

11 mense dood na massiewe storms Wes-Kaap ontwrig



- Swaar reën en sterk winde het vroeër die maand wydverspreide ontwrigting regoor die Wes-Kaap veroorsaak. Hoewel die ontwrigting in Atlantis, Mamre en omliggende gebiede minder ernstig was as in baie ander gebiede, het hierdie dorpe ook uitgebreide skade aan huise, grensmure en veral omgevalle bome opgedoen. Bo blokkeer 'n boom die pad in Castallisstraat, Proteapark, Atlantis, en links het 'n boom die Morawiese Kerk se geskiedkundige predikantshuis beskadig.

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BENJAMIN SMITH

Pella Primêre Skool staar toenemende uitdagings in die gesig na twee inbrake wat vroeër vanjaar plaasgevind het. Twee van die skool se waterpompe is tydens die voorvalle gesteel.

Die eerste voorval het op 2 Februarie plaasgevind toe twee ongeïdentifiseerde mans oor die skool se hekke gespring, en die waterpomp gesteel het wat die skool se toilette van water voorsien. n Tweede voorval het in Maart

plaasgevind toe nog 'n waterpomp gesteel is. Hierdie keer was dit die pomp wat die skool se tuin van water voorsien. 'n Saak was by die polisie aangemeld om die oortreders te vind en die gesteelde items terug te kry, maar tot dusver was daar nog geen sukses nie. Volgens die skoolhoof, Carmen Gilmore, was die eerste voorval op die skool se veiligheidskameras vasgelê.

"Die beeldmateriaal is aan die polisie oorhandig, maar die saak is later gesluit omdat die beeldmateriaal



glo nie duidelik genoeg was om die oortreders te identifiseer nie," het Gilmore verduidelik. Die waterpompe word gebruik om die tuin te besproei waar die skool groente en vrugte kweek om die leerders en gemeenskapslede te voed. Die pompe word ook gebruik om die skool se sanitasiegieriewe aan die gang te hou. Om die watertekort te bestuur, maak die skool tans gebruik van munisipale water. Die ekstra maandelikse koste van munisipale water maak dit nou egter moeilik vir die skool om die gesteelde

pompe te vervang. "Die skool kan nie die pompe vervang sonder hulp nie en vra dat die gemeenskap hulle ondersteun tydens hierdie moeilike tyd. Enige donasies sal waardeer word en gebruik word om die pompe te vervang," het Gilmore gesê. Die skool kan gekontak word via epos op pella.prim@wcgschools.gov.za of op telefoon nommer 021 5722173.

Communities in distress after storms hammer WC

STAFF REPORTER

From Sunday 10 to Tuesday 11 May, dozens of communities experienced unprecedented disruptive flooding, fallen trees, damaged homes and road closures as severe storm conditions battered the province.

Eleven people died across the Western Cape, with more 83 184 000 people displaced or affected, while more than 10,000 formal and informal structures were damaged. Wind speeds reached close to 100 km/h in some areas, with several roads left flooded while emergency services responded to incidents involving uprooted trees blocking roads and damaging vehicles. Informal settlements and low-lying areas were among the hardest hit, with many families displaced after homes were flooded or damaged by strong winds.

Schools in some districts were also temporarily closed due to unsafe conditions and storm-related damage. The storm also caused several trees to fall over at the Mamre Moravian Mission

Station. One of the trees in front of Die Langhuis fell onto the side of the parsonage where the current reverend, Jonathan Joumat, and his wife live. The gable on one side of the parsonage sustained minor damage.

Another tree fell in front of the Loben Hall, making it difficult for motorists to drive through as it blocked part of the road. A further tree also fell along the riverbank near the bridge on the road leading to the cemetery. The City of Cape Town's electricity teams received more than 16 000 requests during the period, with teams continuing mop-up operations to resolve outstanding faults across affected areas. According to the City, many repairs have required the complete replacement of damaged infrastructure rather than simply restoring power. Globally, climate experts continue to warn that rising temperatures are intensifying extreme weather events, including stronger storms, flooding, droughts and heatwaves.



- Municipal workers cleaning up in Robinvale, Atlantis after another tree fell over.

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Programme launched to tackle local birth-certificate backlog

STAFF REPORTER

The growing number of children in Atlantis and surrounding communities who do not have birth certificates or other official documentation, is becoming a major concern. For this reason the Atlantis / Dunoon Parliamentary Constituency Office decided to intervene and address the challenge.

According to Lezaan Vister, a fieldworker at the office, these cases are often linked to challenging social circumstances such as parental absence, abandonment, undocumented parents, substance abuse, family disputes, and situations where children are being raised by grandparents or guardians without the required legal documents.

"Social workers in the area have continued working to assist affected families, but officials say they face significant obstacles when attempting to process birth registration applications. In many instances, applications are delayed or unable to proceed because the cooperation, consent, or presence

of biological parents is required for verification processes and certain applications. As a result, many vulnerable children remain excluded from access to basic rights and essential services," she explained. Following the closure of the local Department of Home Affairs office, the Atlantis/Dunoon Parliamentary Constituency Office escalated the matter to national structures. Subsequently, the Chairperson of the Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs visited Atlantis, where the challenges experienced by residents were formally presented.

Vister said following the visit, the office facilitated a joint stakeholder meeting involving the Department of Home Affairs, the Department of Social Development, the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA), and the South African Police Service (SAPS). Out of the engagement, a Late Birth Registration Programme was established and officially launched on 14 May 2026. "The programme will be rolled out in phases, beginning with backlog cases identified at schools in and around Atlantis, as well as cases currently



- Deputy Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies, Mondli Gungubele (centre), paid an oversight visit last Wednesday, where he engaged with staff and stakeholders.

being handled by social workers in the broader Atlantis area." The initiative aims to assist children who have been excluded from essential services due to a lack of documentation, helping them gain access to their constitutional rights, dignity, and future opportunities. The programme is considered an important step towards restoring dignity, identity, and hope to children affected by social ills and systemic challenges within communities. Those experiencing

similar challenges, are encouraged to contact Vister on 083 395 6931 for assistance.



Eskom promises loadshedding-free winter

South Africa is on track for a stable electricity supply this winter, with no loadshedding expected, according to the government's official news platform, SAnews.

Eskom said the utility is entering the 2026 winter period with a "resilient power system", supported by improved generation performance and ongoing maintenance. The report notes that the country has already achieved more than 300 consecutive days without loadshedding, marking a significant turnaround from previous years of frequent power cuts. This improved

performance is attributed to better reliability at power stations and sustained efforts to stabilise the grid. The system currently has enough available capacity to meet increased winter demand, reducing the likelihood of disruptions during peak usage periods. However, continued stability will depend on maintaining current performance levels and managing unplanned breakdowns. The improved energy outlook comes as a boost for households and businesses, particularly during the colder months when electricity demand typically rises.

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New bakery factory-shop is all about value and community

A new bakery business is bringing affordable sweet treats, convenience, and wholesale-style pricing to Atlantis, with the recently opened Bakery Factory Shop already receiving a warm welcome from the local community.

They opened their doors in the Atlantis Industrial area late last month and operate as a sister factory shop to their Epping-based Dozens Bakery. Most of the products sold at the Atlantis branch are manufactured at Dozens Bakery's newly built Halaal production facility. The business currently employs five staff members and hopes to continue growing its footprint in Atlantis while creating additional opportunities in future. According to Regional Manager, Jamie Coetzee, the vision was to create an affordable bakery solution that serves both everyday consumers and small businesses. "Atlantis was identified as an ideal location because of its growing

commercial activity, entrepreneurial spirit, and the demand for accessible wholesale products within the community. Unlike traditional bakeries, we focus heavily on frozen and pre-packaged bakery products," he said. The company uses blast-freezing technology shortly after production to lock in freshness, flavour, and texture. This allows products to maintain their quality for longer periods while giving customers access to a wider variety of bakery items at affordable prices.

"Our factory-shop model also offers major benefits for resellers, caterers, tuckshops, spaza shops, and event organisers. "Because the products have a longer shelf life, customers are able to manage stock more effectively and reduce waste without compromising on quality," explained Coetzee.

Their 'wholesale direct to the public' approach means customers can enjoy pricing and product access that would normally be reserved for



- From left to right are staff members Jameal Phillips, Felicia Skippers and Andrea Conrad in front of their brand new Atlantis shop

retailers or bulk buyers. Whether purchasing for home use, events, or resale purposes, customers are able to buy quality bakery products at competitive prices. They also cater for bulk orders and special events, including birthdays, church functions, school events, fundraisers, corporate functions, and resale businesses, making them the only local bakery able to offer large quantities of product readily available off the shelf.

Coetzee said since opening, the response from the Atlantis and surrounding communities has been overwhelmingly positive. Popular products among customers include snowballs, custard and cream doughnuts, cheesecake tartlets, milk tartlets, and Milo tartlets. He says one of the most rewarding

aspects has been seeing customers return regularly and supporting local entrepreneurs and families through affordable bakery solutions. Looking ahead, the Bakery Factory Shop plans to continue expanding its product range while growing the brand within the wholesale and retail bakery market. The team also hopes the business will encourage more local resale opportunities within the community. "We are more than just a bakery outlet. It is a business built around accessibility, value, and community," said Coetzee.

Mother's Day: What motherhood means to us

Mother's Day was celebrated earlier this month, giving children and grandchildren the chance to show their appreciation to the mother figures in their lives. Trainee reporters KRYSTINA PRETORIUS and WAYDENE CAROLUS asked a few mothers and grandmothers what motherhood means to them.



"The mental load carried by mothers includes managing appointments, school needs, activities, clothing sizes, and meal planning, while strong mothers show up every day, holding families together through consistency, presence, and love. They believe in honesty, kindness to others, especially helping the poor in small ways, and the value that success comes from hard work." - ANTIONETTEADRIAANSEWITH SHAKIRAH AND ANTHONIQUE (RIGHT)



Having two children is a privilege I deeply value, and watching them grow into amazing human beings means everything to me. My grandmother taught me to always protect my children, no matter their age. I never had a mothering role model, but today my sisters are my biggest support and inspiration in motherhood. - GEORGINA BASSON WITH ZOE (MIDDLE) AND KEENAN (RIGHT)



The most rewarding part of being a mother is watching my children grow into kind and loving people. Being present for them at every stage of life means everything to me. I want to teach them kindness, respect, honesty, and resilience, and to always stay humble, support others, and never give up on themselves. I also want to keep the tradition of family closeness, so they always know home is a place of love, comfort, and support. - LYDIA MORUKA AND APHILE



"For me, being a mother and a grandmother has been both challenging and exciting, but when things are done out of love, you do not feel the hard work. Helping raise my grandchildren was a joy. When they were little, it was easier, but as they got older, they became rebellious from time to time. Regardless, I still loved them." - ROSELINA VAN AARDT WITH HER GRANDSON



"What being a mother means to me is being the best mom I can be and raising my sons to the best of my ability. Although raising kids is hard, it is an honour and a blessing from God." - INGER BROWN WITH HER SONS

Hospital construction expected to make use of local expertise

PETER LATEGAN

The construction project to upgrade the outpatient department (OPD) and registry area at Wesfleur Hospital is now well underway, marking an important step in improving healthcare services for the Atlantis community.

The project, which began in March 2026, is expected to continue for 18 months and focuses on one of the hospital's busiest entry points. The upgrades aim to improve patient flow, reduce congestion, and create a more supportive environment for both staff and patients. Western Cape Minister of Health and Wellness, Mireille Wenger, said the upgrades form part of broader efforts to strengthen the patient care experience and improve healthcare delivery across the so-called Atlantis Basin.

When asked what percentage of the total project value has been allocated to Atlantis-based businesses and suppliers, the Minister said the development is being implemented in line with procurement processes that support local economic participation. During the construction phase, contractors are encouraged to make use of local labour, sub-contractors, manufacturers, and suppliers where possible. On the question of what percentage of the workforce on this development comes from Atlantis, and how many



temporary or permanent jobs are expected to be created for local residents, she said construction has only recently commenced and that verified figures are not yet available. Wenger added that most employment opportunities linked to the construction work are expected to be temporary positions created during the building period.'

The project also builds on a number of improvements already introduced at the hospital, including the reinstatement of 24-hour emergency theatre services in October 2025. This allows patients requiring urgent surgical care to be treated at any time, improving the hospital's ability to respond during critical situations. Clinical capacity has also been strengthened. Additional doctors in the OPD are helping to reduce waiting times, while extra nursing support in the Emergency Centre is improving patient flow and providing more responsive care during busy periods.

The Minister further explained that the work forms part of a broader effort by the Western Cape Department of Health and Wellness to strengthen the Atlantis Basin healthsystem. Beyond infrastructure improvements, this includes the appointment of an additional doctor in the OPD to help reduce waiting times, as well as additional resources for the Protea Park Clinic, Saxon Sea Clinic and the Witsand Mobile Clinic. These facilities will be capacitated to provide a more comprehensive package of care, aimed at reducing pressure on the hospital's emergency unit and

lowering waiting times. She added that a Community Liaison Officer (CLO) has been appointed for the duration of the project to facilitate communication and engagement between the project team and the Atlantis community. A briefing session was due to be held on Tuesday 26 May to discuss potential opportunities for businesses from Atlantis and surrounds, as well as Darling, Melkbosstrand and other listed areas.

Donations asked for Winter drive

The Tabernacle of Love Community Church will host a Winter Drive Concert on 31 May at 5pm at Protea Park Primary School Hall, combining music and community support to help those in need during the cold winter months.

The public are encouraged to attend the event by donating gently used clothing, blankets and other warm items as their entry fee. Donations may include coats, jerseys, pants,

beanies, scarves and blankets. According to the organisers, the aim of the concert is to bring warmth and hope to vulnerable individuals and families during winter while creating an uplifting evening of entertainment and community spirit. Residents are encouraged to support the initiative and help make a difference for those facing hardship this winter season.

Opportunity for social innovators

Applications for the Social Innovators Programme (SIP) 2026 are now open, offering young African social entrepreneurs an opportunity to grow their ideas, strengthen their impact and connect with innovators from across the continent.

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Personeel by die Mamre-kliniek het oudergewoonte die geleentheid gebruik om te reflekteer oor die spesiale dag. “Verpleegsters is hier om ons gemeenskap te dien,” sê Suster Amanda Marcus, fasiliteitsbestuurder by die Mamre-kliniek. Sy is al 36 jaar in die beroep en dien reeds 10 jaar as bestuurder. “Dit is werk uit die hart en elke verpleegster moet gesalueer word, veral die Mamre-personeel wat met beperkte hulpbronne hul beste gee.” Sy meen jongmense moet aangemoedig word om verpleegkunde te volg, aangesien dit meer

behels as net pasiëntsorg. “Daar is geleenthede in bestuur, navorsing en verdere studies.” Maree Lewies, ’n kliniese verpleegpraktisyn, beskryf verpleegkunde as ’n beroep waarvoor sy lief geword het. “Jy werk soms met pasiënte voor geboorte en daarna, en dit is besonders om te beleef.” Sy voeg by dat verpleegsters nooit regtig “afklok” nie, omdat mense altyd raad vra. Volgens haar verg die beroep medelye, uithouvermoë en geloof.

Suster Catherine van der Merwe sê haar ma se siekte het haar geïnspireer om verpleegster te word. “Dit is meer as ’n werk, dit is ’n roeping.” Haar kollega, Suster Iris de Villiers het beklemtoon hoe belangrik dit is om pasiënte se geestelike welstand saam met hul fisiese gesondheid te ondersteun.

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WRITTEN COMMENTS AND OBJECTIONS

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The Annual Police Plan will focus on the Department's three legislative mandates, namely traffic enforcement, by-law enforcement and crime prevention with an emphasis on combatting the following:

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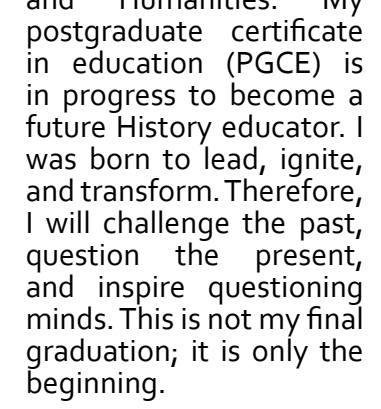
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I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Psychology and History and is currently pursuing my Postgraduate Certificate in Education. I aspire to make a meaningful impact in the lives of children and to play an essential role in their growth, development, and overall well-being.

TAMRIN ENGELBRECHT:



I graduated with my Master's in Linguistics. This qualification has now become a stepping stone for me in my journey to becoming a qualified lecturer in Linguistics. This degree is only the beginning of my actual career, and I am very excited.

JAMIE-JADE VAN DER MERWE:





HAVE YOUR SAY! REVIEW AND INTEGRATION OF THE MUNICIPAL SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (MSDF) AND EIGHT DISTRICT SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORKS (2025 - 2028)

The City of Cape Town is in the process of reviewing and integrating the municipal spatial development framework and the eight district spatial development frameworks (district plans). The intention is to establish one holistic spatial development framework that emanates from the review of these spatial policies and to ensure policy alignment between the documents and the new Integrated Development Plan (2027-2032). The spatial development framework's objectives are to provide a spatial vision and development guidelines, recommend key actions and interventions, and align and integrate short-, medium- and long-term investment planning and development within the city.

In terms of section 17 of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000, and chapter 3 of the City of Cape Town: Municipal Planning By-law (MPBL, 2025), the public and interested groups are invited to register as interested and affected parties to receive regular updates on the review process. The registration period is open from 25 May to 25 July 2026.

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Gaylin kry helde-ontvangs na talle goue medaljes

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Die normaalweg stil strate van Pella het op Sondag 3 Mei behoorlik gegons toe Gaylin Swartz 'n helde-ontvangs by die hoofingang van die dorp gekry het.

Familie, vriende en ander dosyne inwoners het haar met baniere en ballonne terugverwelkom na haar uitstekende oorwinning op die atletiekbaan in Pretoria. Die sewentienjarige Atlantis Vaardigheidskool-leerder, wat haar atletiekloopbaan in 2024 begin het, het vanjaar aan die SA Skole Atletiekkampioenskap deel geneem waar sy goue medaljes gewen het in die 400m- en 800m-naellope, sowel as die 800m-aflos. Gaylin vertel dat sy baie opgewonde en emosioneel geword het toe sy al die mense sien. "Ek het dit nie verwag nie. Ek

het hartseer en gelukkig gevoel om te sien dat die hele gemeenskap my bystaan," het Gaylin gesê. Haar oom, Waylin Cleophas, vertel hoe baie hierdie toekenning vir die gemeenskap ook beteken. "Ek baie trots op haar, want sy het gewys dat haar omstandighede haar nie kan agterhou nie. Meeste van ons ken haar huislike omstandighede, en dis hoekom hierdie toekenning so 'n groot impak op die gemeenskap het," vertel Cleophas.

Gaylin hoop dat hierdie toekenning vir haar nog baie deure sal oopmaak in die toekoms en haar sal motiveer om nie net by die toekenning op te hou nie, maar om nog verder te gaan.



Rugby clinic get girls excited about 'male' sport

BENJAMIN SMITH

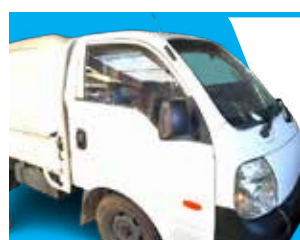


Over 40 girls from schools in Atlantis took to the sports field at Grosvenor Primary School on Friday 15 May for a dynamic and informative rugby clinic, organised by rugby coach Lylle Maart and his team.

The event was aimed at teaching young girls the fundamentals of rugby such as tackling, passing and catching the ball, as well as basic groundwork like rucking and shielding. Participants were divided into two groups, primary schools and high schools, and rotated through stations where they participated in various passing drills and tackling exercises led by local coaches. They also got to enjoy a friendly match of tag rugby amongst themselves. Maart felt inspired to start such a clinic after recently watching a senior

girls rugby tournament and noticing that many of the players lacked the basic techniques of the game. Through the clinic, he teaches these techniques to girls at grassroots level so that they can become better players. He also recognises the growth of girls' rugby and hopes to give the sport the same recognition as its male counterparts. "Girls rugby is big and at the moment and is developing greatly, so we want to make people aware that things can be done for girls the same way that it is done for boys. Anyone can play the game and rugby is a girls' sport too," he explained.

This is the second clinic he organised for this year, and similar clinics are expected to take place in the next few months.



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