

## From the editor

How soon this year has passed! But with the closing of one door, another opens. We can all start looking forward to a 2009 filled with new challenges and numerous possibilities.

*Ubisi Mail* sets the table for everything you will need to develop your farming operation in the new year. In this edition, we focus on the various types of feed crops and we give some tips on how and where to plant which crop.

We also meet Jan Zim, an inspiration for us all. Learn from Jan how, with the help of a mentor, he has expanded his farm and is aiming to become a successful commercial farmer.

We introduce our all-new *Ubisi Mail* News pages to keep you abreast of other developments in our farming communities. Also learn to make your own, practical hay rack in just a few easy steps.

We continue our various series and include a very informative article on the dehorning of dairy calves.

Our editorial team wishes each and every reader a Merry Christmas. We trust that your household will be blessed with the good fortune needed to tackle the challenges ahead. Until 2009!

**Lynette Louw**  
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