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## **Dairy producers meet Minister Schlettwein**

The dairy industry wishes to thank the Minister of Agriculture for his willingness to meet the role players for the third time within a month in order to save the industry from collapsing. Minister Schlettwein is carefully optimistic that funds could be appropriated for the dairy industry, probably in the form of a direct subsidy. The subsidy must be for all producers in the industry and not exclude anyone, including those north of the VCF. The budgeted amount must be presented to cabinet for approval as part of the agricultural budget for 2021/22. This is a long process of negotiations and will unfortunately not come into operation immediately.

## **Damara Breeders' Association offers course**

A junior-level course will be presented on 18 and 19 November 2020 at the Omatjenne research farm at N\$ 450 per person. Registration is to be done via the Association by 13 November. Direct enquiries to Linda Sterkenburg at [btgn@afol.com.na](mailto:btgn@afol.com.na) at 061 252994.

## **FAs and other news**

### **Summerdown FA**

Summerdown FA has a members' meeting on 17 November at 15:00 in the FA Hall. Speakers will be the CEO of the NAU, Mr. Roelie Venter as well as Mr. Oloff Bergh who will speak on the coming crop season. Info from Rienie du Plessis, 062 561621, [summerdownbv@gmail.com](mailto:summerdownbv@gmail.com).

### **Maltahöhe FA**

The final meeting of the year will take place on 18 November at 10:00 on the farm Burgsdorf of André and Susan Rossouw. The theme is solar power, and the day will be concluded with a BBQ and music. African Marketing will offer wine-tasting. The entrance fee for non-members and guests is N\$200 for adults. Additional information from Ernst Sauber, ernst@buellsport.com or Dilene Rossouw, info@burgsdorf.org.

## Karibib FA

Karibib FA will have a meeting on 28 November at 16:30 at the Etusis Lodge. Speakers are Riaan Oberholzer, Tobie le Roux, Adriaan Louw and Dr Herbert Schneider. For more information contact Doris Gladis at 061 237400 or doris@hemconamibia.com.

## Biomass Fair 2021

The Standard Bank Biomass Fair 2021 will take place from 3 to 5 June 2021 at Otjiwa Lodge, Otjiwarongo. On 3 June will be the research symposium, on the 4th the conference and on 5 June the Expo. Details available from Roelien Coffee, 081 1240081, [roelien@biomassfair.com.na](mailto:roelien@biomassfair.com.na).

## Bush to Feed National Workshop

iDeal-X, on behalf of Debushing Advisory Services (DAS), will be hosting a national workshop on the 'Facilitation of Stakeholder Dialogue on Bush to Feed in Namibia'. As an outcome, the roll-out of the national roadmap on bush based animal feed will be finalised.

We cordially invite all relevant stakeholders to engage, and share valuable insights that will improve the roadmap.






**Date:** 20 November 2020  
**Time:** 08:00 – 14:00  
 (Lunch included)  
**Venue:** Arebbusch Lodge, Windhoek

RSVP: [info@ideal-x.com.na](mailto:info@ideal-x.com.na)  
 by Thursday, 12 November '20

The option to attend via livestreaming will be available.





## Agra ProVision courses

DATE	SUBJECT	PLACE	COST
12-13 November	Animal Feed	Windhoek	N\$2 750
17-19 November	Commercial pig production	Windhoek	N\$3 200

DATE	SUBJECT	PLACE	COST
23-24 November	Dry land cultivation	Windhoek	N\$2 750

For more information contact Agra ProVision at 061 290 9208 or [apvtraining@agra.com.na](mailto:apvtraining@agra.com.na)

*Exchange Rate NAD (5 - 11 Nov 2020)*

	Nov	EURO	USD	POUND	PULA
Thursday	5	18.658	15.802	20.725	1.381
Friday	6	18.616	15.663	20.616	1.392
Saturday	7	18.512	15.590	20.501	1.386
Sunday	8	18.515	15.582	20.499	1.385
Monday	9	18.196	15.406	20.241	1.377
Tuesday	10	18.456	15.628	20.680	1.401
Wednesday	11	18.432	15.587	20.674	1.397

*Saturday to Thursday: 17:00 UTC (Coordinated Universal Time)*

**Channel 7**

Three highlights from the Afrikaans programme Landbou Joernaal at 06:00 on Saturday:

- The President of the NAU, Mr. Piet Gouws, sheds light upon the foot-and-mouth outbreak.
- Liza Bohlmann of Landbou Weekblad explains why red meat prices are fluctuating.
- Hermien van den Berg, the President of the Namibia ladies' league (NVV) looks back on the year's challenges and forward to the last meetings of the year.

A re-broadcast of Saturday's Landbou Joernaal takes place on Wednesday evenings from 20:00. Channel 7 can also be heard on their website at [www.k7.com.na](http://www.k7.com.na) or on their cell phone app or on DStv Audio Channel 825. Enquiries and requests can be sent via SMS to1023 with the code landbou.

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: ENVY IS THE ART OF COUNTING THE OTHER  
FELLOW'S BLESSINGS INSTEAD OF YOUR OWN – Harold Coffin**