



TuksSport News

2015 TuksSport Colours and Awards

2015 has delivered outstanding results for TuksSport. Our athletes have yet again gone into battle well prepared, focused and intent on earning their stripe. At the FISU 28th Summer Universiade or World Student Games, 32 of our student-athletes, two coaches and two managers represented the University of Pretoria and South Africa.

Shadine van der Merwe (Netball) and Robin Swartz (Football) took top Student honours at the TuksSport Colours and Awards Function held in Pretoria on Friday, 16 October 2015.

Shadine van der Merwe, a BEd HMS student has been an integral team member within two sporting codes namely Softball and Netball and has become the first Tuks student-athlete to win a national USSA title in the same year in two sporting codes.

Robin Swartz, a Honours student in Sport and Recreation Management has been an active part of the TuksFootball Club for the past 10 years having progressed through the ranks and captained every team he has played for. Over the course of his studies he has contributed to the successes of the student programmes where he has led from the front as captain of the USSA and Varsity Football teams.

Lenize Potgieter (Netball) and Akani Simbine (Athletics) were crowned Sportswoman and Sportman of the Year respectively.

Lenize represented the Proteas in Australia in August where she quickly

became a talking point amongst the opposition teams and commentators due to her play and shooting accuracy. Finishing second with the most number of goals scored, of 298 and a goal scoring average of 89.5%, with 16 rebounds and 39 turnovers, she narrowly missed out on the highest number of goals scored to the winner of the Most Valued Player of the tournament.

At the 20th European Athletics Classics meet in Slovenia, leading up to the World Student Games, Akani joined a select group of sprinters by becoming the 104th man ever to dip under the magical 10 second barrier, running a time of 9.99 sec. At the World Student Games in South Korea he ran a 9.97 sec in the final breaking the long standing record from 1987. This time also meant that Akani joined his fellow Tuks team mate, Henricho Bruinjies, as the joint South African National record holder.

Awards:

Student Administrator of the Year:
Aluwani Rembuluwani (SSC)

Administrator of the Year:
Gloudien Spies (Athletics)

Coach of the Year – Individual Sport:
Llewellyn van Leeuwen (Golf)

Coach of the Year – Team Sport:
Pierre de Bruyn (Cricket)

Principals' Award for Exceptional Performance in both Academics and Sport:
Ronald Ketjijere (Football)

Principals' Award for Outstanding Performance of a Team representing the University:
Varsity Athletics

Student Sport Club of the Year:
Golf

Sport Team of the Year:
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Sport Club of the Year:
Cricket

Student Sportswoman of the Year:
Shadine van der Merwe (Netball)

Student Sportsman of the Year:
Robin Swartz (Football)

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Shadine van der Merwe



Robin Swartz



Akani Simbine



Lenize Potgieter