

## In brief

Yes, believe it or not, it is definitely getting warmer and spring has officially sprung! Our main feature this month deals with a successful land reform story near the beautiful university town of Alice where with the help of the Fort Hare Trust, government, the university and local farmers have worked together to make this dairy farm a success.

This month, our technical section is packed with a variety of interesting topics, such as milk fever in goats, choosing the right cattle for your farm and teat disinfection to ensure quality control. Staying with quality control, we have a mastitis checklist for you to ensure your cows remain free of this disease. Also in the technical section, we tell you more about *jaagsiekte* found among sheep, what to look out for and how to stop the disease from spreading. Lastly, we show you how to build a bunker silo.

In our Enrichment section, we take a look at a very familiar phenomenon in the farming community, namely co-operatives. We discuss what exactly this is, what it comprises of and what benefits it has for the farming community.

We hope that you will enjoy this edition as much as we did compiling it for you. Until next time.

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