

New Baby Saver in Macassar launched



The Macassar Baby Saver became operational on Monday 31 August. The establishment of the Macassar Baby Saver was inspired by Aoife Kelly de Klerk, a former occupational therapist and devoted Christian committed to community work ("Baby savers for Macassar, Grabouw", *DistrictMall*, 23 July). The free standing solar powered unit by Kwikspace Modular Buildings fitted with the actual safe sourced from Babysafe International is located at 3 Musca Avenue. Similar in concept to the Helderberg Baby Saver, the new addition acts as a last port of call for help or hope, enabling safe abandonment of an unwanted baby. When a baby is placed in the safe, an alarm is triggered and appointed respondents, including security and emergency personnel, collect the infant. The response is linked with child protection organisations such as Wandisa, which sees to all the statutory processes. Mothers are guaranteed of a safe, anonymous alternative to discarding their baby – no questions asked and no cameras on site. Pictured with De Klerk (right) is Beverly Adriaanse, owner of the property where the saver is located.



De Klerk marked the momentous occasion with Sandy Immelman, founder of the Helderberg Baby Saver. The establishment was possible with valued assistance and knowledge garnered from Immelman.