

Photo: Shannon Nauschutz

Tuks triumph at Kovsies Moot Court competition

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Over the weekend of 1-3 October, eight firstyear law students participated in the annual Kovsies Moot Court competition hosted by the University of the Free State. The English team consisted of Devan Falconer, Arlien Greyling, Rebecca Hill and Lawrence-John Maralack, and was coached by Alastair Dey van Heerden and Shannon Nauschutz. The Afrikaans team consisted of Rohann Eloff, Anri Erasmus, Michelle Oelofse and Arno van Niekerk, and was coached by Lize Rossouw and Johan Taljaard.

The first day of the competition took place in the Bloemfontein High Court. According to Falconer, a first-year BCom Law student, it was "an unforgettable experience where vital litigation and legal skills were learnt and practised". After facing two preliminary rounds, one team from each division made it through to the finals.

The teams, sponsored by Norton Rose Fulbright, represented the university excellently in the final rounds, as was evident in the results. Eloff and Erasmus walked away with the award for the best heads of arguments in the Afrikaans junior division, with Oelofse being recognised as the best Afrikaans oralist. Hill was recognised as the best English oralist, with her and Maralack winning the award for the best junior English team as well as the best junior team overall. Maralack said, "The feeling you get when representing Tuks well is indescribable."

Dey van Heerden, chairperson of TuksMoot, said "The skills [the team] have learnt will be the thing that will stay with them for the longest"

TuksRes host 2015 awards ceremony

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On 13 October the TuksRes Awards were held at Rembrandt Hall on the LC de Villiers Sport campus. Awards for Rag, culture, sport and academics were presented to the men's and ladies' residences.

For the sport awards, the winners of the hockey league, who also happen to be the winners of the football league in the men's and ladies' category, were Taaibos and Onderstepoort Ladies, respectively. Mopanie took first place for rugby and Magrietjie won the netball league. The men's and ladies' sport residence of the year were Mopanie and Onderstepoort.

For Rag, Madelief and Sonop won Best Short Term Project, and the best long term project winners were Taaibos and Curlitzia. Rag Residence of the Year was awarded to Erika and Sonop.

Cultural awards were handed out next, with Tuks Naledi winning External Culture Mixed Residence of the Year. The ladies' external culture residence of the year was Curlitzia, followed by Magrietjie and Vividus Ladies in second and third place. For the men, Taaibos took first place with Mopanie and Sonop coming second and third, respectively.

Best Solo Event was won by Nerina. Best Generic Social Event for the men's and ladies was won by Olienhout and Magrietjie, respectively.

Tuks Naledi won Internal Culture Mixed Residence of the Year. Magrietjie won Internal Culture Ladies' Residence of the Year, with Curlitzia and Klaradyn in second and third place. For the men, Olienhout took first place with Olympus coming second and Sonop, third. The overall cultural ladies residence was Curlitzia, and Taaibos was announced as the cultural men's residence of the year. Kollege was named social residence of the year.

Academic mixed res of the year went to Tuks Village, Men's Academic Residence was won by Olympus, and Madelief won Academic Ladies' Residence of the Year.

Perdeby named Zinnia and Inca as
Newsmakers of the Year for their results in
Serrie and Serenade respectively, and Kollege
walked away with the Pssst... gossip award.

The Ladies' Residence of the Year went to Curlitzia, with Magrietjie in second place and Erika in third place. For Men's Residence of the Year, Olympus placed third and Sonop placed second, with Mopanie winning the overall title.

