

A close-up photograph of several pecan nuts hanging from a tree branch. The nuts are dark brown with characteristic ridges. The background is filled with bright green leaves, some in focus and some blurred, creating a natural, agricultural setting.

South African Pecan Nut
Producers Association NPC
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1. Reporting period

- This report covers the period 1 January to 31 December 2021 and is presented to the commodity industry association, namely the South African Pecan Nut Association (SAPPA), the Agri Sector Education and Training Authority (AgriSETA) and the members of the producer beneficiaries, Grootoog Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging (GPPV) as a comprehensive report. There is no other version covering the year and the activities.
- It is with sadness that the deaths of Gerrie Louw (chairman), Ronelle Wells, Kerneels Riekert and Kosie Visagie were taken note of.



2. Introduction

- An agreement to work together to assist new farmers (previously disadvantaged individuals, or PDI's) with their own land and water to establish pecan nut orchards along the Lower Orange River was reached in 2016. Parties to this agreement were Farmers, SAPPA and Agri Management Africa (Pty) Ltd (AMA). A contract is attached that informs detail (**Annexure A**).
- Logistical and administrative challenges, including communication, resulted in the Grootoog Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging (GPPV) being formed. The association functions as directed by a constitution, that has been attached as **Annexure B**.
- Technical needs dictated that advice on a professional and sustainable basis was critical to ensure success. To this end, SAPPA acquired the services of a consultant, Ivan Schubach. He visits the GPPV members regularly, advising on how to plant, prune, sucker, weed, irrigate, spray and fertilise.
- It was considered necessary to provide administrative services and to organise and notify of meetings, take minutes, distribute production inputs and do what it takes to make a success. To that end, a service desk with communication technology and store facilities for inputs was established in the town of Keimoes.



- The first orchards were established in 2016 and although four farmers, two of whom are deceased, withdrew from the project, the remaining 16 are active and committed to success. A list of members with the information per farm is attached as **Annexure C**. Twenty four hectares, of which 20 with qualified success, have been planted. The need for 2022 and beyond is to plant 10 more hectares. There are 3 areas where members farm:
 - Loxtonvale (5 farms)
 - Jacobsdal (1 farm)
 - Keimoes (10 farms).
- The first nuts will be harvested in 2022 and from then onwards new bearing hectares will be added annually.

3. Skills development 2021

- When starting with a new production activity, new skills are required. To this end, application was made to the AgriSETA to fund the training on the Project Based Programme. R100 000 was allocated. SAPPA and the GPPV express their appreciation and gratitude to the AgriSETA, whilst trusting that funding will be made available over the long term.
- The AgriSETA training started 30 August and was completed 11 November. Attendance registers have been attached as **Annexure D**. Much value was added to the theoretical inputs. Demonstrations coincided with the theory (during the same weeks) ensuring a better understanding by linking theory with practice. The intensity was increased in September when demonstrations on planting, pruning and manipulation of trees were conducted and attended by all the beneficiaries.



- Four accredited unit standards formed the basis of the theoretical training. A brief description of practical inputs for some of these:
 - **Handle and store agro-chemicals safely and effectively** (unit standard 116065)
 - A visit to existing facilities added value.
 - **Heath & safety** (unit standard 119707)
 - More details on Covid 19 protocols were added.
 - **Fertilise soil and attend to basic plant needs** (unit standard 116206)
 - SAPPA provided a 100% subsidy on fertiliser. Members collected their correct weights from the office and were advised on how to fertilise without causing root burn with young trees. Fertiliser was measured in increments of 50g that can serve needs of both young and older trees (for example 50g x 2). Fertilising was done during the first week of December and will be repeated early 2022.
 - **Manipulation of plants** (unit standard 116128)
 - AMA facilitated four pruning demonstrations where Ivan Schubach taught members how to use and care for expensive pruning equipment, how to form trees allowing for maximum photosynthesis and optimal use of space in rows, as well as how to sucker young trees.

4. Potential skills development 2022

- Although the rollout of training depends on further support by the AgriSETA and is therefore uncertain, the GPPV identified critical skills shortages at their Annual General Meeting (AGM), prioritised as follows:
 - Stock control
 - Quality assurance systems
 - Communication skills
 - Weed control
 - Organic production
 - Marketing
- An application for SAPPA as a commodity organisation was launched with the AgriSETA on 15 November 2021.



5. Project input summary

- All the member meetings, including the AGM, were facilitated by AMA.
- Circumstances were difficult at times because of Covid 19. The GPPV was directly affected by the Covid-related death of the chairman Mr Gerrie Louw during August.
- Visits to all orchards, in most instances, coincided with member meetings.
 - 23-27 February
 - Visit all orchards with SAPPA
 - Allocate trees as per applications. Trees allocated were 100% subsidised and delivered at no transport cost
 - Member meeting 24 February
 - 28-31 March
 - Visit all orchards
 - Member meeting 31 March
 - 16-21 May
 - Visit all orchards, audit tree numbers
 - Conduct follow-up visit with SAPPA
 - Strategic session with aspiring entrants into project
 - 29 August-4 September
 - Training and demonstrations, trees delivered free of cost
 - Accompanied by Ivan Schubach
 - 7-12 November
 - AGM 9 November, Polla September elected chairman, Elize Beukes vice-chair and Annalene Loubsher additional member
 - Braai sponsored by SAPPA
 - Training completed
 - All farms visited with Ivan Schubach
 - 6-9 December
 - Member meeting 7 December
 - Record tree numbers applied with SAPPA
 - Audit fertilisers
 - Audit 4 orchards (tree numbers)



6. Orchard visits

- Six official orchard visits were conducted, three of which covered all the orchards and the last visit's purpose was the audit of four orchards (7-9 December).
- The first visit was conducted by André Coetzee (CEO of SAPPA), Chris Krone and Hannes Hüsselmann on 21-22 February 2021. The purpose was to inspect the condition of orchards, recommend improvements and gather information on new needs to establish more pecan nut trees. This, in turn, informed the impact and extent of the project.
- Krone and Hüsselmann conducted a further visit to audit tree numbers on 22-23 March 2021. One of the more critical needs identified was the pruning of trees. This includes forming trees at a young age to maximise photosynthesis.
- The third visit was done in May. Ivan Schubach accompanied the team. The condition of orchards was inspected for orchard health and it was agreed that the new trees would be delivered by Schubach by 31 August. Training on how to plant trees and pruning were scheduled during this visit for September. It was also agreed that the AgriSETA skills development programme would, if financed, start just prior to this visit in order to add the maximum value to the farmer knowledge base.





- From information gathered during these orchard visits, the following **recommendations** are made:
 1. SAPPA to focus on developing two commercial pecan nut production units selected from existing beneficiaries, namely the father-son teams of Danie and Harry Skippers, and Willy and Jade Loxton. Both units are in the vicinity of Loxtonvale, 15 kilometres downstream from Keimoes. Enough land, water and commitment by farmers exist to warrant the recommendation.



2. Ryno Brussel should plant his trees on the land that was identified as most suitable. Soil profile holes must be dug and SAPPA will confirm suitability. In this manner, approximately R25 000 will be saved because de-bushing will no longer be required. In December 2021 SAPPA advised that infilling of trees with Brussel should be done. This practice will effectively double his numbers on the existing land.
 3. Willie Wells should be excluded from future projects unless a way can be found to subsidise drainage of land. As service providers, we fully understand that SAPPA cannot overspend at a farm at the cost of the budget for the other farms.
 4. Donovan Smith should remain a member of GPPV and that, should he apply for assistance in future if he replants his failed orchard or plants elsewhere, he will benefit. He attends meetings and remains committed.
- The fourth visit proved that the percentage of grafted trees (excluding seedlings) was in fact satisfactory. This is an important conclusion as it supports that the project is fast developing into at least a qualified success.
 - New plantings are highly successful and very few trees are required for “inboet”. A list of tree numbers is attached as **Annexure E**.



7. Meetings

- Member meetings were held at regular intervals and with successful outcomes. SAPPA is thanked for the grant in respect of the AGM. The attendance register is attached as **Annexure F**. A new management committee was elected and a new office address and assistant (Anna Marie Kirstein) to support the project at local level was established.
- Whereas members were not attending the meetings in big numbers, a new process-based approach was introduced. Information on needs, addressing of challenges and access to subsidies/grants and other support must now be tabled at such meetings before being addressed. The AGM took this decision. The member meeting on 8 December proved to be a vast improvement. The chairman, Mr Polla September was ill and Rosco Spangenberg was away on business. They tendered apologies. Only Ryno Brussel who had to work was absent without timeous apology, but he reacted later that day. Members are urged to maintain a keen interest and participation to their own benefit.
- The members who attended the SAPPA AGM in Upington in November were very proud to have been afforded this opportunity. They reported having benefitted and are more committed than ever.
- Meetings between SAPPA and the service provider are conducted when required. The last meeting of 2021 was on 20 December in Paarl. The purpose of this meeting was to address all outstanding issues and inform the budget for 2022.



8. New members and areas

- SAPPA sponsors membership for new entrants not yet harvesting nuts.
- Four members were invited to attend the SAPPA AGM which was held 5-6 November 2021 in Upington. These members reported back to GPPV at the AGM and were truly grateful for the opportunity to meet other commercial growers and learn from speakers and interaction with knowledgeable individuals.
- The GPPV new members are Deon and Sofie Adams, Willie du Plessis and Don Sauls (Jacobsdal).
- Visits to the Western Cape area of Zoar resulted in focussing on Keimoes because of a lack of commitment by potential beneficiaries in Zoar. A report covering this aspect is attached as **Annexure G**. The visit to the Eastern Cape area of Willowmore was much more promising and it is recommended that SAPPA considers investing in a to be identified project in that area.

9. Challenges and solutions

- One of the challenges faced by new entrants to the industry is that financial break-even takes up to 10 years. Smart multi-cropping within the pecan orchards are applied to help farmers achieve positive cashflows sooner. The production of prunes by establishing trees within the pecan nut rows is under consideration. Farmers who expressed interest in this option have been visited and prune tree numbers have been decided on an individual basis as not all pecan nut orchards are planted 10m x 10m. Alfalfa (lucerne), oat-hay, vegetables and cotton are also considered. Refer to **Annexure E** that aims to address the need for multi-cropping in order to create a quicker breakeven cash flow scenario. A meeting of members on 8 December provided the required information and farmers who expressed interest were visited to obtain clarity.
 - AMA is preparing an application to fund multi-cropping activities related to information gathered at the GPPV member meeting in December. SAPPA will be asked to assist with the process of obtaining the support of Dried Tree Fruit Hortgro. The ideal solution will be that the cost of trees be subsidised or financed on a 100% grant basis.



- The services rendered by AMA are all inclusive and will include technical advice on these crops as well as providing offtake solutions for products where required.
- The meeting in December 2021 at Paarl confirmed that a process of infilling whereby additional pecan nut trees will be provided by SAPPA, reducing plant distances to 5m in the rows will be supported. This is particularly meaningful to micro pecan nut producers as it allows for more trees per hectare. This in turn will support a quicker financial breakeven scenario.
- The floods of 2021 caused one farmer (H Beukes) to lose 50%+ of his trees. He will be supported with trees in 2022.
- Higher temperatures are experienced from mid-December to end February. Moisture content will be managed by adapting irrigation scheduling from an average of 12 days to one of 10-day intervals. The area often records temperatures higher than 40° Celsius continuing for some weeks. This necessitates increased irrigation. As all the orchards bar one are flood irrigated, the only practical solution is to reduce the number of days between applications.
- Shortages in micro-elements occur.
 - Zinc was added to fertilisers by two beneficiaries out of own pocket. The results are good.
 - The fertilisers required for December were issued to all members according to their tree numbers on behalf of SAPPA. By 7 December only Earl Loxton and Rosco Spangenberg had not yet fertilised. This is a meaningful grant from SAPPA and is much appreciated by beneficiaries as a lack of funds to purchase fertilisers restrained best agriculture practice.



- New pecan nut growers are aware of the fact that in the Keimoes area even commercial farmers have been unable to control the negative effects of bird grafts on trees. These bird grafts cause parasite trees developing within the pecan nut tree canopy and have disastrous effects on production. Even young trees are grafted by birds. Management inputs to rectify the problem were explained and introduced.



10. Conclusion

The contributions to this project made by SAPPA and the AgriSETA have proven to be critical to ensure success. The farms and lives of 16 new farmer families have been positively influenced far beyond the outcomes that are currently measurable. For instance, children of farmers have been exposed to skills development programmes that have enabled them to find work within the agriculture space far more readily than would have been the case in the past. Some farmers have been able to use newly acquired skills and knowledge to the benefit of other farmers within this community. The commitment demonstrated by beneficiaries of this project could influence investors to continue partnering with this project.

We would like to thank SAPPA and the AgriSETA for their vision and participation. We trust that the project will retain this support over time. As service providers, we continue to strive to improve break-even scenarios, as these present a big challenge to micro and medium pecan nut producers who cannot wait for 10 years to generate positive cash flows. We have commenced a process to involve the dried tree fruit industry (DTF) as a possible partner to create unique solutions for the future.



The background of the contact information is a close-up photograph of a green tree branch with several bright green leaves. A single, light green, unopened nut is prominently featured in the center of the frame, slightly to the left of the text box.

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Confirmation of SAPPA-DTF agriculture development and training project based AgriSETA programme 2021/22.
Done by Agri Management Africa (AMA) as a project management input.

Date: 12th August 2021.

Various meetings and communications informing the project-based funding application with AgriSETA were conducted. These included a meeting in Paarl with SAPPA management and meetings in the traditional Griqua-Khoisan areas in the Karoo and Little Karoo. A request for assistance was received from individuals residing in Willowmore, Eastern Cape. A meeting attended by pioneer role-players was held in Tulbagh, Western Cape. It was decided to partner and pool resources. The desired outcomes are to provide training and establish if and where agriculture development projects are likely to be sustainable. This research will be conducted when the area is visited for training, making visits more cost-effective. The two commodity industries are supportive of the establishment of pecan nuts (SAPPA) and dried fruit types and cultivars (DTF), conditions applied. The most desired rationale remains to combine inputs and efforts to the benefit of agriculture and human resource development. SAPPA confirmed being comfortable to consider new areas suitable for pecan nut production on condition that transformation of agriculture is strengthened. The common understanding is that preferably land is privately owned by PDI's, that the land and climate is suitable for growing pecan nuts/dried fruit and that water for irrigation is available. Should sponsored pecan nut orchards be planted, technical and institutional support will be provided, production inputs subsidised and markets will be accessed. Service providers in this project are Ethics & Leadership Institute and Agri Management Africa. The Dr Beyers Naudé Municipality (Willowmore) thankfully provides the training venue at zero cost. In 2021 the unit standards facilitated are 116065 Handling and control of chemicals and 119707 Health & Safety, sponsored by DTF from the AgriSETA allocation. A roadmap with timeline is provided highlighting in person meetings, activities and training completed and planned.

25/06- Meeting initiating the project at Tulbagh.

29/11- Project based training for minimum 20 learners commence at Willowmore= DTF project-based training.

01/12- 2021 training completed.

02/12- Willowmore potential projects evaluated, noted, discussed. Plan the way forward.

January 2022- Certificates handed over to trainees.

March 2022- Outcomes of research on projects announced.

May 2022- Facilitation of a beneficiary association, constitution, programme set. Acceptance of ownership of projects.

July 2022- Potential preparation for planting pecan nut trees.

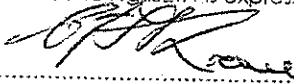
July 2022- Potential Dried Tree Fruit support confirmed.

August 2022- Potential planting of first pecan nut trees.

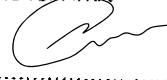
Thereafter ongoing technical support is provided, orchards are expanded on merit and mentorship is provided. MoU's will underpin working together.

Needs based skills development will be yearly if funds are available and the community is committed.

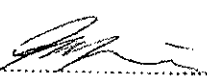
Gratitude to AgriSETA is expressed for the valuable and essential financial contribution to the project.



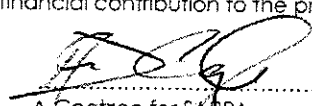
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**GRONDWET VAN
GROOTOOG PEKANNEUT PRODUSENTE
VERENIGING**

1. Naam

Die naam van die vereniging is die Grootoog Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging (GPPV).

2. Doelstellings van die Vereniging

2.1 Om op 'n georganiseerde grondslag

2.1.1 Die belange van die lede van die GPPV in pekanneut verbouing en bemarking te hanteer;

2.1.2 Die toepaslike inligting deur te gee aan lede ten einde lede te help om pekanneute suksesvol te verbou en te bemark;

2.1.3 Om 'n gees van samehorigheid en samewerking onder lede te vestig en te behou;

2.1.4 Om toegang tot hulpmiddels, oestoeusting, plantmateriaal en markte te bevorder;

2.1.5 Om ordelike bemarking te promoveer;

2.1.6 Om saam te werk met soortgelyke organisasies of individue wat tot voordeel van die lede en die pekanneut-bedryf sal wees; en

2.1.7 Om volhoubaarheid vir die produksie van pekanneute te verseker deur onder andere, maar nie beperk nie tot, diensverskaffers, tegniese raadgewers, algemene raadgewers en skakelbeamptes aan te stel en waar nodig, te vergoed vir dienste gelewer.

2.2 Om enige ander sake en aksies van belang vir lede en wat die bevordering van 'n volhoubare boerdery oor 'n breë basis ten doel het, te oorweeg en te implimenteer.

2.3 Om in die nastreef van doelstellings beide Afrikaans en Engels as gebruikstale te vestig.

2.4 Om te alle tye eties en moreel korrek op te tree in alle sake wat hanteer word.

2.5 Om professionele dienste te bekom wanneer nodig, en wat sal insluit maar nie beperk is nie tot:

2.5.1 Die oopmaak van 'n bankrekening by 'n erkende bankinstelling met 'n teenwoordigheid op Keimoes;

2.5.2 Die sluit van kontrakte met bemarkers van pekanneute;

2.5.3 Die inwin van regsadvies;

2.5.4 Die aanstel van ouditeure of ander finansiële kundiges; en

2.5.5 Die aanstel van arbeidskonsultante en arbiters sou dienste van betaalde amptenare beëindig word of indien ander omstandighede dit sou noodsaak.

2.6 Om spesifiek nie betrokke te wees by party-politieke kwessies nie.

2.7 Om geen handelsbedrywighede te doen met die oogmerk op winsneming nie.

2.8 Om bestuurslede op 'n ordelike wyse te verkies, volgens voorskrifte hierin vervat en toe te sien dat pligte uitgevoer word.

2.9 Indien dit nodig nou wees om onroerende eiendom te bekom om die doelstellings van die vereniging te verwesenlik, sal die vereniging toesien tot die stig van 'n gepaste regsentiteit om sodanige eiendom te besit.

3. Regsbevoegdheid

Die vereniging is 'n volle regspersoon met die bevoegdheid om in eie naam:

3.1 Enige roerende eiendom te besit en enige regshandeling daaromtrent aan te gaan.

3.2 Enige fondse waaroor dit beskik by 'n erkende handelsbank te belê.

3.3 Lenings van enige soort aan te gaan en sodanige sekuriteit daarvoor te gee as wat nodig mag wees.

3.4 Regsgedinge in te stel of te verdedig en enige geskil aan arbitrasie te onderwerp.

3.5 Geskenke, subsidies en rabatte van enige soort te aanvaar en te ontvang.

- 3.6 Enige ander regshandeling aan te gaan waarop deur die vereniging besluit word.
- 3.7 Die vereniging word spesifiek verbied en het nie die bevoegdheid om borg te staan vir enige van sy lede of enige ander regsenteiteit of individu se skulde, verpligtinge of andersins nie.

4. Affiliasies en Samewerking

- 4.1 Om sy doelstellings te verwesentlik, sal die GPPV affilieer by die Suid-Afrikaanse Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging (SAPPA).
- 4.2 Die GPPV sal oorweeg om te affilieer by 'n verteenwoordigende organisasie in die Suid-Afrikaanse georganiseerde landbou.
- 4.3 Die GPPV sal saamwerk met die Eksteenskuil Landbou Koöperasie soos en waar nodig.

5. Lidmaatskap

- 5.1 Lidmaatskap tot die Vereniging is oop vir alle pekanneut produsente in die Keimoes gebied sonder die vaspas van geografiese grense.
- 5.2 Om te kwalifiseer as 'n lid, moet voornemende produsente minstens bewys van die voorneme om pekanneute aan te plant toon en moet 'n kontrak wat aanplanting reguleer gesluit word tussen die voornemende produsent, SAPPA en AMA.
- 5.3 Die minimum aantal bome wat aangeplant is of gaan word en waaraan lidmaatskap gekoppel is, is 30 (dertig) per lid.
- 5.4 Beide eggenote word geag lid te wees indien hulle binne gemeenskap van goedere getroud is.
- 5.5 Besit van eie grond is nie 'n voorwaarde vir lidmaatskap nie.
- 5.6 Meer as een lid per perseel is toelaatbaar indien saamgeboer word.
- 5.7 Lede mag natuurlike persone of regsenteiteite wees.

6. Lidmaatskapsgelde en Stemreg

- 6.1 Lede sal ledegelde betaal soos wat van tyd tot tyd deur die bestuur bepaal word.
- 6.2 Bedanking as lid van die Vereniging sal geen toegang tot ledegelde meebring wat kan lei tot eise en terugbetalings nie.
- 6.3 Alle lede het een stem en egpare wat binne gemeenskap van goedere getroud is het een stem namens die gemeenskaplike boedel.
- 6.4 Waar slegs een van die gades tot 'n huwelik binne gemeenskap van goedere hul gesamentlike stemreg uitoefen, sal dit bindend wees op die ander gade, hetsy die ander gade aan- of afwesig was en sal die ander gade daarby berus.
- 6.5 Lede wie se ledegelde nie betaal is nie, sal geen stemreg op vergaderings geniet nie. Alle stigterslede sal egter stemreg geniet op die stigtingsvergadering, afgesien van die feit dat ledegelde nog nie betaal mag wees nie.

7. Finansies

- 7.1 Die finansiële jaar van die Vereniging sal strek vanaf 1 Maart tot 28 Februarie van die daaropvolgende jaar.
- 7.2 Alle betalings deur die Vereniging sal ondersteun word deur:
 - 7.2.1 'n Formele versoek of magtigingsbrief; en
 - 7.2.2 Twee handtekeninge; en/of
 - 7.2.3 Goedkeuring of kondonering deur die bestuur.

- 7.3 Waar 'n nie-goedgekeurde betaling wat gemaak is, nie deur die bestuur gekondoneer word nie, sal die party wat dit versoek het daarvoor aanspreeklik wees en sal terugbetaling van die betrokke betaling deur die party aan die vereniging vereis word. Indien die vereniging enige gelde wat sodanige party toekom hou of daarop geregtig word, mag die bestuur van die vereniging die nie-goedgekeurde betaling van hierdie gelde aftrek voordat dit aan die betrokke party uitbetaal word.
- 7.4 Die sekretariaat sal alle aankope van insetmiddels of ander noodsaaklike slegs doen deur 'n bestelnommer stelsel toe te pas en sal met elke bestuursvergadering verslag doen aan die bestuur. Die deurgang van inligting in hierdie verband aan SAPPa is 'n verantwoordelikheid van die sekretariaat.
- 7.5 Die aangewese diensverskaffer sal jaarliks met SAPPa onderhandel oor 'n begroting om te verseker dienste word gelewer.
- 7.6 GPPV sal nie ten aanvang van bedrywighede 'n bankrekening oopmaak nie. Die noodigheid hiervoor sal van tyd tot tyd oor besin word.
- 7.7 Omdat GPPV nie wesentlike kontant hanteer, self aankope doen of verpligtinge nakom nie, word die bestuur gemagtig om slegs intern toe te sien dat goeie finansiële bestuur toegepas word sonder dat finansiële state opgestel en evalueer hoef te word.
- 7.8 Die koste van die sekretariaat vorm deel van die diensverskaffer se verpligtinge en kan verhaal word deur die jaarlikse SAPPa begroting.

8. Die Bestuur

8.1 Die bestuur sal bestaan uit:

- 8.1.1 'n Voorsitter;
- 8.1.2 'n Onder-Voorsitter;
- 8.1.3 Een tot drie bykomende lede soos nodig; en
- 8.1.4 'n Diensverskaffer.

8.2 Bestuurslede dien vir 'n periode van drie jaar, waarna hulle herkiesbaar mag wees.

8.3 Bestuurslede word mondelings genomineer en gesekeundeer tydens die algemene jaarvergadering, terwyl verkiesing met die opsteek van hande of per geslote stembriefie plaasvind.

8.4 Kontrole tussen stemming sal deur 2 (twee) persone spesiaal daarvoor aangewys, gehou word en na wie verwys word as stemtellers.

8.5 Die diensverskaffer wat kontraktueel deur die vereniging en SAPPa aangestel word sal *ipso facto* op die bestuur dien, met volle regte.

8.6 'n Kworum sal 3 (drie) lede wees vir alle bestuursvergaderings.

8.7 Lede wie se jaargelde nie betaal is nie, sal nie verkiesbaar of herverkiesbaar wees tot die bestuur nie. Dit geld nie vir die verkiesing van die bestuur tydens die stigtingsvergadering nie, wanneer ledegelde nog nie betaal mag wees nie.

9. Vergaderings

9.1 Bestuursvergaderings sal soos nodig gehou word, met dien verstande dat minstens twee vergaderings per jaar gehou sal word.

9.2 'n Algemene Jaarvergadering (AJV) sal jaarliks gehou word of ten laaste 9 (nege) maande na die einde van die finansiële jaar.

9.3 Ledevergaderings sal soos nodig gehou word sonder beperking van die aantal.

9.4 Kworums:

- 9.4.1 AJV = 7 (sewe) lede teenwoordig in persoon;
- 9.4.2 Ledevergaderings = 7 (sewe) lede teenwoordig in persoon;
- 9.4.3 Bestuursvergaderings = 3 (drie) lede teenwoordig in persoon.

10. Sekretariaat

Die sekretariaat sal deur die aangewese diensverskaffer hanteer word met dien verstande dat 'n plaaslike persoon aangestel mag word deur die bestuur vir hulp met hierdie aksie. Beide die bestuur en diensverskaffer moet sodanige persoon goedkeur en aanvaarbaar vind.

11. Pligte van die Bestuur, Diensverskaffer en Sekretariaat

Die gesamentlike verantwoordelikhede sluit in, maar is nie beperk nie tot:

- 11.1 Die bevordering van alle doelstellings en die pekanneutbedryf.
- 11.2 Die ordelike hou van vergaderings.
- 11.3 Die bestuur van die finansies.
- 11.4 Die nakom van die kontrakte tussen lede, SAPPA en AMA.
- 11.5 Effektiewe en doelgerigte kommunikasie.
- 11.6 Verslagdoening.
- 11.7 Skakeling met SAPPA en alle ander rolspelers.
- 11.8 Gee van amptelike kennisgewings.
- 11.9 Hou van notules en rekords.
- 11.10 Bekom van subsidies en rabatte, toegang tot markte en die instel van die nodige sessies soos van tyd tot tyd nodig mag wees.
- 11.11 Die bywoon van vergaderings soos kennis gegee.

12. Beslissing van Sake en Wysiging van Grondwet

- 12.1 Alle beslissings en enige en alle stemming sal wees op grond van 'n meerderheidstem, behalwe in die geval van veranderinge aan hierdie grondwet, waarvoor 'n twee-derde (66 %) stem nodig is.
- 12.2 'n Besluit wat op 'n vergadering geneem is kan op dieselfde vergadering herroep word, mits dit eenparig is.
- 12.3 Indien daar 'n staking van stemme oor 'n kwessie is, moet 'n nuwe vergadering belê word waar 'n nuwe stemming sal plaasvind. Drie maande word toegelaat hiervoor.
- 12.4 Vir 'n vergadering waar 'n besluit geneem gaan word oor die verandering aan die grondwet, is 14 (veertien) dae kennis nodig om 'n spesiale ledevergadering net vir hierdie doel te belê en sal die kennisgewing die verandering woordeliks aandui. Slegs die bestuur kan sodanige vergadering belê.

13. Voorregte en pligte van lede:

- 13.1 Om die reëls en grondwet van die Vereniging na te kom.
- 13.2 Om die belange van die Vereniging te beskerm en sy doelstellings te bevorder.
- 13.3 Om vergaderings by te woon, deel te neem aan besprekings, voorstelle te maak en te sekondeer en daarvoor te stem.

- 13.4 Om verkiesbaar te wees om in enige hoedanigheid sonder vergoeding in die bestuur te dien.
- 13.5 Om te bedank as lid deur skriftelik aldus aan te dui in 'n brief gerig aan die bestuur.
- 13.6 Om geskors te kan word deur die bestuur sou reëls oortree word en bewyse daarvan gevind word.
- 13.7 Skorsing teen te staan deur inligting tot die teendeel of ter versagting by die bestuur in te dien.
- 13.8 Die voorsitter geniet geen voorregte wat gewone lede nie het nie en is die enigste doel van die voorsitterskap om die vereniging en sy lede effektief en gereeld te dien.

14. Diensverskaffer en Sekretariaat

Hoewel outomaties deel van die bestuur met volle regte betreffende kworum en stemming, hoef die diensverskaffer nie 'n lid van die Vereniging te wees nie.

Die sekretariaat hoef nie gekoppel te wees aan lidmaatskap nie en die sekretariaat geniet nie stemreg op vergaderings nie.

15. Ontbinding

- 15.1 Twee-derdes (66 %) van die lede kan stem ten gunste van die ontbinding of likwidasie van die vereniging. Alle bates sal in trust aan SAPPA oorhandig word met 'n versoek om indien wenslik, 'n soortgelyke vereniging tot stand te bring of die vereniging te laat herleef.
- 15.2 In geval van ontbinding sal indien moontlik, alle skulde eers betaal word voordat oorblywende kontant en ander bates aan SAPPA oorgemaak word.

16. Amptelike teks

Vir alle doeleindes sal die Afrikaanse teks erken word as die brondokument wanneer verwys word na hierdie grondwet.

17. Adres

Die amptelike adres van die vereniging sal tot verdere kennisgewing, wat nie 'n verandering aan die grondwet vereis of daarstel nie, wees:

Agri-Management Africa (Pty) Ltd

8 Waverenstraat

Tulbagh

6820

18. Bevestiging

Goedgekeur en aanvaar as Grondwet van die Grootoog Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging op 7 Desember 2021 te Keimoes.

Voorsitter: _____

Onder-voorsitter: _____

Addisionele lid: _____

Diensverskaffer: _____

GPPV TREE NUMBERS ON 7th DECEMBER 2021:

The number is for the total orchard, including dead trees and seedlings. All orchards have been audited. The statistics will not correlate with trees provided as some "inboet" was done. Willy Wells, Vincent Schwartz, Kerneels Riekert, Kosie Visagie and Donovan Smith's numbers have been scrapped, plus some orchards of Sharon Louw and Rosco Spangenberg were reconciled (+- 10 ha).

Morne Coetzee	20
Earl Loxton	341
Vincent Saal	157
Harry Skipper	221
Willie Loxton	176
Elize Beukes	45
Annalene Laubscher	47
Ryno Brussel	60
Harolan Beukes	69
Llewellyn Adams	191
Zecka Schwartz	91
Sharon Louw	105
Polla September	138
Rosco Spangenberg	220
Wynand Ross	66
Don Sauls	30

Total 1977. At 100 trees per ha this amounts to 20 hectares established with success.

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 PROJECT NAME: *SAPPA 1/2021*
 PROJECT REFERENCE NUMBER: *SAPPA 1/2021*
 SERVICE PROVIDER: *Agri Management Africa (Pty) Ltd*
 UNIT STANDARD ID:
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 PERIOD OF TRAINING: *August - November 2021*

	LEARNER SURNAME AND NAME	ID NUMBER	LEARNER SIGNATURE						
			DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
1	<i>Annalene Loubschi</i>	<i>6012080158081</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
2	<i>Juliana September</i>	<i>6603090147028</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
3	<i>Don Sauts</i>	<i>6009315139086</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
4	<i>E W Louren</i>	<i>830125103080</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
5	<i>Wynand Ross</i>	<i>6007045026022</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
6	<i>Harry Skipper</i>	<i>8806015209082</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
7	<i>JOSPH Majeng</i>	<i>7612286040</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
8	<i>Jaruarie Jaridene</i>	<i>0003220248086</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
9	<i>Rosi Leigh-Ann</i>		<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>	<i>L.Rosi</i>
10	<i>Jimmy Leigh Coetzee</i>		<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>	<i>J.Coetzee</i>

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 SIGNATURE OF INSTRUCTOR: *[Signature]*
 CLASS NUMBER:

NAME OF ASSESSOR: *Leon Diederichs*
 SIGNATURE OF ASSESSOR:
 NAME OF EMPLOYER: *ELI*
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ATTENDANCE REGISTER

COMPANY NAME: *SIAPPA - E.I.*
 PROJECT NAME: *SIAPPA 1/2021*
 PROJECT REFERENCE NUMBER: *SIAPPA 1/2021*
 SERVICE PROVIDER: *Agri Management Africa (Pty) Ltd*
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 PERIOD OF TRAINING: *August - November 2021*

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			DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
1	JACO SWABERT	9404065215084	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>	<i>Swabert</i>
2	TUMALO NKGJE	92015037602	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>	<i>Nkgje</i>
3	Myakalle Chabli	781020134038	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>	<i>Chabli</i>
4	Searee Adams	820710147056	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>	<i>Adams</i>
5	Elize Benkes	5808140149080	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>
6	Elize Gerda Benkes	9905210262088	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>
7	Vincent Saal	6012275042082	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>	<i>Saal</i>
8	Pella September	600115100034 32032110251084	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Sept</i>
9	Ryno Brussel	7201151013089	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>	<i>Brussel</i>
10	Hardyn Benkes <i>Harabln</i>	7201145013089	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>	<i>Benkes</i>

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 PROJECT NAME: *SAAA 1/2021*
 PROJECT REFERENCE NUMBER: *SAAA 1/2021*
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 DATE OF WEEK: *30 Aug - 3 Sept 2021*
 PERIOD OF TRAINING: *30 Aug - 12 Nov 2021 intermittent*

	LEARNER SURNAME AND NAME	ID NUMBER	LEARNER SIGNATURE						
			DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
1	<i>Freddie Schwartze</i>	<i>6102025256080</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>	<i>FS</i>
2	<i>Zaha Schwartze</i>	<i>6203115152088</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
3	<i>Roscoe Spangenberg</i>	<i>5102055176031</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
4	<i>Willie Loxton</i>	<i>5107115146081</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
5	<i>Jade Loxton</i>	<i>9112055246085</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
6	<i>Hannelyn Adams</i>	<i>7804205150087</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
7	<i>Piet van Wyk</i>	<i>5809285115084</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
8	<i>Maïne Coetzee</i>	<i>8408035163085</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
9	<i>Hannes Hüsselmann</i>	<i>5805045101083</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
10	<i>Harold Jr Beyers</i>	<i>9905065358088</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>

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 PROJECT NAME: *SAMA 1/2021*
 PROJECT REFERENCE NUMBER: *SAMA 1/2021*
 SERVICE PROVIDER: *Agri Management Africa (pty) Ltd*
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	LEARNER SURNAME AND NAME	ID NUMBER	LEARNER SIGNATURE						
			DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
1	<i>Verashca Schwartz</i>	<i>9004060219089</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
2	<i>Genevieve Paulse</i>	<i>9409150249089</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
3	<i>Rosetta Schwartz</i>	<i>9411230197089</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
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Needs for "inboet" and new plantings as identified

16 December 2021

KEIMOES

	Inboet 523	New 1095
Jade Loxton	6	152
Vincent Saal	23	
Sharon Louw	54	
Don Sauls	0	70
Polla September	10	
Llewellyn Adams	10	
Morne Coetzee	9	
Annalene Laubscher	21	
Freddie & Zecka Swartz	25	
Haralan Beukes *	51	400
Gert Beukes	4	50
Harry Skipper	18	144
Earl Loxton	109	11
Rosco Spangenberg	60	
Wynand Ross	0	5
Ryno Brussel	13	90
Willie du Plessis		111
Sofie Adams		50
Earl Loxton	110	12

*Haralan Beukes specified the following cultivars for inboet:

Choctano 17, Wilchita 19, Navoho 13 en Western 2

POTENTIAL PRUNE PROJECT:

Desiree Adams	241 Trees
Freddie & Zecka Swartz	250
Elize Beukes	80
Harry Skipper	936
Vincent Saal	250
Haralan Beukes & Son	150
Total	1 907

It is recommended that SAPPA interact with Dried Tree Fruit (DTF) to support this project. The cold units have been accessed and though risky, the cultivar van der Merwe/Marianna is recommended for planting as an alternative crop to expand multi-cropping which in turn will provide positive cash flows 5 years sooner. It is hoped that trees will be supplied as a grant, but that support services to be provided by AMA will also be sponsored by DTF for a minimum of five years.

Ryno Brussel expressed interest, but SAPPA has decided to do infilling in his existing orchards. "Infilling" is the term used when the space in rows is utilized better by planting an additional pecan nut tree halfway between two existing pecan nut trees. This practice effectively doubles the number of trees per hectare. In Brussel's case infilling seems to be a better option than diversifying as he is permanently employed at a raisin packing factory. This limits his availability to spend enough time on his land.

Jade Loxton has not decided yet, but if he does, he should be included, because his orchard is not planted 10m x 10m and he has the potential to become a commercial pecan nut farmer.

Vincent Saal expressed interest in both wine grape- and prune production. SAPPA decided not to support the planting of wine grapes. Saal's land offers a more realistic prune production opportunity. Saal has therefor been included in the list.



Grootoog Pekanneut Produsente Vereniging

Teenwoordigheidsregister:

GPPV AJV gehou op 09 November 2021 om 09h00 te Sandeiland Gemeenskapsaal

No.	<u>VAN EN NAAM</u>	<u>KONTAKNOMMER</u>	<u>HANDTEKENING</u>	<u>Temp</u>
1.	Elize Beukes	0826848961		
2.	Karalyn S. Beukes	0795205514		
3.	ADAMS Llewellyn	0630567546		
4.	Ryno Brussel	0611317750		
5.	VINCENT Seel	0835503118		
6.	Ivan Schubach	0786433221		
7.	Wynand Rose	0745505359		
8.	FREDY SCHWARTZ	0826968801		
9.	Harry Skipper	0114719358		
10.	E W KOTON	0826190287		
11.	D. Sauts	0822023404		
12.	P. Sauts	0766871510		
13.	KRONE CHRIS	0772302973		
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Innovative Fruitful Agriculture Development Solutions

REPORT ON SAPPA TRANSFORMATION PROJECT DEVELOPMENT 09-08-2021:

The meeting at Opsoek on Friday 06-08-2021 resulted in a firm decision not to advise plantings of pecan nut trees in the area. Information obtained at Opsoek/Zoar/Amalienstein confirms that the Griqua-Khoisan areas at Dysveldorp and Willowmore have more potential worthy of consideration. Reasons for advising not to establish pecan trees in Zoar:

1. Shortage of irrigation water and of access to what there is.
2. Lack of own title deed freeholdings in the Amalienstein area.
3. Obvious lack of interest in the establishment of long-term permanent crops.
4. Potential beneficiaries underestimate the size of available land, not demonstrating awareness of plant density.
5. Lack of commitment causing concerns that ownership of individual orchards in terms of success thereof is absent.
6. Shared vision for development is absent in the communities.
7. Community politics is a disabler. There is general confusion as to the roles of State, Church and Developers.
8. The area is particularly hard-hit by the ongoing drought.
9. Shortage of agricultural skills leading to a "do for" as opposed to "do self" attitude.
10. Opinions obtained from commercial agriculture entrepreneurs in the area confirm the above-mentioned reasons.

In the light of this development various discussions followed with the Northern Cape beneficiaries and role-players in the Keimoes area. Consensus is that the AgriSETA awarded grant funds if spent on further developing the essential skills of beneficiaries who have already established orchards will reap greater success in Keimoes. Interest to become part of this project is strong. Please visit www.innofruitsa.co.za for information on the existing project. At the same time InnofruitSA will continue with actions in the Western Cape that will in due course lead to the identification of suitable areas and communities serious about development.

The number of beneficiaries that will receive training in Keimoes is 33. The AgriSETA allocation will cover this training. SAPPA will provide practical training in the planting and pruning of trees. This will be done in September 2021 and reports on progress will be provided as part of project deliverables.

The SAPPA budget for project management, mentorship and support to Keimoes beneficiaries which is attached as a deliverable is guaranteed to be fully spent by December 2021.

CJT Krone.

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