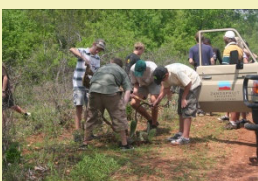
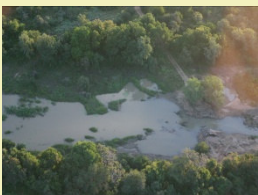


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**ZANDSPRUIT NEWSLETTER****DFA Final Report and The Way Forward**

It was with great confidence that we appeared before our 4th DFA hearing on the 4th of March. Confidence? Yes, we had now crossed all the T's and dotted all the I's. The actual granting of the rights took less than 20 minutes, this after 3 years of planning and hard work. You can just imagine the emotion once it was all over. We had a huge celebration with about 40 people, which included the Mayor of Maruleng, the Speaker of the House, the Chairman and members of the Community Property Association (Claimants), the Town Planner, the Technical Manager, Tribunal members, Consultants and a few close friends. Zandspruit received good local media coverage of the above events.

**Green light for Zandspruit**

Kruger 2 Canyon Newspaper

The next day though, it was back to work as now we believe the real work starts. The Electrical and Civil engineers have been appointed and are soon to start with the final designs of the infrastructure.

Quotes have been requested from Land Surveyors to peg out the entire phase 1 (Bush & Aero Estate and retail sites) and the team at Origin Town Planners have already secured the "rooi nommers".

These are numbers that are allocated by the Surveyor General's office to Hoedspruit extension 12 (as the Bush & Aero Estate will be officially named). We also have the numbers for Hoedspruit ext 10, which are all the town stands. These numbers have been placed on our final approved Site Development Plan (SDP) and will be known as Revision Z – Z for Zandspruit! We have also appointed a professional model maker that will make a 1:2500 full colour, contoured model of the entire farm. This will assist the sales team in explaining all the different sections of the complete Zandspruit development and give a clear picture of the layout.



Our time frame for the installation of services in Phase 1 is aimed at the third quarter of this year, with transfers being possible shortly thereafter in the last quarter of this year. For those of you keen to start building, this will be possible from about the middle of the year, so start getting those plans drawn!

The recommended Architects (they are also the Estate Architects) are Fortsch and Associates. Reiner can be contacted on 082 852 7973 or Barry on 083 267 8330. Their Nelspruit office number is 013 752 2583, appointments can be made with them in their Nelspruit office or in Hoedspruit at the Zandspruit offices.



Zandspruit Construction is Born

During the first half of 2008, Martin decided to shut down Property Projects at the end of February 2009, this after almost 20 years in the construction business. Property Projects had a rather emotional closure on the 28 February, but naturally this led to new opportunities. Gerrit Jan decided that Zandspruit should also enter into the construction business and a deal was struck between the three directors to take over all assets in the form of vehicles and equipment from Property Projects. And so Zandspruit Construction was born and building will continue in the same vain as Property Projects; high quality at competitive prices.

We are able to offer a complete package. Should a clients wish, they can visit us at The Rijshuys and;

- Buy a property from the Sales Division,
- Have Finance arranged on the spot,
- Have a house designed by our appointed Architects,
- Appoint an Engineer to oversee the project (also in our offices),
- Have the Construction done.
- Have the Interior Decorating done.

For international clients we offer tax and legal services as well.

Of course, one need not use all our services, however, it does provide a complete package and peace of mind.



ZANDSPRUIT OFFICES
THE RIJSHUYS



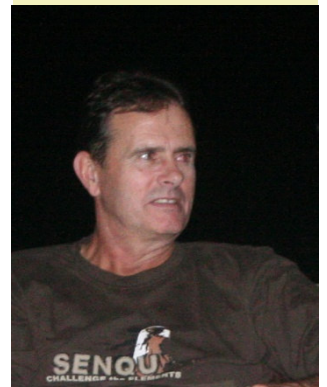
New Staff

With the continuation of the construction activities of Property Projects under the Zandspruit flag we would like to welcome our new staff; Ernest Craig as superintendant of construction sites and Tania Erasmus who is responsible for the bookkeeping.

Ernest and Tania have been with Martin at Property Projects for a number of years and we are confident that they will feel right at home with us here at Zandspruit.

Cherilynn Gates joined us last year in December and will be responsible for the Zandspruit reception and the booking of the Bush Camp, as well as assist Tracy in sales.

Welcome to you all and may your stay with us be a long and happy one.



Ernest Craig



Cherilynn Gates



Tania Erasmus



Sales and Marketing News

Local Marketing

With the finalisation of our rights it is full steam ahead for the sales and marketing departments of Zandspruit Estates.

We have always felt strongly about a personalised sales approach, especially where the Bush and Aero Estate is concerned.

Zandspruit Bush and Aero Estate sales will be handled in-house, with Martin, Gerrit Jan and Tracy at the head and ably assisted by Cherilynn and Mike Cowden.



We are extending FLY-IN invitations to 12 different flying clubs throughout South Africa, as a first line approach. We are offering day visit packages as well as an overnight package. These prospective Zandspruiters will be accommodated in the charming bush camp that is fast becoming a firm favourite all round. Please contact us should you have anyone who you wish us to invite, to view Zandspruit up close and personal.

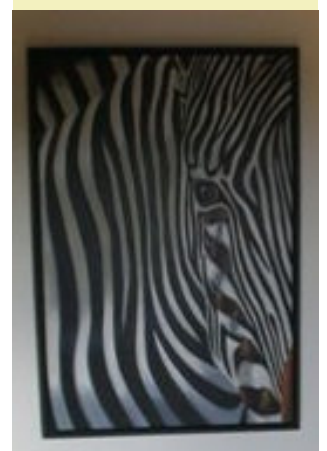
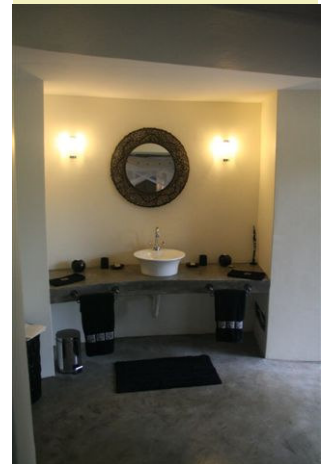
Zandspruit Town will be marketed in collaboration with the local estate agents in Hoedspruit (and beyond). Tracy and Cherilynn will be extending invitations for information sessions on the Ridge, Manor, Valley and Trading properties to these agents throughout April. Thus ensuring that all persons who market and sell Zandspruit, are well informed about all aspects of our diverse development.

Overseas Marketing

Now we have our rights for development in place it is not only full steam ahead for the sales and marketing of Zandspruit Estates in South Africa but we will pay a lot of attention to the overseas markets and Holland in particular.

During the past year there has been considerable interest in the Bush & Aero Estate stands already and our aim is to extend this interest. Last year we welcomed Peter and Marijke Oldhof from The Netherlands, as we reported in our last newsletter. In the near future we hope to welcome a lot more 'Dutchies' to Zandspruit!

For the Dutch market our main focus will be on the sale of complete packages: stand, design, construction, interior decorating and all other requirements clients may have. We believe that Zandspruit sells itself. Our Dutch clients are offered a 9 day travel package, that includes trips to the Kruger Park and various other attractions in and around Hoedspruit. In the end Hoedspruit is a very special place. Nature, space, blue skies and friendly people will appeal to a lot of people, especially when you are used to traffic jams, cold weather and a lot of rain! We at Zandspruit offer not just a stand or a house, we offer a better way of living!





Farm Management

Rainfall

We have 3 rain gauges on the property; each recorded in excess of 800 mm during the period October 2008 - March 2009. More than double recorded this time last year.

Vegetation

Due to the amount of rain the bush has recovered considerably. Where there was initially just sandy soil, there is now almost impenetrable bush, making the finding of estate sights, more difficult.

There has been an increase in flower species as well as pioneer grasses and herbs. This is of great assistance in the recovery of eroded areas and the environment as a whole.

The eradication of various alien



plants has been an ongoing concern. With the help of Southern Cross Schools College Students, we have been able to remove large numbers of prickly pear and sisal plants. This has been tackled as an ongoing school project.

Animals

A pack of 9 Wild dogs have been sighted on Zandspruit several times in the last couple of months. They have been moving between Welverdiend, Raptors View and Zandspruit.

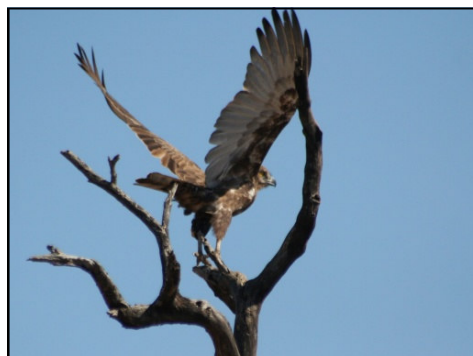
The general health of all animals has improved considerably.

Babies of most animal species



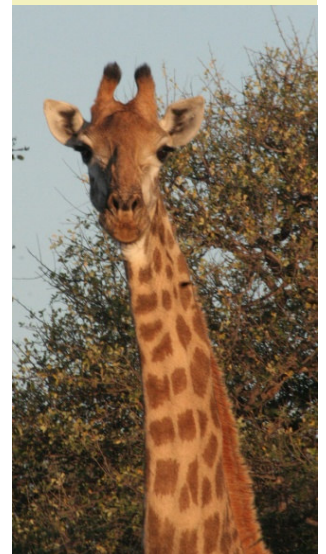
have been sighted, excluding giraffe and waterbuck.

As we did last year, we will be controlling the increased animal numbers through game capture and culling.

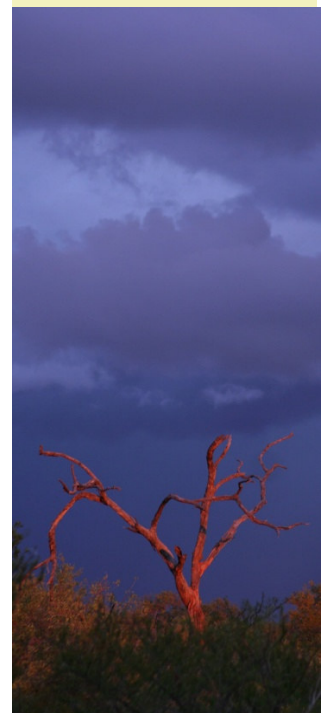


Sandspruit River & Dams

The Sandspruit River has been flowing for the last 3 months. This has changed the look of the river with big sandbanks where there used to be holes due to excavation projects under previous ownership.



Giraffe



A Storm Brewing



During this season we have been involved in stocking the dams and river with indigenous tilapia/bream. This has attracted a wide variety of fish eating birds, such as Pied and Giant Kingfishers, Cormorants and Herons. With the river flowing, different species of fish are abundant in all deep pools throughout the river. Good sightings of Fish Eagles are becoming more common.



Sandspruit River

Road and Erosion Control

Most roads have survived this year's rainfall. Minor work will be completed as soon as the roads dry up. All river crossing were badly damaged and have been repaired for 4x4 vehicle crossings only.

These will be repaired properly when the river stops flowing. The main crossing to the island will be worked on later in the year due to the amount of water currently present at the crossing. We can still cross onto the island on the fence line road.

Spillways from the dams were put under a lot of pressure during the heavy rains. Repairs to these will happen once the rainy season is over.

Things of interest

The Bush Camp has become home to a large number of Impala and Wildebeest, who are enjoying the short grass around the camp.



Flooding at the Bush Camp

A good sighting of a 2.5 m Python was seen at the Lodge sight last month.

A very rare Grey Hooded King Fisher has been seen on a number of occasions on the road to the Bush Camp.

Hyena activity seems to be on the increase. Hyena calls can be heard most nights and their middens have been seen at a couple of road intersections. These are very good signs of them establishing territories in the area.



Pied Kingfisher

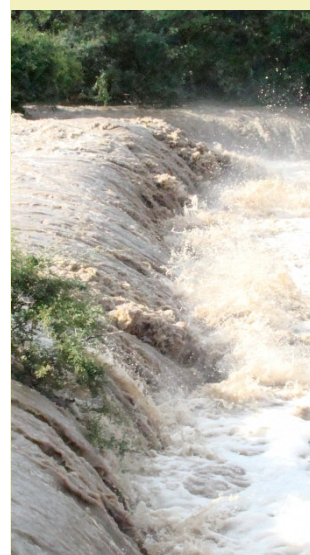
Zandspruit plays co-host to Mountain Bike Race

On the 25 April, Southern Cross Schools has organised a cycle race during the Sustainable Living Festival which will use both Raptors View Wildlife Estate and Zandspruit Estate for a 20KM or 40KM race.

If you are interested in cycling, please contact Francois Swanepoel on 083 430 9451, or Alastair Brooke on 084 469 4751.

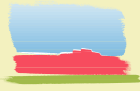


Woodland Kingfisher



The old dam wall below
The Bush Camp





Events

Investor's Braai

Saturday 7 March saw a few investors join the Zandspruit Directors and a number of staff for a celebratory braai held down at the newly renovated Bush Camp.

It was unfortunate that many were unable to attend as a result of the short notice, however, plans could only be put in place after the successful DFA outcome.

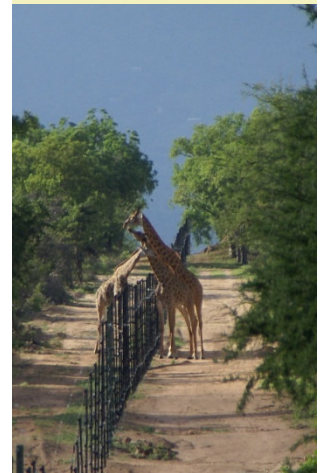
Martin, on behalf of the directors, thanked everyone for attending and for having faith in the Zandspruit concept.

Sustainable Living Festival

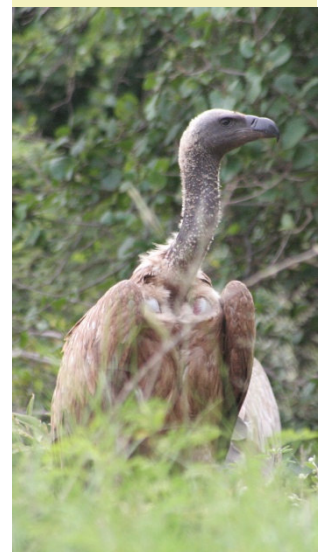
As many of you are probably aware, Southern Cross Schools will be hosting the second sustainable living festival from the 4–26 April.

This festival attracts a lot of local and foreign interest and because we are a sustainable development we will be present with a stand to present ourselves to the public.

We hope we can welcome you there!



**Zandspruit & Raptor's
Giraffe making
acquaintances**



White Backed Vulture



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Wild Dogs



**Farm Manager
Michael Cowden
with a 3.5m
Python.**



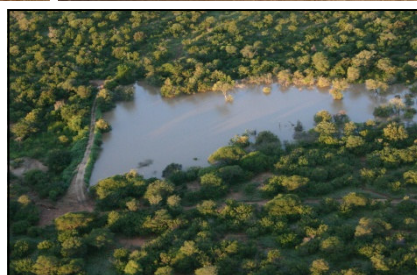
Kudu



**African
Fish Eagle**



Pied Kingfisher



Baby Impalas



Should anyone wish to visit the farm and or Bush Camp, look at their stands or to take a drive through the Wilderness area, please contact us.

Best regards to all,
Martin (082 449 8895)
Tracy (083 977 9678)
Gerrit Jan (072 915 3050)

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