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#### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Mayoral Golf Day "Building Brighter Futures Together"
- "New Routes Coming Soon CBD to Ramochana"
- Yarona Rustenburg drives "green"
- Stakeholder engagement highlight President Boulervard
- MANY MORE...

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As we reflect on the first quarter of our 2025/26 financial year, I am proud to share that Yarona Rustenburg continues to make strides toward innovation, connectivity, and community development.

One of the highlights of this quarter was the successful Inaugural Mayoral Golf Day, which brought together leaders, partners, and stakeholders to raise funds for the Mayor's Bursary Fund a cause that has already changed lives of many young people who now serve as engineers, doctors, pilots, and professionals shaping our city's future. Well done to the organising team and as Yarona Rustenburg we are humbled to be a part of such a life-changing event.

On the transport front, our teams have been hard at work planning new routes that will soon connect more residents to opportunities, with Phase 1B, linking the CBD and Ramochana on the horizon. This will further strengthen our commitment to providing safe, reliable, and accessible transport for all.

As spring blooms around us, so too does the spirit of unity. Casual Day reminded us of the importance of inclusion and celebrating diversity, and we were proud to stand in solidarity with persons with disabilities through a range of meaningful activities.

This edition of the Larona Bulletin is packed with exciting updates, from project milestones and community initiatives to upcoming events that you will not want to miss. We hope it inspires you to stay involved, stay informed, and stay proud of the progress we are making together.

Here's to a season of growth, collaboration, and new beginnings!

Blooming regards,

Theron Rapoo, CPRP Editor-in-Chief, LARONA BULLETIN





# Jarona Rusterburg Drives a Cleaner Future with Eco-Friendly Buses

Yarona Rustenburg Takes Big Steps for Cleaner Air in our Mining Town Rustenburg, South Africa. As a hub of mining activity, Rustenburg is a town where industry meets community. Yarona Rustenburg is proud to introduce a new initiative to help keep our air cleaner by using AdBlue in our buses.

AdBlue is a special solution that reduces harmful gases from diesel engines, turning them into harmless water vapour and nitrogen. This technology allows our buses to operate more cleanly, which means better air quality for everyone in Rustenburg.

We understand the unique challenges Rustenburg faces as a mining town, That's why we're committed to doing our part by reducing emissions and supporting a healthier, greener community.

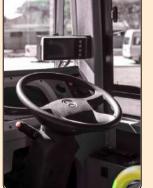


#### **Cleaner Transport for Rustenburg:**

Improving Air Quality: By cutting down on harmful emissions, our buses help reduce pollution in a town that already sees high industrial activity. Healthier Living: Cleaner air benefits everyone, especially families and children.

### A Greener Future: Sustainable transportation is key to balancing industry and the environment.

This means that Yarona Rustenburg's use of AdBlue is an important step toward keeping Rustenburg livable and sustainable for future generations. With cleaner buses, we're helping the community breathe easier while supporting the region's development.





#### Mayoral Bursary Fund Inaugurates Successfully Yarona Rustenburg to Champion Education & Future Transport Leaders





The Rustenburg Local Municipality proudly hosted the successful inauguration of the Mayoral Bursary Fund, a flagship initiative aimed at giving deserving young people access to quality education. The event, held under the theme "Building Brighter Futures Together," brought together municipal leadership, and key stakeholders who share a vision of empowering Rustenburg's youth. Speaking at the event, Executive Mayor Cllr Shiela Mabale-Huma emphasised the life-changing potential of the bursary fund:

"This bursary is more than just financial support, it is an investment in the future of our city. Each recipient represents hope, resilience, and the promise of a more prosperous Rustenburg. We are committed to nurturing talent and creating opportunities that uplift our entire community." A major highlight of the event was the recognition of Yarona Rustenburg's contribution to the bursary fund's success. Yarona Rustenburg, the city's Integrated Public Transport Network (IPTN), has consistently supported community development initiatives that align with its mission of moving Rustenburg forward, literally and figuratively.

Mr. Theron Rapoo, CPRP, Head of Marketing & Communications at Yarona Rustenburg, shared his vision for the future: "Education is a vehicle for transformation, and transport is the bridge that connects people to opportunity. Yarona Rustenburg is proud to play a role in this bursary fund and, in the future, we would like to see this initiative support learners who aspire to careers in transport, engineering, and mobility innovation, young leaders who will one day take over projects like Yarona Rustenburg and keep Rustenburg moving."

The event concluded with a symbolic round-table dinner where bursary recipients engaged virtually with municipal leadership and stakeholders, sharing their dreams and how they intend to give back to the community. With initiatives like the Mayoral Bursary Fund and partners like Yarona Rustenburg, Rustenburg is setting a powerful example of how public-private collaboration can fuel education, innovation, and sustainable development.













#### New Routes Planned - Expanding Rustenburg's Mobility

Rustenburg is on the move – literally! As part of our ongoing commitment to provide safe, reliable, and accessible transport, Yarona Rustenburg is proud to announce the next big step in our Integrated Public Transport Network (IPTN): Phase 1B, connecting the CBD and Ramochana.

This planned route expansion will bring a fresh wave of convenience and opportunity to residents, businesses, and students across the city.

#### **Connecting Communities**

Phase 1B will make travel easier for thousands of commuters who rely on public transport daily. By linking the CBD and Ramochana, residents will have faster, more reliable access to work, healthcare, and essential services.

#### **Supporting School Learners**

Learners will particularly benefit from these routes, with safer, affordable, and direct access to schools, colleges, and training centres in the CBD/Tlhabane area. Reliable transport means fewer missed classes and more time focused on learning.

#### **Boosting Local Business**

When people can move freely, businesses thrive. This route will support small businesses and retailers by increasing foot traffic and making it easier for customers and suppliers to connect.

#### A Step Towards a Modern Transport Future

Phase 1B is part of Yarona Rustenburg's vision to create a world-class public transport system that is inclusive, sustainable, and future-ready. With every new route, we move closer to a city where everyone has the freedom to travel safely and affordably. This route will connect R510 to as further as Kanana.

Stay tuned for updates on timelines, route maps, and public engagement sessions where you can have your say on how we shape Rustenburg's mobility future.





# RED SEATS



# **Priority Seating**

Please offer these seats to passengers in need.

#### President Boulevard - A New Bus Stop for a Safer, Smoother Commute!

Good news for commuters and shoppers at President Boulevard, we have got you covered! A brand-new bus stop is almost ready, making public transport safer, more convenient, and accessible for everyone in the shopping mall.

This project is part of Yarona Rustenburg's ongoing commitment to improving infrastructure and ensuring that every commuter enjoys a reliable and comfortable experience.

Collaboration in Action

This success would not be possible without the incredible teamwork between President Boulevard's community partners and our very own Operations, Infrastructure, and Stakeholder Relations Units. Their dedication has turned this vision into a reality that will benefit thousands of commuters daily.

Keeping Rustenburg Moving

With each new bus stop, we take one more step toward building a connected, inclusive Rustenburg where public transport is a preferred choice. Big thanks to all who played a role in making this happen, together, we are keeping Rustenburg moving!



Thank You!









#### **HOW TO USE THE BUS SYSTEM:**

- 1. Buy Your Card Get your Yarona Rustenburg smart card from Kiosks at the Stations and mobile ones in your area.
  - 2. Load Money at Kiosk/Mobile Kiosks Top up your card with travel credit at any Yarona Rustenburg kiosk or Pick n Pay, Shoprite/SANRAL App.
- 3. Tap In at Pass Point Scan your card at the pass point before boarding.
- 4. Board the Bus Get on the bus once your card is successfully tapped.
- 5. Get Off at Your Stop Exit the bus at your chosen stop by tapping out.



# Stay Safe, Stay Alert Use Designated Crosswalks!

Avoid jaywalking and keep Rustenburg moving safely. Always cross at marked crosswalks and look both ways. Your safety is our priority!

Yarona Rustenburg - Together, We Keep Rustenburg Moving Forward.

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**Rustenburg Rapid Transport** 











Yarona Rustenburg Universal Access, why it matters:

**Inclusivity for All** – Ensuring that persons with disabilities, the elderly, and parents with prams can access and use the bus system comfortably.

**Compliance with Standards** – Meeting national and international transport accessibility regulations for public transport.

**Equitable Mobility** – Providing equal travel opportunities for every commuter, regardless of physical ability.

**Community Well-being** – Supporting social inclusion and improving quality of life through accessible transport.

**Future-Proofing Transport** – Building a system that serves a growing, diverse population and adapts to evolving accessibility needs.



Three Years of Moving Rustenburg Forward!

In August this year, we proudly celebrated three years of keeping Rustenburg moving. Since our very first trip, Yarona Rustenburg has been more than just a bus service, it has been a symbol of progress, connection, and growth for our city. We have safely transported hudnred thousands of commuters, connected communities, supported local businesses, and made mobility smarter, safer, and more inclusive for everyone.

#### Looking Ahead with Pride and Purpose

As we mark this milestone, we celebrate our commuters, partners, and dedicated team who made it all possible. The journey does not stop here, with new routes, improved infrastructure, and a commitment to universal access, we are excited about what the future holds. Together, we will continue building a transport system that is reliable, inclusive, and truly world-class. Here's to the next chapter of keeping Rustenburg moving!





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