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Garden Route DM Executive delivers 850 potable water containers to Zoar



Executive Mayor of Garden Route District Municipality, Cllr Memory Booysen (front, right), officially hand over the containers to Executive Mayor of Kannaland, Cllr Magdalene Barry (front, left) in the presence of the rest of the delegation and officials.



GRDM Manager of Disaster Management, Mr Gerhard Otto, Portfolio Chairperson of Properties and Asset Management at GRDM, Cllr Joslyn Johnson, Western Cape Minister of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, Mr Anton Bredell, Western Cape MEC for Agriculture, Minister Beverly Shafers, Speaker of Kannaland Municipality, Ms Aletta Theron, Executive Mayor of GRDM, Cllr Memory Booysen, Executive Mayor of Kannaland, Cllr Magdalene Barry and GRDM Councillor, Cllr Albertus Rossouw, in front of the truck, with three tanks, that delivers water to the Zoar Community.

The residents of Zoar in Kannaland will now be able to store their potable water in proper containers, after the Executive Mayor of Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM), Cllr Memory Booysen, handed over 850 x 20 litre water containers to Kannaland on Friday, 15 March 2019 at the Library Hall in Ladismith. Assistance to Kannaland by GRDM was supported by the full Council of GRDM.

The potable containers were handed over to the Executive Mayor of Kannaland, Cllr Magdalene Barry, in the presence of the Western Cape Minister of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, Mr Anton Bredell, Western Cape Minister of Agriculture, Ms Beverly Shafer, officials from GRDM and Kannaland Municipality, as well as farm owners and community members of the area.

Mr Gerhard Otto, Manager of Disaster Management of the GRDM, during the event, also sketched the dire situation of the dams in Kannaland and thereafter a farm owner raised concerns on how the situation resulted in job losses and affected food security. Mr Willem Burger from the Western Cape Department of Agriculture, delivered a summary of how the Department assisted Kannaland through support programmes and projects rolled out in the area during the past years.

During his address at the handover ceremony, Mayor Booysen emphasised and specifically highlighted to all present about negotiations for a district wide developmental project, which the GRDM is currently busy with.

Mayor Booysen said that the project will generate approximately R100 million for the Garden Route district. Although it will mostly affect the coastal areas, he added: "As soon as we receive the accreditation as water service authority, we will then be able to change the focus of the negotiations to address the needs of the Kannaland community, especially the drought and food security, amongst others".

To the farming representatives and all officials present, Mayor Booysen said: "We will need your skills and knowledge to assist us in leading the negotiations into a direction required to address these challenges".

During the event, Minister Bredell, also announced his plans and what his Department has in store for the community of Kannaland. Bredell admitted: "The only solution to address poverty is job creation". He added: "With the resealing of the road between Calitzdorp and Oudtshoorn, as well as the building of a new clinic, jobs will be created – these projects amount to R 38 million." To address the drought in the area, he added: "We plan to drill two boreholes (R3.4 million) and plan to rehabilitate the waste water treatment plant that will amount to R195 000". The Zoar waste water treatment works (R745 000) and also the Calitzdorp waste water treatment works (R1.5 million) is also on the priority list. "Through these initiatives, it is important that we prioritise job creation as part of these projects," Bredell added.

As part of their itinerary, the delegation then visited farms in the area to witness the current situation and affects of drought in the area. Ms Aletta Theron, Speaker of the Kannaland Council, directed the hand-over programme and extended a word of appreciation to the delegation and representatives who attended the ceremony.

ACCESS TO WATER IS A HUMAN RIGHT

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Foreword

by the Executive Mayor of Garden Route DM
Cllr Memory Booysen

Greetings Garden Routers

It is with great pleasure that I present to you, the reader, our 32nd newsletter, which continued to be aimed at informing community members on what we are doing as a District Municipality to change the lives of ordinary citizens.

Firstly, let me touch on the elections which will take place on 8 May 2019. This will be the sixth time since the dawn of democracy that South Africans will have the right of deciding which political party gets to steer the nation's course. A free and fair voting process is the cornerstone of democracy, allowing you the opportunity to vote for change or uphold the status quo.

Secondly, South Africa is still facing serious issues relating to our power utility, Eskom, which is under tremendous pressure to continue supplying electricity. This issue can have a direct impact on the health and well-being of society, especially if we end up with a possible national blackout. Without electricity the supply of food, water and other necessities, become scarce or inaccessible. We have therefore highlighted, in this edition, some important educational material relating to food safety, storing of food, washing hands and looking at ones health. People are urged to remain vigilant during power cuts and be on the lookout for any suspicious activity and report this to their security company or the police immediately.

Yours in Government,
Councillor Memory Booysen,
Executive Mayor of Garden Route District Municipality

First Youth on the Move Event for the District

The Western Cape Minister of Economic Opportunities, Ms Beverley Schäfer and the Minister of Social Development, Mr Albert Fritz, visited George to launch the first ever, "Youth on the Move: Gateway to Opportunities" programme on 4 and 5 March 2019.

This two-day pilot youth initiative was hosted by the Western Cape Government in collaboration with the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM), George Municipality and the Garden Route Skills Mecca steering committee. The "Youth on the Move" programme is a step towards achieving the commitment made by Minister Schäfer to create 250 000 new job opportunities at Local Government level, and aimed at connecting youth who are looking for opportunities with employers and organisations.

On Monday, 4 March 2019, Minister Schäfer and her delegation met with the executive mayors of the GRDM and George Municipality, representatives of the local business chambers, potential employers, educational institutions and local stakeholder groups working with the youth. During this jam-packed gathering, the GRDM Mayor, Cllr Memory Booysen, explained the district's vision of becoming a skills mecca, not only for those residing in the Garden Route or Western Cape Province, but for the entire South Africa. He enlightened the audience about last year's Investment Conference and the two Skills Summits hosted by GRDM, as well as the resolutions taken and spearheaded by the GRDM. Mayor Booysen continued by saying: "In order for people to invest in our region, we need to have the relevant skills to drive investment and because of this, the GRDM

took a conscious decision to up-skill our people in the district. Today I am here to declare that we are ready for business, we are committed and with the limited funds that we have, we want to drastically lower unemployment, up-skill the youth, and do whatever is necessary for this district to be one of the best".

On Tuesday, 5 March 2019, Minister Schäfer met with over 200 unemployed young people from the region. During the event, youth were placed into various working groups where they answered questions about barriers faced when trying to access opportunities.

During her keynote address, Minister Schäfer said: "Over the past two days we've heard from employers that they're not finding the best people with the right skills and we've heard from young people that transport, safety and the cost of printing out a CV, are some of the barriers that they're experiencing. By growing digital skills in our province, and encouraging youth to use technology like online job searches, apps and to make use of services like youth cafés and the ICAN Learn programmes, we can start to make headway in addressing the concerns expressed by both employers and the youth," she said.

Subject to the outcomes of the initiative, the "Youth on the Move" programme will be adjusted and progressively rolled out across the Western Cape Province with an event scheduled every three months as district and local municipalities come on board. Through this project, the Western Cape Government together with the district- and local municipalities in the Garden Route strive to create a pathway for unemployed

youth to access opportunities, to match the demand of employers for suitable qualified persons in the district and in that way sustain industries and support economic growth within the district and Western Cape.



Fltr: Mr Rashid Toefy, Deputy Director-General for Economic Operations, Cllr Memory Booysen, GRDM Executive Mayor, Mr Albert Fritz, Minister of Social Development, Ms Beverley Schäfer, Western Cape Minister of Economic Opportunities, Alderman Melvin Naik, Executive Mayor of George Municipality, Ms Rahima Loghdey, Director: Skills Incentives and Cllr Lisa Stroeel, GRDM Councillor.



A big turn-out of youth at the event indicates that the initiative has a lot of interest amongst people between the ages of 18 and 35.

Garden Route DM Councillors visit Jobs for Carbon

Jobs for Carbon farming in the Klein Karoo is a flagship initiative which combines job creation with conservation. Carbon farming involves the re-establishment of badly degraded spekboom veld through planting spekboom cuttings, allowing the plants to grow a natural canopy, and then leaving the land undisturbed and free from grazing pressures for many years. Spekboom has a natural capacity to store large amounts of carbon, and this enables the generation of income through the sale of carbon credits in national or international markets. This programme offers many benefits: new jobs created in poor rural communities, new income streams from the sale of carbon credits, restored natural environment attracting more tourism, improved rainwater infiltration, etc.

GRDM is particularly interested in what Jobs for Carbon does, not only because of the environmental impact it has, but also the jobs it creates for nearby communities.

To read more about Jobs for Carbon, visit their website:
gouritz.com/portfolio/jobs-for-carbon/



Andre Britz from Jobs for Carbon (left) with Cllr Memory Booysen, GRDM Executive Mayor, at one of the sites where Spekboom plants are being re-introduced into nature.



GRDM Councillors Lisa Stroeel (left) and Rosina Ruiters (Deputy Executive Mayor) have been advocates for the Jobs for Carbon initiative because it is of benefit to local communities.



GRDM Councillor Theresia Van Rensburg during the site visit.

WISE-UP ON FOOD SAFETY DURING POWER OUTAGES

These dark times can be more than just an inconvenience...it can also increase your risk of food borne illnesses. If perishable food is not kept at the correct temperature in your fridge and freezer, bacteria may begin to grow and multiply. The good news is that there are ways to reduce above-mentioned risk.

Do not open the refrigerator or freezer doors unless it is necessary. This will help keep the food cooler for a longer time period.

Do not keep food outdoors to keep it cold or frozen because animals may contaminate your food, or the sun can thaw or raise the temperature of the food even if the outdoor temperature is cold.

When you dispose of food, make sure to always wrap it in a newspaper before placing it in the rubbish bin.

Keep frozen foods close together. This will help keep them cooler for a longer period of time.

Perishable food are foodstuff that will spoil quickly, e.g. vegetables, fruit, milk, cheese, yoghurt, fresh meat, poultry, seafood and ready to eat products like cold meat.

If food is partially thawed or not above 70°C, it can be refrozen.

Food contaminated with bacteria may not give off an odor or look unsafe to eat. Remember...When in doubt, throw it out.

Without correct disposal, fly breeding may result and may increase the risk of spreading infectious diseases.

Put ice blocks in the fridge if you know that the power will be out for more than four hours.

If the freezer is full: food will stay frozen for about 48 hours.

If the freezer is half full: food will stay frozen for about 24 hours.

If juices have leaked from packages of raw meat, make sure to clean and sanitize the area where leaking took place to minimize the risk of spreading possible harmful bacteria.

Make sure fridge and freezer temperatures are at the correct temperature (check by using fridge and freezer thermometers).

Refrigerator temperature should be at 4°C or lower.

Freezer temperature should be at -18°C or lower.

Preliminary Outcomes of Environmental Health Audit Looks Promising for GRDM

Recently, the National Department of Health, Cluster: Environmental Health and Port Health Services visited the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) to assess the Municipal Health Section's compliance with the National Environmental Health prescribed Norms and Standards, as well as to advice towards the achievement of set goals. A baseline assessment was previously performed at the end of January 2016, shortly after the promulgation of the National Environmental Health Norms and Standards.

This visit was a follow-up assessment, which was conducted by Mr Daniel Nkuna, a representative of the National Department of Health. Senior Managers of the Municipal Health and Environmental Services Section were requested to avail themselves for the audit assessment, to discuss the challenges faced by the Municipal Health Section with regard to effective service delivery.

During the assessment, the Municipal Manager, Mr Monde Stratu, the Executive Manager of the Community Services Department, Mr Clive Africa and the Manager of the Municipal Health and Environmental Services Section, Mr Johan Compion together with the different Municipal Health Regional Managers of the George-, Hessequa-, Klein Karoo-, Lakes-, Bitou-, Langeberg- and Kannaland sub-offices, participated in the audit process.

The audit process involved addressing challenges and gaps identified during the baseline assessment; arranging portfolio of evidence files according to the audit tool layout and ensuring that all formal documentation are proved to be authentic and approved.

The following five (5) domains of importance for effective Environmental Health Service delivery were considered during the audit assessment:

- **Client rights**
- **Operational management**
- **Facilities and infrastructure**
- **Leadership and co-operative governance**
- **Operational functions**

The GRDM obtained a preliminary achievement outcome of 80%, which already showed significant progress made in terms of the previous baseline assessment shortly after the promulgation of the National Environmental Health Norms and Standards. The municipality still has thirty (30) days after the issuing of the preliminary report to improve on the 80% that was achieved. The municipality will have three (3) months after receiving the formal final report to provide an action plan to the National Department of Health towards the proposed remedial measures to address identified gaps towards effective environmental health service delivery to the public.

Public boasts about GRDM resorts

Employees of the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) resorts were warmly commended by guests who visited one of the four resorts of Garden Route DM during the 2018/2019 summer holiday. These resorts include: Swartvlei Resort, Victoria Bay Caravan Park, De Hoek Bergoord and Calitzdorp Spa.

The Victoria Bay Caravan Park was fully booked from 15 December to 04 January, the Swartvlei Resort from 15 December to 2 January, De Hoek Bergoord was full from 24 December to 02 January and the Calitzdorp Spa was 65% booked from 24 December to 2 January. This period is regarded as the most critical period of the peak season.

"This year, visitors left from as early as 2 January, due to the early start of the schools," Willie Fourie, Manager of Resorts at the Garden Route DM said. "With regard to the use of alcohol, visitors were prohibited from using alcohol at the pool areas to ensure the safety of all," Fourie added.

Most guests described their stay as an "absolutely amazing experience" and the facilities and overall area as "neat, safe and as an area well-managed". Apart from the experience of the stay, the staff members at all resorts were commended for their friendliness and helpfulness. One of the visitors said: "We felt safe all the time and really appreciated how well managed the entire area was".

These four resorts are known for their diverse characteristics, practical and convenient locations and are liked by many for the quality of service they offer during a visitor's stay.

A selection of reviews received from the visitors:

1. "Rarely do we appreciate the good that various government organisations are doing and I think that your establishment is definitely worth mentioning."
2. "You called from your cell number and assisted us in such a wonderful and friendly manner, even though it was passed midnight."
3. "Thank you for coming to check up on us on the Saturday as well, your efficiency and professionalism is truly the very reason the space is so well managed and kept so beautifully."
4. "The facilities and location was really well maintained, the toilets were always clean and the grounds beautifully maintained."
5. "Service staff were very friendly and helpful and always smiling and willing to help; even the law enforcement. We felt safe all the time and really appreciated how well managed the entire area is."
6. "We aren't regular campers and this has made the experience and the concept of camping really amazing and we thank you and all the various team members, it has really been one of many trips to a place that is so amazing."
7. "Ons was baie goed ontvang en verwelkom deur kampeerders."
8. "Hoop dit gaan die begin wees van vele vir ons... baie dankie."
9. "Dankie vir 'n netjiese en vredevolle kampterein :)"
10. "Thank you for an amazing five day stay. What a super friendly place... It has been a long time since we stayed in a caravan park and I loved it."

Find out more about the Garden Route DM resorts at:

www.victoriabaycaravanpark.co.za
www.swartvleicaravanpark.co.za
www.dehoekmountainresort.co.za
www.calitzdorpspa.co.za



The Community Services Department section heads, including the Portfolio Chairperson: Community Services, Cllr Khayaletu Lose (second from right, seated in front) and Executive Manager, Community Services, Mr Clive Africa (seated, left), shortly after discussing the outcomes of the preliminary health audit.

GRDM Home Composting Pilot Project yielding positive results

Approximately 30% - 35% of waste going to landfill is organic waste. Landfilling continues to be the main 'default' method of managing organic waste. At the current rates of disposal to landfill, organic waste causes a variety of significant negative financial, social and environmental impacts. For instance, the high volume of organic waste occupies increasingly scarce landfill airspace, and it produces leachate which requires expensive landfill containment barriers to mitigate against surface and groundwater contamination (diverting funds that could be used for other needed infrastructure and social projects and programmes). This results in high logistical costs, particularly because of health risks, including smell and vectors. It requires frequent trips for collection and disposal. It is a significant contributor to greenhouse gases, resulting from the production of methane gas.

A home composting pilot project was rolled out to 22 households in Gouritsmond in March 2018 and at 34 households in Mossel Bay during June 2018. A total of 2 536,75kg (2.5 tons) of organic waste has been recorded and reported in Gouritsmond from March 2018 to December 2018 (10 months). Therefore, an average of 11,53kg of organic waste per household per month is diverted from landfill by means of home composting.

A total of 6 127,32kg (6.1 tons) of organic waste has been recorded and reported in Mossel Bay from June 2018 to December 2018 (7 months). Therefore, an average of 25,75kg of organic waste per household per month is diverted from landfill by means of home composting.

When considering the above-mentioned findings, the amount of organic waste that could be potentially diverted from landfill, if the home composting project is rolled out to all households in an entire municipal area, could completely disappear from landfill sites.

The Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning has therefore decided to put in place a 50% diversion of organic waste from landfill by 2022; and a landfill ban on organic waste to landfill by 2027.

Official launch of GRDM Training Programmes

This year, 2019, marked the beginning of a prosperous year for approximately 100 young people from the Knysna and Plettenberg Bay municipal areas, when they benefited from the Garden Route Municipal Training Programme, which includes: First Aid Level 3 Training; Driver's License Training and Law Enforcement Training.

This training programme originates from the Garden Route Rebuild Initiative (GRRI), which was established after devastating fires hit the district (Knysna/Plettenberg Bay) in June 2017, and the need for a District Skills Mecca was identified.

The Garden Route Municipal Training Programme is funded by the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) and is managed through the Office of the Executive Mayor, under supervision of the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). The project primarily focuses on youth development in the Garden Route, building capacity among young people; breaking the chain of unemployment and ensuring a marketable labour force in the region.

In his keynote address, the Garden Route DM Executive Mayor, Cllr Memory Booysen, stated that the Garden Route Municipal Training Programme will

be rolled-out in all 7 B-municipalities in the district. He furthermore explained that the Garden Route in collaboration with various stakeholders, among others, the Provincial Government is in the process of establishing a Skills Mecca. He raised a concern that participants are not taking opportunities seriously and said: "People complain that they are unemployed, but when we provide opportunities to enter the employment arena, they do not take it seriously. Remember, you must be the ones who need to give the opportunities to those who did not make it into the programme the first time around, because if this programme becomes successful, we will continue with rolling it out".



The GRDM Executive Mayor, with his delegation, political leaders and officials from the Bitou Municipality, Service Providers and beneficiaries of the Training Programmes.



Executive Mayors of the Garden Route DM and Knysna Municipality, Cllr Memory Booysen (middle) and Cllr Mark Willems (left) with several Knysna Municipality Councillors who also serve on the Garden Route DM Council, together with officials, services providers and beneficiaries from Knysna.



Mr Richard Dyantji, EPWP Manager at GRDM as well as Programme Manager of all EPWP related training programmes during his address at the launch.

Wildfire 'Fighters' Acknowledged



Most of the people who played a key role during the October and November 2018 wildfires in the Garden Route, were present at the appreciation event.

The George Municipality and Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) on 29 March 2019, honoured the many role players who worked during wildfires that raged in and around George in October and November 2018.

The month-long wildfires were the largest in the Western Cape Province in terms of hectares burnt in recent history and the second largest mobilisation of resources after the Knysna fires of June 2017. Nine people were killed in the extended fires of that period (Farleigh between Knysna and George, and a pilot at Vermaaklikheid) and more than 92 000 hectares burned in twelve fires from 21 October to 21 November 2018 in George, Hessequa, Mossel Bay, Knysna and Bitou.

Speaking at a luncheon in the George Civic Centre, George Executive Mayor Alderman Melvin Naik said: "The commitment and dedication of everyone who collaborated in the massive operation must be commended. People from all races and walks of life stood together in fighting this fire. It tested our people to the limit, but it proved more than anything that tough times will not persist, but tough people will."

"In addition to the people that were directly involved in the many aspects of the fires, private individuals and businesses from around the country and the

world made contributions of money, supplies, food and moral support. We also thank the many churches and organisations for their sincere assistance, making their halls and resources available to shelter displaced people. We could never account for all the people who did their part, but hope they will know that they are appreciated."

GRDM Executive Mayor Cllr Memory Booysen said that many lessons had been learnt in the fires in Knysna in 2017, which had better equipped and informed role players and politicians for the George fires last year. "As politicians we had learnt to let the skilled people do their work and to stay out of their way – and to be there to support when we are called upon.

"While we are here to honour the specific roles played in the recent fires, we acknowledge that our people in uniform are heroes every day. They are not just called out to fires, but to car accidents and other incidents, all of which they do diligently. We have so much respect for what you have done and will continue to do, and we salute you," said Cllr Booysen.

Mayor Booysen, during his keynote address touched on the firefighting function and that if it can reside under GRDM, it would "provide for a more coordinated regional approach". He said that the decision would not be made by the District, but by Mr Anton Bredell,

Western Cape Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning all other relevant leaders at a Provincial level.

The mayors awarded certificates of appreciation to representatives of the many roleplayers including firefighters, municipal officials, government departments and agencies, welfare and community organisations, volunteers and large property owners on which most of the fires occurred including SANParks, CapeNature, PG Bison and Cape Pine.

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Mr Freddy Thaver, GRDM Chief Firefighter (left) and Mr Neels Barnard, George Municipality Chief Firefighter (right), moments before the Firefighter Appreciation event started.



Mr Emile Conrad, GRDM Senior Firefighter, plays the National Anthem on the saxophone while Mr Wilton Oktober from George Firefighting Services plays the electric keyboard.



Forming a guard of honour, firefighters from Working on Fire (WOF), GRDM and George Firefighters gave all those arriving at the event a smile on the face upon arrival.



Ms Margie Hopewell, WOF Dispatcher with Mr Gerhard Otto, GRDM: Manager, Disaster Management.



Mr Kenneth Johnson, Learner Contract Firefighter (front), Mr Deon Stoffels, Senior Firefighter (back, left) and GRDM Councillors Bernardus Van Wyk, Jerome Lambaatjeen and Jennifer Hartnick.



Ms Sanna Sternsdorf, George Municipality: Platoon Commander and Ms Michelle Smalberger, GRDM: Senior Firefighter, both lit candles in remembrance of those who lost their lives during the 2018 Garden Route Wildfires.



GRDM Disaster Management team members with the GRDM and George Executive Mayors, Directors and Fire chiefs above them.



WOF Firefighters were keen to have their photo taken with the GRDM and George Executive Mayors, Directors and Fire chiefs above them.



George Municipality's Firefighters (below) with the GRDM and George Executive Mayors, Directors and Fire chiefs above them.



GRDM Firefighters (below) with the GRDM and George Executive Mayors, Directors and Fire Chiefs above them.



Mr Johann Crause, George Fire Services, Mr Neels Barnard, George Municipality: Chief Firefighter, Mr Trevor Botha, George Municipality: Municipal Manager, Alderman Melvin Naik, Executive Mayor: George Municipality, Mr Steven Erasmus, Director: Protection Services, George Municipality and Ms Sanna Sternsdorf, George Municipality: Platoon Commander.



Ms Tippiie Bouwer, Coordinator: Emergency Call Centre (left) and one of the organisers of the event with Ms Annelise Lamprecht, Assistant Director: Fire and Rescue Services, Western Cape Government and Mr Deon Van Wyk, GRDM Deputy Fire Chief.



Mr Albert Snyman, Acting Operations Ground Manager and Ms Androlene Killian, GRDM Project Administrator, Office of the Executive Mayor.



Cllr Memory Booysen, Executive Mayor of GRDM delivered the keynote address at the event, he also thanked all role players for working together to protect people and infrastructure during the raging fires.



Mr Deon Van Wyk, Deputy Fire Chief at GRDM and Mr Johan Brand, GRDM Station Officer: Operations.



Mr Ray-aan Majiet, WOF Ground Operations Manager, Mr Wayne Sternsdorf, Knysna Municipality Acting Fire Chief, Mr Neels Barnard, George Municipality Fire Chief, Ms Tippiie Bouwer, Emergency Call Centre Supervisor and Mr Deon Van Wyk, GRDM Deputy Fire Chief



Group photograph taken with the Executive Mayor of GRDM, Mr Neels Barnard (Mayoral Chain over shoulders).



Mr Neels Barnard, George Fire Chief, Mr Josef Johnston, Mossel Bay Fire Chief, ACSA representative, Mr Freddy Thaver, GRDM Fire Chief, Alderman Andries Franken, Executive Mayor of Overberg District Municipality, Cllr Memory Booysen, Executive Mayor of Garden Route District Municipality, Alderman Melvin Naik, Executive Mayor of George Municipality, Cllr Harold Cleophas Executive Mayor of West Coast District Municipality, Mr Trevor Botha, Municipal Manager of George Municipality, Cape Winelands Representative and Mr Wayne Sternsdorf, Acting Fire Chief, Knysna Municipality.



GRDM Councillors Virgill Gericke (left) and Pieter Van Der Hoven (right), were also in attendance.

Left: Nearly 200 role players attended the Firefighting Appreciation Event which was held at the George Civic Centre on 28 March 2019.

GRDM hosts its 2nd IDP, Budget and Performance Management Representative Forum

The 2nd Integrated Development Planning (IDP), Budget and Performance Management Representative Forum, hosted by Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM), took place on Thursday, 14 March 2019 at the Civic Centre in George. This event was a second of its kind to be hosted by the District.

Apart from representatives from B-municipalities, various Government organisations were also given the stage to talk about their initiatives and plans for the future. This was the part on the programme which municipal representatives waited for in anticipation. Soon after Mr Mzukisi Cekiso, Manager of Integrated Development Planning at GRDM, recapped the resolutions of the 1st Forum that took in Mossel Bay last year 2018, Executive Mayor of GRDM, presented an overview of the Garden Route district. Mayor Booysen emphasised that the Garden Route is the second biggest district in the Western Cape and is still growing in terms of population statistics.

When highlighting his plans for the Garden Route, Mayor Booysen pointed out one of the initiatives of the GRDM and said: "Big events, such as the Garden Route Investment Conference, hosted by the municipality last year have resulted in negotiations to take

place with an investor for a R1 billion contract. This contract will be of benefit to all municipal areas in the Garden Route," he added. Although Mayor Booysen brought good news to the various representatives in relation to the District's plans, such as to appoint a development agency for the district etc., he also changed his tone and raised his concerns about various challenges which the entire district is faced which. One of these challenges is the drop-out rate of high school learners. He subsequently pleaded with municipalities to plan for programmes to be put in place to reverse this trend.

GRDM Municipal Manager, Mr Monde Stratu, during his address said: "We have received correspondence from the Western Cape Government that the IDP Indaba is coming back in April 2019". Stratu encouraged municipalities to make use of these opportunities to engage on matters of public interest". When referring to public participation, he furthermore explained that the District will be going to the next phase of the IDP and Budget process. "We need to work very hard on our communication as stakeholders of Government, as we are not all on the same page and should work hard in achieving better coordination," Stratu said.

Municipalities on the other hand raised their municipal concerns of which many spoke about the drought issue in their area, over population in relation to adequate services such as a need for health facilities etc, unemployment, housing, provision of electricity – to name a few. Although many municipalities appeared to be despondent when sharing their municipal budget constraints or shortcomings, many of them also saw the light at the end of the tunnel when sector departments announced their future plans for the Garden Route. One such good announcement, was that of the Department of Health in the Garden Route/Klein Karoo District, when Mr Manie Abrahams highlighted that in the 2019/2020 financial year, R462 million will be spent on hospitals and R498 million for primary health care services. Abrahams said: "One of the reasons for the spending, especially at primary health care facilities and hospitals, is to decrease the waiting time of visitors". He added: "The Department's infrastructure upgrading this year for the district amounts to R10 to R30 million for the Mossel Bay hospital which is in progress, as well as a new hospital for Bitou of which the date still needs to be confirmed".

In concluding the activities of the day, Portfolio Chairperson for Finance at GRDM, Cllr Jerome Lambaatjeen thanked all municipal officials and representatives from sector departments who attended the event.

The programme was facilitated by Cllr Eleanore Bouw-Spies, Speaker of Garden Route District Municipality.

Environmental Pollution Control

All local municipalities within the Garden Route District have various different listed industrial activities situated in an industrial zone.

These activities are mostly unknown in the area and the industrial activities produce different categories of industrial waste and waste emissions, which might have an adverse effect on the environment and human health.

Pollution occurs when the natural environment cannot destroy an element without creating harm or damage to itself. The process of destroying toxic elements can vary from a few days to thousands of years.

Pollution also takes place when nature does not know how to de-compose an element, which has been introduced to itself in an unnatural way.

The public must regard environmental pollution as a serious matter, as pollution has a negative effect on the natural elements that are an absolute need for life to exist in the environment.

Municipal Health Services are concerned with the following categories of pollution:

- Air pollution,
- Water pollution; and
- Soil pollution.

Pollutants and sources

Sources of pollution in an industrial area could be the following:

- Abattoirs;
- Workshops;
- Medical waste storage areas;
- Wood industry;
- Petroleum; and
- Chemical industry.

Please note: If you are aware or suspect any illegal activities or any environmental pollution related matters, please report this to the Garden Route District Municipal Health office in your area:

- Plettenberg Bay Office: 044 501 1600
- Knysna Office: 044 382 7214
- George Office: 044 803 1522
- Mossel Bay Office: 044 693 0006
- Hessequa Office: 028 713 2438
- Klein Karoo Office: 044 272 2241



A picture of what pollution in water can end up looking like. Although this image and the images featured below were not taken in the Garden Route or South Africa, we must be aware of the possibility of such issues arising if we do not talk about it with others. Everyone has a responsibility to keep the environment clean for current and future generations.



An example of soil pollution which can cause cancer and respiratory problems when plants absorb chemicals through its roots, into the fruits and vegetables it produces.



An example of air pollution. If gas emissions are not measured by the District, communities will face health issues. Asthma, headaches, liver, spleen and blood poisoning are only a few of the countless health-related issues caused by air pollution.



Approximately 150 delegates including executive mayors and municipal representatives from the Garden Route district and Government Department representatives attended the event.



Executive Mayor of Garden Route District Municipality, Cllr Memory Booysen during his keynote address at the 2nd Integrated Development Planning/ Budget and Performance Management Representative Forum.



Speaker of Garden Route District Municipality, Cllr Eleanore Bouw-Spies, also Programme Director of the day (left), together with Speaker of George Municipality, Mr Gerrit Pretorius (right), after he delivered his speech on behalf of George Municipality.



Bitou Municipality was fully represented at the event, with (fLTR) Municipal Manager, Mr Lonwabo Ngoqo, Executive Mayor, Cllr Peter Lobese and IDP Manager, Mr Thembinkosi Henge.

Garden Route DM Roads Services Fleet Gets Upgraded

Garden Route DM Roads receives R5.7 million bulldozer

A new Caterpillar (CAT) D7R bulldozer was officially handed over to the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) Roads Department on Thursday, 6 December 2018, at the DR1524/18.5/0.5R borrow pit near Riversdale. Mr Handre Strydom, Chief Engineer at the Western Cape Department of Transport, together with Mr Henk van der Merwe from CAT South Africa, complemented the GRDM Roads Services' fleet count when they officially handed over the machine.

Describing the mechanical features of the bulldozer, Mr Handre Strydom said: "This 28 ton machine is strong enough to handle a mass of up 30 tons". He further added that the machine has a lifespan of 20 years but can be in use for up to 30 years, if well maintained.

In answering a question posed by Mr Daniels, on whether the parts of the machine are locally available, Mr Strydom responded: "All parts of the machine are available in South Africa, therefore if parts need not be replaced, it will not cause a delay in the road maintenance operations".



Representatives from Garden Route District Municipality, the Western Cape Department of Transport, CAT South Africa and Barloworld, during the official handover of the Caterpillar D7R bulldozer at the borrow pit near Riversdale.

RB50-Broom added to fleet

On 30 January 2019, Western Cape Province handed another machine, a "RB50" Broom over to the GRDM Roads Department, to the value of R780 000.00. The RB50 Broom provides best-in-class, aggressive sweeping in a rugged design. This self-propelled broom features well-thought-out control placement and heightened visibility that makes this machine extremely easy to operate for drivers of all experience levels.

A week after the Finishing Roller was received, Mr Gerald Sinkfontein, Deputy Manager: Mechanical Services said: "The Roads Department, more specifically the Construction Team is thankful towards the Western Cape Government for making provision for a machine of this standard".

Mr Anton Steenkamp, Deputy Manager: Construction, added that as the Construction Team, we will see to it that the machine is well-maintained and that it is handled with the outmost care when the roads of the Garden Route district need attention for tarring.



Back ftr: Mr Japie Strydom Manager: Maintenance, Construction and Mechanical Services, Cllr Rowan Spies, Portfolio Chairperson for Roads Services and Mr John Daniels, Executive Manager: Roads Services. Front ftr: Mr Tom Oerson, Operator: Reseal, Mr Gobane Malotana, Workshop Assistant, Mr Gerald Sinkfontein, Deputy Manager: Mechanical Services, Mr Raphael Tornado, Site Technician and Mr Goodwill Masimuca, Technical Manager in front of the RB50-Broom.

(FLTR) - Back: Mr Japie Strydom, Manager for Maintenance and Construction, Mr Gerald Sinkfontein, Deputy Manager: Mechanical Services at GRDM, Mr Handre Strydom, Chief, Engineer: Mechanical Services at the Western Cape Department of Transport, Mr Juan Prodehl, the District Roads Engineer - Oudtshoorn, Mr Les Wilkinson, Technical Manager and Mr Francois de Reuck, Representative at ELB Equipment, Mr Vuyo Vena, Workshop Assistant and Mr Gobane Malotana, Workshop Assistant at GRDM. Front: Mr Johannes Jacobs, Roller Operator, Vuzi Xhaso, Relief Roller Operator, Mr Edward Laws, Superintendent: Construction and Mr Limos Els Workshop Technician at GRDM.

A Finishing Roller (Tyre-Wheel Roller) - a first for GRDM Roards this year

It was yet another joyous, almost celebratory, atmosphere at the Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) Roads Department, when the Western Cape Department of Transport, handed over another machine, the "AP240 Finishing Roller" to the Roads Department.

The value of the machine amounts to R1.5 million. This was the first machine to be taken into acceptance by the GRDM Roads Department this year.

Mr Les Wilkinson from ELB Equipment, a dealership of Aman equipment, explained: "An AFW100 paver will lay the tar mat structure, and another roller, the "ASC100/200" will come and compress the tar mat down onto the base layer, where after the "AP240 Finishing Roller" will bind the bitumen together. He further explained: "The Finishing Roller has very smooth rubber tyres, which irons the bitumen together instead of just flattening it. The process is much similar than kneading dough," he added.



REGIONAL TOURISM EVENTS CALENDAR

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Event Name	Town	Date	Contact Person	Contact Details
Invest Gold Wilderness Festival	Wilderness Hotel	12 -14 April 2019	n/a	044 - 882 1046 / www.wildfestival.co.za
Garden Route Walking Festival	Garden Route	12 - 22 April 2019	G. Saintz	galeo@galeosaintz.com
Plett Polo: SA Open	Kurland	13, 17, 20 April	T. Moxon	tessa@plettpolo.co.za
Plett Estate Game Golf	Plett Country club	19 April 2019	D. Smit	daron@plettpolo.co.za
Buco Adventure Trail Park	Cairnbrogie	20 April 2019	J. Stewart	082 925 7885 / james@roystonfarm.co.za
Karoo Battle of the Bikes	Laingsburg	20 April 2019	n/a	073 194 2948
Plett Easter Games: Golf	TBC	21 April 2019	D. Smit	083 775 1340 / daron@plettpolo.co.za
The Knysna Motor Show	Knysna High Sport Field	28 April 2019	B. Gibson	082 467 2145 / gibbo@mweb.co.za
Africa's Travel Indaba	Durban	2 - 4 May	P. Butterworth	projects@pletttourism.com
Jaguar Simola Hillclimb	Simola	2 - 5 May 2019	n/a	044 - 302 5777 / info@speedfestival.co.za
MTO Tsitsikamma Ultra Trail run 2019	Storms River to Natures Valley	4 May 2019	J. Stewart	082 925 7885 / james@roystonfarm.co.za
Jakhals tour de Farm	Oudtshoorn	4 May 2019	n/a	072 260 2871
Andries Vermeulen in Afrikaans	Wildevondeloof Private Nature Reserve	4 May 2019	n/a	044 - 272 6721
Redstone MTB & Trail Running Weekend	Buffelskloof Kruisrivier en Calitzdorp	10 - 11 May 2019	n/a	073 194 2948
36ONE MTB Challenge	Oudtshoorn	17 - 19 May 2019	n/a	044 - 279 1013
Meiringspoort Challenge – MTB	De Rust	25 May 2019	n/a	082 396 4094
Meiringspoort Challenge – Trail Run	De Rust	25 May 2019	n/a	082 396 4094
World Oceans Day	The Fat Fish	8 June 2019	N. Ash	044 -533 4740
Plett Wedge Shootout	Wedge Beach	15 - 16 June 2019	R. Trebilcock	082 359 0947
Intsha	The Voorhuisie	16 June 2019	B. Ntunkantu	084 748 1315
Silver Mountain Music Festival	Grootvaderbosch Conservancy Organizer	14 - 17 June 2019	Aileen	079 335 0269 / info@silvermountainmusic.co.za
Proebietjie Arts Festival	Heidelberg / Duivenhoks Community Hall	28 – 29 June 2019	A. Hartick	072 014 4501

The GRDM Community Services Research Team

Why a research team?

"The world is changing and we need to change with it". In order for us to make better informed decisions we need much more accurate information to serve our communities effectively. One of the biggest challenges facing our world today is certainly the negative impacts of climate change. Lately we have experienced the emergence of old and new diseases, like the Vibrio Vulnificus case in the Kaaimansriver in 2016, unpredictable fire behaviour like the Knysna fires (2017) and unprecedented impacts of disasters worldwide.

In light of the above said, the Garden Route District Municipality's (GRDM's) Municipal Health Section, under the leadership of Mr Clive Africa, Executive Manager of Community Services, established an Environmental Health Research Team in 2018. The Disaster Management Unit also has a team that does research on an ongoing basis and the Fire Department is also part of this research initiative.

The Research team consist of the following Environmental Health Practitioners (EHPs):

- Mr Clive Africa (Executive Manager – Community Services)
- Ms Wandile Magwaza
- Ms Ivy Mamegwa
- Ms Jessica Erasmus
- Mr Gcobani Tshozi
- Ms Sive Mkuta
- Mr Lusizo Kwetshube
- Ms Emmy Douglas
- Ms Heidi Cronje
- Ms Maxwelline Fatuse

What is research?

Research is the systematic investigation into and study of materials and sources in order to establish facts and reach new conclusions, using scientific methodology.

Why is it important?

The main purpose of research is to inform action, to prove a theory, and contribute to developing knowledge in a field of Community Services at GRDM. Through basic research we could determine where most of the fires occurred during the last three years by turning available data into excellent information. Research studies are important because they contribute to knowledge and progress on the environment, diseases, disaster management or wildfires. Research is the fastest way to obtain credible information.

Achievements?

Desktop scientific research studies were done by the GRDM team and they presented papers at several platforms in the past year. Researches were done on the following topics:

- Adulterated honey in South Africa;
- The effects of consuming toxic chemicals used in fake alcohol beverages on human health and the community;
- Counterfeit food; and
- Counterfeit medicine.

The Environmental Health Practitioners research team presented their research at several events. During a Management Committee meeting research topics were presented to the Municipal Manager and Senior Management. The Municipal Manager and team gave their full support to this initiative. The team also presented four (4) research topics at the South African Institute of Environmental Health (SAIEH)'s National Environmental Health Conference in partnership with SALGA, The Swiss Embassy, The City of Cape Town and the Veterinary Public Health Officers Association from 16 – 19 November 2018 at the City of Cape Town Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Hertzog Boulevard in Cape Town.

This was an upstanding opportunity to showcase to other fraternities, organisations, stakeholders and sector departments, the research being done by the GRDM's EHP's. The team received overwhelming response from the delegates at the event. They were especially applauded for taking the initiative and opportunity to use and share their research information at this platform.

Way Forward

The possibility of establishing an accredited laboratory in the Garden Route, South Africa.

Results for complex tests, which are mostly done overseas, take a long time, which could negatively influence the health of our communities.



A very proud Executive Manager of the GRDM Community Services with his Research Team and the Portfolio Councillor, fltr, Ms Maxwelline Fatuse, Mr Gcobani Tshozi, Ms Jessica Erasmus, Ms Heidi Cronje, Ms Sive Mkuta, Mr Clive Africa (Executive Manager), Ms Wandile Magwaza, Mr Lusizo Kwetshube, Cllr Khayaletu Lose (Portfolio Chairperson), Ms Ivy Mamegwa and Ms Emmy Douglas



The GRDM Executive Mayor, Cllr Memory Booyesen with the Research Team at the South African Institute of Environmental Health Annual Conference in Cape Town.

EPWP Grant Allocation Workshop

On Tuesday, 26 March 2019, the National Department of Public Works in cooperation with the Provincial Department of Public Works and Transport held a workshop relating to the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) grant allocation. The event was also attended by EPWP officials from all municipalities in the Garden Route and Central Karoo Districts. During the workshop, municipalities were provided the opportunity to share the challenges relating to EPWP.

Municipalities said that it is not possible to provide training to the big numbers of EPWP participants due to limited funding. Targets set by public bodies were also said to be unrealistic, not achievable. Many public bodies explained that they do not have the capacity to

implement EPWP projects - it was suggested that the targets be linked to grant allocations provided by the national department. Mr Richard Dyantyi, Garden Route District Municipality (GRDM) Manager: EPWP, also raised concerns about District Municipalities that do not receive a Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG). This is seen as something that hampers C-Municipalities to meet their job-creation targets set out in a protocol agreement. During a robust discussions by representatives of all three spheres of government, it arose that the EPWP Phase IV process will address strategies to curb most of the challenges and concerns raised.

The session was attended by nearly 30 delegates and was facilitated by Mr Mzimkulu Gusha from the National Department of Public Works.

Since EPWP on a National level have never had a formal policy in place, according to Ms Lindiwe Kuna from the National Expanded Public Works Programme, the need to formulate a policy will be prioritised.



Representatives from all spheres of government who attended the EPWP Workshop on grand allocations at the Head Office of GRDM.

GRDM Disaster Management Researchers

The following people have been doing research within the Garden Route District over the past 3 years, specifically focussing on disaster management matters that have arose. The research papers done by the students from Stenden South Africa while fulfilling their internships as part of their 4th year of studies in obtaining their BBA in Disaster Management (Honours) degrees at the GRDM discussed, evaluated and debated risks such as: fire; drought; flooding/wetlands contributions in disaster risk reduction; civil unrest protests and the threat that alien invasive species re-growth present after fires.

Ms Crystal Brown

Her research paper was on 'An analysis of climate variability mitigation, preparedness and adaption measures with regards to veld fires, within the Garden Route District, with a specific focus on Hessequa Municipality'.

In short, this paper discusses the changes in climate within South Africa will result in an increase in the future occurrence of veld fires, as this weather will create conditions favourable for combustion and ignition agents. Veld fires will therefore, be a more common occurrence whether they have been ignited through natural processes or human interference. However, with sufficient resources, planning (specifically for disaster management, climate change and development planning) and better integrated veld fire management, the effects of veld fires can be reduced and the impact not as devastating economically and environmentally as it has been in the past.

Ms Lee-ann Joubert

Her research paper was on:
'An analysis of the effectiveness of drought mitigation

measures towards building resilience in the George and Knysna Municipality'.

Drought is often referred to as a 'creeping phenomenon' and an insidious hazard of nature. In order to effectively address and manage drought related impacts, it is of high importance for municipal water providers and relevant authorities affected by drought to anticipate and plan for drought disasters. The research paper aimed to assess the efforts and effectiveness of drought mitigation measures towards building resilience in Knysna Municipality. George Municipality was also used as an additional case study to compare Knysna's drought mitigation efforts effectiveness after the 2009/2010 drought disaster as George Municipality was considered one of two municipalities in the district that was not severely impacted by the recent drought disaster. The reasons therefore were highlighted so that valuable lessons can be learnt to improve drought resilience within the Garden Route District.

Mr Rian Basson

His research paper was on 'The role a well-functioning wetland can play in disaster risk reduction within the GRDM, with specific focus to the Hessequa as well as Knysna local municipal areas'.

This research paper looked at that all three of South Africa's major hazards mainly floods, fires and droughts which are also present within wetlands. Therefore, if wetlands are to be managed and rehabilitated correctly and are most importantly sustainable they can then actively contribute to minimizing the effects of these hazards throughout South Africa. Especially, on members of the public living the rural and low lying areas; and alleviate water shortages caused by droughts as the wetlands

can ensure there is a steady release of fresh water all year round. The results collected also validated that both of the wetlands that were used for this research project were in a poor state of health and that the researcher recommended that the GRDM focuses on improving the following factors:

- Capacity building and manpower dedicated to wetland management;
- Awareness campaigns about wetlands;
- Establishment of wetland specific forums or give wetlands more attention in the already established estuary forums; and
- And lastly, improve expertise in wetland/river management with specific focus in how these systems function.

Ms Nocwaka Ndabeni

Her research paper is on 'An analysis of relevancy and accessibility of existing municipal communication structures and systems in addressing community service delivery protest grievances in the cases of Bitou, Mossel Bay and Knysna Municipality's community service delivery protests'.

This research paper to be concluded by the end of June 2019.

Mr Henry van Pletzen

His research paper is on 'The relationship between alien invasive plants and fire risk within the Garden Route District with reference to the George, Herold and Knysna fires'.

This research paper to be concluded by the end of February 2020.



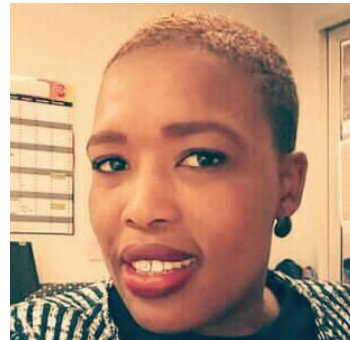
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Cllr Bernie Groenewald inspire community of Buisplaas at Launch of Library upgrades

The library of Buisplaas, situated near Mossel Bay, was recently upgraded with a new computer room, after a non-profit organisation, Direct Relief of Poverty and Sickness (DROPS) from Belgium, saw the potential to uplift the community. DROPS also has an office near Mossel Bay and prioritises a visit to the area on an annual basis.

According to Councillor of Mossel Bay Municipality who also represents Mossel Bay at the Garden Route District Municipality, Cllr Bernie Groenewald, discussions with Mossel Bay Municipality resulted in DROPS to reach out to the residents of Buisplaas. The Buisplaas area, according to Cllr Groenewald, could not progress over the past year in respect of further developments to adapt to the ongoing societal changes, due to the history of the area. "If developments are taking place, it will only take the form of donations from organisations such as Transnet, Transand, etc. Now DROP has also discovered the needs of the community and we are thankful towards these organisations for their ongoing support, Cllr Groenewald added.

Groenewald further explained that it was a wish of the community since 1985 that Buisplaas also develop in a cultural manner. This was confirmed by "Uncle Attie," one of the residents who addressed the audience at the event.

When delivering his speech at the event, Cllr Groenewald said: "The participation from all members of the Buisplaas community is essential for them to take ownership of what happens in their area of residence". He also extended a word of gratitude to Mr Joey Johnson, the Fire Chief of Mossel Bay Municipality, for initiating the sponsorship.

Cllr Groenewald furthermore read a special message from the library to its visitors, which he wrote himself:

I am now your precious fountain of knowledge...

Come and drink for free from my precious sweet waters and gain wisdom, Come youth, read and learn...

This is critical for your development.

We need your good counsel, as our future leaders and for us normal people and elders...

Sustenance for our souls, To be upright citizens, taught to be taught and learn, and to show respect.

Please care for and protect me, I am your jewel – for years to shine... In all our people's minds.

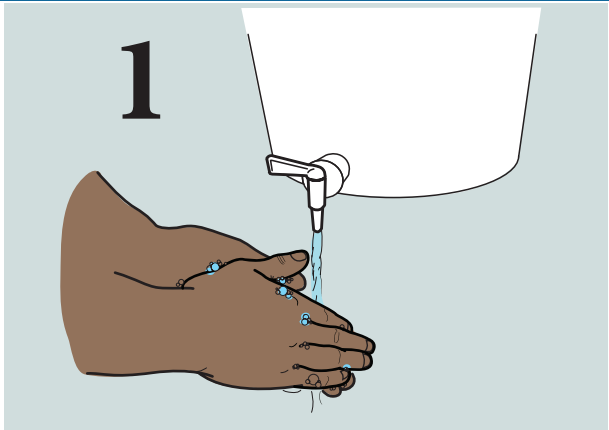


Councillor of Mossel Bay Municipality who also represents Mossel Bay at the Garden Route District Municipality, Cllr Bernie Groenewald, during his speech at the Buisplaas Library during the launch of the library upgrades.

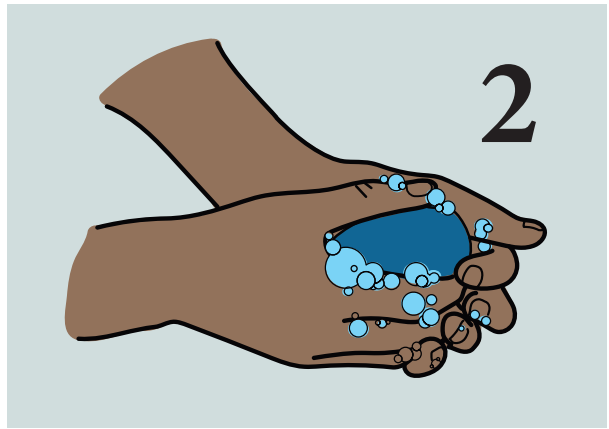
Below: The "little residents" of the area also attended the event.



THE PROPER WAY OF WASHING HANDS



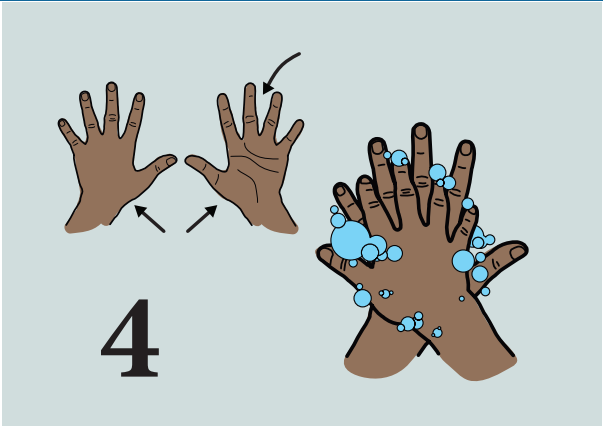
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Manzisa izandla zakho ngamanzi.



Apply Soap.
Wend seep aan.
Faka isepha.



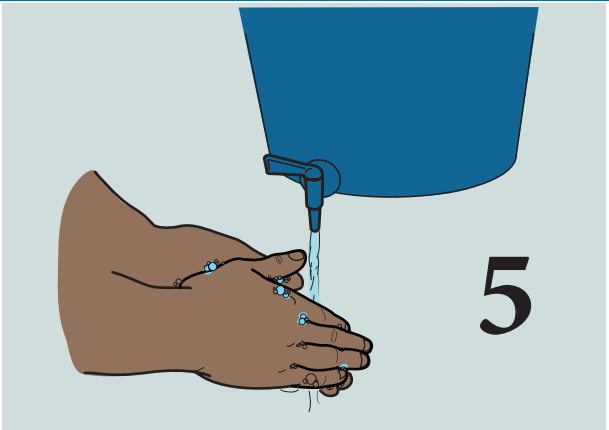
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Dibanisa imiphakathi yezandla



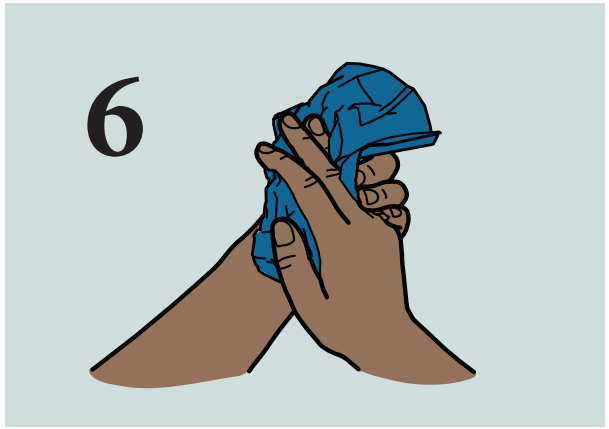
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Vryf die agterkant van die handpalms teen mekaar, met vingers inmekaar gevleg; Vryf handpalms teen mekaar met vingers inmekaar gevleg; Vryf die agterkant van die vingers teen die teenoorgestelde handpalm; Vryf elke duim in die teenoorgestelde handpalm; Vryf die fingerpunte; Vryf elke pols met teenoorgestelde hande.

Hlikihla imiva yezandla ngeminwe; Hikihla imiphakathi yezandla udinanise iminwe; Hlikihla umphakathi wesandla ngeminwe evalekileyo; Hlikihla ubhontsi wesandla ngasinye uwuvalele ngesandla; Hlikihla intupha zeminwe; Hlikihla isihlahla ngasinye ngesandla.



Rinse with water.
Spoel die hande deeglik met water af.
Hlambulula ngamanzi.



Dry your hands thoroughly.
Droog hande deeglik af.
Yomisa izandla zakho kakuhle.

Cut this educational piece out and show it to your kids, friends and family!

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