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- 22 May**
International Day of Biological Diversity
 - 05 June**
World Environment Day
 - 08 June**
World Ocean Day
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In Proud Association With:



Tsogo Sun pulls out all the stops for Earth Hour 2012

The Tsogo Sun Group again proved its commitment to promoting sustainable operations during this year's Earth Hour.

The Group first started its awareness campaign in the weeks leading up to the event.

"Saving the planet and its natural resources is a worldwide issue that everyone should be addressing with the utmost care and concern. Southern Sun consistently endeavours to conserving energy and we have been hard at work implementing products, services and initiatives that assist in reducing our footprint on the environment," says Graham Wood, MD Southern Sun Hotels.

All hotels placed Earth Hour communiqués in the rooms to inform guests of the importance of Earth Hour and the various planned activities, and also placed educational materials in the lifts and public areas promoting the event.

Hotel initiatives

The Garden Court East London hotel joined the "I Will If You Will" challenge – daring the world to save the planet. They reached out to staff and suppliers to join in the Earth Hour initiative at home and at their business premises, asking them, in turn, to reach out to their families and suppliers, eventually reaching many South Africans - and educating children about the need to save our resources.

The Garden Court East London and the Garden Court Hatfield hotels hosted a fun cocktail hour at the bar for guests and dinner was served by candle light while the Garden Court Milpark hosted a stargazing hour for their guests.

Southern Sun The Cullinan hotel's guests joined the Cape Town initiative by switching of all non-essential lightning and Southern Sun Cape Sun filled the restaurant with a variety of candles and gave each guest a candle to take home.

Earth Hour started early at Montecasino in Gauteng. Candles were handed out to staff and suppliers and to guests entering the covered parking areas on Friday, 30 March. Selected restaurant ten-



ants showed their commitment by offering dinner by candlelight.

The SunSquare hotel printed educational cards and placed them in each room and on the tables at the MondoVino restaurant. In addition, they replaced lights with candles and lamps in both the hotel and the restaurant and power saved the heat pumps.

Queens Casino Hotel hosted an hour of candlelight and Suncoast Casino turned off all the outside light while the Suncoast

Hotel and Towers only operated on emergency lighting and placed glow sticks in the pool, creating a romantic and fun environment for dinner by candlelight under the stars!

The Drakensburg Sun Lifestyle Resort offered drinks and a stargazing experience on the pool deck. Guests were delighted when shortly after Earth Hour the hill across the lake lit up with the words "Earth Hour". Guests then wrote their pledges to save our natural resources on brown paper bags which were placed on the 60+ Earth website.

The StayEasy Emnotweni hotel in the Lowveld hosted a sherry evening by candlelight and adorned the pool with floating candles.

Nandos launches pilot project



In a dry-run as a precursor to applying for Heritage's Green Business certification, the Nandos Group put five of its Gauteng-based outlets through an environmental audit.

Each of the restaurants was visited and an overall benchmark of their operational processes developed. This included, among others, an analysis of their overall water, procurement, energy, chemicals and pesticides, and hygiene processes.

The findings showed that with the implementation of a group-wide EMS system and guidance from Heritage, the Group would be well on the way to being able to position itself as a sustainable brand in the fast food indus-



Editorial

In today's world environmental certification simply makes good business sense! Why? Because it is a transparent and systematic way of discovering and controlling the effects your company has on the environment. Cost savings can be made through improved efficiency and productivity. These are achieved by detecting ways to minimise waste and dispose of it more effectively and by learning how to use energy more efficiently. It verifies compliance with current legislation and makes insurance cover more accessible.

On the reputational side certification:

- Illustrates your company's actual sustainability performance and enables a competitive positioning that is both authentic and trustworthy
- Helps to reveal strengths and weaknesses in your company

Why independent green certification is important



- Motivates your employees your employees and attracts and maintains reliable staff
- Increases transparency within your company
- Improves communication structures and supports your decision-making process
- Creates a foundation for your corporate goals and strategies
- Reveals new ways for product optimisation
- Helps you to invest in your local communities

But most importantly, it turns your good intentions into sustainable action!

Heritage raises audit bar!

Heritage auditors Ruan Spies, Ian Dennis and Louwrens van der Merwe have successfully completed a five-day Lead Auditor Training course (ISO 14001:2004).

The course, conducted by Quality Strategies International (QSI), offers insight into the field of Lead Auditing and provided Heritage auditors with formal recognition of their audit skills while, at the same time, serving as a benchmark of local and international auditing standards.

QSI Holdings specialises in the facilitation and training of continuous improvement interventions, and is a licensed provider of Southern African Auditor and Training Certification Authority (SAATCA) courses.

"The course was a great opportunity for our team to learn first-hand from seasoned audit, veteran David Crawford. Now, not only can we help clients comfortably meet their compliance standards but, it also puts Heritage far ahead of all its competitors in environmental certification," says Neal Dickinson, Heritage's Director of Operations.

This is just the first step in Heritage's commitment to continuous improvement and service delivery. Over the next twelve months, the company's programme will be formerly certified as an international environmental management standard.

New national labelling law impacts on Restaurants and fast-food outlets

New legislation which came into effect on 1 March 2012 requires all restaurants and fast food outlets to produce details of the ingredients used in their foodstuffs.

The legislation (referred to as R146), was first announced in 2010 and regulates the labelling and advertising of all foodstuffs in an effort to curb unsubstantiated advertising claims.

These regulations, aimed at informing and protecting the consumer, not only impact on the hotel and leisure industry but also on food manufacturers who are required to substantiate any claims made on their packaging within 48-hours.

Some of the sections that consumers could focus on include date markings, ingredient declarations, allergen declarations and claims made.

According to Burton Phillips, an associate at international law firm Norton Rose: "Claims such as fat-free, anti-oxidant, healthy and nutritious may not be used to describe food that does not meet special standards."

"The regulations

apply to both packaged and non-packaged products. Food in a restaurant need not have a label, but all the required information must be available if a consumer asks," he said.

Food labelling recently fell under the spotlight when Orion, a frozen meat company in Cape Town, was accused of re-labelling pork, buffalo and kangaroo meat as halaal when in fact it was not, which caused an uproar in the local Muslim community.

The law also includes all imported food, since food labelling requirements and legislation often differ from country to country and could require the amendment of foodstuff labelling imported into South Africa, regardless of whether or not the current labelling is accepted elsewhere.

Disclosure of the country of origin on imported foodstuffs is now compulsory and the industry is encouraged at all times not only to ensure that the labelling and advertising of foodstuffs is both legal and ethical, but also to make sure that every labelling aspect, from the word to the illustration, value, logo, etc. has true value to the consumer.

While consumers can use the law to challenge claims made by food manufacturers, competitors can do the same thing as well.

www.businesslive.co.za



A matter of waste



Unilever Food Solutions' second World Menu Report highlights the growing global concern with food waste when eating out-of-home.

According to UNEP, over half of the food produced in the world is lost, wasted or discarded as a result of inefficiencies in the human-managed food chain such as restaurants and food retailers.

This concern centers on the sustainable practices of restaurants and canteens in particular food waste. As many as 80% of those interviewed (8 out of 10) in Western countries expressed concern about professional food waste, while 87% of the respondents in developing countries echoed the same sentiment.

A further 66% of people in the West said that knowing the way in which food waste was disposed of was important to them, and 70% of those questioned in non-Western regions said they would pay more to eat in places that are implementing environmentally-friendly food waste disposal methods.

This concern stems from a desire to reduce the impact of food waste on the environment will go a small way towards lessening the world's global carbon footprint.

As well as an environmental issue, there are clear benefits for the industry itself: reduced food waste means a reduction in disposal costs, increased kitchen efficiency and, ultimately, a reduction in the foodservice's carbon footprint. Small, incremental steps can result in big differences. Better stock management, menu flexibility, portion sizes, seasonal awareness and many other elements involved in the journey from farm to fork feed into this problem and need to be tackled.

The bi-annual research was conducted by interviewing a representative sample of people – from eight countries representing the developed and developing world – USA, UK, China, Germany, Russia, Brazil, Poland and Turkey. In all, 3500 people took part in the survey. World Menu Report Global Research Findings 2011



Tips for an eco-friendly offices

Here are seven simple tips that you can implement to turn your work environment a darker shade of green:

- Use a grey water recovery plumbing system to recycle water for irrigation and flushing toilets
- Heat produced by certain air-conditioners can be reused to heat water or heat the building
- Safety glass contributes to lower energy use, reducing the need for constant air-conditioning
- Building Management Systems can be used to regulate lighting and switch off lights in empty offices
- Paint the walls with no-VOC paints
- Use non-toxic furniture
- Choose eco-friendly decorations to set a cheerful mood throughout the office by using objects that have been refurbished and reinvented.

Global aviation industry commits to sustainable future

Leaders of the global aviation industry have sent a reminder to governments of the important role the sector plays in economic growth, providing jobs whilst taking its environmental responsibilities seriously.



At a meeting held in Geneva, Switzerland during late March, ceo's and directors of 16 global aviation companies and organisations signed the Aviation & Environment Summit's Declaration. The declaration is intended as a show industry unity on the issue of sustainable development to world governments meeting in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development in June.

The industry leaders, represented airports, airlines, air navigation service providers and the manufacturers of aircraft and engines.

In 2008, the aviation industry became the first global sector to commit to global cross-industry action on climate change.

Air transport currently supports 56.6 million jobs and over \$2.2 trillion of global GDP. www.clickgreen.org.uk





Rooibos industry affected by rising temperatures

Rooibos farmers in the Suid Bokkeveld region (Northern Cape) are blaming climate change for the treat now facing the famous health tea's cultivation.

Since 1999, SA's exports of rooibos – especially to the UK – have quadrupled to 8,000 tons providing a lucrative income to an otherwise poor area of the country.

The region already has a harsh environment, especially in the summer months when temperatures reach a sweltering 48°C. However – the area's recent higher than average temperatures have increased the strain on the tea plants, many of which are scorched by the sun before they have a chance to grow.

To stabilise production, farmers have shifted the planting

season from June/July to November in the hope that more plants will survive. The rooibos industry is highly labour intensive, providing some 4,500 jobs for unskilled manual labourers. www.thesouthafrican.com

Did you know?

- Rooibos is not a true tea, but a herb. The brew made from the dried Rooibos leaves is therefore a herbal infusion (known as a tisane) rather than a tea, but is widely known as Rooibos tea.
- The vibrant amber colour of Rooibos comes from the natural colour that develops during the post-harvest "fermentation" (oxidation) process, brought about by natural enzymes in the plant.
- Rooibos tea can be mixed into the soil; improving drainage and helping plants grow. Snails don't like Rooibos (they must be the only ones) so sprinkle some rooibos 'dust' on the surface of the garden and you'll see them 'run'.
- Rooibos can be used as a natural dye due to its rich red colour.
- If you're looking for some extra flavour in your cooking, Rooibos can be used as a base in stews or soups or even meat marinades. www.sarooibos.co.za

South Africa could be dry by 2025

This year's Budget Review forecasts that SA will start running out of water within the next 13 years.

Using current projections, the country's water demand will outstrip its supply somewhere between 2025 and 2030. Among the document's recommendations are better management and adjusted pricing mechanisms to support and encourage sustainable water use.

According to the Review, while 97% of SA's drinking water met the minimum standards it was found that only 71% of waste water was compliant.

The government is to review its water pricing next year, and over the next three years it has allocated R75-billion to water-related problems. *Sapa*.



Greenhouse gas emissions Levy planned

National Treasury has sketched outlines for the introduction for a "modest" tax to control greenhouse gas emissions in 2013.

The Department is proposing a rate of R120.00 per ton of carbon dioxide (CO₂) equivalent for certain thresholds which it still has yet to determine.

A draft policy paper is to be published during 2012 and according to a Treasury spokesperson: "A modest carbon tax will begin to price carbon dioxide emissions so that the external costs resulting for emissions start to be incorporated into production costs and consumer prices. It is hoped in this way to create incentives for changes in behaviour, encourage the use of cleaner-energy technologies and foster research in low carbon options."

The suggested design future of the new tax would include "percentage-based rather than absolute emissions thresholds". Under these thresholds tax would not be payable.

In addition there would be a higher tax-free threshold for process emissions with consideration being given to the limitations of the cement, iron and steel, aluminium and glass sectors to mitigate emissions over the near term. *Sapa*.



Vaal Dam reserves under pressure

During the recent Water Week celebrations, the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs (DWA) Edna Molewa announced that South Africa could be facing a situation of serious drought.

The Vaal Dam currently supplies more than 20 million people with clean running water. But, while there have been relatively good rains in the Vaal River catchment area over the past 16 years, the real possibility of drought in the area was growing annually.

If this situation was not properly managed, authorities warned that such a dry spell could be disastrous for millions of people and the environment.

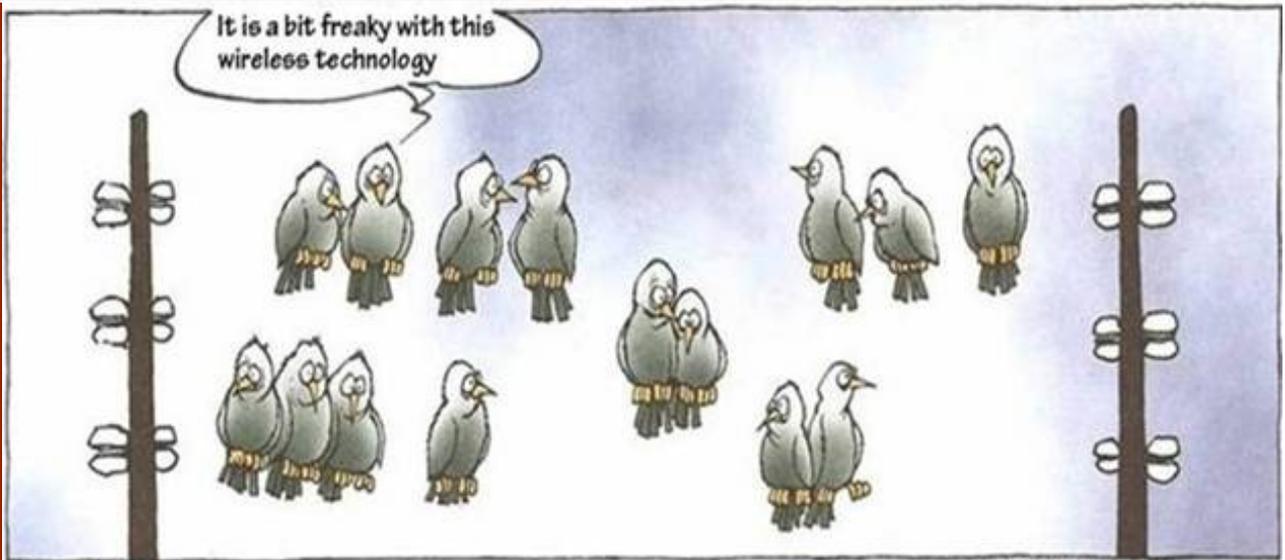
One of the ways cited to effectively deal with the problem was government's planned eradication of unlawful irrigation by 2013. Farmers along the Vaal River are blamed for illegally using the water to irrigate their crops and this was placing severe pressure on the Vaal River System water supply.

In an effort to address this, planned regulations enforcing the measurement of water used for irrigation purposes would assist authorities take action against unlawful water users. This would also reduce the burden of proof on the responsible authority to determine the lawfulness of water use according to the National Water Act.

In addition, DWA would continue with the implementation of the Water Conservation and Water Demand Management to achieve a further targeted savings of 180million cubic metres per annum in municipal supply by 2015.



For a Laugh



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Scientists able to calculate Damage to world's oceans

According to marine experts the cost of damage to the world's oceans caused by climate change could reach \$2 trillion a year by 2100 if measures to cut green house gas emissions were not stepped up.

In a study entitled "Valuing the Ocean", and led by the Stockholm Environment Institute, marine scientists found that without reducing the rising greenhouse gas emissions, the global average temperature could rise by 4 degrees Celsius by the end of the century. This would cause ocean acidification, sea level rise, marine pollution, species migration and more intense tropical cyclones. It would also threaten coral reefs, disrupt fisheries and deplete fish stocks.

The study analysed the most severe threats facing the world's marine

environment and estimated the cost of damage from global warming, and found that nitrogen-rich fertilisers and waste would strip more ocean areas of oxygen, causing what is known as hypoxic dead zones, which are already found in more than 500 locations.

The loss of tourism would be the highest cost at \$639 billion per year while the loss of the ocean carbon sink, the seas' ability to soak up carbon dioxide would cost almost \$458 billion.

The study recommended that the UN appoints a High Commissioner for Oceans to coordinate research and action and the development of a policy for a 1-2 metre sea level rise by the end of the century.

If planet-warming greenhouse cases were limited to 2.2 degrees Celsius, nearly \$1.4 trillion of the total cost could be avoided the report found.



First local mine fined for contravening National Environmental Act

Mpumalanga-based mine has become the country's first mine to be convicted of contravening SA's environmental laws.

Anker Coal & Mineral Holdings has been fined a total of R260 000 for contravening the National Environmental Management Act and the Mineral Petroleum Resources Development Act. The fines were conditionally suspended for five years.

The mine was also ordered to pay a farmer R144 000 in compensation for exploratory drilling on his land. www.businessday.co.za

New members

We'd like to welcome the following new members to the Heritage network:

Heritage

V&A Waterfront

GreenLine

- Tenikwa Wildlife Awareness Centre
- De Noordhoek Hotel
- Magellan's Passage
- Magaliesberg Canopy Tours
- Leriba Hotel Group



Calendar
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17 June
International Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

11 July
World Population Day





Green Globe international news

Luxury can still be sustainable



The five-star Société du Palais de la Méditerranée, Nice, France, has been GG recertified for its sustainable operations and management.

The hotel, situated on the world renowned Côte d'Azur, is a remarkable blend of local heritage and modern style. After investing in the preservation of the historic 1930s Art Deco façade, the hotel constructed a sophisticated facility with advanced energy-saving systems.

According to the Hotel's GM, Christophe Aldunate; "We are pleased to regain Green Globe Certification. It proves that we are continuing and even improving the high standards of our services, while maintaining a process of social and environmental responsibility".

"It is an important recognition of our efforts, and it is motivation and encouragement for our staff. It makes us want to share our practices and to attract decision-makers in the hotel industry by showing that our business, including the luxury area, is compatible with a sustainable development approach, she added."

World famous Music and Congress Centre Operates with a green conscious



Germany's Music and Congress Centre in Lübeck, has joined Green Globe.

Located at the river Trave, close to Lübeck's historical city center, and listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, this world-famous concert and conference

hall hosts conventions and conferences with its unique character while actively practicing economical, ecological, and social sustainability.

Ilona Jarabek, Managing Director of Centre Lübeck, said: "Our mission statement is simple, but creates a huge challenge at the same time. The main objective in our operations is to consider the economical, ecological, and social issues of sustainability."

The centre's sustainability management includes responsible use of natural resources, preserving and enhancing local cultural and historical assets, practicing corporate social responsibility, and sustaining the environment. When organising and managing events and conferences, the Centre considers purchasing policies, waste management, catering, communication, social aspects, mobility, location, and responsible use of water and energy.

All 21 Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts in Europe have achieved Green Globe certification. The achievement puts the Swiss upscale hospitality company on target to become the most certified hotel company in the world to receive the Green Globe seal.

"We have been very committed to achieving Green Globe certification across all our properties in Europe and in the process enjoyed very positive feedback and engagement from our employees," said Ola Ivarsson, Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts' Chief Operating Officer, Europe.

Along with the certification process Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts aimed to encourage all employees to learn more about environmental and sustainability issues and use that knowledge at work and home.

To achieve this, the company developed its own unique e-learning tool kit that all employees could access online. All European employees spent a total of 10,000 hours in training, and each property established a team to liaise with Green Globe to identify, analyse and implement opportunities to improve sustainability. The hard work paid off, with an average audit score of 90% across the hotels, including the certification and training of the company's entire corporate headquarters in Zurich.

**Europe's
Mövenpick Hotels
& Resorts
commit to GG**



Jumeirah Emirates Towers, Dubai Joins Green Globe

Jumeirah Emirates Towers, part of Jumeirah Group, the Dubai-based luxury hospitality company has been awarded Green Globe Certification.

The five-star hotel has been consistently developing its green policies in line with its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme and is the first of the Jumeirah Hotels & Resorts to be accredited with Green Globe Certification.

The hotel achieved a compliance score of 85 percent against the Green Globe Standard for Sustainable Travel & Tourism. Actions taken to improve sustainability performance already resulted in substantial cost savings for the hotel. The hotel now has an ambitious goal for 2012: to reduce energy use by 5 percent through initiatives such as LED light implementation and energy-efficient coolers.

In addition to its GGC certification, Jumeirah Emirates Towers has also been recognised for its broad CSR programme, which includes an extensive list of green initiatives, including energy and water reductions, a Sustainability Management Plan, an integrated room automation system, and a Building Management System, which monitors and controls the air conditioning and electrical devices when guests enter or leave their room.

The hotel offers a "Daily Environmental Package" for meetings, offering customers the opportunity to choose a greener and more affordable option to its regular "Daily Delegate Package".



The UN has called for a sustainable "evergreen revolution", warning that time is running out to ensure there is enough food, water and fuel to meet the needs of the world's rapidly growing population.



UN calls for "Evergreen revolution"

In a grim warning about the earth's increasing demand for resources, a panel led by the presidents of Finland and South Africa found demand will grow exponentially as the global population rises from seven billion people to an expected nine billion by 2040. Within the next 20 years the world's population will need 50 per cent more food and vast new reserves of energy and water, according to UN estimates. The report warns a

failure to secure resources will condemn up to three billion people to poverty. Billed as a blueprint for sustainability, the report urges governments to embrace green energy technologies and cut back on the use of non-renewable resources. Its authors have urged governments to tackle sustainable development with a greater sense of urgency and political will. "The current global development model is unsustainable. To achieve sustainability, a transformation of the global economy is required," the report said. "Tinkering on the margins will not do the job. The current global economic crisis ... offers an opportunity for significant reforms." *Green Globe/ABC News online*

Antarctica

Loses "one of most pristine environments on earth" title

Antarctica, long respected as one of the most pristine environments in the world, is fast being overtaken by alien species. According to proceedings published by the National Academy of Sciences the findings are based on a continent-wide risk assessment on the continent.



The worst affected areas are the Antarctic Peninsula, the Ross Sea region and several landing places in East Antarctica where the highest alien plant seed introduction has been recorded. The introduction of species not normally found in a region is cited as one of the primary causes for global biodiversity change. The seeds were introduced by visitors, scientists and tourists. While almost 33,000 tourists visit the ice continent annually as against 7,000 scientists - the scientists were found to have carried the most seeds into the region. In all, visitors introduced about 9.5 seeds per person during the International Polar Year's first season (2007-2008). What makes this study important, is the fact the seeds' origin can be traced back to the sub-Antarctic or Arctic region, and much as 61 percent were found to be capable of surviving the conditions likely to be found in Antarctica. www.thehindu.com



Climate change affects change-sensitive bird species

Researchers at the University of Utah in the USA say as many as 900 tropical land bird species around the world could become extinct by 2100. Their findings, which are modelled on the effects of a 3.5°C Earth surface temperature rise, indicate that species may struggle to adapt to habitat loss and extreme weather conditions. Mountain, coastal, range-specific, and species unable to get to higher elevations could be the worst hit. Depending on future habitat loss, each degree of surface warming could affect as many as 100-500 species. The study paints a clear picture of the potential impact and the major issue that most species are highly sedentary - unlike public perception which believes that most birds as migratory and therefore will not be affected by climate change. Tropical mountain species are among the most vulnerable requiring physical adaptation to changes in temperature and the ability to move to higher altitudes if they are to survive. Tropical mountain birds such as Venezuela's scissor-tailed hummingbird (above right) and East Africa's regal sunbird (above left) are endemic to their habitats and have limited capacity to move, which could make these species especially vulnerable. Cooler, more humid forests could recede higher up mountains and combined with human settlements at higher altitudes, forest habitat could literally be "pushed off the mountain". Coastal species are also vulnerable as coastal forests can be sensitive to salinity, and these forests can get hit harder by hurricanes and typhoons which are forecast to increase in the future. Birds in extensive lowland forests with few mountains in places such as the Amazon and Congo basins - may have trouble relocating, while tropical birds in open habitats such as savannah, grasslands, scrub and desert face shrinking habitats. www.bbc.co.uk/nature



Members' Green News

Beacon Island's Tree auctions come up trumps all round!

Tsogo Sun's Beacon Island Lifestyle Resort came up with a really great environmental awareness initiative - where everyone wins!

Indigenous trees are auctioned off to guests at the resort and they are then invited to help plant their tree and provide a special message which goes onto a plaque along with the name of the tree. The money is given to charity. It's a winning interaction for everyone – guests take ownership and have a sense of



belonging, the environment wins, the growth of indigenous trees is promoted, the charity wins, and most importantly the hotel wins in building its brand as a guest-friendly, environmentally and socially conscious destination! *Sisonke.*

Water award for Windmill Casino

Sun International's Windmill Casino & Entertainment Centre was announced as the winner of the Department of Water Affairs' Sector Awards (business category), held at the Gallagher Convention Centre, Midrand, in March.

Management of the Windmill Casino & Entertainment Centre has realised the importance of managing water efficiently over the past years and have made real commitments to reducing its consumption.

Through the implementation of grey-water systems and the daily monitoring of water consumption, Windmill Casino & Entertainment Centre has been able to save

11 755 kl of water in 2008/09, 17 212 kl in 2009/10, and 5 025 kl in 2010/11.

The awards are an initiative of the Department of Water Affairs that aim to promote Water Conservation and Water Demand Management by recognising the efforts and successes of water use sector institutions, commercial and public entities, as well as individuals in the areas of Water Conservation and Water Demand Management.



Elmarie Fitzmaurice accepting the award on behalf of the Windmill Casino. She is flanked by Deputy President Motlanthe.

What a blooming great idea!



Who'd ever have imagined that a small detail like flower arrangements could save significant costs? Recently, as part of Tsogo Sun's "Making a Difference" staff campaign, the Cullinan took a look at the cost of its lobby flower arrangements and decided to try something different. Their solution was to put bonsai trees on the tables. Each tree was given a plaque with the tree's Latin name and the year it was crafted. This together with a few other initiatives of doing things differently with flowers, has resulted in an annual saving of R370 000 a year! *Sisonke.*



CSI at its best

From landfill to unique jewellery!



In 2009, Heritage member the Table Mountain Cableway Company was approached by an entrepreneur who had no money but wanted the Cableway to purchase a handful of homemade necklaces and bracelets made from old cardboard.

Yvette Mumava was a 25-year-old Zimbabwean who supported both her brother and sister in Zimbabwe, as well as her own family who lived in the nearby Imizamoyethu township in Cape Town, with the money she made from jewellery crafted from waste found on the nearby landfill site.

Recognising that this would make a great CSI project, management started to support Yvette, and today, three years later, instead of going to the landfill site Yvette uses the waste material generated at Table Mountain to make her unusual jewellery. An added plus is that her designs are sold exclusively at the Cableway.