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"CHECKNET" - BEDRYFSLEIER 2018: JAN LE ROUX

Jan le Roux van die Le Roux-Groep, het vanjaar die O.S.H. Reinecke-trofee as Bedryfsleier van die Jaar ontvang vir sy rol in die sagtevrugtebedryf wat oor 'n tydperk van 30 jaar strek. In dié tyd het hy op verskeie komitees en rade gedien en speel 'n belangrike rol tydens die deregulering van landbou in die laat negentigs. Hy neem ook in 1994 die voortou met sy siening oor swart bemagtiging in die landbou. Lees meer oor Jan [HIER](#).



DECIDUOUS FRUIT GALA EVENING AWARDS 2018

The South African deciduous fruit industry presented its awards for outstanding performance in agriculture at the 43rd annual gala evening on 14 September 2018. Find the press release [HERE](#).

And read more about some of the award winners by clicking on their names: [Sivuyile Panya](#); [Elvis Pieters](#); [Willem Booise](#); [Richard Hurndall](#); [Buks Nel](#).



CARE FOR FUTURE LEADERS

The FWDT (Fruit Workers' Development Trust) aims at improving the quality of the lives of the workers on fruit farms. Vredelust farm, one of the Trust's beneficiaries is situated in Villiersdorp. With the help of the Trust, an aftercare media centre was established for the children of farm workers.

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SHAFFE GOING STRONG

South Africa is the biggest supplier of the Southern Hemisphere Association of Fresh Fruit Exporters (SHAFFE) and exports into Asia; exporting 605 388 tons into the top 14-Asian countries. South Africa represents 32% of the total SHAFFE basket.

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WATER NEWS AND FACT FILE

Western Cape agriculture lost R5.6-billion and 30 000 jobs because of the recent drought. The sector employs 340 000 people and contributes 10% to the provincial GDP. Earlier this month industry groupings called on the government to reveal how much water they are likely to be allocated for the coming season. Find more information as well as a WWF and Greencape water fact file [HERE](#).



HORTGRO RESEARCH SHOWCASE

In an effort to keep growers, researchers, and other industry stakeholders up to date with the latest information from the Hortgro Science research projects, a Showcase was held in Stellenbosch last week. Despite buckets of rain and plummeting temperatures the three-day event was well attended with more than 322 industry role-players enjoying the Showcase that will in future feature regularly on the Hortgro Science calendar. Richard Hurndall and Bibbie Potgieter, pictured here, were there.



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LANGKLOOF SEMINAR AND ORCHARD WALK

This year's Langkloof Seminar and Orchard Walk will take place on Thursday, November 29, 2018. Topics to be discussed include red and green colour development, industry sustainability initiatives, apple scab management, and more. The day will end with an orchard walk. More details and a comprehensive programme will follow soon.

INTERNATIONAL PEAR SYMPOSIUM

The International Pear Symposium, an ideal environment for discussion and exchange of the latest information on pears, will be held in Montevideo, Uruguay from December 4 to 7, 2018. Scientists, researchers, students, technicians, consultants, industry people, nurserymen, growers, and other interested persons will be able to share their knowledge and experience to improve together in the challenging and amazing culture of pears. Learn more here: <https://www.pear2018.uy/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

5 OCT: Stronger Together Workshop, Paarl. Contact [Caroline Poole](#).

17 OCT: Hortfin launch.

29 NOV: Langkloof Seminar and Orchard Walk. Contact [Thea](#).

HORTGRO PUBLICATIONS

[Key Deciduous Fruit Statistics](#)

[Fresh Quarterly September](#)

INDUSTRY-RELATED TRAINING COURSES

Find information about industry-related training on our new web page [HERE](#).

UIT DIE UITVOERENDE HOOF SE PEN

Begrotingstyd

September is jaareinde en tyd om begrotings vir 'n reeks entiteit voor te berei en aan die verskillende rade en direksies voor te hou vir goedkeuring. Die 2018-proses het nie veel afgewyk van vorige jare nie met advieskomitees en werkgroepe wat in detail na prioriteite en behoeftes gekyk het. Die gemoedere was opvallend meer positief as in die vorige 2-3 jaar gegewe die beter water situasie in die meeste produksie-streke.

Die twee belangrikste begrotings was die van Hortgro Pome (kernvrugte) en Hortgro Stone (steenvrugte) waar die twee rade uitgawe begrotings van onderskeidelik R59,7 miljoen en R33,5 miljoen goedgekeur het. Dit is 'n klomp geld en 'n groot verantwoordelikheid om die bedrywe se fondse so doeltreffend as moontlik aan te wend. Dit bly dus ons hoogste prioriteit om hierdie begroting binne gesonde oorsigbeginsels (*governance*), deursigtigheid, verantwoordelikheid en met koste-effektiewe aanwending, uit te voer. Beide vrugte is grootliks in 'n gelykbreek situasie.

This is the last year of the current four year levy cycle which is based on the ten operational programmes as encapsulated within the Hortgro strategic framework. The budgets are aligned with the levy utilisation guidelines of the NAMC with production related activities (research, technical services, plant improvement, and independent evaluation) at 42%, trade, and market-related activities at 30% and transformation (economic development and training) at 21% the three biggest items. Administration and financial services at 5,2% remain well below the maximum of 10% allowed by the NAMC.

Any member wishing to obtain a copy of the detailed budget is welcome to contact the Hortgro office.

Die proses om voor te berei vir 'n nuwe heffingsiklus het reeds begin. Inligting in die verband sal in die komende weke aan produsente deurgegee word met die oog op 'n referendum om produsente steun te kwantifiseer gedurende die tweede helfte van November.

Anton Rabe

"Don't tell me what you value, show me your budget, and I'll tell you what you value." - Joe Biden

"Doing a budget means learning an ancient and powerful word: NO." - Dave Ramsey



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