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**DEDICATION
ALWAYS SHOWS**



PIETER DU TOIT

WORDS OF WISDOM - RSA GROUP

1. Balance is key to (agri) life.

As in many parts of life, agriculture demands delicate balance. On the one hand you have to develop a predictable business case that will appeal to investors. On the other, you have to understand and manage the variable realities of farming life, including weather. Coming from the audit profession, I can testify that it isn't easy, but it can be done.

2. Challenge your assumptions.

It's important to challenge your basic assumptions when planning for the future, and to learn how to actively build negative events into your scenarios. This naturally creates a conservative business outlook, which is good for risk management, and which also allows you to balance the realities of the spreadsheet-based economy and farming under the open skies.

3. Passion creates focus, and focus is key to success.

It takes a special kind of single mindedness to succeed as a farmer. In my experience, often this results from passion. If you have a genuine love for the product and for the culture of agriculture, you have a shot at creating a great career.

4. Successful sales agents make farmers their best friends.

The best sales agents are often technical gurus. They achieve an in-depth understanding of what they're selling by attending farmer days, doing training courses and joining study tours. They also live close to the growing and packing side of the business through regular visits. In other words... they make farmers their best friends.

5. Inspiration matters.

You learn a lot from watching what people you respect do, and I've found my inspiration near and far.

My parents were a true example of living in faith, taking on big projects and following a calling to make the world a better place. My uncle was also an excellent example of positive living with a true soft human approach.

I have been equally inspired by South Africa's successful start-up farmers. The true agri heroes who have taken on the risk and fought through all the challenges of farming in SA, and who are now running great businesses, and who keep on proving that even the most ambitious plans are possible.



WILLEM COETZEE

KERSWENSE

Terwyl ek skryf, val die druppels buite en ek dink aan die liedjie “Strome van seën” wat ons altyd so getrou tydens bidure op die plaas gesing het... *Kersfees is om die draai, 2021 is aan die “omblaai” en ons kyk terug op ’n jaar vol uitdagings, maar ook seën.* Die jaar het begin met natuurskade in die Langkloof, maar die tekorte aan vrugte daar het aan die Wes-Kaap geleentheid gegee om ’n gedeelte van ons grootste oes nog, met groot sukses in die Langkloof te verpak. In die Langkloof self maak ons goeie en vinnige planne, om ten spyte van die skade, steeds die res van ons kwaliteit te beskerm met ’n verbetering in kwaliteit in die meeste gevalle.

Die rekord-oes van die Wes-Kaap dwing ons om op ’n stadium by 3 ander buite pakhuisse vrugte te verpak. Ons moet daaglikse hande vat met Link, een van ons vennote, sodat ons houters en skepe beskikbaar kan kry; ’n taak wat dit bitter moeilik gemaak het om kliënte in al die lande op die regte tye en tydens die regte geleenthede te bedien. Ons planne en samewerking met hulle help ons deur 2021 en, alhoewel die wêreldwye logistieke probleme nog lank nie opgelos is nie, is ons reg vir 2022. Ons leer daaglikse hieruit en word slimmer.

Aan die groentekant was ons uitgedaag met moeilike plaaslike markomstandighede, maar ook hier het ons mooi oeste die situasie help verbeter. Ons leer steeds elke jaar moeilike lesse in ons patatbesigheid, maar begin nou goeie kliënte opbou en groei die besigheid eerder ’n klein bietjie stadiger om sukses te verseker. Hoewel 2021 in baie opsigte amper selfs meer uitdagend as 2020 was, is ek dankbaar vir die strome van seën, letterlik en figuurlik, wat ons telkens uit ons Hemelse Vader se hand ontvang.

Wanneer ons ’n kykie vorentoe vat, glo ek daar is reeds weer oorgenoeg uitdagings, maar ook seën wat voorlê. Ons watersituasie vir beide Wes- en Oos-Kaap is positief, die groente-oes is op hande en lyk baie belowend en, ten spyte van die onlangse reën op die kersies, kan ons steeds ’n groot deel van die groter oes-volumes hanteer en verkoop.

Ons kwaliteit- en kostedryf in ons besigheid gee ons steeds baie geleentheid vir verbetering en ek sien met opgewondenheid uit na almal se positiewe bydraes in hierdie verband. Dit bring my weer terug by Kersfees en die strome van seën. Terwyl ons bekommerd is oor reënskade op die kersies kry medeboere in die Noord-Kaap en Karoo reën vir die eerste keer in 8 jaar...

Ek nooi jou om die Kersgety binne te gaan met ’n dankbare hart en ook opgewondenheid oor die pad wat voorlê, die pad wat ons saam met Hom wat Sy enigste Seun vir ons as Verlosser gestuur het, stap. Mag julle die tyd as families en vriende saam geniet en ook Sy strome van seën in 2022 ervaar.

DUTOIT SE WERKSWINKELPERSONEEL

'N ONMISBARE SKAKEL IN ONS BESIGHEID.

Landbouwerktuigkundiges, of Werkswinkelpersoneel, soos ons hulle ken, is professionele boerdery-/verpakkings tegnisi wat te doen het met die instandhouding en herstel van ons gereedskap, masjienerie, implemente en toerusting in ons produksie- en verpakkingsafdelings - 'n baie belangrike rol in ons besigheid, waarvoor ons nie genoeg erkenning gee nie.

Geskiedenis:

Jare gelede is Werkkor gestig, 'n groepie wat onder die leiding van wyle Jan Eksteen, gereeld vergader het en beste praktyke uitgeruil het. Die mooi instelling het na Jan se aftrede geleidelik uitfaseer. Gys du Toit Jr het dit weer so 3 jaar gelede laat herleef en die manne was baie dankbaar, maar hierdie geleentheid was ook 'n slagoffer van Covid. Gys het egter aangedui dat hulle binnekort weer met die goeie praktyk gaan begin met die doelwit om minstens 2 keer per jaar saam te verkeer en beste praktyke uit te ruil.

Ons het weer 'n Platform probeer skep in 2017 – Werkkor .

Rondom het dit goedgedink om hierdie uitgawe op hierdie onmisbare skakel in ons besigheid te fokus en ek nooi julle om uit te vind wat hierdie kollegas elke dag ervaar en die uitdagings waarmee hulle gekonfronteer word.

DALENE CONRADIE

Ons is baie dankbaar om op elke Landgoed en in alle pakhuse 'n werkswinkel met 'n bekwame werkswinkel bestuurder te hê. Hulle vat somer enige iets raak wat breek of onderhoud benodig, van elektrisiteit tot 'n geyser wat bars gaan deur hulle hande. *Hierdie hande staan vir niks verkeerd nie.* In die werkswinkels hoor die manne eintlik net klagtes en foute wat hulle moet regmaak. Dit is verseker nie altyd 'n positiewe omgewing nie, maar die manne het dik velle en doen voorkomende onderhoud sodat daar nie groot breke plaasvind nie.

Doel: Werkswinkel bestuur leer mekaar ken | Ruil idees onder mekaar uit | Bespreek belangrike sake van gemeenskaplike belang Kommunikasie tussen landgoedere | Regte kapitale aankope | Vervangingsbeleid | Opleidingsplatform | Beste praktyke en Innovasie | Oplossings

Dankie aan al ons Landgoedere se werkswinkels vir julle onbaatsugtige diens en om net altyd terug te staan en reg te maak. Dit verg 'n "groot man" om daardie mentaliteit te openbaar. Ons landgoedere kan nie sonder julle nie.

GYS DU TOIT JR.

PAARDEKLOOF



Ons personeel sluit drywers in wat, as hul nie op die pad is nie, die werkswinkel verder help. Ons het ook 'n dame bussiebetuurder as nuutste toevoeging. Ons almal funksioneer goed saam. Paardekloof speel ook groter rol in die maatskappy om ander plase te help met oeste. Dit is ook daar waar swaar op die werkswinkel gesteun word. Paardekloof se toerusting moet onder uiters uitdagende toestande instand gehou word. Die trokdrywers moet natuurlik ook altyd in hierdie tyd beskikbaar wees.

Daar word relatief enige werk wat moontlik doenbaar is, in 'n werkswinkel gedoen. Die uitdaging is om alle landboutoerusting bekostigbaar in 'n goeie toestand te hou en dat alle toerusting beskikbaar is vir produksietake. Ons werkswinkel kry dit redelik goed reg omdat daar 'n goeie verhouding tussen die werkswinkel en produksiespanne is. Goeie verhoudings en beplanning is die hoeksteen van Paardekloof se werkswinkel.

COBUS VAN NIEKERK

DUTOIT VRUGTE

In 'n werkswinkel is daar baie interessante gebeure wat plaasvind. Baie van hierdie goed gebeur so stil-stil onder die radar. Die sukses van 'n werkswinkel hou ook direk verband met die ingesteldheid, spangees en vaardigheid van die mense wat deel maak van hierdie span. By Dutoit Vrugte is ek baie gelukkig om deel te kan wees van so 'n span. Ons is verantwoordelik vir die instandhouding van alle verpakkingsmasjienerie, trekkers, sleepwaens, kragopwekkers, lugkompressors, transformators en sommer nog 'n oneindige lys van goed. Ons het 'n toegeruste werkswinkel en met 'n toegewyde span hou ons die ratte van DTV ge-olie. Daar is natuurlik ook baie uitdagings wat deel uitmaak van ons daaglikse take. Behalwe dat daar party dae slim planne onder druk gemaak moet word, word daar ook al hoe meer gefokus op die wetlike aspekte en die veiligheid van ons mense. Opleiding maak 'n groot deel uit van hierdie proses en ons het die laaste 5 jaar baie tyd aan veilige werksprosedures en opleiding spandeer. Baie dankie aan Mariette le Roux vir al haar geduld en bystand hiermee.

Rodney Engelbrecht het hierdie jaar daarin geslaag om te kwalifiseer as Passer. Covid-19 het hierdie proses ongelukkig baie langer gemaak as beplan, maar hy het deurgedruk en sy kwalifikasie gekry. Ons is baie trots op hom.

Ons is almal ernstig oor ons werk en is trots op die resultate wat ons behaal. DTV neem deel aan 'n Pakhuis Aksie groep, waar data van 15 verskillende pakhuisse met mekaar vergelyk word en die hoofokus in ons afdeling is Meganiese- en Elektriese Staantyd. Gedurende die laaste kwartaal het ons uitstekend gevaar met Meganiese staantyd van 0.38% teenoor 2.62% van die bedryf en Elektriese staantyd van 0.22% teenoor 1.71% van die bedryf. Dankie aan Dutoit Agri vir al die geleenthede wat ons gebied word en baie dankie aan my span vir jul harde werk en toegewyding.

MORNÉ KRITZINGER





GROENTE

Ons Werkswinkel bestaan uit spanlede wat individueel 'n groot rol in ons daaglikse uitdagings speel. Ons is nie net gefokus op die meganiese onderhoud nie, maar hanteer ook die welstand van die terrein, geboue en ander projekte sover ons kennis strek. Pieter du Toit ondersteun ons geweldig, wat ons werk net soveel makliker maak.

Ons fokus is netheid en kwaliteit. Ons prioriteit is om die masjiene in 'n uitstekende toestand vir produksie te hou. Ons werk saam in 'n span van 7. Elke persoon het sy gedeelte van die perseel en masjiene waarna hulle moet omsien. Saam maak ons gebruik van innoverende prosesse om die werk meer eenvoudig maar effektief te maak met produksie as middelpunt. **TIAAN ALBERTS**



NOOITGEDACHT

Nooitgedacht staan bekend vir sy vriendelike personeel. Dit spoel definitief af na die werkswinkel en sy manne ook. Die Werkswinkel is die hartklop van die plaas. Ons instandhoudingsprogram behels amper als, behalwe om te boer.

Ons prioriteit is die vloot trekkers, spuitpompe, voertuie en kratstelle. Die behoud is om gedurende die winter herstelwerk te doen, sodat als kan reg wees vir die komende siesoen. Ons beskik oor die regte personeel op die regte plekke en ons doen ook interne opleiding so ver ons kan. Ons is ook verantwoordelik vir instandhouding van die behuising op die plaas, dit is 'n tawwe werk en reparasies hou nooit op nie.

Ons het die laaste paar jaar baie verbeter in terme van toerusting, byvoorbeeld 'n nuwe bandemasjiene en 'n Mig-welder. Die werkswinkel hanteer ook die vervoerbehoefte van die plaas. Ek sien uit om nog baie verbeteringe aan te bring en 'n positiewe karakter onder die personeel in komende jare te bou. **HEINIE RAUTENBACH**



SKAAPKRAAL

Hier is my twee regterhande Mnyamezeli Ngxito, beter bekend as (Langman) hier op die plaas. Hy het by ons as n stukwerker begin werk waarna ek hom raakgesien het en hom genader het vir die werkswinkel. Hy het begin as helper en later gevorder na diensjoggie. Ons het hom in 2017 gestuur vir 'n sweiskursus wat hy geslaag het. Hy doen nie net sweiswerk nie en verrig alle los take in werkswinkel. Die ander lid van die span is Zukile Betha. Zu is nou so jaar saam met ons, hy is tans 'n helper in opleiding. Daar is geen te groot uitdaging vir ons nie, ons sal altyd help waar ons kan. Baie dankie vir julle twee se bydrae. **GEORGE COCKRELL**



LINDESHOF

Die grootste uitdaging is die bestuur van koste en die beskikbaarheid van parte. Dis lekker om met so 'n span saam te werk en as daar planne gemaak word, dit suksesvol is. **JOOS BASSON**

LOUTERWATER OOS-KAAP

Een van ons grootste uitdagings is om die twaalf plase wat oor 'n afstand van 200km lê te diens, die vloot op standaard te hou en die vervoer van implemente. Omdat ons in n baie afgeleë area werk met die naaste parte verskaffers 150km van ons af verg dit goeie beplanning om die regte hoeveelheid van die regte parte aan te hou. Goeie kommunikasie is baie belangrik om die wiele aan die rol te hou. Ons het 'n goeie bestuursplan wat help om van die Werkswinkel 'n sukses te maak. Ons is baie bevoorreg om in so 'n mooi gedeelte van die land te kan woon. Ons sien baie uit na die nuwe tegnologie wat so gereeld in die meganiese afdelings geïmplementeer word. **GERT MOSTERT**



GYS DU TOIT

DIE VERGETE GROOTPAD

is die pad tussen Karooport tot by Verlatekloof naby Sutherland. Die pad is gebruik met die ontdekking van diamante (stormloop) by Kimberley. Dit was die kortste roete. Die Gibsons met hul "Red Star Line" was een van die kontrakteurs. Raymond, Willa en Georgie Gibson is afstammelinge van die Gibsons. Die Vergete Grootpad boek soos geskryf deur Dene Smuts en Paul Alberts, verskaf ook baie inligting. Dutoit was medeborg.

Piet Coetzer van Senekal met sy span van 6 Flaamse perde het die roete aangepak. Die reis was 703 kilometer ver en het 25 dae geduur. Dit het op 4 November 2021 by Karooport geëindig. Daar is 28 keer ingespan, 653 hoefysters is gebruik en die perde het elke 10km, ongeveer 10 tot 15 liter water gedrink. Die span het by Gys en Sunette op Bakovensloof, waar die oorspronklike pad loop, oornag.



LANGKLOOF BOKWA

Suid-Afrika het by gebrek aan 'n spoor-vervoerstelsel, waens met osse, perde of esels gebruik. Twee tipes waens is gebruik:

Kakebeenwa – ligte wa waarmee mense vervoer is (byvoorbeeld die Voortrekkers)

Bokwa – waarmee goedere vervoer is. Die Bokwa (foto) het Dutoit saam met die plaas, JG Steward, in die Langkloof gekoop. Die wa is gedurende 2021 gerestoureer en sal sy rusplek vind by die Kromfontein se museum.



Prof. Erik Holm het die wa gerestoureer en interessante inligting verskaf: "Ek skat hom so 1890, piek van die togryer-era as gevolg van die volgende redes:

1. Geen datum op aste (na 1895 – altyd met 'n datum) | 2. Kaapse of deurgooi rem in plaas van slinger. Na 1900 selde gebruik
3. Wielrooster met net een dwarsyster. Na 1900 altyd drie of meer | 4. Voorstang ouderwetse ontwerp met yster tangstutte, nie die later gewilde tolletjieslang | *Die wa is feitlik seker in Wes-Kaap (Paarl) gebou. Hiervan getuig:* 1. Plat hoek, drie plank relings
2. 16 speek agterwiele | 3. Ek het Wes-Kaapse tipe gereedskapkissies by gebou.

1930



TWEDE HANDELSMERK HET JY GEWEET?

Gys du Toit II het in 1930 die PEAK OF PERFECTION handelsmerk geregistreer as wettige uitvoerder van Vrugte.

INTERESSANTHEDE

Werkers besig om uitvoer pere te pluk. Lang trappe is gebruik vir hierdie groot bome en die pere is in kissies gepluk. Vandag word kratte gebruik.



Die eerste pakhuis van Dutoit op Kromfontein met 'n Rietdak.



1948

Die tweede pakhuis van Dutoit op Kromfontein nadat die strooidak vervang is.





TAND- FONTEIN

CHERRY TIME™ CLINIC

RUNEI KOTZE

"Ek kan nie anders as om erkenning aan Wyle tannie Carol te gee vir die totstandkoming en uitrol van ons kliniekdienste in Dutoit nie. Sy was die hart agter die begin van Gemeenskapsontwikkeling, omdat dit op haar hart was en sy 'n opgeleide verpleegkundige was. Vandaar die totstandkoming van ons eerste klinieke in 1984 - van die eerstes in die omgewing". DALENE CONRADIE

Cherry Time™ believes that the same love and care that goes into the production of Cherry Time™ cherries, should also be invested in the welfare of our farmworkers and their children. We recognise our responsibility to the people in the communities in which we operate. Every year a portion of our local profits go towards improving the lives of our farmworkers and their families, making Cherry Time™ sustainable not only for this season, but also for the future.

Sharing the fruits of our labours: Cherry Time™ collaborated with the Tandfontein management team in the Koue Bokkeveld to develop a fully equipped clinic which will provide medical services on a weekly basis to all farmworkers and their families. This project will support the Health Plan already implemented by Dutoit Agri, which entails the appointment of qualified nurses and trained healthcare workers. We're dedicated to improving the delivery and access of primary health care on Tandfontein. Hundreds of farmworker families will soon have easier access to affordable health care with the launch of the health-care clinic. Sophia Kotze is one of our amazing nurses who works tirelessly to care for our community on Tandfontein. She says the clinic helps people achieve a healthier lifestyle, holistically. "It also means people don't have to travel to Ceres to see the doctor. We deliver primary healthcare including HCT and TB screening, chronic disease management, family planning, physiotherapy, occupational services, mental health care and more."



PAARLVALLEI EISTEDDFOD

SANDRA GALANT

Kromfontein Nasorgsentrum het die jaar vir die eerste keer aan die Paarl Vallei Eisteddfod deelgeneem. En het hulle nie presteer nie! Al elf leerders wat ingeskryf het, het sertifikate ontvang.

Ons het uit elke graad 'n paar leerders geïdentifiseer wat gaan deelneem. Hulle almal het aan Afrikaanse voordrag deelgeneem. Deelname aan die eisteddfod het op virtuele wyse geskied. Die kinders is afgerig deur mev. Chrisna du Toit wat ook verantwoordelik was vir die maak van die video's en die instuur daarvan. Ons wil haar bedank vir die blootstelling aan die kunste vir ons kinders. Alles het baie goed verloop en ek glo volgende jaar sal ons meer kinders kan inskryf.

Baie dankie aan die elf leerders wat deelgeneem het. Ons is voorwaar super trots op julle!



Ons het by Wonderlik Koffiewinkel almal se prestasie en guts vier.

Die Uitslae Was Soos Volg:

Keyshia Crotz - Cum Laude | Lyric Rhode - Goud+ | John-Will Januarie - Goud | Carly-Jy Titus - Goud | Devanté Titus - Goud | Gavin Paulse - Goud | Devenice Titus - Goud | Leigh-Lanie Andrew - Silwer | Mekayla Mattys - Silwer | Kylee Roberts - Silwer | Anzine Roberts - Brons



NOOITGEDACHT

VROUE TIENERGESPREK

MARIETTE LE ROUX

Op 8 September 2021 het Adrieëta Ambraal (Gesondheids-werker op Nooitgedacht en ook bewaarskool-onderwyseres) 8 jong meisies van Nooitgedacht bymekaar gekry vir 'n gesprek wat alle jong vroue raak.

Hulle het gepraat oor verskeie lewensuitdagings soos tiener-swangerskappe, voorbehoeding, geweld in ouerhuise, TB, HIV, borskanker en hoe om jouself te ondersoek. Sy het hulle ook die kliniek gaan wys en verduidelik wat alles daar gedoen word.

***SHE BELIEVED SHE COULD.
SO SHE DID.***



BEMARKING

HEEDING THE CALL PICK N PAY AWARD

Dutoit Agri Receives Heed the Call Award for Inaugural Consumer Campaign.

Dutoit Agri is honoured to receive the prestigious Heed the Call award for its first co-branded apple campaign. The award, which is given to suppliers who go above and beyond, aims to recognise exceptional work in the FMCG sector.

"This is such an incredible achievement for us," says Dutoit Agri Marketing Head Gysbert du Toit. "Especially considering it was our first time showcasing the Dutoit brand to consumers." Together with Pick 'n Pay, the cobranded campaign included informative branding in 50 stores, educational leaflets included in every bag, showcasing the apple origin story, and an increased presence on social media.

"Our focus is on awareness and education – we want consumers to pick the apple that best suits their needs," says Gysbert. The #pickdutoit campaign focused on the five key varieties – Top Red, Golden Delicious, Royal Gala and Granny Smith. It has also received praise beyond South Africa – with notes of thanks coming from Botswana for providing consumers with educational and interesting information that made produce purchasing easier.

**"WE ARE HONOURED AND THANKFUL
TO SHARE THIS ACCOLADE WITH THE
MANY PASSIONATE TEAMS THAT WORK
EVERY DAY TO BRING THE FRESHEST
APPLES TO YOUR TABLE."**



BEMARKING

NATIONAL APPLE DAY

National Apple Day: Dutoit Agri show thanks to Western Cape hospital staff

Largest produce provider in the country puts local doctors and nurses in the spotlight on this special day

This National Apple Day (21 October), Dutoit Agri is saying "An apple a day makes the doctor okay" with a small token of appreciation to five hospitals in the Western Cape. Over 3000 bags of apples were sent to selected hospitals along with a note of kindness reading 'Heroes Work Here.'

"We admire the hospital staff who have been fighting this pandemic relentlessly and wanted to share something sweet and healthy with them on this special day," said Gysbert du Toit Marketing Head of Dutoit Agri.

Hospitals and staff who received donations of apples included: Paarl Provincial, Karl Bremer, New Somerset, Stellenbosch Provincial and Ceres. Dutoit's marketing manager, Karien Basset and ambassador, Minki van der Westhuizen were on hand to assist with the delivery of apples.

"This was a lovely surprise," says Dr Lawson Eksteen from Stellenbosch Provincial. "We are thankful for this thoughtful gift."



TEGNIES

VAN TOEKA TOT NOU

TANITH FREEMAN

Dutoit se kersie geskiedenis begin by Nooitgedacht. Dis waar die eerste klein kersieboord in Suid Afrika in 1890 geplant was – destyds was die plaas se naam Gydo. Vandaar is die eerste kommersiële boord in 1904 in Clocolan-omgewing gevestig en het nog uitbreidings plaasgevind in die Suid-Oos Vrystaat. In 1939 het die SA Fruit Directory, Nooitgedacht (toe Gydo) as die grootste produsent en verpakker van kersies in die Unie beskryf. Vandaar is die kersiebedryf in Suid Afrika gebore. Teen einde 2020 was aanplantings in SA oor die 500 ha en kan Dutoit met trots sê, 43% daarvan is ons eie.

Winter 2018 het Dutoit sy eerste sub-lisensie met Delary Kersie Venootskap onderteken. 'n Mylpaal in die maatskappy se geskiedenis. Hierdie was die begin van 'n nuwe besigheidseenheid waarna Dutoit nog 7 ooreenkomste met o.a. De Keur en Middelburg Trust (Van Loveren) onderteken het. Teen einde Winter 2025, beoog ons vennote om kollektief 'n 135ha in die grond te hê.

'n Volgende mylpaal was om die seisoen ons eerste vrugte van Middelburg, Buchuland en De Keur te ontvang. Daar was 'n opgewondenheid wat ieder en elk betrokke ervaar het, -nuwe geleenthede, nuwe uitdagings, nuwe planne. Wat 'n besondere voorreg om met kersies te kan werk, en met mense wat so passievol soos onself daarvoor is. Ons is dankbaar om te sien 'n positiewe bydrae loop oor in seën vir ander. Twerwyl kersies opsig self uitdagend is, was die seisoen besonders. Nuwe planne daaglik was nie genoeg om by te bly nie – uurliks was nader aan die werklikheid. Wyle Oom Jan-Linde het altyd gesê 'jou planne moet net nie opraak nie'. En die span het nie teleur gestel nie – planne was daar, is daar en gaan daar nog kom.

Mag ons planne nooit opraak nie. Mag ons nooit die grootheid van Sy genade en liefde vergeet nie. Mag ons altyd streef om daai positiewe bydrae, klein of groot, oor die doellyn van seën vir ander te dra.





ERFENISDAG PRAATJIES

Die Oos-Kaap gesondheidswerkers het vir Erfenisdag praatjies voorberei vir elke afdeling. Kantoorpersoneel en adminpersoneel is aangemoedig om volgens hul erfenis aan te trek.

Die praatjie het die volgende ingesluit:

1. Hoekom ons Erfenisdag vier en waar het dit ontstaan.
2. Beroerte - Hoe om die tekens te lees en wat om te doen.





AGRI'S GOT TALENT

AGRI'S GOT TALENT IS A SOCIAL UPLIFTMENT PROJECT giving talented farm, packhouse, and cellar workers in the fruit and wine industries the opportunity to develop their singing talent.

Simone Abrahams, Koukamma Fruit Packers, Joubertina, congratulations on being part of the top 10 finalists! We are excited to have all of you as part of the AGT family!

WOW! What a final and what a wonderful group of finalists we had the privilege of working with this year! Thank you for your commitment and hard work. Thanks to everyone who entered, remember there is always next year!

Ons het Loslitdag gevier!

Casual Day is the National Council of and for Persons with Disabilities (NCPD)'s flagship awareness and fundraising project. Inspired by Disney's newly-announced The Ultimate Disney Princess Celebration, which champions the qualities embodied in our theme COURAGE & KINDNESS.

Bestuur Wes-Kaap

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JAAR**

10 JAAR: Janice Venter, Kulu (Gerrit) van Zyl, Chrisna du Toit, Le-Maré van Niekerk, Mariaan Marais, Madré de Koker, Christiaan Rabe, Hennie du Toit. **20 JAAR:** Dawid Winterbach, Linde du Toit. **30 JAAR:** Dophy Fortuin, President Matrose. **40 JAAR:** Charlie Hartneck.



Produksie Wes-Kaap

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JAAR**

EXCELSIOR: Ruiters Christiaan. **KROMFONTEIN:** Koopman Piet, Willem Zikhethile, Kalmeyer Daniel, Matthys Phillipus, Skippers Vivian, Kaalmeyer Magdalena, Skippers Hilda, Kalmeyer Wilhelmina, Koopman Meagan. **LINDESHOF:** Swarts Gert, Baron Elrico, Ruiters Gertruida, Ruiters Eleonore. **NOOITGEDACHT:** Farmer Marshall Jerome, Mokalakala Thebe Michael. **VASTRAP:** Tyeku Mthobeli. **PAARDEKLOOF:** Phetsu Gcinumzi, Mhlaba Elaine, Waterboer Martin. **SKAAPKRAAL:** Fransman Sara. **TANDFONTEIN:** Mdange Yoliswe. **EXCELSIOR:** Tyeku Mthobeli. **COSHLA:** Oncke Niel. **VREELAND:** Ofisi Zamilé.



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JAAR

KROMFONTEIN: Rooi Sureen. **LINDESHOF:** Lakay Klaas, Robert Clara. **NOOITGEDACHT:** Galant Filicity. **PAARDEKLOOF:** Daniels Francois.



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JAAR

KROMFONTEIN: Roberts Jakob. **LINDESHOF:** Louw Elisabeth, Janse Anna. **PAARDEKLOOF:** Moses Isak, Swarts Gertruida. **TANDFONTEIN:** Kupido Jakob, Kupido Jacoba.



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JAAR

LINDESHOF: Robert Kimpie, Jansen Marie. **PAARDEKLOOF:** Kruger Elizabeth, April Francis.



AFTREDE

KROMFONTEIN: Snyders Anna, Frans Sara. **LINDESHOF:** Ruiters Mallie. **PAARDEKLOOF:** Pieterse Andries, Franse Booï, Geduld Niklaas, Pass Chrisjan, Nontlakaza Lingani, Daniels Janetta, Hofmeester Anna. **SKAAPKRAAL:** Moseleba William. **TANDFONTEIN:** Abrahams Andries. **VASTRAP:** Jamjam Margaret. **COSHLA:** Muller Margaretha. **INSTANDHOUDING:** Morris Samuel



Dutoit Vrugte

10 JAAR: Florinda Galant, Thembeke Faku, Willem Titus, Anthony Vergotine, Boniswa Gambushe, Leandra Oranje, Ethal Ncapayi.

20 JAAR: Seroyha Louw, Samantha De Bruin, Mhlangabezi Matwa, Maria Skrotz, Tryn Muller, Maria Van Wyk, Eleanor Stevens, Jimmy Lottering, Barry Reitz, Lilandy Jacobs, Rhoda Cornelius, Maria Mathys, Lena Ockhuis, Judene Van Niekerk, Salome Hendricks, Michelle Geldenhuys, Anna Ockhuis, Magdalena Felies, Katrina Coetzee.

30 JAAR: Silvia Damon, Hxoshelaphi Dumzela, Geraldine Damon, Maryna Visser, Arthur Bell

AFTREDE: Jacoba Muller, Phillipa Vlok, Leentjie De Bruin, Novuyisile Ngwana, Katrina Vass, Mercia Swarts, Cingaliphe Gaba, Monica Lynx, Chesna Carolus, Dinah Smit, Maria Idion, Maurensa Joubert, Benita Jacobs, Eleanor De Leeuw, Ester Mohammed, Mantombise Ntshwaxu, Francina Snyders, Doris Januarie.



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JAAR**

Ruiters Wilhelmina, Jonkers Welmary, Mbongo Bongeka, Ockhuys Tiaan, Nombula Phumzile, Zolani Mbuyiselo, Lee Wilhelmina, Willemse Catherina, Baron Sebina, Ockhuis Susanna, Ockhuis Josline, Oranje Sharieff, Jacobs Werner, Farao Cornelia.



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JAAR**

Sanders Marlien.



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JAAR**

Maans Catherina.



AFTREDE

Muller Jacob, Vir Rooi Susan.



CHW COUNCELLING TRAINING

NATASHA CALVERT

The CHW counselling training package has concluded and we can successfully report that all the learners have been found competent.

Thank you for assisting in making this a success. We acknowledge that it was no easy task to ensure that all learners could view the training and interact with the online assessments. It was very new to the learners and they all rose to the challenge with your guidance and support.



"Ons is bitter trots op die gesondheidswerkers wat die kursus voltooi het. Julle maak daaglik 'n verskil in ons gemeenskap. Baie dankie aan Dutoit vir geleentheid." Sophia kotze

DECIDUOUS FRUIT INDUSTRY AWARDS

The South African Deciduous Fruit Industry honoured individuals for excellence at the 46th Fruit Industry Gala Awards—in a year marked by unusual challenges and successes.

Scaled down from the usual illustrious affair, the event took place on Bernheim Farm, outside Paarl. 'The Awards' gives recognition to an inclusive range of individuals in the agricultural sector, such as agricultural workers, researchers, scientists and industry leaders.

According to Jacques Jordaan, chairman of the awards committee and CEO of the Canning Fruit Producers Association, the awards play a vital role in maintaining the morale of the agricultural

workers and the industry as a whole. "The awards as a platform motivates and inspires people to strive for their goals and in so doing helps to build an industry that is a major player in the international fruit arena."

According to Jordaan, the way the industry negotiated the Covid pandemic over the past year by continuing with production, harvesting, and packing without disruptions to the value-chain, showed character and backbone. "Agriculture is about people and therefore it is only apt to recognise the people that make the industry what it is."



GENERAL AGRICULTURAL WORKER:

Xolani Nameko from Kromfontein, Dutoit Agri in the Koue Bokkeveld receives the merit award for General Agricultural Worker of the Year for being a hard-working, loyal, and quality-driven worker. Nameko started working at Kromfontein, in 2011 as a general worker performing various tasks such as pruning, thinning, and harvesting fruit.

Nameko proved himself as a hard worker who is willing to learn. He gained experience at Dutoit Agri's Bergsig development where he was responsible for about 110 hectares. Here he ensured that everything from the training systems, irrigation, and planting of the trees was completed correctly and on time. Nameko then joined Kromfontein full time working on training systems structures for overhead nets. His manager said that Nameko added real value to the farm's growth every season.

SPECIALIST AGRICULTURAL WORKER:

Gert Jantjies from Kromfontein, Dutoit Agri in the Koue Bokkeveld



receives the merit award for Specialist Agricultural Worker of the Year for his exceptional work ethic, willingness to learn, and advanced skills as a tree pruner and team leader.

Jantjies grew up on Kromfontein and from a young age loved farm life. He started working as a general worker at Kromfontein for Dutoit Agri in the Koue Bokkeveld in 1977.

Over the years, Jantjies has increasingly proven himself as an employee who can apply the right pruning methods to different trees. He is always eager to learn new orchard methods and became interested in graft and bud work. Later, he was appointed as a foreman that managed a specialist team of 16 people.

Jantjies is a hard-working, quality-driven, and calm employee who always puts the greatest focus in his work to ensure that the quality of the trees meets the needed requirements. He also conveys his knowledge to the people in his team excellently to help strengthen their knowledge and abilities.

SELF-LOVE MORNING

RUNEI KOTZE

Self-love affirmations are an amazing tool for feeling better about yourself and your place in the universe. We all have doubts and fears. We all need people to love us. We all feel rejected, hurt and alone at some point in our lives, even if we are surrounded by others. All of this is natural. Self-love is a love we take with us forever. This is why Dutoit hosted a self-love morning celebrating the dedicated women who've played an incredible role in making this company succeed.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

The designation of October as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" reflects a nationwide drive to raise awareness of this debilitating disease. Dutoit partnered with Pink Lady® to create consciousness on early detection of, and screening for gender-related cancers. For every bag of Pink Lady® apples that you bought from Pick 'n Pay during October, R1 was donated to the Tygerberg Hospital Breast Clinic Transport Fund for breast cancer patients.

In support of this initiative, we've put the FUN back in fundraising with JEFF Together! People from all over the globe joined us for a free live workout – in the Dutoit orchards with Coach Kate and Coach Louis.

Thank you Dutoit for an inspirational event.



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CHERRY TIME

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It made us very cherry to announce that our new Cherry Time™ website went LIVE 8 November! Our beautiful fruit was ready to go from our farms to many tables in the Western Cape, Gauteng and Durban! It's been a bumper season and we enjoyed sharing our juicy beauties. We had a lot of excitement throughout the season, here are a few snippets...

Follow us on Instagram or Facebook @Sweet_CherryTime

MEDIA DAY - EXCELSIOR

It's was that very cherry time of the year when we invite various media influencers to join us for a day of family fun and timeless traditions. We hosted a picturesque picnic beneath our ruby-red jewels as we lunch in the orchards. When lunch was done, everyone filled their basket to the brim with festive fruit to take home.

Thanks to the Excelsior team, the day was a great success.





OZFM & PRETORIA BOEREMARK

You were able to visit the Oranjezicht Farmers Market in Cape Town or the Pretoria Boeremark throughout the season to stock up on some juicy Cherry Time™. Our beautiful cherry cart was also on-hand.

OZFM also hosted a Cherry Time™ Feast. All the vendors competed to put up the best Cherry Time™ inspired dishes. Visitors were in for a treat! Our cherry cart also served sublime Cherry Time™ cocktails. You don't want to miss out again on this annual event.

MEMORIES

We created sweet memories with @raising.wildlings_

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And so, it's CHERRY TIME! Kicking off our (early) festive season with @sweet_cherrytime just right. My kids have never tried cherries straight from the farm - but they absolutely loved it from the first bite.

These were a lunchbox hit as a healthy snack (and definitely in my meals too). If it was up to @eugene.kruger, he would be soaking them in rum.



RECIPES

We love it when our fans send us their cherry recipes and moments. Thank you @my_homemade_kitchen_za for always sharing the most elegant delights with us.

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Oh how I adore Cherry Season. And thank goodness it coincides with the festive season so that we can showcase these gorgeous little red jewels in so many delicious ways.

This Black Forest Trifle is definitely not a traditional trifle. It's perfect for those who dislike traditional trifle (like my hubby). This one is made up of fudgy chocolate brownie (instead of cake or Swiss roll), cheesecake mousse (instead of custard) and cherries with cherry coulis (instead of jelly and fruit).

I drizzled my chocolate brownie with some cherry liqueur for an extra cherry boozy element. This step is optional though. Add some toasted flaked almonds and adorn with fresh cherries and some grated chocolate and that's it.

Even though there are multiple steps and elements to this Black Forest Trifle, they are all very simple and don't take much time. Prepare them the day before and assemble on the day of serving to save time. You can also feel free to make individual portions instead of one large dish if you prefer.



SWEET LIONHEART

We collaborated with Sweet LionHeart to offer an adults cake decorating and cherry preserve making workshop on the 4th of December at Makers Landing. There was also a kids cake pop decorating class. Tickets sold out instantly.

CHERRY TIME RECIPE BOOK

We've teamed up with some of our dear friends, including Drizzle and Dip, Lucky Pony, The Food Fox - Ilse van der Merwe, Majorskitchen and more to bring you a free, downloadable recipe book. A collection of wonderful recipes to add to your repertoire and special holiday rituals. Each Recipe uses sublime Cherry Time™ cherries in a way that makes the fruit sing! Please tag us so we can see your Cherry Time™ creations! Visit www.cherrytime.co.za to download the recipe book.



CHOCOLATE CHERRY CHESTNUT TORTE

Follow @aliyasvibrantlife for the full recipe.

This classic French recipe has the most incredible light and fluffy texture, almost like a mousse cake thanks to the use of chestnut puree. My personal addition of the cherry compote just adds the fruity kick it needs to compliment the richness and "adulthood" of this torte.

PICNIC

We love sharing a picnic board with @thesweet-rebellion.

Just like last year, I was invited to visit the @sweet_cherrytime farm in Worcester where we could pick as many cherries as we could fit in our baskets.

While admiring my harvest of juicy plump cherries, I got to thinking how gorgeous they look just as they are. So instead of using them to create a dessert, I decided to showcase them in all their beauty as the centrepiece to a picnic board. I did however create two "side dishes" to enjoy with fresh cherries – a creamy white chocolate cheesecake dip and crisp almond shortbread. When eaten together, the white chocolate, almond and cherry flavours complement each other perfectly. Kind of like a deconstructed white chocolate and cherry cheesecake.

LUCKY PONY

Need something fun to do this holiday?

I was asked by the folk from @sweet_cherrytime if I could perhaps suggest something cool and a little out of the ordinary to do with their cherries in and around my city. So I thought it would be awesome to pack a giant box of them and head on out for a picnic and a geo-hunt, which is exactly what we did. We feasted on cherries, as well as went on two geo hunts in Delta Park. It was amazing!

For those of you who are wondering what the blazers I'm going on about, let me break it down quick - A geo hunt is like a global treasure hunt made up of people looking for caches, or hidden stashes of objects. It's like a series of hide-and-seek games, where you are provided with online clues and coordinates which lead you to little 'treasures' hidden all around your city, in fact all around the world! I mean how cool is that?! It's such a super fun activity to do with kids (and big people) as you have to follow a map and then really have a good look around when you get to X marks the spot.



CHERRY TIME™ AROUND THE WORLD

Since 2014, we've been exporting all around the world.
Tag us if you spot us!



TOP TIP!

Remember you can preserve the shelf life of your cherries by taking the pips out and freezing them in a zip lock bag.
Easy peasy cherry freezy.

AANSTELLINGS & OORPLASINGS



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