



NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2023

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BEAUTIFUL BATHURST

The Centre of the Universe

Local folk in the tiny hamlet of Bathurst have named it "The Centre of the Universe" and maybe they are on to something.

The whole place is buzzing with energy and new ideas for their iconic annual Bathurst Show and upcoming events such as the Book Fair and the Wellness Weekend.

The plethora of quirky shops, art studios, the Saturday Morning Market and of course, lunch at "The Pig" are a must to visit on the weekend.

A big Thank You to Liz Briggs for taking the time to show Sunshine Coast Tourism staff members Sandy Birch and Sue Waugh around this very special and historic part of the Eastern Cape.

Check our websites for more information on places to stay and things to do:
portalfred.co.za kenton.co.za



WHAT'S ON - APRIL 2023

MARCH

- 30 PUB QUIZ @ PLOUGHMAN PUB IN BATHURST. 084 580 1826
- 30 THE BEBOPS BAND @ PIG AND WHISTLE IN BATHURST. 046 625 0673
- 31 WINE TASTING SHOWCASING @ GRAZE BY THE RIVER PA. 063 644 3878
- 31 BATHURST SHOW
- 31 GREG SHORT MUSO @ PIG AND WHISTLE IN BATHURST. 046 625 0673
- 31 GUIDOS BEACH BAR UNDERGRND. PORT ALFRED. 7PM
- 31 SETTLERS PARK QUIZ. 6PM FOR 6.30PM. R120 PER TEAM. BRING YOUR OWN EATS.

APRIL

- 1 APRIL MARKET @ HERITAGE MALL IN PORT ALFRED. 8AM TO 2PM
- 1 - 2 BATHURST SHOW
- 1 ANGRY BIRDS LIVE AT THE RED APPLE | BUSHMANS RIVER
- 1 KURT STONE | THE GOAT SHED | KENTON ON SEA. 082 808 5976
- 1 MOUNTAIN BIKING. TRUMPETTERS DRIFT GAME FARM. 5KM|9KM|16KM. 072 639 7357
- 6 THE BLACK CAT BONES LIVE | GOAT SHED, KENTON ON SEA| 7PM| R120 ON QUICKET OR R150 ON THE DOOR | FOR BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES CALL 082 808 5976
- 6 MOONLIGHT MARKET @ EIGHTEEN 26 ON WHARF PA, LIVE MUSIC. 076 274 0711
- 7 - 10 EASTER WEEKEND
- 7 ARTIST ON THE VERANDAH | EASTER EXHIBITION | BUSHMANS TOWN HALL| 10AM-5PM| 082 888 3206 | WEB.FACEBOOK.COM\BUSHMANS RIVER
- 8 THE RED APPLE FARMER'S MARKET | BUSHMANS RIVER | 10AM-2PM
- 8 AMANZI CHALLENGE 5 & 12KM TRAIL RUN @ ALBANY TRAILS IN SOUTHWELL 072 436 3088
- 8 MARKET DAY | BOKNES PADSTAL | 9AM| TO BOOK YOUR STALL CONTACT 079 693 1812 | LIMITED SPACE STILL AVAILABLE!
- 9 FROM THE SILVER CREEK MOUNTAIN BAND @ GRAZE BY THE RIVER, VAN DER RIET ST, PA. CONTACT 063 644 3878
- 15 MID-MONTH MARKET @ VILLAGE GREEN IN BATHURST. 072 215 2727
- 15 RUGBYGOLF WITH ALEX KENTON ROUND TABLE | ALEXANDRIA GOLF CLUB | ALEX
- 15 BEBOPS LIVE| GOAT SHED, KENTON-ON-SEA | 6:30PM| FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS WELCOME| FOR BOOKINGS OR ENQUIRIES CALL 082 808 5976
- 15 VILLAGE GREEN MARKET, BATHURST. 10AM ONWARDS. LIVE MUSIC FROM 12NOON. 072 215 2727
- 15 - 16 KENTON 100 | JERRY'S ON THE DUNE | KENTON
- 21 MZANSI RUGBY CHALLENGE - EP VS KENYA. PAHS.
- 22 WOMEN'S AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION GOLF DAY CHARITY GOLF DAY | ALEXANDRIA GOLF CLUB| 4 BALL AMERICAN SCRAMBLE R300/PLAYER | POTJIE KOS INCLUDED | BOOK ASAP AT 082 446 3655
- 29 MUSEUM FARM FAIR & POTJIE @ THE PLOUGHMAN PUB IN BATHURST. 072 830 9177
- 30 BATHURST BOOKFAIR
- 30 BATHURST FARMER'S MARKET IN BATHURST

REGULAR EVENTS

- EVERY SATURDAY - MORNING MARKET, VAN DER RIET STREET @ 9AM (EXCEPT FOR THE LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH)
- EVERY SATURDAY - PARK RUN @ 8AM. LIBRARY GARDENS
- LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH - MORNING MARKET @ MEDOLINO CARAVAN PARK. 9AM TO 1PM.
- EVERY SUNDAY - MORNING MARKET. BATHURST. 9AM TO 1PM.
- EVERY TUESDAY - DRAWING AND MOSAIC CLASSES @ JUST OFF CENTRE, BATHURST. 5PM.
- EVERY TUESDAY - LIFE DRAWING CLASSES & WINE @ NICHE, 46 VAN DER RIET ST, PA. OVER 18S ONLY. 6.30PM FOR 7PM



THE 2023 BATHURST AGRICULTURAL SHOW

THURSDAY 30 MARCH - SUNDAY 2 APRIL 2023

PRESENTED BY BATHURST AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY



18th ANNUAL Bathurst BOOKFAIR

CALLING ALL BIBLIOPHILES!

WHEN? 30 APRIL 2023

WHERE? THE VILLAGE GREEN, PIG & WHISTLE, BOOKS OF BATHURST & various booksellers around town

WHAT TIME? 9:00am 4:30pm

Lively speaker programme

- Author interviews
- Panel discussions
- Sprint writing mini workshop
- Open mic poetry reading
- Ultra-short short story competition
- Literary theme walking quiz



Books galore • Food Stalls • Covetable collectibles • Tea & Coffee
Pulp fiction • Ephemera • Music • Vinyl • Comics
Special interest books & more!

KIDDIES' CORNER:
SONG & POETRY WRITING WORKSHOPS; STORY TIME; PONY RIDES

For additional info: see our Facebook page,
call 082 621 1523 (Ian) or 076 7281317 (Norma W/App)

THE 2023 BATHURST BOOKFAIR ULTRA-SHORT SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Calling all writers, poets, vagabonds, thespians, Bathurstians and those in or out of possession of their wits.

Tell us a story in eighteen (no more, no less) words. Give us the story of your life, your neighbour's misdemeanors, be it broken telephone, fact, bulltweet, lies, scullduggery or nothing but the truth. Do your best, do your worst. Send your (no more than 5 per entrant) stories by WhatsApp to Corrine 079 573 0609.

Stick with us baby, we'll make you FAMOUS.
CLOSING DATE 20 APRIL.

Entries will be published in a book available to purchase at the Bookfair, where the winner will be announced.

BATHURST AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM FARM FAIR

SATURDAY 29TH APRIL 2023

COUNTRY CRAFTS DEMONSTRATION - CRAFT MARKET - BLACKSMITHING
TRACTOR & TRAILER RIDES - TEA GARDEN - FOOD STALLS - FRESH VEGGIES
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: ALAN: 083 627 4351 MICHELE: 084 500 1820 YOLANDA: 071 282 9161



PUB ON PREMISES:

POTJEKOS COMPETITION

723 TRAPPES ST, BATHURST

SETTLERS PARK QUIZ

Don't forget to book your team of four with Rowena in the Office

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH
DON POWIS HALL
18:00 for 18:30

Bring your picnic, and pay at the door (R120 per team)



UNDERGRND PRESENTS:

GRND RAVE

GET READY
PORT ALFRED...

WE'VE GOT SOMETHING
FOR YOU.

31 MARCH 2023

GUIDO'S BEACH BAR

R60 BEFORE 12PM R80 THEREAFTER

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SUCCESS STORIES



THE GREAT KENTON WINE FESTIVAL

This year's Great Kenton Wine Festival was held from 17-19 March.

Organisers, Karoo Wine Club, brought 24 wine producers from the Cape for a wonderful wine-infused weekend where they were showcased at the main wine tasting event held at three of Kenton's recreational clubs namely Diaz Deep Sea Club, Tennis Club and Bowls Club.

There were 34 fringe events organised by local businesses and other organisations.

The weather was fantastic, and Kenton was busy! Great to see so many visitors to our area. (Photo: Cole Mackenzie)

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*It is confirmed that the 2024 Great Kenton Wine Festival will be held from 21-23 March, 2024.
Looking forward to see you all there!*



2023 SADSAA BOTTOMFISH NATIONALS

The South African Deep Sea Angling Association (SADSAA) awarded Kenton's Diaz Deep Sea Club the opportunity to host this year's SA Bottom Fish National Championships held from the 21- 25 March, 2023. This was a great honour for Kenton-on-Sea to host all fifteen regional teams. The event was well organised and the local club worked tirelessly in the background ensuring that the event went off smoothly. It was great to see so many local folk out supporting the event. (Photo: Jo Wilmot)