

# RUGBY UPDATE Varsity Shield UFH vs Wits





Ahem...need we say more about who had the blues after last night's Round 3 match at the Davidson Stadium in Alice? The next test for our boys is the Round 4 match-up with UWC on Monday 22 Feb here at the Wits Rugby Stadium. Kick-off is at 18h30.

### **Super Rugby: Emirates Lions vs Los Jaguares**



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Don't forget tonight's intriguing encounter between Argentina's Los Jaguares and Jo'burg's very own pride, the Emirates Lions, hosted by Wits Rugby. Kick-off, at the Wits Rugby Stadium, East Campus, is at 7pm. R30 entrance, and refreshments on sale.

#### **ANOTHER WITS HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL**

Wits Hockey is proud of its women's 1<sup>st</sup> team goalkeeper, Petro Stoffberg (below).

Petro's in fact the blue-'n-yellow's #2 keeper under Zimi Shange (SA A women's squad). She's been selected to represent the Namibian u-21 women's hockey team to participate in the Junior World Cup qualifying tournament that will be played in Windhoek from 18-28 March.

Petro's other achievements include being nominated Goalkeeper of the Tournament in the 4 Nations series staged in December 2015.

Noted hockey writer/blogger Jonathan Cook tweeted that he considered Petro's goal-keeping heroics 'world class'.



#### **WUBC AT BUFFALO REGATTA**

East London's Buffalo Regatta, held this year over the windy weekend of 12-14 February, is one of the country's oldest national open regattas. Its two trophies/races - 'The Grand' and 'Silver Sculls- date back to 1881. Named for that city's river, the prestigious "Buff" always draws its fair share of national, Olympian, world champion, international and former international rowers.

Wits University Boat Club was there as usual, entering a squad of 5 athletes: 4 men – Sascha Dubrovo, Jordan Jackson, Jason Knowles and Lloyd Tinney – and lone woman rower Jade Crooks.

In the sprint held on Friday evening over a distance of 500m, WUBC earned 10<sup>th</sup> (Jackson), 16<sup>th</sup> (Dubrovo), 17<sup>th</sup> (Tinney) and 22<sup>nd</sup> (Knowles) places in the men's single scull, racing against the national squad. In the women's single scull, Crooks finished 6<sup>th</sup>.



Jade raced under UCT colours in the women's eights and her crew finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. Wits' men's coxless fours, crewed by Tinney, Jackson, Knowles and Dubrovo, finished 5<sup>th</sup>.

The main regatta, raced over 2000m, saw Crooks finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in the A final with her UCT partner. In the men's A single sculls (Silver Sculls) Jackson and Dubrovo recorded 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> places respectively.

Overall, it was a successful regatta, Wits athletes getting some good racing experience and WUBC being represented at a national regatta. The club extends sincere thanks to St Dunstan's school and UJ Rowing for towing the club's boats to eMonti and back.

#### WITSIE BOWLERS SHINE FOR GAUTENG STRIKERS

Nono Pongolo (R) and Nandre Burger (L), Wits Cricket's two draftees into the Gauteng Strikers side, both delivered outstanding bowling figures in their first outing for the provincial team in 2016, well and truly justifying their selection. In their 3-day game against South Western Districts, Nono clinched a '5-fer' – 5/53 - and Nandre a very creditable 3/48. Take a bow, fellows, and you don't gotta be shy either, coach Levenson! In his debut T20 match for the Strikers, also against SWD, Nandre took 2/42.



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