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The Nutrition Society of South Africa is a scientific organisation and the main aims are to advance the scientific study of nutrition; to promote objective dissemination of knowledge related to nutrition; and to promote strategies for the improvement of nutritional well-being.

Welma Ooosthuizen: South Africa's loss, New Zealand's gain

Prof. Dr Welma Oosthuizen (now also Mrs Stonehouse) has left the dry and dusty North-West province of South Africa for greener pastures in New Zealand! Welma has been appointed as Associate Professor in Human Nutrition at the Auckland campus of Massey University, with the challenge of 'getting nutrition research on this campus off the ground, up and running'. Welma has been a valuable member of the Potchefstroom Nutrition Research Group and has served on the executive council of NSSA since 2000 as chairperson of the Northern Branch.

With her experience in high-quality nutrition research, her publications in international journals, her training of postgraduate students and her experience in teaching advanced nutrition courses, combined with her leadership qualities and exceptional interpersonal relationship skills, there is no doubt that Welma will make a huge success of the new job.

The Nutrition Society of South Africa and her colleagues in Potchefstroom will miss her. Fortunately, not all ties have been cut: Welma has also been appointed as Extraordinary Associate Professor in the School for Physiology, Nutrition and Consumer Sciences at North-West University.

We all wish Welma the best for the future.