

SNAP SHOT

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Matters of Principal

Recently the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change released their long awaited report on the devastating effects of Climate change. It does not make for easy reading; the report paints a dire picture for what lies ahead in the next two decades. Global warming of at least 1.5 degrees Celsius leading to changes in the planet's water cycle resulting in arid areas becoming more prone to drought. Extreme rainfall intensifying by up to 7% for each additional 1 degree of global heating, leading to greater incidence and severity of flooding is also predicted. We are already seeing the increase in intensity of droughts, devastating wildfires, tropical storms and monsoons across the planet. In the report Professor Ilan Kelman from The University College London said, "Climate change will make wet and dry regimes more extreme. Soil moisture will go down and dry spells will go up in already arid regions such as the Mediterranean and Southern Africa. Seasonal rainfall variability is expected to increase, with fewer days of rainfall alongside increased intensity of downpours."

This is a global issue which is going to take an enormous effort from

"What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."
- Dr Jane Goodall, Scientist & Activist

those in power to bring under control, governments are going to have to plan to manage this crisis whilst at the same time working to reduce our impact on the environment. International politicians and law makers carry a huge responsibility but cannot be entirely responsible for working towards minimising environmental destruction. Each one of us can make a difference in our own small way. On campus we are constantly looking to see how we can best reduce our environmental impact. By making small changes, we plan to contribute to solving this catastrophic problem. We live in a beautiful part of the world so need to do everything we can to protect it, let's all be a part of the solution.

Have a good weekend, keep safe.

God Bless.

With reference from the Guardian online.



SHOOTING FOR GOLD

Benno Kotzé took part in an eight-stage shooting competition organised by the Limpopo Province Practical Shooting Association (LPPSA) in Phalaborwa on the 14th August and ended up with a Gold medal in the Interprovincial Handgun Junior Production category. Accuracy, power and speed are recognised as the quintessential elements of this style of shooting. Multiple targets, moving targets, targets that react when hit, penalty targets, or even partially covered targets, obstacles, movement, competitive strategies, and other techniques are all part of the competition to keep the athletes challenged.

Benno says, "The competition consists of several stages and gets scored based on time, accuracy and safety. I participate with a store-bought 9mm pistol without any modifications. Every magazine may only hold 15 rounds and I use 1 - 3 magazines per stage."

Well done on this achievement, Benno.



STANFORD CYCLISTS MAKE THEIR MARK



On Saturday 14th August, the first race of the 2021 School MTB Series took place in Louis Trichardt. The series has been rapidly put together after receiving the green light from Cycling South Africa just the week before. The event was small, as expected, but marked a cornerstone of commitment and love for this sport by organisers, team managers and students. Stanford Lake College had five riders take part. Gordon Noel won the Sub Junior Boys category in spectacular fashion. Kian Noné, Tristan Brett and Finn Straughan finished 5th, 8th and 10th respectively in the Youth Boys category and Herman Fourie won the Junior Men category by almost a full lap. Well done to all the Stanfords. The next event will be taking place on the 4th September at Stanford Lake College and we cannot wait.

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CURTAIN CALL FOR THE GREAT LADY

It is with great sadness that Stanford Lake College announces the deconstruction of its Barnyard Theatre. Despite every best effort, having exhausted all available avenues, the school has been unable to obtain a fire safety certificate for the building, leaving the only option being for it to be taken down. The Barnyard has been a wonderful focal point of the school for the last 20 years and countless plays, showcase evenings, assemblies and valediction services have been held within its wooden walls.

The idea to build a theatre came after Haenertsburg hosted a packed-out Autumn Festival in 1999, which saw the likes of the National Symphony Orchestra perform. At the time, Stanford Lake College (or Stanford College as it was then known) did not have a hall and Howard Blight as the Chairman of the school had the vision of building a multi-purpose hall on the campus. Coincidentally, around this time, he was invited to the opening of the Barnyard Theatre in White River and made acquaintance with a gentleman called Louis Möller, the franchiser of the Barnyard Theatre concept. The following day, Howard and Rudi Schoeman flew Louis to Stanford to discuss the viability of such a project.

The Barnyard Theatre concept was started in 1996 by Louis and Sybil Möller on their dairy farm just outside Plettenberg Bay. Louis and Sybil had both been involved in the performing arts most of their lives, Louis as co-founder and producer of, amongst others, Carte Blanche, and Sybil Coetzee as a freelance actress and TV presenter. The concept was franchised and theatres were built in Mossel Bay and White River, with four planned for Gauteng at the time.

It was agreed that the Barnyard Theatre concept would be ideal to meet the needs of the Haenertsburg community as well as the school and soon pilot performances were held in a makeshift venue at the hangar at Stevens Lumber Mill. The performances, one in December 1999 and one in March 2000, were well supported with the "Full House" sign going up and people being turned away from the March performance.

The grand opening of the 330-seat Barnyard Lakeside Theatre, as it was known, took place in March 2001 with the interim Board of Directors being made up of Louis Möller, Pam Oberholzer, Jeanette Barnard, John Hudson, Rudi Schoeman and Howard Blight.

Many shows were held and famous artists graced the stage such as Bok van Blerk, Dozi, Nianell, Judy Page, Clint & Co., pianist and comedian Ian von Memerty. A big Afrikaans music festival was also held on the property which saw artists such as Valiant Swart, Gert Vlok Nel and Anton Goosen. The Barnyard also hosted shows like Roll Over Beethoven and Rock Around the Clock. In more recent times, Martin Bester performed in 2018 as part of his, "Vir die liefde" tour.



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BLACK & WHITE

The Gr9 photography project is designed to showcase the understanding of the visual language of art. It is important to learn the skill of visual literacy and how elements of art and principles of design can be manipulated to get a message across. They have learnt to apply these skills through the medium of black and white photography. They had to conceptualise their work and base it on their interests and inspirations and figure out how to capture that in one powerful frame, focusing on composition and tonal value through contrast.



STAFF PROFILES



Miss Nicola Verreyne

- 1 What is your role at the school??
Admissions Officer and Assistant Marketer.
- 2 What year did you start working at the school?
2019.
- 3 What type of music are you in to?
Dance / Pop music.
- 4 Tell us something we don't know about you...
I used to surf and made my own wooden surfboard. I also studied Industrial Design and got Cum Laude.
- 5 What's your favourite thing to do in downtime?
Home DIY projects, mountain biking and finding waterfalls.
- 6 Name one thing on your bucket list...
Swim with a whale shark.
- 7 Does pineapple belong on pizza?
Oh, yes please!
- 8 Tea  OR Coffee? 
- 9 iOS OR Android? iOS all the way!
- 10 Melkart OR Malva Pudding? I love cinnamon - so Melkart
- 11 Cups in the cupboard: Right side up  OR upside down? 
- 12 Beach  OR Mountains?  Both.
- 13 Dogs  OR Cats?  Dogs - I've got three fur babies!

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