

# AmaZulu's 'very important clash'

## Usuthu face Leopards in race for play-off spot

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AmaZulu coach Joey Antipas has dubbed Usuthu's National First Division (NFD) game against Black Leopards at the Thohoyandou Stadium tomorrow (3pm) as "one of the most important" games this season.

"We have just toppled them [Leopards] from position two on the log. I think this is one of the most important games for us this season. If we win, which I think will happen, we'll close the gap on Thanda Royal Zulu," Antipas told Sowetan yesterday.

Usuthu are on 41 points, one ahead of Lidoda Duvha whose promotion hopes were dealt a blow after a 2-0 defeat to Jomo Cosmos on Wednesday.

The KwaZulu-Natal outfit is one of the teams with the most number of goals in the NFD so far, with their veteran strikers

Siyabonga Nomvethé and Mabhuti Khanyeza scoring a combined 19 goals so far this season.

AmaZulu's defence will have to be at its best to contain Leopards' inform striking duo of Mwape Musonda and Ivan Mahangwahaya.

## Fixtures

### Today

All Stars v AmaTuks, Parow Park

### Tomorrow:

Leopards v AmaZulu, Thohoyandou; Spurs v Milano, Puma Rugby; FC CPT v Cosmos, NNK Rugby; Stellenbosch v Bucks, Athlone; Mbombela v Santos, Kabokweni; Kings v Eagles, Sugar Ray Xulu

### Sunday:

Thanda v Magesi, Sugar Ray Xulu (All at 3pm)

