



## An African Football World Cup 2010!

A few months have passed since the FIFA Football World Cup touched down onto African soil for the first time ever. The event was colourful, it was loud...and it was Africa at its finest! The droning vuvuzelas certainly drove many of the players, trainers and television viewers a little dilly, but that didn't seem to phase the spirited fans who decided to support their teams by making as much noise as possible. And successfully so!

Germany had been marvellous hosts of this colossal event only four years prior and had set the bar extremely high; many were thus sceptical when the World Cup was entrusted into the hands of the third world country on the southern tip of Africa. The security risks are too high; the infrastructure is insufficient; the stadiums will never be ready in time; the police force is too inexperienced to handle such large crowds; the event should be relocated to Australia - and so the list of concerns went on and on. Thankfully, the doubters were proven wrong.

South Africa and its people presented themselves from their best and loveliest side, and the world soon took note of how passionate and magnanimous the country was about the World Cup being hosted on African soil. Soccer fever had engulfed the entire nation, and once Siphwe Tshabalala scored the first goal of the World Cup for South Africa in the





match against Mexico, even the biggest football grouch was waving the SA flag and buying a stack of vuvuzelas to hand out to family and friends.

Whether or not the expensive stadiums will simply become white elephants decorating the South African skyline remains to be seen, and the question of whether or not South Africa profited financially from the World Cup is also still open to debate, but it certainly did show a side of Africa that is rarely shown by the international mass media. A joyous and beautiful Africa which took pride in hosting one of the largest sporting events in the world, and we don't mind saying this in the least, did a damn fine job of it as well!

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## Bush Pilot Course Dates

The next scheduled Bush Pilot Course will take place in the **first week of November 2010**. All of those interested please send an email to [erika@skyafrica.com](mailto:erika@skyafrica.com).

## Congratulations

to our flight instructors Tony and Glen

Tony is now officially a **Grade II Instructor/Examiner** and after months of hard and diligent work Glen has his **Airline Transport Pilot License (ATPL)** in the bag. It's truly and honour to have such professional pilots be part of the SkyAfrica team. Good work lads!



### Albatross Formation

There is a new formation flying team gracing the African skies, and after a successful first display at the Grand Rand Air Show in May of this year, the spectators at the Bethlehem Air Show (and here we're referring the town situated in South Africa, not the one in the West Bank) at the end of August were privy to another spectacular show by the three Albatrosses. The young team performs like it has been flying together for years and it is truly a delight watching them do their thing. In Bethlehem the lead was taken by SkyAfrica boss Karl aka *Mafuta* (lovingly meaning "fat one" in Zulu - you can figure out why) in our white "milk-bottle" ZS-FIN. Bravo on a job well done!

When there is fun to be had, SkyAfrica is never far away...



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