

EDITION

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It is our intention to create a monthly single page newsletter that will include a comment on the birding scene, news on specials and new products, and other items of interest. This will be the primary Nature's Heart direct communication tool with subscribers.

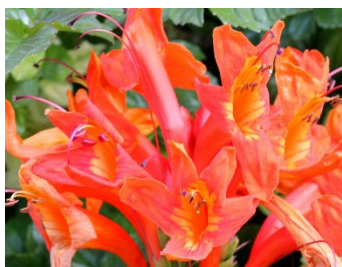
About The Editor

George Reed: I have recently taken over the day-to-day operation of Nature's Heart from Josh and Melissa. I am a retired engineer, with a long term love of our natural heritage. I will continue to supply a great quality of service to customers of Nature's Heart, and I plan to extend the product offering. All customers are welcome to contact me at george@naturesheart.co.za with comments or suggestions.

Birding Shrub of the Month

Cape Honeysuckle (*Tecoma capensis*)

Can be planted year round (in good sun), and will flower in summer. This shrub reaches about 2m, and is great for sunbirds. It is good for insects too, and you will get a blast of colour for good measure. Plant it and supplement with Elaine's Nectar Feeders and orange or strawberry nectar mix.



Natures Heart

Specials of the Month

Valid from 1 May 2017 until 19 May 2017 or while stocks last. (All prices include VAT).

1): 20 Cup Suet Block pack with a free Red Heart Cup Feeder.

Our Price - R400-00

Value - R615-00

SAVE R215-00

2): 30 Suet Ball Bucket.

Our Price - R230-00

Value - R270-00

SAVE R40-00

3): Suet Balls/Slabs Multipack (Pack of 12).

Our Price - R180-00

Value - R210-00

SAVE R30-00

4): Nutty Putty Pudding 5kg (Soft suet for wild birds).

Our Price - R280-00

Value - R325-00

SAVE R45-00

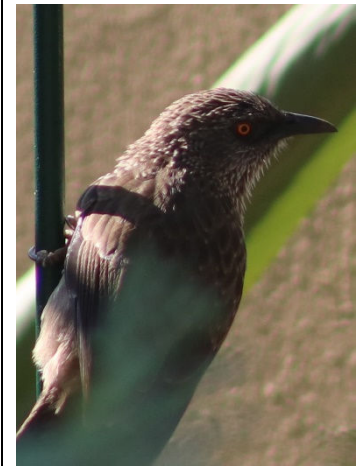
mixes", advanced agricultural and other technology, or the creation of new "greening" concepts.

All fine and well...But if we look around we just see mess - from normal garbage to industrial waste. Surely, before we consider sophisticated interventions, we should at least be able to clean up our litter?

Bird of the Month

Arrow-marked babbler (*Turdoides jardineii*)

We have noted that our babblers are becoming increasingly visible as the winter approaches, even though we tend to only have 4 to 6 at a time. The bird is insectivorous, and so as expected it loves Elaine's Birdgrub, and aggressively competes at the feeder. They are gregarious, and we generally hear them coming from at least 50m away. The Arrow-marked babbler has received the place of "Bird of the Month" for brightening up the first cold days of 2017.



Bon Mots

Corrupt politicians make the other 10% look bad.

Henry Kissinger

Environmental Chirps

South Africa is just seeming to take the first steps out of the rather debilitating drought of 2015/6. The result has been endless debate about El Nino and global warming. We analyse potential mitigation through carbon taxes, altering "energy