

The Marula Golf Challenge proved to be a successful event from an economic point.



Gateway Airports Authority Limited (GAAL) has played a significant role in stimulating economic growth in Limpopo Province. One of its notable contributions was through participation in the 2025 Marula Golf Challenge, held at the Ba-Phalaborwa Golf Course in the Mopani District. This event was not only a sporting occasion but also a key contributor to the provincial economy.

To rejuvenate its economy post-COVID-19, Limpopo Province has initiated an economic growth strategy that highlights tourism as a crucial element. In this context, GAAL's participation in the 2025 Marula Edition golf

event brought together various stakeholders from both the province and the broader continent.

Golf serves as a vital component of sports tourism, which significantly enhances the province's tourism offerings. GAAL's involvement in this challenge provided an essential opportunity to connect with target markets that can contribute positively to the aviation sector. A prominent business leader expressed satisfaction with GAAL's presence at the event, noting its potential to inform attendees about Polokwane International Airport.

The business leader emphasized the importance of



strengthening connections to strategic destinations like Phalaborwa, Durban, and Cape Town. He wished to remain anonymous. Mrs. Tshepo Ramokgopa, GAAL's Commercial Services Manager,

stated that the successful outcomes of the 2025 Marula Golf Challenge will lead to greater collaboration with new stakeholders and business partners within the aviation sector.

AVIATION IS NOT JUST A TRANSPORTATION MODE BUT A CAREER TO PURSUE



The aviation sector offers a wealth of promising career pathways that can change lives. Recently, Gateway Airports Authority Limited (GAAL) took centre stage at a vibrant career exhibition hosted at the Mankgodi Community Hall in the Bloubaai Local Municipality, situated in the Capricorn District. This event drew an enthusiastic crowd of

pupils from underprivileged backgrounds, eager to discover the numerous opportunities that the aviation industry has to offer. The exhibition served as an enlightening icebreaker for learners, providing them with invaluable insights into various aviation career paths. It is a core mandate of GAAL to illuminate the public about the diverse and

exciting possibilities within the aviation field. Learners received essential educational materials and information about potential careers they could pursue upon completing their matriculation. The significance of career guidance cannot be overstated; it plays a pivotal role in shaping young minds and empowering them to make informed decisions about their future.

Ms Khanyisa Makamu, GAAL's Performance and Marketing Officer, shared an inspiring message: "There is nothing wrong with being born into a poor family, but it is entirely wrong to do nothing about your poverty. Your background has no bearing on who you can become. To be a pilot, for example, is not determined by your family's financial situation; it requires

dedication, focus, and hard work."

The pupils were particularly thrilled to learn that soon, Polokwane International Airport would be home to an aviation school, bringing their dreams closer to reality than ever before. One learner's representative expressed excitement: "I am truly grateful to be part of this career guidance event. I learned so much, especially about the aviation industry. My dream of becoming a pilot is no longer just a dream; I can pursue it right here without having to travel to another province."

This event was not just an exhibition; it was a beacon of hope and inspiration, igniting aspirations and dreams among young aspiring aviators.



Corporate Social Investment (CSI) fosters positive relationships with the community.



The Gateway Airport Authority Limited (GAAL) hosted its annual Corporate Social Investment (CSI) event at Mankweng Unit D in the Polokwane Local Municipality, Capricorn District, Limpopo Province. This significant event is part of the organization's vision to support underprivileged non-profit organizations (NPOs). In 2025, GAAL visited the Tshepang Disability Centre.

The event was attended by various leaders, including traditional leaders. GAAL donated stimulating toys and other essential goods that are important for the children residing at the centre.

Ms. Rose Lemapo, the leader of the Tshepang Disability Centre, expressed her gratitude: "On behalf of



Tshepang Disability Crèche, we would like to extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation for the generous

donation you made to our centre. Your thoughtful contribution is more than just a gift; it is a powerful

message of inclusion, love, and support for children living with disabilities."

GAAL CELEBRATES 30 YEARS IN STYLE



strategize for improvement.

The journey to this milestone has not been without obstacles. Despite experiencing tough

times, these challenges have significantly contributed to the organization's growth.



Gateway Airport Authority Limited (GAAL) recently celebrated its 30th birthday with a party for employees and stakeholders. The event featured a cake-cutting ceremony, during which CEO Mokgadi Matli encouraged everyone to make a wish for the future of GAAL and Polokwane International Airport. She emphasized the importance of collaboration and consistently maintaining high standards of quality service and safety.

Like any organization, GAAL has faced its share of challenges, but these challenges have provided valuable lessons. When difficulties arise, they should not shake the organization; instead, they should serve as a call to action for management and employees to unite and



CEO Mokgadi Matli congratulates the newly appointed employees.

Newly Appointed Officials

Chief Accountant Officer

Mr David Rapholo

Appointed on the 01 May 2025



Newly Appointed Officials

Senior Commercial Manager

Mrs Tshepo Ramokgopa

Appointed on the 1st of June 2025



Newly Appointed Officials

Senior Manager Human Resource
Ms Nolitha Klu

Appointed on the 8th of April 2025



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