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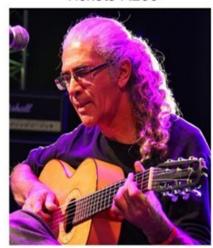
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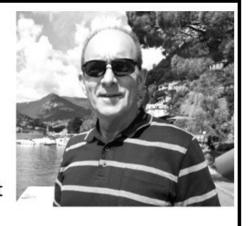
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Citizen science meets family fun at Plett Ocean Festival

OBSERVE - CONSERVE - PRESERVE Following strong themes of citizen science, collaboration and fostering a love of the ocean at the Marine Science Symposium, the Plett Ocean Festival continued with a week of excursions and activities offering a treasure trove of fun family activations to enhance marine understanding and appreciation. Visitors were encouraged to take a deeper dive beneath the blue waters and explore along the beautiful coastline of Plettenberg Bay. The Plett Ocean Festival, including the three-day marine science symposium, took place from 30' June - 9 July and included musical collaborations with exquisife whale song, rocky shore excursions, film screenings and a reef deanup to fully appreciate our place in a sustainable blue ocean economy. The festival is anchored by the threeday Marine Science Symposium held at the Beacon Island Resort which encouraged interesting conservation conversations between symposium attendees and knowledgeable speakers brought together from across the country. Attendees included university professors, marine rangers, researchers and passionate naturalists. Plett Tourism's general manager and festival organiser, Cindy Wilson-Trollip put together a sterling programme which saw a 10% increase in symposium ticket sales from the festival's launch in 2022, "Our aim is to foster an ethos of conservalion of our natural environment, not just in Plettenberg Bay; people need access to the facts and research that scientists who are so dedicated and committed to, present.

Plett Marine Science Symposium aims to make their work accessible to the public; to inspire and hopefully galvanise all citizens to be active conservationists." Topics included a diverse range of marine-themed topics from marine protected areas and our endangered Knysna seahorse to orcas hunting sharks and camera-carrying penguins - the topics were entertaining, informative and varied.

Dr. Chantel Elston, who presented at the marine science symposium on rays on the Garden Route, also hosted a shark egg hunt - a fun, fabulous play on the old Easter egg hunt - that encouraged visitors to search the shoreline and rock pools of Nature's Valley for shyshark eggs which are then used for shark research. The excursion was enjoyed by visitors of all ages and citizen scientists can take part in this everyday research via the Elmo Africa app, contributing valuable data to the South African Elasmobranch Monitoring's ongoing project. Elston said, via Elmo Africa's Instagram, "A huge thank you to everybody who participated in our shark eggcase hunt today as part of Plett Ocean Festival. Through the collective effort, we found over 100 egg cases which is just phenomenal! All of these wonderful people are helping to save sharks by finding these eggcases! And not just that, it was a lot of fun." An exciting new addition to the festival this year brought together the natural music of our resident whales - whale song - recorded by marine scientist Dr. Alejandra Vargas-Fonseca, and South African musicians, James van Minnen and Vuyo Katsha. Along with other local artists, they collaborated to bring music and nature together in wonderful ways and unique

locations such as the Vygekraal cave. This was a true feast for the senses with whale song blended with music, a fresh ocean breeze and Plett's glorious wild side as a backdrop.
The fun continued with a scuba dive to clear Plett's Red Bait Reef of fishing debris, rocky shore.

excursions, shark education and awareness, and pelagic birding trip guided by Discover Eden's Mark Brown and CapeNature's Chanel Visser which saw birders thrilled with the adventure, saying: "Wow! We had an incredible day out at sea this morning, on a pelagic birding trip run as part of the Plett Ocean Festival! We had absolutely insane views of a few albatross species, with Robberg as the backdrop for some great pics. We managed to rack up 14 species for the trip, including several endangered species Plett is renowned for such as Cape Cormorant, African penguin and Cape Gannet. We also had great views of Shy Albatross, Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross, White-chinned Petrel, Sooty Shearwater, Subantarctic Skua and of course the ubiquitous Kelp Gull. It was quite possibly one of the best trips we have had for albatross encounters off Plett Ended off with some dolphins too! Thanks to all 10 participants - being fully booked meant we raised some valuable funds to cover some costs for first responders of the Plett Marine Animal Stranding Network!"

Conversations for the 2024 Plett Ocean Festival and Marine Science Symposium have already begun with presenters providing valuable input for this unique testival that aims to bridge the gap between scientists and conservationists and the general, interested public through citizen science. "Thank you for creating an event like this where the barrier between science and citizen science is broken down in such a wonderfully well-organised."

broken down in such a wonderfully well-organised setting," commented presenter Dr Deborah Roberston-Andersson of the Sustainable Seas Trust

And, of course, the general public includes the young people of South Africa. The partnership between Plett's Adopt-A-Swimmer and the Black Mermaid Foundation once again saw young Bitou swimmers following in the tail-prints of the Black Mermaid, Zandile Ndhlovu herself, as she introduced them to "a whole new world" through snorkelling in the vibrant Keurbooms Estuary with support from Emily Moon River Lodge. Ndhlovu is a freediving instructor, filmmaker, and passionate storyteller who advocates for diversity and inclusion in South Africa's ocean spaces.

In her presentation at the symposium, she championed the work of everyday citizen scientists and encouraged more diversity in the ocean space, especially for young people saying: "Imagine if they could see what I saw only when I was 28." For those young people who couldn't make it to the ocean, Plett Tourism in collaboration with CapeNature and Nature's Valley Trust took the ocean to the children of Bitou in the form of a series of screenings of the film, Whale Rider, incorporating educational conservation games and a presentation, in Green Valley, Kwanokuthula, Kranshoek, New Horizons and Kurland. Plett Tourism would like to thank the following participants in the festival for their passionate support and tireless advocacy for Plettenberg Bay as a world-class marine science and oceanic destination:

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When we think of hypocrites it is because LIPS and LIFE don't match. The word hypocrite comes from the Greek word meaning pretending or play-acting where the actor wears a different mask as he plays different people. If you are a sincere Christian to be labelled as a hypocrite is tragic - we all need to make sure our lips and lives are aligned and are the same on Monday as on Sunday. For the next few weeks, I want to highlight five distinguishing characteristics in the Book of Ephesians that should be found in committed Christians. The first is found in chapter 4v1: "I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love". Because we are the only Christ this world will ever see, we need to live worthy of being His representatives. One of the attributes Christ displayed whilst here on earth was humility - He wasn't a money-grabbing, power-drunk, comfort-seeking, egoistical narcissist like some who claim to be His followers were, but instead "He made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled himself by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross!" (Philippians 2v7). Humility isn't weakness - Moses was a humble man, but a leader of note and somebody who wasn't afraid of confrontation when there was the need. However, he never pushed himself forward - he had a passion and care for his people and was prepared to suffer for and with them. Gentleness and patience are not normally found in successful and ambitious people, but if we are worthy followers of Jesus Christ, they are essential. It's easy to talk about love, but not so easy to put into practice when we are tasked with bearing with one another and esteeming others better than oneself. Paul tells us to imitate

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That is the challenge I leave with you this week. God Bless, Graeme Greenwood

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HRP Crime & Fire Group First Responder Dylan said 'When I arrived on scene, I found a fellow responder in the back of a container truck attempting to free a man caught under a sheet of glass by using a motor vehicle Jack. It was obvious that the patient was badly injured. At this time a bystander informed me that a second man who had initially also been trapped under the glass but had been pulled free was lying nearby. I located the man and conducted a primary survey. I found that he had sustained a possible severe hip injury, and that there were signs of possible internal bleeding. Fellow First responders & HRP members began arriving on scene. During the attempts to free the man

trapped under the glass, inside the back of the truck, he was found to have no signs of life. First responders continued to work at freeing him.

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Within 15 minutes of the call for help going out, Medlife ambulance services as well as Bitou fire services arrived on scene. The patients were handed into the care of Medlife ambulance services. Medlife paramedics assessed the man still trapped under the glass sheets in the container and confirmed that sadly he had passed. Attention was turned to the second patient who was stabilized and moved into the ambulance for transport to hospital. Fellow volunteer responders assisted with crowd control during the incident.

First Responder volunteer counsellors assisted with bystanders who had

witnessed the incident. Our condolences go out to the family of the deceased. We wish the patient who is currently in hospital a quick recovery. A huge thank you goes out to all who assisted in clearing the roadway as well as motorists who pulled over for response vehicles responding to the incident. The assistance of the public in this regards aids greatly in response time. Thanks also go out to Medlife Ambulance Services Western Cape Government Health EMS, Metro Rescue and Bitou Fire Services for their quick response and professional service. First Responders is a community-based volunteer group who provides their assistance to the professional medical services. First Responder Volunteers fund their own fuel, phone, insurance etc. We rely on donations from the public to fund our equipment and consumables. Make sure that you have the professional Emergency Services and Local ambulance services numbers on hand and call them FIRST! In the event of an emergency. First Responder Call centre number is (082) 251-8134

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Opportunistic crimes are a reality across South Africa, one should always stay alert and be crime wise, never drop your guard and think it will not happen to you. Totally agree, it is every citizens right to be safe and feel safe when strolling early evening around town, taunting reality will cost you dearly.

CRIME TIPS

 Always place your valuables in a safe place @ Restaurants, workplace even at home. Opportunists are very inventive and lightning quick when they spot a mark.
 PLEASE do not leave valuables/personal items or any purchases/possessions inside your vehicle. Always lock it away in your vehicle's boot. Make sure your vehicle is locked before stepping away from your car, remote blocking is real.

3. At home it is of the upmost importance that all windows and doors that do not have security bars/doors are closed/locked when you are not using a particular sector/area of your house/accommodation. In other words, do not leave you front door open when you are at the swimming pool in the back yard. Ensure that electronic devices and other valuables are securely put away and are not accessible through burglar barred windows.

4. Never allow strangers into your accommodation, always confirm their legitimacy and reason for being there. When you leave your accommodation at night, put some interior lights on as well as a TV or radio so your accommodation looks and sounds occupied,

5. NÉVER open your doors of entrance

gates to strangers

6. Stay Alert and be crime wise when you enter the gate to your premises, be aware of other vehicles/ people in the vicinity. Should you feel uncomfortable, rather drive on and call the PBCPA 24/7 helpline for assistance. Always secure your accommodation properly prior going to bed or when going out. 7. Whilst strolling in our beautiful town stay aware of what & whom is in your direct vicinity, be crime wise & never let your guard down.

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