



Pebbles Project

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NEWSLETTER

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## November 2013

### OWETHU HEALTH CLINIC

The Pebbles Project has partnered with The Cipla Foundation, the social enterprise division of leading pharmaceutical company, Cipla Medpro, and launched Owethu – South Africa’s first fully-serviced modular medical clinic. The concept, which has been in development for four years, signals a new era in the South African primary healthcare sector, as the clinic will act as a support service to the currently under-resourced and burdened healthcare system in the country.

According to David Grier, managing trustee of the Cipla Foundation, this first-of-its-kind initiative will provide South African communities with access to quality medical and dental care and in some cases, oncology treatment as well as basic healthcare education. Owethu, meaning ‘ours’ allows us to address ‘our health, our life’, and is dedicated to assisting and improving the delivery and access of primary healthcare in communities, and by doing so, lessening the burden on South Africa’s public healthcare system.



The dental unit



The clinic

The clinic is made of modular pods and can be deployed anywhere. This is a breakthrough in the development of sustainable healthcare solutions to communities in need, especially as its scale and state-of-the-art facilities has been developed with community healthcare in mind.

For more information on Owethu or to get involved in this project, please visit [www.owethu.co.za](http://www.owethu.co.za).

**Overture**  
AT HIDDEN VALLEY

JOIN  
OVERTURE & HIDDEN VALLEY WINES  
IN AID OF  
THE PEBBLES PROJECT  
FOR A  
GOURMET BRAAI & SOKKIE EVENING

DATE: 5 FEBRUARY 2014  
VENUE: OVERTURE RESTAURANT  
TIME: 18H30  
R450 per person

To book, please contact Angela: [angela@pebblesproject.co.za](mailto:angela@pebblesproject.co.za) / 0721344371

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### CITRUSDAL

Earlier this year we were approached by the Mouton Citrus Fairtrade committee and have now agreed to be involved with Mouton Citrus in Citrusdal. Starting in January 2014, we will assist Mouton Citrus with educational programmes in four of their crèche facilities and one After School Club. We are very excited about the expansion of our work into new areas in the Western Cape.

### VILLIERA AFTER SCHOOL CLUB MEMBERS EXCEL

It is always encouraging seeing the children that we work with excelling in their personal and school environments. Five of the learners attending the Villiera After School Club have been elected as representatives on their schools prefect body for next year.



Jeanice Piedt (prefect – Parkdene Primary) Andrea Piedt (prefect – Parkdene Primary) Romano Truffels (Headboy – Parkdene Primary) Robin Piedt (prefect – Parkdene Primary) Natalie Brink (prefect – Joostenberg Primary)

### MARKS AND SPENCER SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Marks & Spencer (UK) held a Plan A conference in Stellenbosch on the 13th November 2013 for over 100 of their South African Food and Wine suppliers (M&S launched Plan A years back as a means of working with their customers and suppliers to combat climate change, reduce waste, use sustainable raw materials, trade ethically and to help lead their customers in achieving healthier lifestyles).

M&S recognise that many of their farmers and growers are taking great steps to improve the sustainability of their business. They are keen to recognise and promote this good practice throughout the supply chain. In recognition of this they handed out an Environment Award, a People Award and a Partnership Award.

**OWETHU**

This is a ground-breaking project, the first of its kind in Africa.

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We are proud to announce that together with Villiera Wines we were awarded the M&S Partnership Award. This award is for an initiative which breaks down traditional barriers and brings several partners together to work towards a goal that delivers truly sustainable outcomes.

The main reason for this award is the OWETHU clinic launched at Villiera Wines straight after the M&S conference. The doors have not opened and it has its first award!

### SPONSOR A SCHOOL PACK

Each year we provide a school pack for every child leaving one of the Pebbles supported crèches for primary school. A school pack is made up of a school bag, school uniform, shoes and socks as well as a basic stationery set. For many parents this cost is an enormous financial burden and some children do not attend school because they do not have either the shoes or the uniform. In future we will be handing out 135 school packs. We are so grateful for all the generous donations that have made this initiative possible.



### THE CAPE ARGUS CYCLE TOUR

Are you or someone you know planning to enter the Cape Argus Cycle Tour? Join our team of dynamic and enthusiastic riders and use your participation in the race to raise funds for Pebbles! JF Hillebrand have initiated a campaign to gather as many riders as possible to jointly raise R60 000. For more information about getting involved please contact Angela on [angela@pebblesproject.co.za](mailto:angela@pebblesproject.co.za).

### THANK-YOU

Pebbles is always extremely thankful to all the donors whose generosity and support allows for the success of the project.

- Wynand Van Zyl from First Africa Holdings and Erich Gassner from Cape Coffee CC donated a coffee machine for our office.
- Off Piste Wines made their annual £5000 donation this year and then added an extra £2000 for good measure and to share in some of their recent profits.
- Rhebokskloof hosted a successful fundraiser on earlier this month. The event raised R63 000 for the Owethu Clinic.
- Cathy Milner has been giving art lessons to the children from Neil Joubert and Delheim this year. She arranged an Art Exhibition in October which raised R4535.
- Angus from Alcohol Breathalysers CC raised nearly R5000 for Pebbles at WineX in Johannesburg for Pebbles by getting visitors to the show to test their alcohol levels.
- Wolfgang from W's Wine Store in Germany made a donation of R10 000 and has pledged another Christmas-time donation.
- SAWIS have contributed R21,000 as well as spending a day fixing up one of our ECD centres and treating the children to a fun day full of activities and treats.
- JF Hillebrand continue to be one of our most loyal donors, contributing towards our Christmas party and fundraising event.
- KWV made a generous donation of R15,000 towards our ASC computer programme.
- Varsity College Hotel Management students raised R7550 through an event they did to complete their course in hospitality.
- Northlink College raised R4500 through a series of events they did to complete their courses in tourism.

And so another action packed year has flown past. The future is looking bright as there are new projects ready to be launched – the vision for Pebbles keeps growing! The work we do is only possible through the support given to us by donors, the Wine Industry and personal friends and family. We would like to thank each of you for the way you have supported and encouraged us through 2013. We wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and hope that 2014 will be an exceptional year!



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