shot up the world rankings from 66th in 2009 to second coming into the European Championship finals and are among the favourites in France.

Now Manchester United's Fellaini wants Premier League stars Kevin de Bruyne,

Eden Hazard and Romelu Lukaku to showcase their talent against the Azzurri in Lyon in

Group E. "We have a lot of top quality players up front, who can make the difference, we have three world-class forwards," said midfielder Fellaini. Belgium netted 24 goals in qualifying. "I hope they are ready to score goals and make a difference.

"It's always important to start with a win, especially for our confidence. "It's going to be a real challenge against Italy, but it's up to us to play through their defence." *supersport.*



TOP PLAYERS: Manchester United's Fellaini.

BLOW: English football manager and former player Roy Hodgson.

'IBRAHIMOVIC CAN BE NEW ERIC CANTONA FOR MAN U'

MANCHETSER - It took nearly half an hour before a conversation turned to Zlatan Ibrahimovic - the Sweden striker would have no doubt been offended at the delay - but Roy Keane was ready.

He was ready to endorse his proposed signing for Manchester United, ready to warn his Republic of Ireland players of the threat which lies in wait at the Stade de France today and ready, even, to welcome a comparison to his former team-mate Eric Cantona.

Keane, it would appear, quite likes the outspoken, egotistical, strutting

Scandinavian, who carries the hopes of one nation more than any other player here in France.

For as much as Ireland boss Martin O'Neill might protest otherwise, Sweden are as close to a one-man team as it gets. There is an aura and an arrogance which accompanies such a reliance; "a major tournament without me is nothing to watch" he once said - but Keane has no issue with a player talking the talk if he can also walk the walk. Jose Mourinho, the new Manchester United manager, is set to sign the 34-year-old when his partici-



NO DOUBT: Zlatan Ibrahimovic.

pation at the finals is through, and Keane believes that is a smart move. *Daily Mail*

Pogba will cost Real Madrid €120m, Toni Kroos

MADRID - Juventus are not willing to let their star midfielder go cheaply and will look to include a replacement in any potential deal with the Spanish giants this summer.

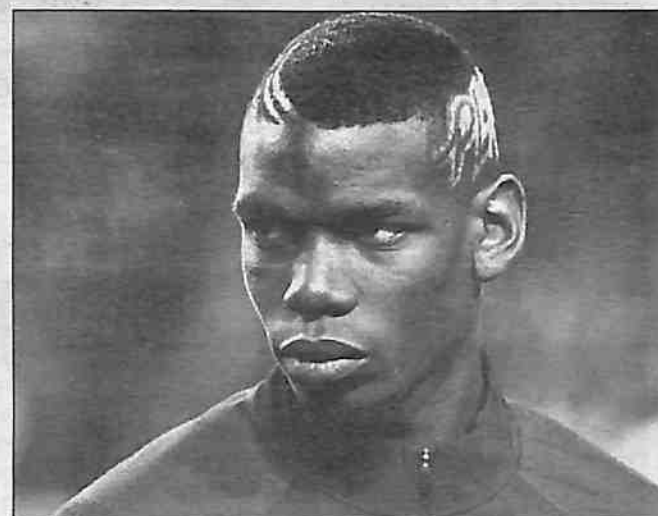
Real Madrid will have to part ways with Toni Kroos if they have any hope of signing Paul Pogba, according to Marca.

Juventus are prepared to meet any bids that fall short of their valuation of Pogba with a counter-offer - €120 million

plus Germany international Kroos.

Though the Serie A side are unwilling to sell the France star, interest in Pogba from Europe's elite makes a stay in Turin extremely unlikely - even if he hangs around for one more season.

With that in mind, Juve officials feel Kroos would be the perfect replacement for Pogba. *goal*



COSTLY: Paul Pogba.

LOMACHENKO WINS SECOND WORLD TITLE

Prague - Vasyl Lomachenko turned a Puerto Rican celebration into a Ukrainian holiday with a brutal knockout of Rocky Martinez to win the WBO super-featherweight title Saturday night.

On the eve of Puerto Rico Day, two-time Olympic gold medalist Lomachenko was dominant.

Scoring with vicious left-handed leads, he connected on four straight, including a precise uppercut in the

fifth round. Lomachenko followed that with a stunning right that flattened Martinez, who remained on the canvas for several moments.

"I came to do my job, I did my job very well tonight," Lomachenko said before dedicating the win to "the greatest man who ever laced up gloves, Muhammad Ali."

Lomachenko, 129 pounds, didn't exactly ruin the evening for the heavily Puerto Rican crowd that saw Felix Verdejo also score a fifth-

round knockout earlier. But he sure gave his loud if outnumbered countrymen in the crowd of 4 545 at the Theater at Madison Square Garden a thrill in improving to 6-1 as a pro with four knockouts.

He even did a back flip to punctuate the rout. "I think anybody who follows boxing would see this performance and realise they have seen the birth of a superstar," promoter Bob Arum said. *dailymail*

Former England captain Carr dead at 89

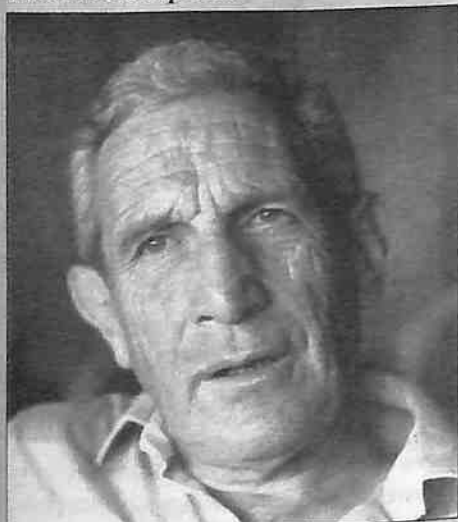
LONDON - Former England captain Donald Carr has died, at the age of 89, it was announced yesterday.

The MCC flag at Lord's, where England were playing Sri Lanka in the third Test, flew at half-mast as a mark of respect.

Carr played twice for England, once as captain, on the 1951/52 tour of India.

He made almost 20 000 first-class runs, in a 23-year career, was Derbyshire captain between 1955 and 1962 and a Wisden Cricketer of the Year in 1960.

But Carr became better known as a cricket administrator, serving as secretary of the Test and County Cricket Board - the forerunner of the current England and Wales Cricket Board. Carr was also an assistant secretary of MCC, managed three England overseas tours and later became an International Cricket Council match referee. *sport24*



NO MORE: Donald Carr.

Wu wins second European Tour title

CANBERRA - World number 222 Wu Ashun claimed his second European Tour title after emerging from a topsy-turvy final round to win the Austrian Open by a single shot yesterday.

Wu, 30, who became the first Chinese player to win on home soil on the European Tour when he captured the 2015 China Open, started the day a shot off South Africa's Zander Lombard at the top of the leaderboard.

He took victory after a closing 69 to finish the week on 13 under.

Spain's Adrian Otaegui finished second on 12 under, with Englishman Richard McEvoy another stroke back after dropping his only shot of the day at the 18th.

SUPERSPORT



WINNER: World number 222 Wu Ashun.

Mourinho, son opt for comfort seats

MANCHESTER - It's been a frantic summer for Jose Mourinho so perhaps it's understandable that the start of Euro 2016 has seen the new Manchester United boss take some downtime to enjoy the tournament.

Having been appointed as the new boss at Old Trafford after taking over from the sacked Louis van Gaal just days after the Red Devils won the FA Cup, Mourinho has been in the spotlight since the end of the season.

With the former Chelsea manager also involved in a now settled dispute with ex-Blues doctor Eva Carnerio, it's no surprise to see the



WATCHING: Manchester Utd boss Jose Mourinho prepares to watch England's opening game of Euro 2016 against Russia with his son.

Portuguese head straight for the sofa rather than the stands of France.

The 53-year-old took to Instagram to post an image of himself with his son

shortly before England's clash with Russia, admitting that a third successive Euro 2016 match had left the family sofa at breaking point. *dailymail*

Another Nigerian football legend dies

ABUJA - Former Orlando Pirates players have been left shocked and dismayed by the sudden death of Bucs' Nigerian ex-coach Shaibu Amodu so soon after the passing of countryman and playing and coaching legend Stephen Keshi.

Amodu, the Nigerian Football Federation's technical director and six times a coach of the Super Eagles, died on Saturday. The ex-Bucs coach, who led the team in the 1997-98 season, had complained of chest pains on Friday night and reportedly died in his sleep aged 58.

This came just three days after fellow Nigeria national team coach and former captain and defender Keshi died aged 54.

Former Pirates strikers Jerry Sikhosana and Andries Sebola, who played under Amodu, said the Nigerian's passing had saddened them.

Amodu's assistant at Pirates, Zambian Ronald Mkandawire, died in 2002.

"That's news to me now," Sikhosana said when told about Amodu's death at a coaching clinic he was conducting in Tembisa on Saturday.

"Keshi died on my birthday three days ago. I was supposed to enjoy my day on June 8 but he died that morning and it was a sad day for me." *timeslive*



SHOCKING: Bucs' Nigerian ex-coach Shaibu Amodu.

SIHLANGU, ZIMBABWE MATCH



PARADE: Kwazi Mabuza and Thandi Vilakati followed by superfans parading the Swazi flag during the official opening of the COSAFA Cup at Sam Nujoma Stadium in Namibia on Saturday. (Pics: Lucky Simelane)



DASH: Muzi 'Mzoro' Dlamini dashing with the ball.



WHOSE BALL: Njabulo 'D4D' Ndlovu fighting for a ball with a Zimbabwean player while Sanele Mkhweli looks for a chance.



IT'S ON: Swaziland and Zimbabwe captains leading players into the field of play before the start of the match.



WELL DONE: Sihlangu players celebrating their first goal.



GOOD TO MEET YOU: Sihlangu coach Harries 'Madze' Bulunga shaking hands with Zimbabwe coach Calisto Pasuwa.



JOLLY: Sihlangu fans singing at the stadium.



STRUGGLING: Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa and Elisha Muroiwa dashing for the ball.



AWAY WITH IT: Sihlangu's Felix Badenhorst moving with the ball while Zimbabwe's Nqobizitha Masuku closes in.



ENJOYING: Local superfans having fun with their Namibian counterparts.

SUPERFANS' CORNER



OBSERVING: The two countries' officials during a press conference.



YES! Matutu Dlamini having fun with the superfans.



ORDER: The superfans being briefed at Sam Nujoma Stadium where the COSAFA tournament was officially opened on Saturday.



CHEERS: Superfans in a jubilant mood at Windhoek Country Club.



ARRIVAL: Superfans and retailers arriving at Namibia Airport.



GOODBYE: Sabelo 'Rasta' Dlamini waving at O.R. International Airport on Thursday.



FUN: Swaziland Beverages' Wandile Dlamini (r) with the superfans at Windhoek Country Club upon arrival on Thursday.

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● Zlatan Ibrahimovic's proposed move to Manchester United is being held up by the 34-year-old Sweden international striker's desire to play in August's Olympics. (*Sunday Mirror*)



● Arsenal will focus on Edinson Cavani if Leicester and England striker Jamie Vardy, 29, turns down a move to Emirates Stadium. Fellow striker Cavani, 29, is set to leave Paris St-Germain but has rejected a lucrative offer to move to China. (*Sunday Express*)

● The Gunners are also considering a £15m bid for Napoli's Albania international full-back Elseid Hysaj, 22. (*Daily Star Sunday*)

● Real Madrid will be told by Juventus that midfielder Paul Pogba, 23, will cost 120m euros (£94.7m), plus Germany midfielder Toni Kroos, 26. (*Marca*)

● Manchester United goalkeeper David De Gea, 25, has until Wednesday to decide whether to join Real Madrid for £47m before a special exit clause in his contract expires. (*Sunday Times*)

● Manchester City have been told they must smash the British transfer record and pay £65m if they want to land 26-year-old Borussia Dortmund striker Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang. (*Sunday Mirror*)



● N'Golo Kante, 25, is the latest Leicester player to be offered a £100 000-a-week contract by the Premier League champions. The France midfielder is wanted by Chelsea, Manchester United, Arsenal and Paris St-Germain. (*Sunday Telegraph*)

● Juventus have joined the race to sign 23-year-old Everton striker Romelu Lukaku. (*Gazzetta Dello Sport*)

● The Star on Sunday backpage focuses on the late goal England conceded against Russia. (*Mail on Sunday*)

● Roma midfielder Miralem Pjanic, 26, who has been linked with a move to the Premier League, is to have a medical at Juventus after activating a clause in his contract. (*Guardian*)

● Hull and Aston Villa will have competition from Celtic for Scotland international striker Steven Fletcher, 29, who has been released by Sunderland. (*Daily Record*)



● Premier League newcomers Burnley have expressed an interest in West Bromwich Albion goalkeeper Boaz Myhill, 33, who is entering the last year of his contract at The Hawthorns. (*Birmingham Mail*)

SOCGA ADOPTS NATIONAL PARALYMPICS COMMITTEE

Stories by Sibusiso Masilela

SPORTS – THE Swaziland Olympics and Commonwealth Games Association (SOCGA) has adopted the National Paralympics Committee.

The new development will now enable the country to be represented in the future Paralympics competition in all the various sporting codes.

This comes after a mass meeting held yesterday where the different sporting associations converged at the OlympAfrica

Centre for the first time in the history of local sports.

SOCGA Secretary General Muriel Hofer said the new development would allow every Swazi citizen to participate in any sporting code of their choice.

"This is a very exciting initiative for the country where everyone will have the opportunity to take part in sports and further get appointed at executive level of any sporting association.

The initiative has opened doors for people living with disability to showcase their talent to the world. We will now wait for the

International Paralympics Committee (IPC) to accept our request then we will take it from there," she said.

Hofer further said they were looking forward to sending the first squad to the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

"We are targeting 2018 to participate in international competitions but everything will be decided by the IPC.

We will then set up programmes that would ensure the athletes get proper preparations ahead of the targeted competitions."



MILESTONE: SOCGA Secretary General Muriel Hofer.

Local associations happy with NPC

SPORTS – LOCAL sporting associations have expressed their excitement over the adoption of the National Paralympics Committee by SOCGA.

Speaking during the meeting, all the representatives pledged to work hard in grooming athletes that would represent the country in future Paralympics competi-

tions.

This is what they said: **Bongani Manyatsi (Swaziland Taekwondo Association)**

"We are very happy with this initiative that would allow us to send our artists to international competitions. We do have a

Paralympics wing but unfortunately didn't have a national body before but now our dream has been realised."

Thabo Mazibuko (Athletics Association of Swaziland)

"We are delighted with this initiative that will give our Paralympics an opportunity to compete at international level. We real-

ly needed something like this.

I am happy with this initiative. We will unearth new talent."

Mandla Zwane (Swaziland National Tennis Association)

"This is historic. I am certain this will open doors for every athlete in the country to showcase their talent in the world.

We have been shunning Paralympics courses in our international meetings but now will take it seriously and produce international stars."



Rampage Jazz beat Imbumbé in EML Mbabane Derby

By Sibusiso Masilela

BASKETBALL – DEFENDING champions, Mbabane Jazz, maintained their winning ways after beating rivals Imbumbé 90-87 in the Elite Men's League encounter played on Saturday at the Mavuso Sports Centre.

Jazz have now played six straight games without losing in the current Swaziland National Basketball League season after getting the better of the fifth-placed Imbumbé during the tightly contested capital city derby.

Second-placed Superstars also preserved their resurgence after beating Cats 102-92 in one of the EML encounters played over the weekend.

In the National Women League, Super Ladies won the 'battle of two cities' after beating Lady Jazz 77-54 to maintain their top spot at the summit of standings. Super Ladies also maintained their unbeaten run



start in the current campaign after beating Griffiths in their previous encounter.

SNBL Commissioner, Melusi Hlophe, confirmed the results and further mentioned that they would be releasing the logs today.

"We are happy with the progress in both the Elite Men's League and National Women League. We witnessed top shelf action yesterday and I would also like to thank all the fans who attended the games in great numbers," he said.

The results:

Elite Men's League

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| Mbabane Jazz | 90 | Imbumbé | 87 |
| Superstars | 102 | Cats | 92 |
| Raptors | 86 | Steels | 82 |
| Knicks | 98 | Pacers | 97 |

National Women League

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|--------------|----|-----------|----|
| Super Ladies | 77 | Lady Jazz | 54 |
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Scandza are SRIC Darts League champs

By Sanele Jele

DARTS – SCANDZA Darts Club were yesterday crowned champions of the E50 000 SRIC Darts League after beating second-placed Correctional 17-8 over the weekend.

The game, which was a title decider, saw the defending champions winning the league for the sixth consecutive time. Had Correctional won the game, they would have closed the gap but Scandza played like true champions and indeed won the match.

Another interesting match played at Zakhele Hall saw third-placed Kilowattz A beat the champions Scandza 12-11 in a nail biting encounter while Correctional played to a 12-12 draw with fourth-placed Ecco Water.

Scandza won the league with a record of 78 points after 26 outings while Correctional came second with 71 points. Killowattz occupy the third spot with 64 points. The battle

at the bottom of the log was intense with Ecco Water beating Railway 17-6 while RSP's disastrous season continued when they lost 6-17 to Kilowattz B.

Worth noting is that the top goal scorers are Scandza's Abraham Ndzinisa and Samuel Maphalala, who are tied on 180 goals. Interviewed yesterday after the games, Swaziland National Darts Association Secretary Phumlani 'Koffi' Ndwandwe said this was a competitive season. "The other teams did not make it easy for Scandza to win the league for the sixth time in a row.

This only means the league was very competitive. We were happy with the attendance throughout the season."

He said fans also behaved well.

"We want to take the opportunity to thank the sponsor, Swaziland Royal Insurance Corporation for supporting us and hopefully they will continue to sponsor us even next season," Ndwandwe said.

The results:

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|--------------|----|--------------|----|
| Ecco Water | 17 | Railway | 6 |
| Manzini CC | 13 | Kilowattz | 10 |
| Correctional | 8 | Scandza | 17 |
| RSP | 7 | Kilowattz | 16 |
| Ecco Water | 12 | Correctional | 12 |
| Kilowattz A | 12 | Scandza | 11 |

Magidz'eludzakeni walks out of meeting

Stories by Qondile Ntiwane

SOCCKER - MBABANE

Highlanders former PRO Paul Magidz'eludzakeni Masilela unceremoniously walked out of the team's AGM yesterday at MDS Hall.

The former PRO did not take kindly to the comments made by the team's Managing Director Bheki 'Rubber' Simelane, who made a suggestion that they assaulted supporters who landed the team in trouble.

Masilela interrupted the MD while

making his remarks, stating that the statement was uncalled for.

"Chairman, the MD should be brought to order. He cannot go around saying people should be beaten," he said before leaving the hall, much to the amusement of other supporters in the hall.

The MD said it was unfortunate that the former official took the statement the wrong way as he was just making a suggestion.

"It is bad that some people are leaving.

We need every Mbabane Highlanders person even if they are against the current leadership. Unity is essential for the betterment of the



WORKED UP: Highlanders former PRO Paul Magidz'eludzakeni Masilela.

Supporters not happy with undisclosed financials

SOCCKER - THE non-presentation of a financial report by the Mbabane Highlanders leadership did not go down well with the team's supporters.

The matter sparked a debate during the AGM as the supporters asked why management could not table a financial report.

This was after the General Manager, Andrew Mamba, announced they would not be tabling this report following a decision taken by the team's leaders.

Withhold

Mamba said they had considered a number of factors before coming to the decision to withhold the report.

"There are many factors that led to the report not being presented. I must, however, say it will be presented in future but for now it stays

with the leadership and patrons, who are aware of this," he said.

One of the supporters wanted to know if such was constitutional. He said it was important to know the difference between a report and a financial statement.

Monies

"We are not saying management should disclose all the details regarding the finances but would appreciate it if they let us know the monies received from sponsorships and gate collections.

"How is it that a team can be run for a whole season without disclosing the finances? All we want is for you to put us in the picture," said the supporter.

Another supporter, Kenneth Nkambule, said disclosing the financials would assist the MD clear the

air on certain issues.

"We have been reading from the media about the MD's personal issues. You may find that presenting this report may save or assist him from assumptions being made by people," he said.

In his report, the MD stated that one of the reasons the financial report was not disclosed was due to the monies he had spent in running Mbabane Highlanders.

Trouble

"If I were to disclose the money I have personally spent in the team I would be in serious trouble with my family.

Also other sponsors do not want the agreement between them and the team being revealed for reasons known to them and we have to respect that," he said.

'Dunga' urges young stars to take football seriously

By Sanele Jele

SOCCKER - FORMER

Sihlangu player Maxwell 'King Dunga' Zikalala has called upon youngsters to take their football career seriously because it can put food on the table.

Zikalala made these remarks yesterday after inspiring his team, Mvutjini Invaders, to an emphatic victory against Tinyosi in the semifinals of the CHAPS Soka Nawe Knockout Cup played at Prince of Wales Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

"Well, I know for a fact that soccer can put food on the table these days. I become emotional when I see a talented player not taking his football career seriously. Here at Invaders we have a lot of young players who can play in the elite league but they are just doing it for fun. They need to wake up from their slumber and smell the coffee because this is a career," Zikalala said.

The Green Mamba assistant coach further hinted that legends should not stop playing just because they are ridiculed by people.

"I salute my other team-mates, who I used to play with in the Premier League, they do not entertain bad things being said about them and here they are playing at Invaders. I am talking about Bongiswa Nhlabatsi, John 'Shisa' Mdluli and Mgonodi Sidell. We are still active and enjoying ourselves at the same time keeping healthy and fit," he said.

'Dunga' said people should



INSPIRATIONAL: Former Sihlangu player Maxwell 'King Dunga' Zikalala.

mind their own businesses and stop discouraging others.

He then praised Tinyosi for putting up a good fight in the match.

"We beat them but I must say they are a good team. They just have to rectify a few mistakes here and there; otherwise, they can qualify to play in the National First Division."

He also congratulated his team for gaining promotion to the Super League.

"We did well and I salute all the players in the team. We now have to engage the next gear as a team through attending training sessions all the time. We will be always there to guide and help the young players," he said.

Invaders managed to beat Super League side Tinyosi 1-0 in the CHAPS Soka Nawe Challenge while Vovovo walloped Sibuyeni 3-0. They will face each other in the next stage and the winner will represent the Southern stream against the Northern stream.

SIHLANGU PREVIEW

Sihlangu in a must win against Seychelles

By Sibusiso Masilela

*Sihlangu vs Seychelles
Sam Nujoma Stadium, 6pm*

SOCCKER - THE nation's pride Sihlangu are in a must situation against islanders Seychelles tonight if they want to keep their quarterfinals dreams alive in the 2016 COSAFA Cup currently taking place in Namibia.

The Harries 'Madze' Bulunga-led charges need to roll up their sleeves and focus on the new challenge ahead of them following their 2-all draw against Zimbabwe on Saturday afternoon.

The squad need to build from their previous performance and conquer Seychelles, who were handed a 1-0 defeat by Madagascar.

Sihlangu displayed one of their best performances against the Warriors of Zimbabwe but failed to protect their advantage on two occasions.

The locals need to maintain their momentum and hammer the opposition then wait for the outcome of the match between Zimbabwe



MUST WIN: Sihlangu players conversing before their training session at the Somhlolo National Stadium.

and Madagascar. Bulunga must make sure the players maintain their shape, especially his suspect defence which was twice caught napping by Zimbabwe.

They also have to pump in the needed goals

in the opposite end. Bulunga is likely to make changes in the goalkeeping department by introducing the much experienced Nhlahlala Gwebu ahead of Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza and maintain his back four com-

LOGS

Group A

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| 1. Madagascar | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 2. Swaziland | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| 3. Zimbabwe | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| 4. Seychelles | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 |

prising of Sifiso Mabila, Sanele Mkhweli, Siyabonga Mdluli and Machawe Dlamini.

The ever hardworking midfield pair of Njabulo 'D4D' Ndlovu and Mxolisi 'General' Lukhele will be deployed in the belly of the park to stop the supplies of the opposition. The nation's hopes will be on 'golden boy' in South Africa-bound Felix 'Fela' Badenhorst, who netted the brace against the 'Warriors' as he is expected to lead the boys to their first victory in this year's tournament.

The lanky playmaker took responsibility and netted his second goal from the spot on Saturday afternoon. He will be the man carrying the hopes of the Swazi nation in this match.

This war will be won through a collective effort from the likes of Sabelo 'Sikhali' Ndzinisa, who has a good international pedigree that will be crucial against the not so impressive Seychelles' defence.

The passionate Swazi nation is fully behind you, all the best boys.

Sihlangu in a must win against Seychelles

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Poland proves too much for N Ireland

FRANCE - Ajax striker Arkadiusz Milik broke Northern Ireland hearts yesterday after rifling home the only goal in their Euro 2016 Group C opener in Nice.

Poland had never won a game before at the European Championship, with three draws and three losses over two appearances in 2008 and 2012 — the latter a tournament they co-hosted with Ukraine.

Now they can look forward to a spicy tie with neighbours Germany in the Stade de France on Thursday with eyes on a spot in the last 16.

The result dents Northern Ireland's pre-tournament hopes of qualifying from a tough group as one of the four best third-placed teams, with a win now essential against Ukraine in Lyon the same day.

Adam Nawalka's side dominated the game but took time to break down a stubborn defence, Milik's strike early in the second half coming after several missed chances in the first.

For Michael O'Neill's side, it was a disappointing end to their first ever European Championship match, and first major tournament appearance since the 1986 World Cup.

Game

They entered the game unbeaten in a record 12 matches, but although they held their more vaunted opponents scoreless until half-time, they ultimately paid for an over-defensive approach in the impressive Stadium Nice.

From the off Poland dominated possession but struggled to penetrate close to goal against a back-four stoutly marshalled by West Brom's Jonny Evans.

With Bayern Munich star Robert Lewandowski bottled up by a dogged Northern Ireland defence and Milik misfiring on several occasions, it was a frustrating opening period for Poland.

Top scorers in qualifying for Euro 2016, they managed just two shots on target in the first period.

The first was on the half-hour when a left-footed drive by Milik from outside the box was easily parried by Michael McGovern.

Milik should also have scored after a cut-back by Piszczek put him in space 10 yards out but he sliced high and wide.

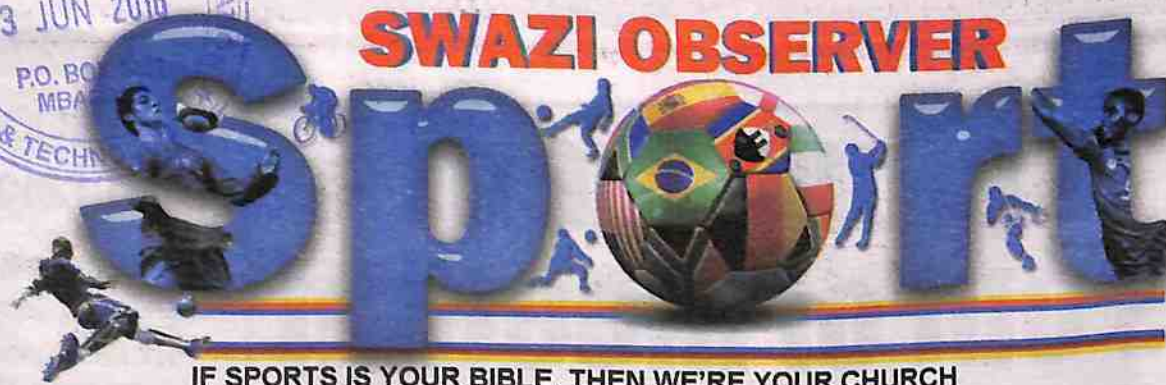
Then as a scrappy half drew to a close, Poland almost broke the deadlock when a left-foot snapshot by the lively Bartosz Kapustka from the edge of the area was superbly tipped over by McGovern.

Northern Ireland, whose striker Kyle Lafferty was their only player in the opposing half for much of the game, soon paid for their defensive approach. Six minutes into the second period Milik made no mistake when firing through the legs of Craig Cathcart after Jakub Blaszczykowski found him unmarked on the edge of the area.

Blaszczykowski had his own chance to add to Poland's tally on 68 minutes but steered wide after Milik had stroked a ball behind the Northern Ireland defence. (Super Sport)

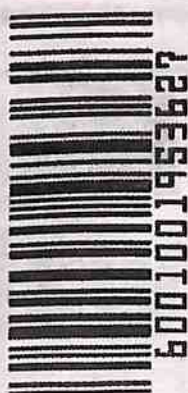
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'DINO' BLASTS 'RUBBER'

Stories by Qondile Ntiwane

SOCCER - FORMER Mbabane Highlanders CEO, Celucolo 'Dino' Dlamini, has accused the team's Managing Director Bheki Rubber Simelane of being economical with the truth.

In a scathing attack directed to Simelane during the team's annual general meeting (AGM) held at the MDS High School Hall yesterday, the CEO blasted the MD and General Manager Andrew Mamba, who directed the proceedings of the day, for not being honest with the team's supporters.

Declined

Dlamini, who declined to join the first table after being called by Mamba at the beginning of the meeting, stood up shortly after the GM presented the team's end of season report to the over 100 supporters present during the meeting.

"I am surprised that the GM in his report has failed to tell the supporters the truth as to what is happening with the office of the CEO. There has been a lot of talking going on with regards to the CEO and this being an AGM I was hoping the matter will be addressed

but I can see they are refusing to tell the truth."

"I am not one who likes noise but I feel I need to address the MD and tell him to stop tainting my reputation because I also have integrity to protect.

He knows that things are not right between us following an article about the team which appeared in the local newspapers. I was accused of having said things I didn't say but these were statements uttered by the MD, which is wrong." The CEO further questioned why officials, who left the team's management, were bad-mouthed by the leaders of the team.

"What hurts me the most is I am now being accused of doing things I haven't done and being bad-

Team CEO accuses MD of not being honest

Tenders resignation through SMS, tells MD not to consider him for any position in the team

mouthed for leaving the 'Landers management. Just because I have left the team, bad things have to be said about me," he said furiously.

Dlamini also revealed during the meeting that he tendered his resignation from Highlanders through an SMS, which he sent to the team's MD.

"Yes, I told the MD I was no longer a part of

the team and should not be considered for any position under his leadership," he said. Although acknowledging receiving the

SMS, the MD said he

was not aware of some of the accusations by the former CEO when sought for comment after the meeting.



CLASH OF TITANS: Former Mbabane Highlanders CEO Celucolo 'Dino' Dlamini has publicly lambasted the team's Managing Director Bheki 'Rubber' Simelane.

Highlanders buy 'Chocco' new car

SOCCER - MBABANE Highlanders captain, Xolani 'Chocco' Sibandze, has been presented with a brand new car by the team.

This was revealed by the team's Managing Director Bheki 'Rubber' Simelane during the team's annual general meeting (AGM) held at the MDS High School Hall yesterday.

Simelane said the player, who has already taken possession of the car, was being rewarded for his loyalty to the team.

Transport

"Chocco' has been using public transport to and from home. We thus felt this was not befitting his status. He has been loyal to the team and the car was a reward to him. However, we do know that he will still request petrol money," he said.

The MD also announced that the team was still in the process of building the two-room house at Sibandze's home in Mahlalini, as per their pledge during their AGM last year.

"That project is still on but just a bit slow due to personal issues I cannot divulge now," he said. The car presented to the player, a VW Golf 5, is said to be worth around E45 000.

Our Chief Scout a disgrace - Supporters

SOCCER - MEANWHILE some supporters have accused the team's Chief Scout, Mandla Simelane, of being a disgrace after he was stopped from attacking one of them during the meeting.

The supporters stated after the meeting that they were disappointed by the conduct of Simelane during the meeting.

Simelane had to be stopped by other officials after he left the first table and charged towards a supporter, who accused him of belonging to another camp.

"We love our MD, yes, but have a problem with your brother whom we know belongs to another team and not Mbabane Highlanders," said the supporters.

This did not go down well with Simelane, who immediately left the table and charged towards the supporter but was stopped by other supporters that attended

the meeting.

'Landers staunch supporter Mduduzi Dlamini did not take kindly to Simelane's actions.

"What he did is a disgrace to the Mbabane Highlanders family.

All supporters are allowed to voice out their opinion during any meeting.

We will now be scared to attend meetings in fear of being assaulted by people who hold senior positions within the team," he said.

Dlamini was supported by the former PRO Magidzeludzeni Masilela, who said he was also disturbed to learn that Simelane had threatened to assault a supporter.

"He disgraced us. Management doesn't act like this and he should be reprimanded for his behaviour," Masilela said.



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