From the Editor’s desk

We’ve put together a bumper edition this quarter – taking into account all four Parks’ Mandela Day activities in July, which leads me to safely be able to say thank you to all of our staff who participated in the day’s events by assisting those more fortunate than themselves. Have a read on pg 8 – 10.

The last three months have been busy – with Earth, World Environment and Take a Girl Child to Work Days events featuring strongly throughout the Parks. Keeping with SANParks’ vision of “Connecting to Society”, the work of our Parks don’t stop at our boundaries. This is evident in the amount of interaction staff have had with neighbouring communities – such as Addo Elephant’s input into the career expo in Kirkwood, participation in the 12th annual Kirkwood Wildsfees, Holiday Clubs in the town of Addo, Camdeboo National Park’s wellness events.

Next on the horizon is SA National Parks Week from 9 – 13 September, with free entry for South African citizens to most of our Parks (definitely all four in this region). Keep an eye out in the media about possible extensions to these for the weekend thereafter.

Happy reading!

Fayroush Ludick
Regional Communications Manager

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Regional

Farewell from the Frontier

It was a sad day when Regional Manager, Lucius Moolman, officially parted ways with the Frontier Region at the end of July. He’s been a major part of our lives for more than a decade, first as Addo’s Park Manager, before “graduating” to oversee the region.

I equate his move to the Arid Region with a mommy bird teaching her young how to fly. Once they’ve mastered the art, she lets go and allows them to fly on their own. Lucius has had a successful career here, and he’s created an amazing legacy in the four parks he leaves behind. It is now up to each of us to carry on this legacy and soar!

We wish you nothing but the best in your move to Upington, Lucius. Go ahead and show the other little birds how to fly, like you do best!

Interesting Indaba

After only hearing about the Tourism Indaba in Durban for years, it was a real eye opener to attend the event for the first time this year.

The week-long travel trade show showcased South Africa’s tourism industry in its entirety from accommodation venues to tourism hot-spots, and the latest travel products on the market.

I understand now why it’s called “the largest tourism marketing event on the African calendar.” Thousands of delegates streamed through the hallways over the course of the event, representing a multitude of countries judging by their accents and different languages.

SANParks hosted its own Speed Marketing session to tour operators, in which all the region’s Marketing Officers got to showcase their parks to the attendees. Our very own Maleshni Pather did the region proud, with her passion and exuberance for the product truly shining through.

Now that both Maleshni and I have a greater understanding of Indaba, next year promises to be even better and bigger when it comes to selling our Parks to the buyers.
We will understand only what we are taught."

"Siyaya - Come Wild With Us" is a 26 part documentary series project implemented by the People and Conservation department at SANParks and is being produced by Francois Odendaal Productions.

At its core, the series aims to educate and connect the youth of South Africa with nature and our national Parks. The series unravels the mysteries of the natural world and imparts a sense of wonder and a deep love for nature in the audience, leaving them fully convinced that the national Parks need to be preserved for future generations.

In each episode local participants who live around Addo Elephant National Park are captured traveling with Oompie in the zebra bus, into a world of beauty and adventure. An ecologist in real life, Oompie plays the role of a facilitator in the series who leads the youth into the world of nature in a hands-on way, instilling confidence in the youth who overcome boundaries, both within themselves and in the natural world.

The four youths who participated in the series are from Addo where they attend Addo Primary. They were Franco King, Emily Gouws, Lizelle Jasson and Khanyiso Plaatjies.

Siyaya truly is entertaining viewing for the whole family which is infused with elements of reality, adventure and wildlife genres. The youth participants are not mere voyeurs sitting in a car pointing at animals and plants; they are explorers with extraordinary access to our Parks who are ready to relay their experience to the youth at large through the television series.

Under the watchful eyes of rangers, they are able to unearth the hidden wonders of our Parks and share them with the viewers at home, fostering a keen desire to connect with the environment. During filming, the youth participants are not only taught about the environment and the Parks, they are also treated to game drives, hiking, camping, swimming and any other types of fun-filled activities that are offered by the Park. The film team also covered other activities such as game capture and collaring operations.

The People and Conservation officers have proven to be an invaluable resource. They were the link between the film team and SANParks as they were responsible for organising the local youth participants and assisting with the co-ordination of the filming in the Parks.

The aim of the series is ultimately to get the youth of the nation to care for, love and protect nature. Our belief is that if the audience at home see their peers, ordinary kids from around the country falling in love with nature, then they will too. The words of Baba Dioum, can perhaps sum up the series philosophy best:

"In the end we will conserve only what we love. We will love only what we understand. We will understand only what we are taught."

There was lots of interest in the SANParks stand at the Wildsfees

Holiday Club at Samkelwe High

By Lonwabo Danster

Addo’s Working for Water/BSP team was invited to participate in a Holiday Club hosted by the Thembalethu AIDS and Edu Trust during the June school holidays. Thembalethu operates in the Sundays River Valley and does a lot of work with Samkelwe High School in Nomathamsanqa. The Holiday Clubs, which are funded by Working for Water, takes place twice a year.

Working for Water had an opportunity to give a short presentation on land pollution to a group of 60 learners on the third and final day. The children were then divided into groups, they discussed the topic and afterwards each group leader gave their own presentation on the topic. The three winning teams with the best presentations won a visit to the Park for a guided game drive, radio’s and key holders.

The team that helped restore water to Addo was made up of Hendrik Jonker (Technical officer), Anthony Jansen (Handyman), Llewellyn Meek (Technical manager) and Simphiwe Ndiningana (Assistant).

Wildsfees 2013

By Maleshni Pather

The 12th Aba Kirkwood Wildsfees, themed a “Festival of firsts” took place at the end of June. This year, organisers reported that a total of 51 000 people of all ages entered through the festival gates over the three days. Here they got to enjoy the community-owned festival, featuring some of SA’s top artists, a wine and gourmet lifestyle tent, a safe kids square, snow world and much, much more.

Addo Elephant National Park, as one of the event’s main sponsors, couldn’t be missed in the “A Walk on the Wild Side” tent. Along with a few conservation students, Working for Water, Working for the Coast and Joan Young, the “bug lady”, we promoted the four Frontier Parks to all and sundry. Visitor numbers were good the Friday and Sunday, while the grounds were filled to capacity with festival-goers on the Saturday.

Thank you to all who assisted in making our presence a success. By all accounts, it seems as if this year’s Wildsfees was one of the best so far, and we’re now looking forward to an ever greater one in 2014!

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The youngsters enjoyed the opportunity of a lifetime while filming Siyaya!
Setting of the long lines.

Harvesting Pilot Project

Addo Elephant National Park

Better the quality and taste of the fish. Purged in fresh water for 24 to 72 hours. The longer the fish are purged, the better the quality and taste of the fish.

An Assessment of the Fishery Potential for Alien Species on Darlington Dam conducted in Addo Elephant National Park (AENP) by the Rhodes University's Ichthyology Department provided an idea for just such a project.

After going over the report in detail, it was clear that BSP - Frontier Cluster had the capacity to establish a pilot project aimed at raising the viability and assisting with the long lines. Setting a small-scale sustainable fishery aimed at benefiting local communities bordering the Darlington Dam section of the AENP. The Natural Resources Management (NRM) programme was approached with a concept document listing the objectives of the Pilot Alien Harvesting project hoped to achieve. NRM agreed to fund the project for a three-year cycle.

The basic objectives of the pilot project are as follows:

- Pilot a small-scale financially sustainable fishery, extracting alien fish;
- Develop beneficiaries/contractors involved in the project;
- Improve biodiversity by population reduction of alien fish and
- Potentially hand over the project as a running concern to the surrounding community to take forward as a going concern after the pilot phase.

BSP and SANParks are working very closely with the Ikhwezi Municipality and other important stakeholders to make the project a success. The project is divided into three phases, namely:

Phase 1: 2012/13 – December – March
Appointment of management staff, appointment of four beneficiaries and one contractor, purchase of assets and equipment, training of soft skills.

Phase 2: 2013/14 – April – March
Establishment of steering and technical committee, implementation and harvesting, distribution, marketing, sale of fish, monitoring and evaluation and setting up a business enterprise.

Phase 3: 2014/15 – April – March
Continuation of implementation and monitoring, identification of a desired community beneficiary group, potential handover to the community, continued guidance and support from BSP/SANParks.

The project is implemented in the Darlington Dam area which is situated in the north western section of the AENP. The pilot project is now fully operational and Sharpooth trout (commonly known as barbel), an alien species, is being harvested from the Darlington Dam. This species is a threat to indigenous fish and is a very aggressive predator in the freshwater food chain. Harvested fish can provide a valuable source of affordable protein to impoverished local communities.

A contractor and five beneficiaries from the local Waterford community were appointed and received training in swimming, safety/hygiene and the process of harvesting fish. The contractor and team cuts, fillets and vacuum packs the fish. The fish is then sold to the communities and small surrounding towns as a high nutrient food source.

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The Park Forum would like to extend their thanks to the following for their support:

- Lower Sundays River Water Users Association for the contribution of R3 000 towards transport costs.
- San Miguel Fruits for the oranges.
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The Zapp family have been travelling the world in their 1928 Detroit-made Graham Paige car; paid a whistle-stop visit to Addo Elephant National Park in April. They’ve been on the road for over a decade, visiting 44 countries and welcoming four children along the way.

Parents Herman and Candelaria educate their offspring themselves. Each of the children were born in different countries: Pampa in the United States, Tehue in Argentina, Paloma in Canada and Wallaby in Australia.

The idea for their adventure started when Herman and Candelaria decided they wanted to travel the world before having children, but as their journey extended to different countries, they decided to give their travelling party along the way.

Their journey has seen them meet over 2 500 families, all of whom welcomed them into their homes with open arms, as they were by the AENP family. The family’s trip to Addo was nowhere long enough, and the family promised to be back soon.
**Camdeboo Wellness Events**

It was a memorable day at the Vuyani Safe Haven in Graaff-Reinet when staff from Camdeboo National Park paid them a special visit. Hospice assisted by inviting disadvantaged children from the town who needed clothing.

Vuyani is a child and youth centre for children in need of care - from babies to 18-year-olds. Many of the Park’s staff members donated children’s clothing which they no longer needed but which was still in good condition

Camdeboo office staff and one of the Park’s Working for Water teams went along on the day. Soup, bread, oranges and gift packs were given to the children. Women from one of the Working for Water teams made the soup. The items of clothing were then handed over to Vuyani and Hospice.

At another event in June, staff children between the ages of two and six were treated to fun-filled day in the Park and at the Environmental Education Centre – as many of them had never been in the Park before.

The People and Conservation department told them about the different animals found in the Park, told them stories from nature, played games with them and then went for a walk in the veld. Thereafter the children had to make something from clay which was inspired by their walk. They were each given lunch, some snacks and a gift bag containing a water bottle, t-shirt and sweets. Both these events were Wellness events for the Park.

**Earth Day Celebrations**

Camdeboo National Park spearheaded Earth Day activities in the town in April – encouraging environmental action in the area. This was the first time the Park joined in this international initiative by hosting its first ever border clean-up.

The previous week Park’s management and staff called upon volunteers to join them in a campaign to clean up the borders of the Park, as well as their immediate surroundings, in an effort to create a cleaner and greener Graaff-Reinet, where littering has been identified as a major problem.

Millions of people across the world participate in Earth Day activities annually in an attempt to address issues such as global warming, toxic waste, destruction of rainforests, expanding deserts and ocean pollution.

Three schools, namely Kroonvale Primary, Lingcom Primary and Union High school offered their assistance and participated in the Park’s programme. Approximately 750 learners participated in the event.

The Camdeboo Municipality sponsored black bags for the clean-up and removed them afterwards. Heaps of filled black bags were spotted throughout the town at the end of the day – an indication of the extent of pollution in the scenic Karoo town.

Camdeboo National Park would like to thank all the volunteers who participated in the day’s activities.

**Camdeboo National Park celebrates World Environment Day**

Camdeboo’s People and Conservation Department had a busy programme on World Environment Day at the beginning of June.

They visited a total of nearly 200 Grade 6 learners at Lingcom and Kroonvale Primary Schools. Senior P&C Officer, Rosemary Scheepers, started out with an introductory presentation about World Environment Day and took them through the reasons the Day is celebrated. P&C Assistant, Sade Cowley, then gave the learners a visual presentation on ecology, food chains and how everything works together and needs each other, through the use of the ecological pyramid.

The school visits culminated in the learners giving ideas on what they can do to reduce their ecological footprint on the environment. Lastly our staff challenged them to spread the message to the rest of their schools and at home.

Additionally the Park staff exhibited a display at the local Graaff-Reinet library on the different biomes in South Africa.

**Hosting the female leaders of tomorrow**

Camdeboo National Park hosted nine girls from three high schools in the town to participate in its “Take a girl child to work” event in June. The Grade 11 learners spent the day in the Park learning about careers within SANParks.

This year marked the 11th year of Cell C’s Take a Girl Child to Work Day annual campaign, under the theme “empower a girl, empower a nation”. The day is targeted at Grade 10 to 12 learners, giving them the opportunity to visit a place of work and to experience first-hand, the “world of work” and various career opportunities available in industry and within the public service sectors.

The girls, from Union High, Hoër Volkskool and Nqweba Secondary School, started off their day with a short talk by the Park’s different department heads on what their duties are, what jobs can be found within their respective departments and what requirements are needed in those positions.

Thereafter they were taken out into the 19 000 hectare Park to experience it first-hand. This included a visit to the Nqweba camp site, Likeview tented camp, game viewing area and the world-famous Valley of Desolation, before returning back to their schools.
Karoo National Park

Karoo’s BSP cleans up Beaufort West
By Robert Daley
(Nature conservation student currently enrolled at NMMU Saasveld) and Armond Nel (Volunteer), who ran the project

Biodiversity and Social Projects (BSP) was an initiative put in place to benefit the environment and local disadvantaged communities through job creation and erosion and alien vegetation control. BSP benefits local communities by providing jobs to people in the community who would otherwise not have work.

Karoo National Park’s BSP, for example, is responsible for 66 jobs created within the Park. BSP benefits the local environment in areas like national parks by assisting the Parks with erosion control projects (Working on Land) or alien vegetation removal and control through Working for Water (WFW).

Four contract teams participated in a cleanup operation around Beaufort West during National Environment Week between 10 and 13 June. The teams who participated work on erosion rehabilitation sites in Karoo National Park. Together with workers from the “Kom Werk” Project from Badisa, the group tried to make a difference by selecting sites in town that were badly affected by litter and return it to its original state.

The areas that were chosen were at the dam of Beaufort West, from the back of the Nuveld Restaurant to the hospital, Hillside II, Prince Valley, as well as play parks in KwaMandelekosi and Rustdene. The local municipality supplied the teams with tongs and black plastic bags.

Altogether 400 bags filled with litter were loaded onto bakkies and a truck and disposed of at the dumping site just outside of town. The week’s activities would not have been possible without the Park’s BSP, People and Conservation Department, Beaufort West Municipality and the “Kom Werk” Project.

The Park’s People and Conservation officer, Jan Jacobs, also visited local farm schools during National Environment Week, where he gave learners a presentation on the week’s theme: Think. Eat. Save, and to demonstrate afterwards, handed out food leftovers of the Kids in Parks programme to the learners.

An update on Brandy the ostrich
Karoo’s Brandy the ostrich (the chicken wannabe), has grown up nicely over the past few months.

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Let it snow
Karoo National Park received its first snow of the year overnight on 1 June, and again a week later on 8 June — in the area of the Park known as Puttervslei, on the Nuweveld Mountains.

Park Manager, Nico van der Walt, says it was not as heavy as last year’s snow, though. “Last year we had snow twice - once in July and again in September. That snowfall was much heavier, and came down as low as the area known as the middle plateau.”

Snow used to occur in the town of Beaufort West regularly years ago. However, after a long absence, the locals got some on their doorsteps for the first time last year since 1984.

Pedal power
Two youngsters from Karoo National Park decided to “go green” for World Environment Month in June – they swapped their cars for bicycles.

Volunteer Armond Nel and student Robert Daley used scrap metal to attach plastic crates as carriers on their bicycles. They used the bicycles at least once a week to do shopping and other town activities – a 26 kilometre round trip from the Park to town and back.

They used the crates to carry anything from groceries to firewood bought in town. The “park signs” on the back of the bicycles are original antique Karoo National Park signs which were kindly donated by the Park.

They said the reason behind their initiative was two-fold: to encourage other people to use their imagination to reduce their carbon footprint, and to increase their fitness at the same time.

“The students came up with the idea themselves and I am a believer that good ideas should be supported and rewarded,” said Park Manager, Nico van der Walt.

“We have four conservation students in the Park, two of whom do their practical training voluntarily, which emphasises the determination and dedication of this young group. Their attitude is highly positive and they add so much value to Karoo National Park,” van der Walt concluded.

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Calling Mountain Zebra home

The first three free-roaming lion introduced in the Cradock area in over 100 years are still getting to grips with their new surroundings in Mountain Zebra National Park. Lion often explore the extent of the Park soon after release before establishing themselves in the areas where they have the most success hunting.

The lone lioness was sourced from Karoo National Park outside Beaufort West, while the two males were brought in from Welgevonden Game Reserve in Limpopo.

They’ve been busy moving throughout the Park since their introduction in April, and visitors have had numerous sighting of them ever since – from right near the entrance gate, to the dam at the Doornhoek Guest House, up on Rooiplaat and near the picnic sites. They’ve also been busy eating up a storm – having caught buffalo, gemsbok, eland, kudu, mountain zebra, black wildebeest, hartebeest and bushpig – a varied diet, true to their opportunistic predator nature.

Mountain Zebra hosts “Take a Girl Child to Work Day”

Twenty-six girls and three teachers from Cradock were hosted in Mountain Zebra under Cell C’s “Take a Girl Child to Work Day” programme in June.

The main objective of the day was to expose the girls to the different professional opportunities which exist in industry which they may otherwise not have been given access to or have been aware of.

The learners, from Mathew Goniwe and Michausdal High Schools, spent a productive day in the Park, with their Cell C-branded drawstrings bags and note books and pens never far off for note-taking purposes. After an educational talk themed “Empower a Girl. Empower a nation.” the girls got to do some job shadowing in the Park’s different departments, such as Human Resources and Administration, Conservation, Tourism, People and Conservation and Working for Water.

The programme included a motivational talk by Park Manager, Megan Taplin, who told the girls she hoped the day opened their eyes to the varied careers that are on offer in a national park, especially conservation and tourism. She then awarded each of the girls with a certificate of participation, and the day’s programme concluded with a game drive during which time the girls could explore the Park’s flora and fauna.

World Environment Day activities

Mountain Zebra National Park, in conjunction with the Inxuba Yethemba Municipality, celebrated World Environment Day at the Ncaca Primary School in Cradock during June. The day’s theme was “Think.Eat.Save” and the objective was to educate dozens of learners about the importance of the day.

The Park’s People and Conservation Officer, Mxolisi Fulumente, and the municipality’s Community Development Officer, Zonwabele Matseke, emphasised to the learners that the day is about celebrating achievements made towards protecting the environment and about reminding ourselves and others of the importance of caring for our environment.

During the presentation learners were asked to make a sentence around the theme Think.Eat.Save. With the help of their teachers they came up with “Think before you Eat and help Save our Environment”. The day’s programme ended with a clean-up in and around the school’s premises.

Ncaca Primary School principal, Alfie Blume and Mountain Zebra National Park’s People and Conservation Officer, Mxolisi Fulumente, with some of the school’s learners on World Environment Day.
Addo staff go all out to celebrate Mandela Day

Addo Elephant National Park staff were hard at work in and around the Park, doing their bit for Mandela Day.

The Park’s flagship project was renovating the home of a 73-year-old great-grandmother, who has a granddaughter and three great-grandchildren living with her. Known to the Park’s staff as “Ouma” or Mam’Tshawe, Jeanette Lindiwe Makaza was at first hesitant to give away her age, only divulging that she was “a few years younger than Madiba”.

Ouma and her family, her 27-year-old granddaughter and the youngsters, aged six and eight years and eight months old, live on the border of the Park just before one turns off the R333 to enter the Main Camp. Her father used to work for the Park, and she’s lived there all her life.

The preparation work started the day before, with a Park contractor coming on board to assist. Park contractors also came on board to assist. Boarded up windows were replaced with new windows sponsored by PG Glass in Uitenhage. Cracked walls inside and out were plastered and given a fresh coat of paint, with paint brushes supplied by Uitenhage Sawmills. Faulty taps and pipes were replaced in the kitchen and shelves were installed in the two bedrooms. Bushes surrounding the home were removed, new fencing was erected and the administration staff washed the cupboards and all the contents of the kitchen. Zenobia Trading donated cleaning materials, and the most generous sponsorship was that of a double bed and two three-quarter beds for the family by Vitafoam.

Asked what she thought of the hordes of people in and around her home, Ouma simply said, “It makes my heart very, very happy. I’m so grateful.”

While all of this was happening, Mam’Tshawe and her family were treated to lunch courtesy of the Park Restaurant, and then hosted to a game drive. She was beaming as she returned to her home afterwards, which had already undergone an amazing transformation since she’d left. “It was my first time on one of these trucks,” she said. “I saw lots and lots of elephants, but no lion,” she chuckled. She also couldn’t stop thanking everyone working on her home, even though there was still much to be done at the time.

The Park’s tourism staff collected money amongst themselves and bought groceries for the family. Bedding and curtains not used in the Park’s accommodation units were donated, while some staff members donated of their own items of clothing and bedding.

Other projects happening in and around the Park included:

- Admin took the time to clean-up of the staff village. The black bags filled with the litter collected was recycled.
- People and Conservation assisted the St Reginalds Primary School outside Kirkwood to start up a veggie garden. Jonas contractors and a few volunteers from the Conservation Department also assisted. The team also assisted Addo Primary with their 67 minutes by cleaning the Sonstraal kleuterskool’s garden.
- The Biodiversity and Social Projects team visited a crèche in Valencia and conducted some much-needed renovating, such as painting the inside and the outside of the building and replacing broken windows.
- Out in Woody Cape, staff spent their Mandela Day at the Shenstone Farm School, where they cleaned up the playground and conducted general maintenance around the school yard. The students and a ranger also went to Alexandria High School and gave them a presentation on Careers in Conservation, with the theme “Mandela was all about change”, pointing out that our environment needs change in order to survive for future generations.

Addo Elephant National Park’s management would like to thank all their partners who participated through their generous donations, as well as their staff who gave up of their time to assist the less fortunate.
Members of one of the BSP teams visited an old age home and washed their windows while there.

Karoo National Park’s Mandela Day activities
Karoo staff and contractors had a busy Mandela Day in Beaufort West. They cleaned up the terrain of the new school, Beaufort-West Primary, visited two old age homes in the town and fenced a soup kitchen.

The soup kitchen, in the suburb of Toekomsrus, is run by two women and feeds impoverished children in the area. Because the container they work from was not fenced, it is prone to burglaries and theft. As such, Karoo National Park donated the material, and one of the BSP contractors did the fencing.

Contractor, Neville Beukes and his team fencing the soup kitchen.

The soup kitchen’s Shaida Barends and Sannie Duimpies and Karoo’s Esna van Zyl and Pieter van Staden.

The finished product – the soup kitchen safely tucked away behind the new fencing.

Contractor, Neville Beukes and his team fencing the soup kitchen.
Mountain Zebra Staff give more than their 67 minutes worth
By Mxolisi Fulimente

Staff at Mountain Zebra National Park and its BSP staff went all out on Mandela Day to heed the call to help change their surroundings for the better – working on three projects during the course of the day.

Their first stop was the Lukhanyo Adult Centre, where staff assisted in their vegetable garden by planting vegetables such as spinach, cabbage and beetroot. Lukhanyo Adult Centre was established in 2006 with the purpose of providing skills to the disabled.

Ncaca Primary School was also assisted on the day. There staff provided assistance in the form of manpower to plant trees and paint one of their classrooms.

The third stop of the day was at Michausdal Primary School where MZNPS helped the school in terms of pruning the paper trees which were blocking the views.

All three institutions were elated by the assistance rendered to them by our staff.