

Namibia: Lightning Kills Man, Animals

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A Lightning bolt killed a man in his twenties, injured three others and also killed a number of donkeys on Wednesday night.

Police deputy commissioner Rudolf Isaaks yesterday confirmed the death of Jan Petrus Matthys.

According to Isaaks, the deceased and the three others were hit by the bolt at around 14h00 while travelling on a donkey-drawn cart between farms Kalkvlakte and Uibes in the Berseba district.

Isaaks said the three injured persons were treated and discharged at the Keetmanshoop State Hospital, and described their conditions as stable.

The Namibian caught up with two of the lightning victims, Paul de Koker (39) and Marlone Christiaan (12), after they were released from the hospital yesterday morning.