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Fanie Oosthuizen kraai koning



■ Mnr. Fanie Oosthuizen, Meatco se Produsent van die Jaar 2008. Foto: Agriform

DIE 37-jarige Stefanus Johannes (Fanie) Oosthuizen is onlangs as die 2008 Meatco Produsent van die Jaar gekroon.

As relatiewe jong boer het mnr. Oosthuizen stof in sy omstanders se oë geskop en bewys dat 'n ongetwyfelde belangstelling in die bedryf een van die kern bestanddele is om 'n suksesvolle beesboer te wees.

Hy boer met Brahmaan-Simmentaler-kruisings ongeveer 230 kilometer noordoos van Windhoek op Summerdown. Sy koeikudde is tans 250 sterk, met 'n bul vir elke 50 vroulike diere.

Mnr. Oosthuizen implementeer 'n vierkampstelsel van ongeveer 200 hektaar per kamp, met 70 bees per kamp. Rotasie word in beginsel maandeliks gedoen, hoewel impulsiewe wisseling na goeddunke toegepas word.

Indien nodig, word veldafroning met mieliekopmeel vir ongeveer 60 dae voor bemarking gedoen. Osse word deur die jaar op produksielek gehou.

*Die dekseisoen is vanaf 15 Desember

tot einde Maart. Kalwers word op 'n ouderdom van drie maande gewerk met spening wat vir so lank as moontlik uitgestel word, afhangende van die kondisie van die koeie. Die idee is om spenskok te verminder en die strawwe wintersomstandighede te verkort," verduidelik hy.

"Speenkalwers word vir ongeveer drie dae by hul bestemde pos op kraal gehou en gevoer, waarna hulle gedurende die middag saam met die res van die kudde oopgemaak word. Ek glo dat die stresfaktor van die nuwelinge verminder kan word deur die teenwoordigheid van ouer diere wat leiding kan gee."

Voorts word die bulle op Summerdown op gespaarde weiding en produksielek

aangehou. Bulle wat faal om kondisie in dié omstandighede te kan behou, is volgens mnr. Oosthuizen onnodig. Vir hom is die bydraende faktore tot sukses "sonder twyfel" sy belangstelling in die bedryf en ondersteuning van die omgewing.

"Om in 'n lewende omgewing te kan funksioneer waar die voor- en nadele van alle bestuurspraktyke in eerlikheid beredeneer kan word, is voorwaar 'n voorreg. Medeprodusente wat nie skroom om hul boerderye aan jou bloot te stel nie, verseker dat onnodige foute deur veruwing beperk kan word.

Die grootste uitdaging is die effektiewe en optimale bestuur van beskikbare hulpbronne. Kundige advies, in my geval vanaf Eerste Nasionale Bank, is noodsaaklik om die beste keuses moontlik rondom die beskikbare fondse te kan maak en om onvoorsiene geleenthede op 'n professionele wyse te kan analiseer en finansier."

Hy sê georganiseerde landbou, tesame met die elektroniese media maak dit moontlik om op hoogte te bly van die jongste verwikkeling in die landbousektor en sodoende ingeligte besluite te maak.

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Meatco's onsite emergency plan in case of FMD

FOLLOWING the recent Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) scare at Meatco's Windhoek abattoir on 6 November 2008, Meatco improved its onsite emergency plan dealing with the off-loading of cattle.

Slaughtering of cattle at the factory was halted on Wednesday, 6 November 2008 by the resident state veterinarian after cattle received from the Rietfontein appeared unhealthy and had difficulty walking.

As a precautionary measure, the veterinarian contacted the Director of the Department of Veterinary Services (DVS), Dr. Frans Joubert, to deploy the national contingency plan. Blood samples of five cattle were collected and tissue samples were taken and tested at the central veterinary laboratory as well as the Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute in Pretoria, South Africa.

Local test results were ready within 12 hours and came back negative, based upon which Meatco was given permission to recommence slaughtering.

Meatco producers who were affected during this temporary shutdown were immediately contacted and alternative slaughtering arrangements agreed with them.

As for the onsite emergency plan, the following procedures are in place should cattle arrive at any of Meatco's abattoirs and show signs of FMD:

1. Isolate unhealthy animal(s) in identified and marked detention pen at the respective abattoir.
2. Inform veterinarian on site for ante-mortem inspection.
3. If the animal has an injury that bears reference to animal welfare, for example it has a broken leg, emergency slaughtering is to take place.
4. If the animal is suspected to have FMD, the veterinarian on site is expected to implement precautionary measures and to notify the

DVS immediately.

5. Inform the Operations & Plant Managers respectively, as well as the Senior Managers responsible for Quality Assurance, Corporate Communications and Procurement.
6. Stop ALL trucks from further entering the premises to off-load cattle, including all trucks that are already at the premises of the abattoir.



Photo: internet

7. Procurement department to cancel or reroute ALL trucks en-route to the factory and inform the affected producers immediately.
8. Halt all slaughtering activities as well as that scheduled for the following day until preliminary results are available.
9. Inform all producers affected and make alternative arrangements immediately.
10. Cordon off the off-loading area with red safety tape to control movement of personnel.
11. Kraals, off-loading area and the immediate surroundings to be sprayed with disinfectants.
12. Only designated personnel to be allowed access to the affected area provided they:
 - a. wear proper and suitable protective equipment (clothing), and
 - b. have sterilized their hands with the disinfectant.

Furthermore, all contact numbers of producers are to be included on the booking list to facilitate prompt communication. Meatco's Senior Manager: Corporate Communications will inform all stakeholders immediately through Meatco's electronic newsletter and the media.

Producers are herewith kindly reminded to please ensure they do not market unhealthy animals to Meatco for slaughtering.

Says Meatco's Senior Manager: Windhoek Factory, Mr. Jannie Breytenbach: "We have to fight this battle as far away from our borders (abattoirs) as possible and it is the responsibility of every party involved to help keep this disease away from our abattoirs.

By containing the disease to the farm or area it breaks out, if it should ever occur, one can close the district and try to keep it confined; but once it reaches the export abattoirs, each and every other cattle farmer becomes involved and have to carry the consequences."

Once this disease reaches Meatco's factories, all cattle producers are affected and it is thus important that care is taken at the loading point to ensure cattle are healthy before transporting them to slaughtering facilities. Because FMD rarely infects humans but spreads rapidly among animals, it is a much greater threat to the agriculture industry than to human health.

Clinical signs of FMD

The disease is characterized by a high fever that declines rapidly after two or three days; blisters inside the mouth that lead to excessive secretion of stringy or foamy saliva and drooling, as well as blisters on the feet that may rupture and cause lameness.

It is important to note that FMD does not kill animals and most animals recover from the disease; however they become carriers and serve as a source of infection for other susceptible animals.

New brand for Namibian beef

MEATCO made industry history on 9 September 2008 when it launched its new brand, Natures Reserve. Namibia is now Africa's first and still the only exporter of Free Range branded beef. Coinciding with the 2009 World Meat Congress in South Africa, the formal launch of the new brand took place in Cape Town at Groot Constanca.



■ *Natures Reserve Choice Free Range Beef*

Natures Reserve is an extension of the unique value proposition that Meatco's Free Range beef has to offer. Following the growing global demand for healthier food that is produced naturally and without the use of hormones, the freedom of cattle to express natural behaviour is at the heart of the brand.

Consumers who demand healthier

food are searching for reliable alternatives. These customers consider a premium a small price to pay for healthier living, eating a healthier product, helping to save the earth and treating animals kindly.

Over the medium term the brand will move from a wholesale (bulk) pack configuration to a recognizable, attractively branded retail packaging item for maximum on-shelf consumer appeal in selected customer segments.

Natures Reserve has been launched as a three-tier product so as to appeal to different consumer segments in the global market and will enjoy a qualitative positioning of good, better, best.

Natures Reserve Finest Free Range Beef falls into the best category. It is the brand's flagship and is supreme quality. Beef is selected by age (A, AB and B) and carcass weight (230kg – 280 kg) to ensure consistent cut specifications. This product is specifically aimed at Meatco's European clientele as well as selected elite outlets in South Africa.

Natures Reserve Select Free



■ *Natures Reserve Finest Free Range Beef*



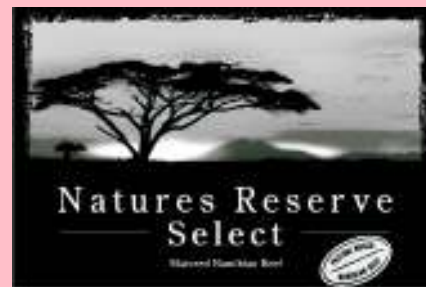
■ *Natures Reserve Finest Grain Fed Beef*

Range Beef falls in the better category. While the specifications are the same as Finest and the same grade carcasses are used, they are selected from a lower weight range.

Natures Reserve Choice Free Range Beef falls into the good category and comes from B grade carcasses larger than 230 kg and older than 30 months.

Natures Reserve Finest Grain Fed comes from A grade carcasses and has been designed for unique marketing opportunities presented in South Africa and Switzerland. Whilst the Finest, Select and Choice Natures Reserve Free Range products are grass-fed, in line with popular consumer demands, we have added a grain-fed product as well.

All Natures Reserve products are wet-matured for at least 28 days and aimed at the EU market.



■ *Natures Reserve Select Free Range Beef*

Meatco Producer Awards 2008

MEATCO held its majestic annual producer awards ceremony in Windhoek on 31 October 2008, to give honour to and reward farmers who delivered exceptional quality cattle to its abattoirs throughout the year.

Mr. S. J. Oosthuizen (Fanie) from Summerdown walked away with the sceptre as the Meatco Producer of the Year 2008, followed by Mr. Johann Moller from Bekkersville and Mr. Hans Peter Lühl from Garib in second and third place respectively.

Cash prizes and brand new trophies were handed over at this glamorous ceremony which amounted to approximately N\$200,000.00. This includes all expenses paid week long

industry-related visit to the United Kingdom for the Producer of the Year and his partner as well as a weekend for two to Cape Town for the runner-up.

All producers who have slaughtered cattle at Meatco between September 2007 and August 2008, were automatically entered into the competition. Farmers were judged according to the quality of the cattle delivered, based on which the Top Ten Producers were determined. The farmer with the highest score was then announced Producer of the Year.

Farmers Associations (FAs) that performed well in the slaughter cattle competition were also rewarded. FAs

had to enter 16 cattle to see who collectively scored the most points for quality.

Cattle were graded on-the-hoof and the carcasses were again graded the next day at the abattoir. Individuals whose judging of the cattle on-the-hoof compared closest with the grading of the carcasses at the abattoirs were awarded accordingly in the On-the-Hoof Judging category.

Other categories in which individuals were rewarded include the Producers of the Month and the Big Five. The Big Five refers to Meatco's five biggest suppliers for the year.

All category winners are electronically determined according to percentages.

The complete results are as follows:

Top Ten Producers of 2008		
1	S. J. Oosthuizen	78.43%
2	J. J. Moller	77.12%
3	H. P. Lühl	76.45%
4	B. van Wyk (Jnr)	76.23%
5	B. E. H. G. Schmidt von Wühlisch	75.87%
6	H. A. J. Rosenthal	75.76%
7	W. Pack	75.73%
8	D. J. Swanepoel (Deon)	75.67%
9	T. J. Neethling	75.38%
10	W. R. H. von Maltzahn	75.36%

Judges Winners 2008	
H. H. T. Förtsch	96.72%
R. W. van Zyl (Jnr)	96.45%
E. W. Fischer	96.42%
S. von Lüttwitz	96.34%
S. Baas	96.34%

Big 5	
T. H. Goldbeck	
Okakeua Ranch (G. Kotzé)	
T. J. Neethling	
K. H. Traeger	
A. Beyleveld	

Producers of the Month		
Sep 07	B. E. H. G. Schmidt von Wühlisch	93.0%
Oct 07	W. Metzger	94.5%
Nov 07	W. R. H. von Maltzahn	94.0%
Dec 07	A. A. R. Klose	90.3%
Jan 08	B. E. H. G. Schmidt von Wühlisch	91.3%
Feb 08	H. P. Lühl	90.5%
March 08	B. E. H. G. Schmidt von Wühlisch	91.9%
April 08	H. J. L. Knouwds	93.1%
May 08	U. Trümper	92.9%
June 08	C. W. Düvel	95.6%
July 08	E. N. von Freier	92.8%
Aug 08	W. Metzger	93.8%

Farmers' Association (FA) Competition		
Windhoek Region		
1st	Windhoek FA (National Winner)	92.63%
2nd	Seeis FA	92.44%
3rd	Omitara FA	91.50%
Okahandja Region		
1st	Okahandja FA	90.95%
2nd	Hochfeld FA	89.68%
3rd	Summerdown FA	89.22%
Otavi Region		
1st	Grootfontein FA	90.83%
2nd	Veldduin FA	89.06%
3rd	Tsumeb FA	88.19%
Communal Region		
1st	Kambekura FA	67.50%

Snapshots from the 2008 Producer Awards



Meatco rewards NCA producers

DESPITE Meatco's abattoir at Katima Mulilo still being closed due to Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in the Caprivi Region, producers from other regions in the Northern Communal Areas (NCAs) who could market their cattle managed to deliver good quality animals to the Oshakati factory.

Meatco recently rewarded those farmers who slaughter at the Oshakati factory and who stood out above their counterparts with regard to the quali-

ty of their cattle.

All producers who supplied at least one head of cattle to Meatco between 1 August 2007 and 30 September 2008 were automatically entered into the competition. Their cattle were judged according to conformity, fat grades, age, the quality of its hide and

most importantly, carcass weight.

Winners were announced in two categories, namely 1 to 50 cattle and 50 plus cattle. The winners of each category received a breeding bull to the value of N\$20,000.00 whilst the runners-up received cattle feed.

The results as follows:

Category 1 – 50 cattle		
1st	Jonas Hedimbi	63.07%
2nd	Karoo Uaije	60.17%

Category 50 plus cattle		
1st	Seketa Samuel	51.25%
2nd	Karoo Uaije	60.17%



■ Mr. Jonas Hedimbi and his wife (middle and left) from the Oshikoto Region won first place in the category 1 to 50 cattle. His efforts landed him a stud bull to the value of N\$20,000.00. Meatco's Assistant Manager for the NCA, Mr. Cyprianus Khaiseb, did the handing over.



■ Mr. Sameul Seketa (left) was announced winner of the category 50 plus cattle and is now the proud new owner of a stud bull to the value of N\$20,000.00. Pictured with him is his wife and Mr. Cyprianus Khaiseb, Meatco's Assistant Manager of the NCA.

Mary Hansen now spearheads Corporate Communication

MRS. Mary Hansen has recently been appointed to spearhead Meatco's Corporate Communication department.

Mrs. Hansen is a Chartered Public Relations Practitioner and apart from graduating with a Honours Degree in Economics from the University of the Western Cape, she has amongst

others completed a Management Development course from the University of Namibia in conjunction with the University of Cape Town.

Before joining the Meatco team, Mrs. Hansen was employed as the Manager: Corporate Services at the Road Fund Administration where corporate communication was one of her responsibilities.

"This is a very exciting time to join Meatco" she stated. "A lot of challenging things are happening ... the investigations surrounding the ownership structure, the developments within the Economic Partnership Agreement, the current lowering number of throughputs experienced and remaining competitive within a global environment. To be part of the team who are working on the solutions to these challenges is great".

Two key strategic focus areas for her are:

- 1) Effective two-way communication between Meatco and all of its producers, especially in the Northern Communal Areas where some challenges are being experienced. "Meatco has a very good reputation south of the Veterinary Cordon Fence, which needs to be expanded to the rest of the country".
- 2) Meatco's relationship with government. "This is a crucial relationship that is of mutual benefit to all stakeholders in the industry and the country as a whole. It is thus important that we ensure we are speaking the same language".

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Nuwe Streekvoorsieningsbestuurder: Noord

MEATCO het onlangs vir mnr. Gerhard Mouton as die nuwe Streekvoorsieningsbestuurder: Noord aangestel.

Mnr. Mouton neem die leisels oor by mnr. Lourens Swart, wie nou 'n nuwe posisie as Tegnieuse Adviseur vir Meatco se Ekwatho Finansieringsprojek beklee.

Mnr. Mouton bring met hom wye kennis en ondervinding in die bedryf nadat hy die afgelope 17 jaar as Senior Navorsingstegnikus by die Ministerie van Landbou, Water en Bosbou werksaam was. Gedurende sy tyd by die ministerie het hy ook die posisie as Weidingsbestuurder en Spesialis vir die Lewendehawe-ont-

wikkelingsprojek vir die Noordelike Streke gevul.

Mnr. Mouton het sy Sertifikaat in Landbou in 1989 aan die Tsumis



Landboukollege voltooi. Daarna het hy aanvullingskursusse in Weidingbestuur, Geografiese Inligtingstelsels (GIS) en Afstandswaarneming by die Universiteit van Fort Hare (1999) en die Arab Sentrum vir Droëlandstudies in die Republiek van Sirië (2000) verwerf.

Siende dat hy self ook 'n deelydse beesboer is, is mnr. Mouton bekend met Namibiese boerdery toestande. Hy streef daarna om alle Meatco-produisente met integriteit en tot die beste van sy vermoë te bedien.

Mnr. Mouton kan gekontak word by 062 – 505 700 of 081 207 3149. Alternatiewelik kan u 'n epos stuur na gmouton@meatco.com.na.

Pierre Ludeke bedien sentrale en suidelike dele

MEATCO verwelkom hiermee sy nuutste Tegnieuse Adviseur by die Ekwatho Finansieringsprojek, mnr. Pierre Ludeke.

Mnr. Ludeke sal hoofsaaklik die sentrale en suidelike dele van Namibië bedien en bring met hom wye kennis van die bedryf.

Nie net het hy ná skool 'n B. Agric.-graad aan die Universiteit van die Vrystaat verwerf nie, maar ook heelwat praktiese ondervinding opgedoen as voltydse plaasbestuurder vir

die Nuwe Westelike Ontwikkelings Maatskappy. Mnr. Ludeke het die voorgenoemde pos vanaf 1980 tot 1985 bekleë, eers in die Gobabis-distrik en daarna in die Seeis-omgewing.

Vanaf 1997 tot 2007 het hy as Landbou-analis by Agribank se leningsafdeling opgetree en steeds deelydse by boerdery betrokke. In Junie 2007 het hy sy kantoor verruil vir die wye oop vlaktes van die natuur en weer voltydse begin boer tot hy onlangs by

Meatco se Ekwatho Finansieringspan aangesluit het.

“Aangesien boerdery en hoofsaaklik grootvee-boerdery baie uitdagings en hoë eise aan produsente stel, beoog die Ekwatho Finansieringspan om hul tegnieuse dienste aan produsente beskikbaar te maak en hul sodoende te help om probleme die hoof te bied.”

Mnr. Ludeke kan by 081 129 2629 of pludeke@meatco.com.na gekontak word.

Marius von Moltke: Voorsieningsbeampte op Grootfontein

MEATCO se nuwe Voorsieningsbeampte op Grootfontein is die 37-jarige mnr. Marius von Moltke.

Mnr. von Moltke sal hoofsaaklik produsente in die kommersiële areas van Grootfontein, Tsumeb en Otavi bedien.

Nie net het mnr. von Moltke wye kennis van beesboerdery nie, maar hy beskik ook oor breë kennis van akkerbou. Hy het sy drie-jaar Diploma in Besproeiingsakkerbou in 1995 by die Glen Landboukollege naby Bloemfontein verwerf, met grootvee as tweede vakrigting.

Hy het verskeie addisionele kortkursusse daarna bygewoon en spog vandag met sertifikate in kunsmatige in-

seminasie van groot- en kleinvee, wolklassifisering, gifstowwe en chemiese middels (AFCASA), Nguni-beoordeling (junior) en boerbokbeoordeling.

Mnr. von Moltke het oor die jare wye werksondervinding in die bedryf opgedoen. Hy was onder meer nou by boerdery betrokke op die Regering se proefplase Hardap en Uitkomst, en was ook jare in diens van die Namibiese Ontwikkelingskorporasie.

As werknemer by dié staatsinstelling, was hy by die Naute Dadelprojek betrokke en het hy die bemarkingsafdeling van Kavango Beesboerdery behartig. Daarna het hy as Plaasbestuurder op Mangetti-Wes opgetree.

Mnr. von Moltke kan by 067 – 243

664 of 081 354 2003 gekontak word.

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■ Mr. Marius von Moltke

Information road shows held in Omaheke

AIMED at strengthening relations and to bring the company closer to farmers, Meatco hosted a series of information road shows in the Omaheke and Otjozondupa regions during August this year.

The delegation to the Omaheke region consisted of a member of the Meatco Board of Directors, Mr. Ripanda Meroro, Senior Manager: Procurement, Mr. Vehaka Tjimune, and Procurement Officers Mr. Moses Kandjoze, Mr. Adolf De Koe and Mr. Paul Tjaimba.

During these road shows a number of important topics were explained to participants and included the grading of carcasses, how to determine the age of cattle, how Meatco's prices compare with that obtained at

auctions, Meatco's off season premium, Meatco's ownership, how to become a Meatco member, what free range cattle farming entails and the latest information regarding the Fanmeat scheme.

Road shows were held at Plessisplaas (Steinhausen), Omungondo (Otjinene), Otjiwarongo (Epukiro), Okatumba (Eiseb), Vergenoeg (Otjombinde) and Weltevrede (Leonardville). ptjaimba@meatco.com.na



■ Mr. Paul Tjaimba from Meatco practically demonstrated to farmers how the grading of cattle is done at the road show held in the Omaheke region.

Lupuzo ze Buziwanga Hañata Kuamana ni Meatco

Kana balimi baba iñolisa kwa Meat Board ba kona kuba limembela za Meatco?

Balimi baba iñolisa kwa Meat Board aba koni kuba limembela za Meatco. Bumembela bwa Meatco buitingile fa kuli mulimi yo naa sa bulaile likomu kwa Meatco kapa batili. Balimi ba kupa feela linombolo za lidinto, za bulimi niza Fan Meat kwa Meat Board, zeo ili litokwahalo kuli mulimi akone ku bulaya kwa Meatco.

Mulimi utokwa kubulaya hakai kuli abe membala wa Meatco?

Mulimi utokwa kubulaya komu iliñwi kwa Meatco, kakuya ka musha wa Meatco wa 2001. Bumembela buunga lilimo zepeli kuzwa foo mulimi abulaya, mi uka lemuswa pili bumembela bwahae busika fita kale kwamafelelezo.

Kana bumembela bwa Meatco buitingile feela kaku lekisa likomu nji? Balimi ba limunano ze nyinyani bo?

Kanako ya cwale bumembela buitingile feela kubaba lekisa likomu.

Meatco isusuweze cwani balimi baba nyinyani kuba limembala?

Sina bumembela habusika itinga kwa sibaka, balimi baba nyinyani, sina balimi baba tuna, ba amuhelwa kuikambota ni mu ofisa wa Meatco mwa sibaka sabona kuamana ni kuiñolisa kuba membela. Haki balimi kaufela babatuna bao ili limembala za Meatco, sina bumembala mwanako yacwale habusina miselo kapa buswa bwa mashelini bobu funanwa.

Kana kubeya likomu mwa Quarantine kukona kukutiseza mayemo-sakata a likomu kwatasi?

Nto yeo itingile ka mayemo ao quarantine ili kuona. Linkamba za ma quarantine limwa kamaiso ya mubuso ili likolo leli bona zapabalelo ya limunano. Hai-ba nkamba imwamayemomaswe aakwatasi, kamutala ifelezwi kimafulisezo, ikona kutiseza likomu mayemo akutezi hahulu kwatasi.

Ba Meatco ba zibanga cwani kuli komu ye kiya mañi halili mwa Quarantine?

Likomu liswanela kuba ni sidinto, ili-

seo nombolo yateni ikupiwa kuba Meatco Board, ili nto ye kona kubisa bunolo kuzibahaya muña komu.

Kana kunani shutano mwahala litoko za mutulo niza mwa mbowela wa lukwakwa lwa likolo la pabalelo ya limunano?

Akuna shutano mwahala litoko ka kilo, mwa mutulo ni mbowela wa lukwakwa. Liteko libonahala feela ku shutana ka mabaka amañata, aswana sina sibupeho sasitupu sa komu, kununa kwa yona, buima bwa yona, grade ya litalo kapa mukata mane ni miupa ye kwa nama. Kuba koku cwalo kutiswa kalibaka lakuli ba leki ba nama batabela nama ye kateleha mi ba Meatco ni bona balifa hande kakuya ka mayemo ao.

Kana ma Quarantine sa felile bucwani kapa mafulisezo nji?

Ma fulisezo akatazwa kilika zefata mwa hala silimo kaufela. Linanga, mayemo alihalimu, pula yefata kapa ye nyinyani, pabalelo ya mafulisezo mane ni buñata bwa likomu ze lekiswa. Zeo kaufela likona kutisa mayemo maswe amafulisezo mwa ma Quarantine.

Kana likomu ze mwa Quarantine lisilelelize nji?

Sina buino bwakai ni kai, lici, busholi, mane ni lisinyehelo ze sika iteekelwa kize sabisa mwa ma Quarantine. Kono kalinako ze fiata, niha kuli cwalo, likomu hañata litofitanga kwa libulaelo hande inze likwanile. Mi kihakuli kwa butokwa kuli balimi babe ni balisana babona mwa Quarantine.

Kana ba Meatco bana ni kabelo kwaa lisinyehelo za mwa ma Quarantine?

Ma Quarantine amwatasa kamaiso ni pabalelo ya ba mubuso, mwatasa likolo leli bona za pabalelo ya limunano. Nihaike aki buikalabelo bwa ba Meatco, mwalinako zeñata ba Meatco se batusize kuzusulusa mayemo a ma Quarantine kaku kolotisanga tutengo twa balimi masheleni aku lukisisa linkamba. Ba Meatco hape ba lemusanga ba likolo haiba kuna ni butata bobu tokwa kulukisiwa kapili. Katengo kaka tuna ka Meatco, kwa lili mo zefelile neka neuzi mali afite fa N\$3.2 million ya kuyahisa ma Quarantine mwa libaka za mutulo (NCA).

Meatco isebelisa cwani lisebeliso za mwa mutulo mi nika mayemo acwani?

Meatco isebelisa lisebeliso za mwa mutulo kwa lineku la mubuso wa Namibia. Kutofita cwale, kamaiso neitingile feele fa tumelelano ya mwa mulomo. Tumelelano yenca yekaama

kamaiso yenca ituha ifitiwa kuyona mwahala mubuso ni niba kamaiso ya Meatco, mi ika nyatelwa.

Libaka kiñi hakutula kusebelisa lisebelezo za libulaelo mwa mutulo?

Nzila ya kubulaya kayona likomu kiye tula hahulu. Kunani litifo za babeleki, za kukenisa, kupakica, kubuluka, malaiti mane ni mezi, kubeya cwalo ni tutelo-telo twa ba likolo labu ma pangapanga. Kuba ni libulaelo feela kusina kuba ni musika aki sebelezo ye kona kutisa miselo sakata.

Kanabalimi ba mwa mutulo bana ni kabelo kwa lukau lolufumanwa kwa misika ya kwa buse ba mawate mane ni kwa Norway?

Ma bulaelo amwa mutulo asebeza falisinyehelo zeñata hahulu lilimo kaufela, ba kenisa lisebelezo ze pahami hahulu ni palo ya likomu yeli kwa tasi hahulu ye bulaiwa. Ba Meatco ne basike ba kwanisa kushimba ona mushimbo tuna wo kambe ha ba fumani liñambekelo kwa mabulaelo ainzi buse (mbowela) bwa lukwakwa ili yona VCF. Kacwalo, ee kiniti, balimi ba mutulo bana ni kabelo mwahala liteko za Meatco ze liteni kwa buse ba mawate.

Kana Meatco inze isweli kubata misika kokumwi nji?

Meatco ki siemba sa katengo kalinama kaka bona za linzila za kuhasanya misika ili kao ka zamaiswa ki

likolo labu ma pangapanga ka ke-telelo ya ba Meat Board ya Namibia. Kasikatezi fa kufumana misika yeminca. Onafa Meatco seili mwa nzila ya kufumana tumelelo ya USDA ili yeo ika kiulula misika ya mwa linaha za America. Kopano hape se fumani tumelelo ya fahala linaha za upa mi mane seba konile kulumela kwateni nama ili mwa Jordan ni Dubai. Norway ni Switzerland ki linaha ze li kwande a European Union koo Meatco ilekisa teni nama.

Kana Meatco inze isweli kubata misika kwa linaha zenwi mwa Africa, kwaanda South Africa?

Meatco inze izwelapili ku lekisa ze zwa fa nama kwa linaha za Zambia ni Zimbabwe. Kopano hape isa kona kulekisa kwa misika ya Angola kubona feela mayemo a mali abonahala hande mi, kuna ni nama ye lukile kale mwa libaka za mutulo. Meatco hape ilekisa nama ya mwa makapaa kwa naha ya Botswana, ili koo kabelo mwa misika wateni kiyetuna.

Buñata bwa nama yeo Meatco iifumana busitalisa cwani misika?

Bakenisa kutokwa likomu zeñata, Namibia ibapala kakalulonyana feela mwa musika wa lifasi. Kuipapata mwabupala bwa lifasi kukona kutiseza kuli Meatco ikone kasa zibahala hande kwa linaha za kwande. Kacwalo kopano itiseza hahulu fa kupahamisa mayemo anama ili kuli kakone kukoma fa musika kanama yena ni kabubo kapa ye bubaana.

Omapulo haa pulwa luhapu kombinga ya Meatco

Ovanaimuna ava ve lishangifa mOraata yombelega otashi ti ova ninga ngaho oilyo ya Meatco?

Ovanaimuna ava ve lishangifa mOraata yombelega itashi ti ova ninga ngaho oilyo ya Meatco. Oukwashilyo owe likolelela kokutya omunaimuna okwa landifa eengobe ku Meatco ile ina landifa. Koraata yombelega ovanaimuna ohava ningi eindilo leenomola doishako, dombelega nodounai-

muna. Eenomola edi odo di li oipumbiwa yokulandifa eengobe ku Meatco.

Omunhu ou nokulandifa eengobe ku Meatco oikando ingapi opo u ninge oshilyo sha Meatco?

Ovanaimuna otave lishangifa konima yokulandifa ongobe nande imwe ku Meatco ngaashi sha ufwu paveta ya Meatco yomudo 2001. Oukwashilyo ohau kala oule weedula mbali okudja

efiku omunaimuna a landifa ku Meatco nomunaimuna ota shiivifilwa manga oukwashilyo waye inau ngushuluka.

Oukwashilyo wa Meatco hano owaava ashike hava landifa eengobe? Tashi ti ovanaimuna inini inava kwatelwa mo?

Mopaife ngaha oukwashilyo wa Meatco owovanaimuna ashike ava hava landifa eengobe.

Meatco okwa ninga po shike opo a twe ovanaimuna vokoushai omukumo va ninge oilyo?

Oukwashilyo inau ngabekelwa monhele yonhumba, onghee ovanaimuna vokoushai, ngaashi naanaa omahewa avo moushimba, navo ova manguluka okukundafana oukwashilyo novanambelewa ovalandi vaMeatco momudingoloko wavo. Ovanaimuna moushimba haaveshe ve lishangifa ongoilyo yaMeatco shaashi oukwashilyo kau na ouwa wopashimaliwa.

Okutula eengobe mokwarantine otashi dulu mbela okunwefa mo ongushu yongobe?

Oshe likolelela konghalo yokwarantine. Eekamba dokwarantine odi li metonatelo loshikondo shouhaku woimuna, ovo tava file eekamba oshisho. Ngeenge okamba oi li monghalo ya nghundipala ongaashi okutya kai noulifilo wa wana, nena eshi otashi nwefa mo nai onghalo yeengobe.

Meatco ota yoolola ngahelipi oove-ne veengobe di li mokwarantine?

Eengobe oda xwikwa noishako oyo ya shangifwa pambelewa oyo hai di kOraata yombeleda, osho hashi pupaleke okutongolola oumwene weengobe.

Ope na mbela oulili weepreisa pokati keengobe mOmbangalanhu neengobe meni lomufinda utilyana?

Kape neyooloko mopreisa pakilograma pokati keengobe mOnooli neengobe meni lomufinda utilyana. Opreisa ohai nwefwa mo koinima ngaashi onghalo yombeleda, ongushu yingehene, ondjudo, ongushu yombadwa nomanhanda. Meatco oha futu she likolelela kongushu, molwaashi ovalandi otava pula ongushu yonhumba.

Meekamba deekwarantine omu nomhumbwe youlifilo?

Oinima ihapu ohai nwefa mo oulifilo pamikalo da yooloka momukokomo-

ko womudo, mwa kwatelwa oshikukuta, omuloka wa nghundipala ile wa pitilila, omapeya, ewiliko la puka loulifilo nomuvalu weengobe tadi landifwa po nao ohau nwefa mo oulifilo.

Eengobe meekamba deekwarantine odi li ngaho meameno?

Ngaashi momidingoloko dikwao, oifitukuti, oumbudi, noiponga yopaus-hitwe otai dulu okundjungaula onghalo meekwarantine. Luhapu, eengobe ohadi fiki nawa koutomeno. Oshinima shiwa alushe ngee ovanaimuna tava longifa ovafita va tonatele oimuna yavo.

Meatco oha kwafele melongifo leekwarantine?

Eekamba dokwarantine odi li mewiliko loshikondo shouhaku woimuna. Nonande nee Meatco haye e noshinakuwanifwa, luhapu oha vatele mokukaleka po eekamba eshi ha yandje omikuli komahangano ovanaimuna opo eekamba di kalekwe monghalo tai wapalele. Meatco oha kala yo mekwatafano noshikondo shouhaku woimuna ngeenge eekamba da pumbwa okulongololwa. Oraata yovawiliki yaMeatco monakudiwa oya yandjele eemiliyuna 3.2 di longifwe okulonga oluumbo lokwarantine mOnooli.

Omedina lalyelye nopamukalo ulipi Meatco ta ungaunga noikwanoipangifo meenhele doulifilo waaveshe mOnooli?

Meatco ota ungaunga noikwanoipangifo meenhele doulifilo waaveshe mOnooli medina lepangelo loRepublika yaNamibia. Fiyo okeluwa eli, ewiliko ole likolelele ashike keudafano lopakanya. Eudafano lipe otali ka udafanwa pokati kewiliko lipe laMeatco nepangelo.

Omolwashike tashi pula ondilo kovanaimuna okulongifa oikwanoipangifo mOnooli?

Omulandu wokutoma eengobe ou nondilo. Ope noimaliwa yovanailon-

ga, okuwapaleka, okupakela, okupungula, olusheno nomeva noimaliwa ya wedwa I nasha nofabulika. Okweendifa okatomeno itashi kwafasha pamaxupilo ngee ku na omangeshefelo okwakola e nasha naashi wa eta po.

Ovanaimuna mOnooli ohava mono mo ngaho ouwa momalandifilo aMeatco muEuropa naNorway?

Outomeno mOnooli ohava kanifa oshimaliwa shihapu kesge omudo molwa ondilo yokuva kaleka po nomuvalu munini weengobe hadi tomwa. Meatco ka lit a dulu okukaleka po outomeno ovo ngeno ka li ha mono oshimaliwa shiwa moutomeno meni lomufinda utilyana. Hano, oshoshili, ovanaimuna mOnooli ohava mono omauwa mahapu momukalo weepreisa oo meatco a tula po.

Meatco mbela ota kongo vali omalandifilo amwe e lili?

Meatco oku li oshitopolwa shaasho sha lukwa "Meat Industry Diversification Strategy" oyo i li meendifo lounisteli woipindi noikwafabulika mewiliko IOraata yombeleda yaNamibia. Elalakano okukonga omalandifilo mape. Meatco paife okwe lipyakidila nokukonga edidmino loku landifa ombeleda muAmerika. Ehangano ola pewa yo oufemba okulandifa mOushilo wOpokati nola tuma nale nokuli ombeleda ko Jordan nook Dubai. Norway na Switzerland omashingifilo pondje youkumwe waEuropa oko meatco ha landifa ombeleda.

Makele kaSouth Africa, Meatco mbela oha kendabala tuu okulandifa koilongo vali imwe muAfrika?

Meatco oha tumu oikwambeleda ko Zambia noko Zimbabwe. Ehangano ohali landifa yo muAngola, unene tuu ngee epingakanifo loshimaliwa li li nawa nongeenge pe nombeleda ya henena okudja mOnooli. Meatco oha tumu ombeleda yomeendosha koBotswana, oko omalandifilo taa ende nawa lela.

Processing of new applications for Meatco's Ekwatho project on hold until 2009.

AS a result of the overwhelming success of the Ekwatho project and vast amounts of applications received, Meatco will henceforth until the end of the 2008 focus on completing the processing of these applications.

All applications received before 01 October 2008 will be processed

normally, i.e. all applications that are already in the system will be processed, whilst the processing of new applications received after the aforementioned date will continue in January 2009. It is important to note that Meatco still accepts new applications, but that the processing

thereof will only continue next year. For any further information please contact any of the Technical Advisors: Barend Dorfling at 081 127 8806, Lourens Swart at 081 127 8805 or Pierre Ludeke at 081 129 2629. Alternatively you can send an email to financing@meatco.com.na.

Interchange between Namibian and Brazilian farmers

By Gabi Fischer

AIMING to facilitate an exchange of knowledge and experience between Namibia and Brazil, I offered my third agricultural tour for farmers to the latter in May this year.

According to reports from the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE), Brazil has the biggest commercial cattle herd in the world today with numbers exceeding 195,5 million. The country exports beef to more than 140 countries worldwide and is also the largest producer of soya beans in the world.

Touring through such a large and beautiful country as Brazil is a real eye opener when it comes to interchanging information and experiences about cattle farming. I am thus already planning my next tour for September 2009.

With the help of the various research

centers in each state of Brazil, I have managed to find out all about agriculture and animal breeding to be able to work out the route for these tours. Being born in Namibia and grown up in Brazil, I love both countries and their people.

During our tour in May, we travelled nearly 6, 000 kilometers and passed through the states of São Paulo, Paraná, Mato Grosso do Sul, Minas Gerais and Rio de Janeiro. We visited seven farms throughout the regions, ranging in size from as small as 100 hectares to as large as 15, 000 hectares.

On the smaller farms entire families, including the wife and children as well as the sons and daughters in law, work on the land as they cannot afford to appoint employees. On the medium-sized properties, farm owners manage their farms in a way similar to that of Namibian farmers with

mainly the couple and one or two of their children being directly involved in the farming.

Large farms, on the other hand, are managed differently with the land being divided into approximately 1, 000 hectare plots and utilized for crop production. These smaller plots are managed separately by lessees, who in turn sell the harvests to the cattle farmer as feed. These large farms usually also employ a full time Veterinarian on site to take care of the cattle.

About 70 % of the cattle population consists of the Nelore breed. The Nelore originates from India and Pakistan and is comparable with the Brahman (see picture).

Various European cattle breeds like the Simmentaler, Hereford and Angus are found in Brazil; although more frequently in the southern regions and Argentina. Brazil also has many facilities with advanced modern technology for the development of quality genetic material. This includes embryo transplantation, cloning of cattle and in-vitro fertilization (IVF), a process through which egg cells are fertilized by sperm outside of the womb as treatment for infertility.

As in Namibia, predators also pose a problem in Brazil with the Jaguar being one example. In an attempt to control but not wipe out these predators, a Brazilian biologist launched a conservation project in the Pantanal similar to Namibia's Cheetah Conservation.



The Nelore originates from India and Pakistan and is comparable with the Brahman.

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HUDPRYSE het onlangs dramaties afgeneem met groenhuide (pas-af-geslagte huide) wat nou 'n skamele N\$2.56 per kg behaal teenoor N\$6.74 enkele weke gelede.

Dit is as gevolg van "Wet Blue"-huidpryse wat in die Europese en Asiase markte met sowat 62% gedaal het en die verwagting is dat dit teen Desember met 'n verdere 20% kan val. Die effek van hierdie prysdaling beloop sowat N\$135.00 per bees, afhangende van die gewig van die bees.

Met die wêreldwye verswakking in die ekonomiese klimaat oor die afgelope paar maande het verbruikers se koopkrag nie net afgeneem nie, maar geld word eerder op verbruiksgoedere spandeer as op luukse artikels soos byvoorbeeld meubels, voertuie en klerasie.

Tekens dat 'n prysdaling op pad was kon vroeër vanjaar opgemerk word, maar omrede Meatco sy pryse op die Rooivleis Abattoirvereniging van

Suid-Afrika (RVAV) baseer en dié instansie hul pryse onlangs eers in lyn met internasionale pryse aangepas het, het dit voorgekom of huidpryse oornag soos 'n klip geval het.

Hierdie is 'n geval van vraag en aanbod, eerder as 'n sterwende mark. Die aanbod is daar, maar die vraag na die produk het skerp afgeneem.

Afhangende van die herstel in die globale ekonomie, word beter pryse vir huide nie voor Mei 2009 voorsien nie. gtkotze@meatco.com.na

2008 Omaheke and Otjozondjupa Regional Shows

THE different constituencies in the Omaheke and Otjozondjupa regions held their mini and regional agricultural shows in August and September 2008 respectively. Being part of the consortium of companies who sponsors the regional shows, Meatco was fully represented at both these events.

The Omaheke Regional Show was held at Eiseb Block from 18 to 21 September 2008, whilst the Otjozondjupa Regional show took place from 28 to 31 August 2008 at Okatjoruu.

Whilst farmers compete at beginner's level at the mini shows, the regional shows are regarded to be at an advanced level.

Since the inception of these regional shows in 2004, they have beco-

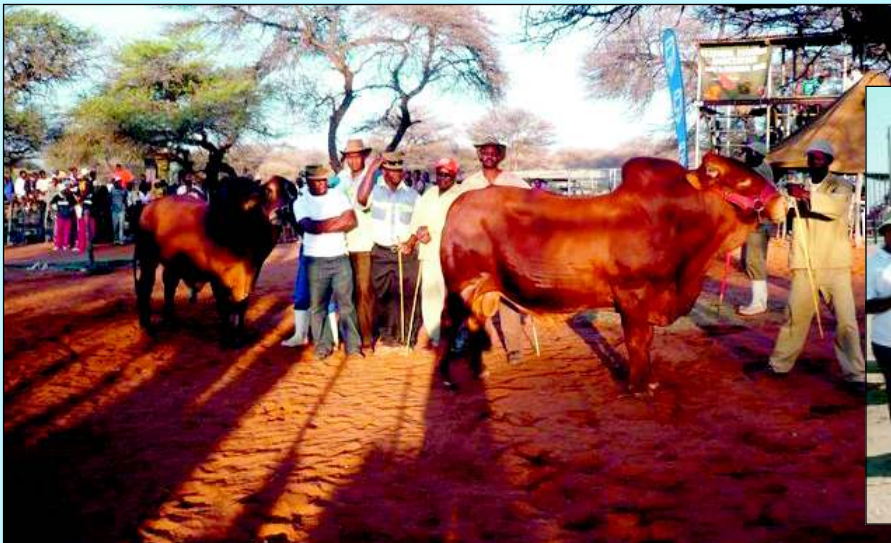


me increasingly popular with the number of attendees growing every year. Farmers' interest into the event have been stimulated to such an extent that some were willing to travel

nearly 600 kilometres from Aminuis to attend the Omaheke Regional Show at Eiseb Block.

This show was regarded a major success with all constituencies represented.

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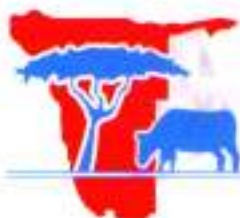
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