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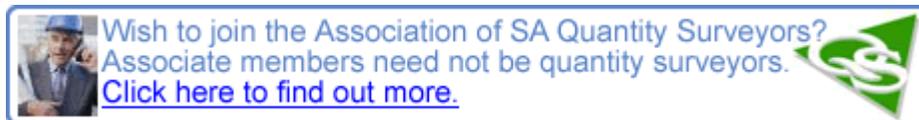
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### [Agents urged to comply with law](#)

IT IS cheaper for estate agents to comply with requirements of the Financial Intelligence Act, aimed at clamping down on money laundering activities, than face a hefty fine and a possible criminal conviction if they do not.

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### [Building swells order book at WBHO](#)

Industrial Correspondent CONSTRUCTION group Wilson Bayly Holmes-Ovcon's (WBHO's) order book has improved to R2,4bn from an unusually low of R1,8bn at the end of its financial year in June.

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### [Online resource to ease access for investors](#)

SAPOA Online, the commercial property website, has launched The Property Investor investment hub, an online resource to make commercial and listed property investments accessible to a broader set of investors.

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### [Sandton City led area's development](#)

IT IS hard to believe that in the 1960s the greater Sandton area consisted of mostly semi-rural areas and was associated with horses and country estates. The establishment of Sandton City, the first regional mall of its kind in SA and the forerunner of the regional mall as we know it today, led to a development explosion in Sandton and the establishment of a commercial centre in the 1980s

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### [R750m Sandton tower moves beyond ground zero](#)

Construction at the R750-million 34-storey Michelangelo Towers development in Sandton, north of Johannesburg, is above street level, the Legacy Hotels and Resorts announced at its Ground Zero celebration last month.

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**[Cheaper properties to squeeze rentals!](#)**

RESIDENTIAL property commentators say that yesterday's cut of 150 basis points in the repo rate will extend the present residential property boom as the option of owning your own house becomes more attractive.

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**[Leisure investments showcased](#)**

BUSINESS opportunities valued at about R3bn will be on offer at the first South African Leisure and Lifestyle Property Investment Conference on November 5 and 6 at the Johannesburg Country Club in Auckland Park. Suzan Adam, the managing director of Southgro Investment Conferences, says:

"The conference is an American venture-capital concept of elevation pitches, but we also supply information about the environment, trends and investment character,"

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**[High court finds city failed to comply with its constitutional, statutory housing obligations](#)**

The Cape High Court has refused the City of Cape Town leave to appeal against a ruling earlier this year that its housing programme failed to comply with its constitutional and statutory obligations.

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**[Surf soundtrack fails to turn the tide](#)**

Road construction is usually not popular with local residents who have to put up with dust, noise and blocked roads. But in Canada, efforts by road crews to reduce the noise they make at night have turned out to be all wet.

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**[New policy says at least 25% of council contracts must go to black business](#)**

The city of Cape Town has approved a draft procurement policy that will award no less than 25% of all council contracts to black-owned businesses.

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**[Youth centre 'a monument to human spirit'](#)**

"This is testimony to the indestructibility of the human spirit," said the country's most prominent humanitarian, Nelson Mandela, when he opened the Chatsworth Youth Centre yesterday.

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**[Province to take action on unfinished housing](#)**

Careless developers who have illegally signed off on unfinished houses at a cost of more than R17 million to the Western Cape are in for a big shock. The Western Cape Department of Housing will force them to do remedial work at their own expense, and they face blacklisting and imprisonment if found guilty of breaking the law.

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**[Holly, bolly make some way for Jolly](#)**

First there was Hollywood, then Bollywood, and now Johannesburg is developing its own movie-making capital. Jollywood will be situated in the neglected and forgotten suburb of Milpark.

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**[Innovation Hub set to boost economy](#)**

Business has been urged to join hands with the Gauteng provincial government to ensure that the

the ASAQS-website which currently records about 150,000 hits per month.

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The International Cost Engineering Council (ICEC) was founded with the objective of promoting co-operation between national and multi-national quantity surveying, cost engineering and project management organisations worldwide. ICEC has access to more than 40 000 professionals in over 30 countries. Following the established pattern of biennial World Congresses, ICEC has granted South Africa the privilege of hosting their 4th World Congress.

The ICEC World Congress 2004 will be held in Cape Town from the 17th to 21st April 2004. The congress is proudly co-hosted by the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors (ASAQS) and the Cost Engineering

province becomes economically viable. Speaking at the sod-turning ceremony for the Innovation Hub yesterday, Gauteng Premier Mbhazima Shilowa said it made perfect business sense to invest in the province.

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#### **Soil turned on new Innovation Hub**

APPLAUSE filled the air this week when the soil was finally turned on a site due to become SA's new Innovation Hub. But behind the polite claps came some muttered criticism, as people questioned whether government was right to invest heavily in buildings to house entrepreneurs and fledgling companies with bright ideas but little in the way of proven business.

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#### **Casino rises on North Coast skyline**

Driving on the N2 just past Umhlanga, motorists can see two huge cranes popping out of the sugar cane fields. Giant trucks and tractors are terracing the area and the hive of activity is buzzing six days a week. Construction work is progressing at full steam for Afrisun's new flagship casino project in KwaZulu-Natal.

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#### **Beware e-mails that punt false lottery wins**

E-mail users in South Africa and overseas are being targeted by a Nigerian syndicate to punt false lottery winnings in return for "administrative costs".

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#### **Shuttleworth backs three more techno firms**

MARK Shuttleworth's venture capital company Here Be Dragons (HBD) has invested in three more innovative new technology companies that have global potential.

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#### **Satellite Web solution launched in SA**

Coinciding with International Space Week, South Africa's fixed-line operator Telkom, launched two satellite-access services, SpaceStream Express and SpaceStream Office.

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#### **Cape set to become vaccine hub**

FOR many years South Africa has not had the capacity or infrastructure to finalise process development and manufacture vaccines, but this is set to change as a new biotechnology company establishes the infrastructure to begin manufacturing vaccines for clinical trial studies.

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#### **UK auto-part firms plan SA investments**

UK manufacturers of vehicle components could invest more than R100-million in South Africa in the next few months, a high-ranking official of the British Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) tells Engineering News.

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#### **Study on for vehicle recycling centre**

A techno-economic feasibility study is nearing closure for a Gauteng-based end-of-life vehicle centre, which could potentially disassemble old cars for spare parts, and recycle the rubber, plastic and metal material out of which cars are made.

Association of Southern Africa (CEASA). For further details [click here](#).

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## RETAIL ROUNDUP

### [Landlords hurting little guys'](#)

RETAIL activist Marcel Joubert pulled no punches yesterday when he addressed the eighth African Congress of Shopping Centres at the Cape Town International Convention Centre, lashing out at the landlords of SA's shopping malls for poor treatment of small retailers.

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### [New Clicks rejuvenates earnings](#)

Johannesburg - Retail group New Clicks Holdings increased turnover by 34 percent in the financial year ended August 2003, with Musica, CD Warehouse and The Body Shop units showing good profit growth

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### [Burlington's interims keep retailer on wave of success](#)

Cape Town - Small clothing retailer Burlington Industries continued to build on a positive results trend established nearly two years ago, interim numbers to June showed yesterday. As it did a year ago, the Cape-based group rode the wave of success of its Marlboro Originals retail businesses across the country.

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### [Australians welcome fuel discounting by Metcash](#)

Cape Town - An innovative fuel discounting scheme rolled out by Metcash Trading in Australia had drawn a hugely positive response, but it was still too early to tell the long-term financial benefit, parent Metro Cash & Carry (Metcash) said this week.

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### [Deflation is your biggest challenge, retailers told](#)

Cape Town - The biggest challenge facing the retail sector was deflation, with clothing inflation having largely disappeared over the last eight months, according to JP Morgan retail analyst and vice-president Natasha Ingham.

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### BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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### [Supermarket cuts supply-chain costs](#)

THERE is a worldwide trend for retail chains to set up their own centralised distribution centres to streamline logistics and cut costs in the supply chain.

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### NEWSFLASHES FOR ARCHITECTS

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Barend Smit who has been elected President of ILASA (Institute Landscape Architects of South Africa).

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

25 OCTOBER 2003 - PIA Year End Function: invitations have been sent out and judging by the reply forms received, most members have received their invitation. Bookings close today so please fax your booking form through to the office to make sure that you don't miss out on this festive event.

15 DECEMBER 2003 to 6 JANUARY 2004: The PIA office will be closed during this period. Please order your documents timeously to avoid possible inconvenience

### **Coping with Rapid Urban Growth**

Despite predictions of an increasingly urbanised world this paper reveals that the world is less urbanised and less dominated by large cities than had been predicted.

### **The ASAQS Webshop**

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A REMINDER OF THE PIA'S OWN WEBSITE FOR INTER-MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS,  
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## SAFCEC NEWS

[From the Safcec newsletter:](#)

### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME IN CONSTRUCTION HEALTH & SAFETY – UPE**

The University of Port Elizabeth is presenting a four-day certificate programme on construction health and safety from 17 to 20 November 2003.

### **CONTRACTS CLAIMS COURSE, DURBAN**

SAFCEC KZN will present a one-day course on Contract Claims on Thursday, 6th November 2003, in the MBA Building, 40 Essex Terrace, Westville, commencing at 09:00. The course is targeted at Site Agents and Contract Managers and is designed to sensitise this level of management to the possibility of claims and how to deal with them.

### **SAFCEC 2004 CALENDARS**

Orders for the 2004 SAFCEC calendars, featuring all the Photographic Competition winners, should be submitted on the attached order form to reach SAFCEC Head Office by absolutely no later than 3 November 2003.

### **SAFCEC Convention 20 October 2003**

Golden Horse Casino, Pietermaritzburg

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### **VISIT SAFCEC**

Sixty three years constitute two generations. [The South African Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors](#) has celebrated over sixty years of being the "midwife" of the development of South Africa. Its members were intimately involved in the creation of the infrastructure that became the envy of our continent. In the same spirit, SAFCEC has prepared itself for the challenges awaiting us in the new millennium.

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## NEWS FROM AFRICA

[Mubarak inaugurates new tourist resort](#)

**PC Assistant**

**VIRUS OR HOAX?**

President Hosni Mubarak has inaugurated a new tourist resort on Egypt's Red Sea coast for scuba divers and sailors

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### [Ukraine to tap Libya's oil and gas market](#)

The state energy company of Ukraine has announced that it may end years of frustration in January when it finally taps into the oil market of Libya

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### [Tunisian, Canadian firms sign drug deal](#)

Pasteur Institute and Pharmacie Centrale will produce affordable drugs

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### [Egypt projects increase in subsidies](#)

Draft budget for fiscal year 2004-05 includes a substantial increase in subsidies to cope with rising staple food prices

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### [\\$17m Moz-Zim rail upgrade steams ahead](#)

Construction company WBHO is nearing completion of a \$17-million contract with Mozambique's Railway Corporation for the rehabilitation of the railway line between Maputo, in Mozambique, and Zimbabwe

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## MINING NEWS

### [Miner slams water utility over removal of preferential tariffs](#)

South Africa's century-old gold-mine, ERPM, has slated Rand Water for removing preferential water rates for mining companies – a move it sees as unfair and one that makes it even harder for small operations to survive.

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### [Work to begin soon on second phase of DRC copper project](#)

Work is to begin imminently on a \$5-million second phase of the Dikulushi copper-silver mine, based in the south-eastern corner of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

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### [Leviev moves Russian business upstream](#)

Uzbek-born Israeli diamond magnate Lev Leviev, often identified as the main rival to South Africa's globally-dominant diamond group De Beers, has recently moved upstream in his diamond operations in Russia.

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### [From bleeding to succeeding](#)

"Stop the bleeding," are the words Ian Reid remembers well as the starting point not that many years ago of Southern Africa's remarkable capture of 7% of the world's aluminium market.

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### [Blue Chip](#)

The theory stating that the fortunes of commodity companies will ebb and flow in line with economic cycles has all but been debunked with the rise, over the past few years, of multicommodity super-majors such as Anglo American, BHP Billiton and Rio Tinto.  
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### [Explorer looks for Finsch-type deposit in N Cape](#)

Australian exploration company Tawana Resources, which is accredited for having discovered the 7-million carat Bow River diamond-mine downstream from the Northern Territory's Argyle diamond-mine, is following a similar strategy in "looking for another Finsch-type mine" six kilometres downstream from De Beers' giant diamond-mine in the Northern Cape Province of South Africa.  
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## **ProjectPro ...linking vision to reality**

### **Project of the Year**

Did you know that South African project managers have won the Project Management Institute's international Project of the Year (POY) award three times since its inception in 1990? Sasol's Polypropylene Plant (1991) and Benfield Column Repair (1995) projects, as well as Murray & Robert's Mozal Smelter project (2001) was a hat-trick of which South African's can be truly proud.

You too can get national and international exposure for your well managed project by entering it in PME 2003. More details are available from the Project Parade section of the ProjectPro website if you [click here](#).

Deadline for entering is 30 November 2003 which is run annually by Project Management South Africa. [Read more...](#)

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## **NEWS FOR ESTATE AGENTS AND HOME OWNERS**

### [How to choose a good stand](#)

The growing shortage of houses for sale in many established areas is forcing more people to consider, for the first time, building their own new home. And the first step, of course, is picking the right plot of land...  
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### [SPOTLIGHT ON: Rustenburg](#)

Everything in the booming mining town of Rustenburg is platinum-plated these days - including property rentals. Landlords are getting as much as R3000 a month for a covered garage, and rental houses that go vacant are being re-let within hours for more than R6000 a month.  
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### [Interest rates back at '80s levels](#)

This week's 1,5 percentage point cut in the repo rate - the fourth since June - has been swiftly followed by the banks, and should shortly bring the home loan "base" interest rate to 12 percent, a level last reached in 1987.  
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### [Court says Act unfair to home sellers](#)

In a High Court ruling, the section of the Municipal Systems Act that forces home sellers to pay their tenants' service debts has been declared unconstitutional.

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**[Price Growth Slowing As Inflation Drops](#)**

House prices are beginning to stabilise – and the trend is not unexpected given the strong and consistent rise in prices over the past five years.

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**[Landlords In The Pound Seats In Rustenburg](#)**

Everything in the booming mining town of Rustenburg is platinum-plated these days – including property rentals.

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**[Emerging Buyers Boost East London Sales](#)**

The already buoyant residential property market in the East London area is being further boosted by an increase in demand from the emerging market.

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**[Landmark St Mike's Golf Course Sold](#)**

The St Michael's golf course, situated on the lower south coast of KwaZulu-Natal, has been sold to a north coast developer.

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**[Aida Ballito Expands](#)**

The Aida Ballito real estate agency is poised to make a bigger impact on the booming property market in the popular North Coast town.

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**[Institute Launches National Website](#)**

The Institute of Estate Agents has launched a new national website for its members and the public.

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***Tip of the week***

*With Standard Bank you can submit your home loan application via the Internet!*

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 SPECIAL REPORTS
[Web Design: What's Right for Your Company](#) (Part 2 of 8)

In any project that you may work on, either professionally or personally, design and preparation is critical. Preliminary work may not always be fun and exciting but it will inevitably save you from problems later in the project. Web design is no different. Simply changing your mind about site navigation or small graphical changes can easily add hundreds, if not thousands, of dollars to the price of your project if the changes are made once your site has been completed, instead of during the design and development phases.

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[Why Start a Business Development Program in Your Company](#)

Here is a scenario we see all too often. Owners are usually great at the "get work" side of their businesses. Eventually, however, an owner decides that he needs to increase his "get work" capacity, so he shops for a business development person.

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[Basic Risk Management](#)

A guide to creating a basic risk management plan. Simple guide for doing your plan.

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 ECONOMIC INDICATORS

The indicators as on 18 October 2003 12:16		
	This week	09/10/03
Rand/\$	7.06	6.8800
Rand/£	11.82	11.4419
Rand/€	8.18	8.1194
R150	8.38%	8.98%
Gold/oz	\$373.40	\$372.60
Gold Mining	2 496.35	2302.40
JSE All Share	9 787.24	9362.80

[Daily exchange rates from Master Currency](#)[Rand weakens as players rethink strategy](#)

The rand weakened sharply against major currencies today

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[Manuel hails financial charter](#)

Finance Minister Trevor Manuel says the charter will take banking to the people and make housing finance far more accessible

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[JSE roars ahead as rand weakens](#)

The JSE was roaring ahead in noon trade on Friday, with a weaker rand giving heavyweight dual-listed and resources stocks a boost

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[Mboweni cools inflation heatwave](#)

Johannesburg - Tito Mboweni, the Reserve Bank governor, and his

### [Public can expect more cash in their pockets](#)

As business, economists and politicians contemplate the pros and cons of a stronger rand, the public are once more set to benefit.  
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colleagues on the monetary policy committee took a bold step and yesterday cut interest rates by a wider-than-expected 1.5 percentage points amid optimism that inflation was well under control.  
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ASAQS NEWS

### [Valuation standards for the global market](#)

Globalisation of business and finance is a fact of 21st Century life. We trade in goods, services and products across national frontiers to an extent not known before. But this means that we need to understand fully what it is we are buying, selling or investing in. Therefore, globalisation brings with it a need to standardise the way that we measure and describe the goods, services and investments in which we trade. This applies in the field of real estate as in many other areas

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### [Valuation techniques and portfolio returns: do simple valuation models do their job?](#)

Download the Valuation Technique report

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### **Employer's Responsibility (... in the assessment of Professional Competence)**

My friend in Harrismith asks whether candidate quantity surveyors should also be competent milk producers? Clause B1.6 of the APC guide states that "Candidates are required to maintain a *Dairy* of their day-to-day experiences..." Some young quantity surveyors may have wondered why they get milked by their employers... now they know. The employer is shirking his responsibility if he doesn't do so on a day-to-day basis!

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### **Equity Personnel**

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### **Experienced Quantity Surveyor**

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They are seeking a qualified Quantity Surveyor with a minimum 3-5 years practical and construction experience. This would be an excellent opportunity for someone looking to move to New Zealand and work in their area of expertise. Please open the attached file for further details.

## Did you hear?

### **I Understand Coach**

At one point during a game, the coach called one of his 7-year-old baseball players aside and asked, "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?" The little boy nodded in the affirmative.

"Do you understand that what matters is whether we win or lose together as a team?" The little boy nodded yes. "So," the coach continued, "I'm sure you know, when an out is called, you shouldn't argue, curse, attack the umpire, or call him names. Do you understand all that?" Again the little boy nodded.

He continued, "And when I take you out of the game so another boy gets a chance to play, it's not good sportsmanship to call your coach 'a dumb jerk' is it?" Again the little boy nodded. "Good," said the coach.

"Now go over there and explain all that to your mother."

### **Treating a Cough**

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#### **Date : 21- 24 October 2003**

Event: ProjectFlow -Intermediate NQF Level 5

Time: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Information: This course will be held on the 21 to 24 October 2003 at the Centurion Lake Hotel, Centurion. For more info contact Terry Deacon at 082 557 3119

Contact: Antoinette Monama training@projectpro.co.za

#### **Date : 20 - 23 October 2003 Durban**

Event: D.E.C Cost Engineering Course

Time: 8:30 AM - 4:00 AM

Information: Focus on Detailed Estimating and Escalation. Contact: Marié Voogt 011 766 2805 or secretary@ceasa.org.za

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**Remember:** Visit the [ASAQS website](#) for new updates!

We wish to welcome the following new members to the ASAQS Closed User Group:

*No new members approved this week*

**Please note** : Only paid-up members of the Association of South African Quantity Surveyors are allowed entrance to the CUG. We still receive a number of applications every month from non-members. If you have any questions regarding membership contact Mrs Barbara Morgan on 011-3154140

**Also note** that your registration to the CUG will remain in force as long as you remain a member of ASAQS and there is no need to register every year. If you have not received an e-mail confirming your registration contact [ASAQS](#).

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The owner of a chemist shop walks in to find a guy leaning heavily against a wall.

The owner asks the clerk "What's with that guy over there by the wall?"

The clerk replies "Well, he came in here this morning to get something for his cough. I couldn't find the cough syrup, so I gave him an entire bottle of laxative."

"You idiot! You can't treat a cough with a bottle of laxatives!" the owner responds.

The clerk answers "Of course you can! Look at him; he's too afraid to cough!"

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