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### **Project Update: *San Clan 2015 / Sutherland***

During this period, all final preparation took place on site with the majority of the community beneficiaries working on the construction, rigging and cladding with Nathan V Honey, the three international volunteers and the on site team each day. The crew received support from AfrikaBurn's Department of Public Works including tents and catering and other logistical support. Beneficiary Jacobus 'Kobus' Klein, 19, said:

*In the beginning, I was very afraid of heights, even to climb up a ladder. When they needed me up on the scaffold, they took me up and tied me up there and I was hauling stuff up for them to use. On the other hand Bennie had no fear of heights at all. If you must go up you must go up!*

Abraham 'Kosie' Oncke said:

*When I went down to Tankwa I couldn't believe that people from Sutherland were doing this, big responsibility!*





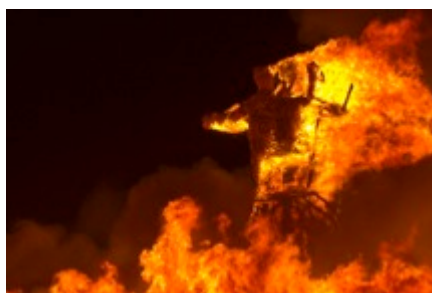
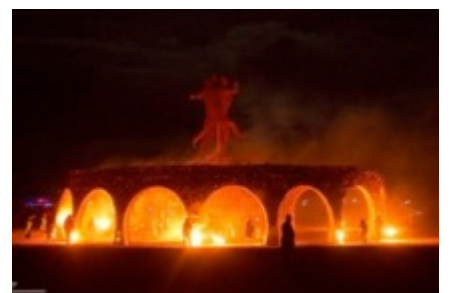
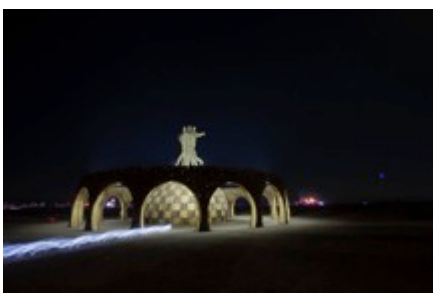
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The team received positive responses to the sculpture standing 24 metres high and 12 metres wide and enjoyed the interaction at the event, Adriana Visagie commented:

*Generally I enjoyed the festival, I found people very friendly.*





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Koosie said he appreciated:

*The generosity from the people at the event, when we were wearing the Clan tshirts, we were received with open hearts and we felt like we were doing important work. I met a lot of people from overseas and communication was very good, learning about other people. When it burnt, I felt part of me burnt as well. Afterwards, Nathan gave me a hug and everything was good and we could move ahead*

Kobus said:

*I met lots of people, nice people, I'll probably never see again. I felt nervous when burning it [the Clan sculpture], when it was lit, I stood back and witnessed the response of the crowd and I felt good.*

Barend 'Bennie' Geduld

*My favourite was the art cars, the trouble people go to, the hospitality of the people, how they responded [to the Clan], it was very nice. It was sad to set it alight, and then I thought no, I have to be happy that I could take part in something like this.*

## Culmination and legacy

The *San Clan 2015* team requested that AfrikaBurn host a slideshow in Sutherland to showcase the full process and culmination of the project to the community that did not attend the AfrikaBurn event. The event in Sutherland brings together *The Mantis Project* and New Moon Collective's *Prayer to the New Moon* performance as a showcase event for the community that over the years has borne witness the growth of AfrikaBurn, some 130 kms away, yet clearly visible at altitude, from the outskirts of the town.

Tools procured for project implementation will be gifted as a legacy to the community through the *San Clan 2015* team, along with some start up materials. Nathan Honey is currently working with Koosie and Afrika Oncke on setting up a sustainable system that will assist the group to generate an income and create their own projects.

