



THE YEAR THAT WAS

In 2025 Uniondale excitedly saw the arrival of the Field and Vine restaurant, the Die Weet Jy plaasstal, the much needed (judging from the amount of times my father has been there) UBE - Uniondale Batteries, Electrical and Pumps, the curtain and haberdashery shop and Uniondale Cycles and Trading Company

We also sadly had to say good-bye to the institution that was Sophia's restaurant and the much loved Karoo Serenity - although we now have a local estate agent we know and trust.

Neither arriving nor leaving but rather moving to new premises was Dr Ado's practice, Sunbusters and Davkor print shop.

The big cogs that keep the wheels of the town turning successfully - returned, The Karoo to Coast - with it's first ever pre-race market and the Landbou Skou. Other wheels that rode our streets were The Gravel Burn cycle race, the Sonder Nonsens Vreetsaam Toer, the Ghost Run night ride and the Guns and Roses Motorbike Club.

We also got our fair share of the limelight when Ysters Op die Platteland and Carte Blanche graced us with a visit, and left with a story.

New families moved into town and old friends left, beautiful and bittersweet memories made in each direction. Always life moving on.

There was a jam competition (I'm not a big jam lover but Desiree!!!), a high tea, knitted scarves were made by the dozen, engagements happened (I see you L & B), we grew giant vegetables and hosted many tourists.

We had our first ever dating ad submission with a photo! We attended church bazaars and school art displays, a talent show and lifeguard training.

Thank you 2025, we were blessed.

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Menu

25 December 2025

12hoo - 14hoo

Adults R250
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Kids -10 years R110

Starter

Bufflow wings with a strawberry dip

Main Coldmeats

Gammon & Corned Beef & Tongue
& Sweet Chilli Meatballs & Chicken

Salads

Potato & 6 Layer Pea Salad & Green Salad &
Blueberry Peach Feta Salad
Congealed Cucumber & Congealed Carrot
3 Bean Salad

Dessert

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CHRISTMAS CAKE AND CHRISTMAS PUDDING
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CHRISTMAS CAKE RUSKS



Ingredients

100g pecan nuts, roasted
100g almond flakes, roasted
300g salted butter
185g dark muscovado sugar
2 large eggs, beaten
580ml buttermilk
60ml (¼ cup) spiced rum
(optional)
500g cake flour
40g baking powder
2 tbsp mixed spice
2 tbsp ground cinnamon
zest of 2 oranges
500g wholewheat flour
290g fruit-cake mix
100g mixed peel
120g marzipan, grated
100g dried cranberries
200g glacé cherries

Instructions

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Grease and line a 40 x 30cm baking tin with baking paper. Set aside until needed.

Melt the butter and sugar together in a large saucepan over low heat until the sugar has dissolved. Remove from heat and set aside to cool.

Once cool, whisk in the eggs, buttermilk and rum, if using. Set aside.

Sift the cake flour, baking powder and spices together in a large bowl. Add the orange zest, wholewheat flour, toasted nuts, fruit-cake mix, mixed peel, marzipan, dried cranberries and cherries.

Mix until well combined.

Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and add the buttermilk mixture. Stir until just combined.

Transfer the dough to the prepared baking tin and bake in the preheated oven until golden brown and a skewer inserted into the centre of the loaf comes out clean, about 30 minutes. Remove from oven and set aside to cool in the tin.

7 Remove the loaf from the tin and, using a serrated bread knife, cut the loaf into 50 strips, each measuring about 7cm. Arrange the rusks on baking trays and place them in the oven. Keeping the oven door ajar, set the temperature to 80°C and leave the rusks to dry out, about 6 hours or overnight.

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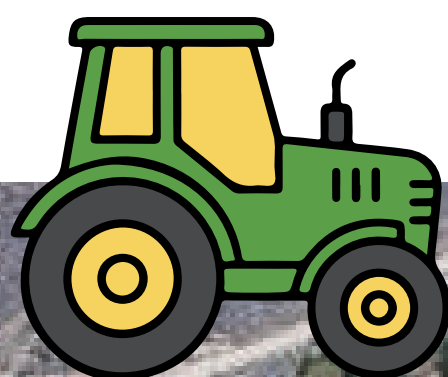
The annual Uniondale show attracted over 1250 people this year, 200 more than last year. On the 7th and 8th of November, more stallholders than last year and more top-tier livestock were on display at the 61st event of its kind. Even the popular youth show attracted an impressive 160 entries.

In the horse division Willowtree Saddlebreds Falco Hi-Fortune with Junior Hugo in the saddle, won the SASH Grand Champion 5 Gait Horse title. In the Veldmerino Show, the Grand Champion Ram winner belonged to a proud Johan du Plessis.

The agricultural show saw a collaboration between George municipality and George Tourism, a fait accompli and opportunity to make The Uniondale Show an annual event on the Garden Route Calendar.

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In the quiet streets of Uniondale, where 4,500 souls—some creaky old fogies like Oom Koot—lived under the shadow of the Kammanassie mountains, the weekly medication ritual was a comedy of errors. Oom Koot's kitchen, smelling faintly of rooibos and yesterday's braai, was his battlefield. The enemy? A legion of blister packs and a traitorous daily dispenser.

First, the blood-gliders, tiny pills in softish blisters that promised smooth sailing for his veins. Oom Koot, hands knobbly as a kudu's horns, pressed with hope. Pop! The pill launched like a Springbok diving for a try, pinging off his enamel teacup and vanishing under the fridge, where it joined the ghosts of Uniondale's legendary hitchhiker. "Ag, man, not again," he groaned, peering into the dust.

Next, the pump-regulators, bless their plastic bottle hearts. These pills, meant to keep his ticker from over-revving, came in a container with a cap that didn't fight back. Koot shook out two, feeling like he'd won the Uniondale Bowling Club raffle. "You're my kind of pill," he said, giving the bottle a fond pat.

Then came the heart-bottom-excitement pills, locked in blister packs tougher than a bakkie's chassis. These were for those moments when the Springboks scored or Happy Hooker's gossip got his pulse racing. Koot pushed, prodded, and swore softly in Afrikaans. His fingers, stiff as a Karoo thorn, slipped. He grabbed his pocketknife, muttering about "blerrie packaging from China." Finally, one pill surrendered, leaving him panting like he'd chased a young burglar up a koppie.

The shield gland tablet was next, a speck so tiny it could hide in a vetkoek crumb, trapped in a blister pack that laughed at his efforts. Koot pressed until his thumb ached like he'd been milking goats all day. Pop! The tablet flew, landing in his rooibos mug. "Now you're tea-flavored, you little pest," he sighed, fishing it out with a teaspoon.

Last were the don't-get-upset pills, meant to keep him calm when the young beggars accosted him at the OK or the blister packs won. He pressed the pack, and three pills scattered like a kudu at a lion's roar—one on the floor, one in his rubbish bin's lid, and another under his dog, Boet, who was napping by the washing machine. "You're supposed to stop my stress, not make it!" Koot barked.

The final insult was the daily dispenser, a plastic contraption with lids that popped open like a jack-in-the-box at the worst times. Koot loaded his hard-won pills, only for a lid to click and fling them across the table. One rolled under Boet, who sniffed it and sneezed. "Blerrie ding," Koot cursed, eyeing the chaos. "Maybe I'll just have another rooibos and let my heart and shield gland sort themselves out."

But then Boet, ever the hero, knocked over the pump-regulator bottle, and Piet chuckled. "Ja, Boet, you're the only one in Uniondale who gets me."

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8spanne sover as Uitenhage Humansdorp 2spanne yt George Willomere en Misgund Maories het deelgeneem aan die HungryGhostSteppers Toernooi wat meegeding het Vir n totale prysgeld van R24000 en wisseltrofees. Die tuisspan HungryGhostSteppers het die dag afgeskop met n oorwinning teen die Uitenhage Blues maar koni die finale haal en is uiteindelik deur Legends 24 in die semifinale ytgeskakel

Legends 24 van George is as die weners van die toernooi bekroon en het met die wen bedrag van R12000 en n Wisseltrofee geskenk deur Hungry Ghost weggestap nadat Hy Uitenhage blues in die finale geklop het wat met n bedrag van R6000 weggestap het Vir 2de plek. HungryGhostSteppers moes tevrede wees met die 4de plek en n bedrag van R1500 nadat Broncos van Humansdorp wat R3500 Vir die 3de plek gekry het hulle klop

Die organiseerders Wil van die geleentheid gebruik maak Om hul borge te bedank. Hungry Ghost, Damon's enterprises, Uniondale Bottle store. En die media Borg Heartbeat TV wat Al die wedstryde gebeeldsend het op You Tube

Die span vertrek Vrydag 5 Desember na Port Elizabeth Om mee te ding in die NMB 10s en Wil graag vra Vir enige borge Om kontak te maak met Neville Avontuur 0846966248 of Sera Stuurman by 0724794312

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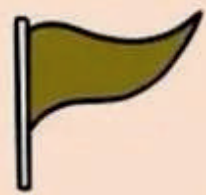
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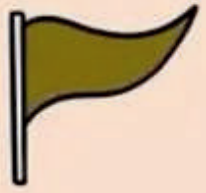
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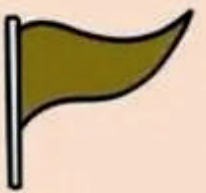
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