



Assupol TuksCricket 2018 Momentum National Club Champs Winners

Absolute perfection over five days of cricket is possibly the best way to describe the way Assupol Tuks played to retain the Momentum National Club Championships title for a second consecutive year. The competition went down to the fifth and final match that was a must-win game against the Crusaders (KwaZulu-Natal) for the Assupol TuksCricket team and the players again played with clinical precision to do what needed to be done on the field. The result is that they won with 121 runs. Assupol Tuks who batted first scored 282/4 thanks to brilliant batting display by Neil Brand 120 runs (131 balls) and Jiveshan Pillay 75 runs (109 balls). The Crusaders were all out for 161.

Assupol TuksCricket remained unbeaten during the tournament. The first game, Assupol Tuks beat Wellington by seven wickets, followed by 162 run victory over Yorkshire, a nine-wicket victory over Fort Hare and a 125 runs victory over Northwest Pukke.

This year, an extra game was added to the tournament, The Momentum National Club Champs Super Cup. This match sees the Winners from the Momentum National Club Champs play against the winners of the Momentum National Community Cup that takes place in December. This year the T20 match was played between Assupol TuksCricket and Durbanville CC. Assupol TuksCricket were all bowled out in their final over 122 but a great death bowling spell saw Durbanville being restricted to 117/7 in 20 overs and Assupol

TuksCricket won by 5 runs.

The scary part, or exciting, is that Kruger van Wyk (coach) believes that the team is capable of even more exceptional performances in the future. "It was a long season, eight months to be precise, in which the players played a lot of cricket. I must admire them for the way they found the energy and passion to 'step up to the plate' one last time. A performance like this is what makes coaching worthwhile."

Assupol TuksCricket represented the Titans at this year's Momentum National Club Championships after winning in the regional play-offs that saw a knock out round between Northerns, Easterns, Mpumalanga and Limpopo.

Van Wyk does not believe in singling out the performance of any player as for him cricket is all about the team, but he can't help but be excited about the way his captain, Neil Brand, played throughout the tournament. Leading by example seems to come naturally to him. Brand impacted in each game. Scoring 72 runs against Yorkshire, taking 4/14 with his off-spin deliveries against the Fort Hare University, hitting 73 runs against Northwest Pukke and then topping it all by scoring 120 runs against the Crusaders. Brand was awarded the Man of the Tournament award after his incredible week with both bat and ball.

Van Wyk was equally full of praise for the way Migael Pretorius played. The match against the Crusaders was his last game for Assupol Tuks as he got contracted by the Lions. Pretorius bowled like

a player possessed taking 5/18 in seven overs. "It is never nice to lose a player but when the fact that Migael got a professional contract proves that we are doing something right," said Kruger.

We would like to congratulate all the players and staff involved in winning this competition!





Assupol TuksCricket 2017/2018

End of Season Function

The Assupol TuksCricket End of Season function is our annual event to celebrate the achievements of teams and individuals at Assupol TuksCricket alike. This year was no different than others as we hosted it on 28 March 2018 for players, parents, staff, sponsors and alumni at the Assupol TuksCricket HQ for the function.

The evening highlighted many different aspects of Assupol TuksCricket. We celebrated the team efforts as Assupol Tuks 1 won all the competitions they took part in as well as celebrated the record number of players who played representative cricket in the last year.

Assupol TuksCricket would like to congratulate the following people who won the annual Club Awards:

- Premier League Batsman of the Year: Ivan Kriek
- Premier League Bowler of the Year: Ruan de Swardt
- Club Batsman of the Year: Ivan Kriek
- Club Bowler of the Year: Ruben Trumpelmann
- Man of the Year: Nsovo Baloyi
- Most Improved Player: Nkosinathi Msiza
- Players Player of the Year: Neil Brand
- Player of the Year: Donovan Ferreira

The evening was also a platform to say some farewells. Craig Kirsten and Thomas Kaber have both been pillars in the Assupol TuksCricket team of the past few seasons. The time has come to say our farewells and we wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

During the evening the opportunity was also used to thank a Tukkies Alumni and old staff member, Anton Ferreira for the contribution that he made for Cricket in the country over the past few decades. We wish Anton all the best as he enters retirement.

Assupol TuksCricket would once again like to congratulate all players and teams on their wonderful performances this past season.

2018 Graduations



David Mogotlane -
BSportSci Degree



Craig Kirsten - BCom
Taxation Honours



Sean Phillips - BCom
Business Management



Junior Winter Matches Tournament

Last year we launched this programme and managed to grow the competition to 20 teams that participated. It really was great to host so many junior teams from different age groups and we hope to see them all soon when we start our junior cricket season in September.

Here are the final results of the tournament:

Finals:

u/9 - Zwarries vs Excellentiam at Tuks E at 9:00 - Zwarries won the toss chose to field

Excellentiam made 140/7 after 25 overs and Zwarries made 81/8 after 25. Results: Excellentiam won by 59 runs

u/11 - Wierdapark vs Future Klofies at Tuks C- Wierdapark won the toss chose to bat

Wierdapark made 168/2 after 25 overs and Future Klofies made 86/5 after 25 overs. Result: Wierdapark won by 82 runs

u/13 - Future Klofies vs Excellentiam at Tuks D - Future Klofies won the toss chose to bat

Future Klofies made 263/1 after 25 and Excellentiam made 150/10 after 23.4 Result: Future Klofies won by 113 runs

Log positions:

u/9:

1. Excellentiam
2. Zwarries
3. Moot
4. Tuks Red

u/11:

1. Wierdapark
2. Future Klofies
3. Tuks Red
4. Excellentiam
5. Tuks Blue
6. Moot
7. GAW A
8. GAW B

u/13:

1. Future Klofies
2. Excellentiam
3. Tuks Blue
4. GAW A
5. Wierdapark
6. Moot
7. GAW B
8. Tuks Red

Marketing Video



Black Rhino Wildlife Trust

At the Assupol TuksCricket 2017/2018 End of Season Function, we launched our community outreach programme for this year. This year Assupol TuksCricket will embark on a Club project to raise a targeted amount of R25 000 for the Black Rhino Wildlife Trust in the Pilanesberg. The Wildlife trusts conserves the fauna, flora and tourism activities in their area and assists with funding of anti-poaching activities of Rhinos. Any donations for this programme would be welcomed and we will be handing over the final amount to the trust in August!



Ri-Ma Sports Cricket Academy Visit

This year we welcomed the Ri-Ma Sports Cricket Academy u10, u11, u13 and u16 teams for a week of matches against our Assupol TuksCricket Junior Division teams!



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BLACK RHINO RESERVE WILDLIFE TRUST VISION

The Black Rhino Reserve Wildlife Trust was formed to assist in preserving fauna, flora and tourism activities in our area. They also fund anti-poaching activities of Rhinos.

TARGET

To raise a minimum of R25 000 for the Black Rhino Wildlife Trust

