



# NWU, Tuks in 1-all draw



The NWU's Mandisi Gadla (24) was announced Man of the Match.  
Photo: NWU.

**Lentswe, Mafikeng** - The NWU soccer team is coming into form.

In the start of the 2019 season the Noble Boys delivered a convincing, though wobbly, victory against the University of KwaZulu-Natal. This first-leg win on home soil created the momentum that carried them through to the second round against the University of Free State, ending in a 1-all draw.

On paper, the clash on Thursday 15 August at NWU-Mafikeng was set to be a classic – not least because both semi-final hopefuls lost in Round 3.

During their most recent face-off against UP Tuks, who played a convincing game after a brutal thrashing at the hands of the University of Johannesburg, team NWU failed on at least seven chances to con-

solidate their game, finding the back of the net and reclaiming their once solid glory.

UP Tuks drew first blood in the first half of the game with a brilliant assist goal by Lebohlang Montueli (11).

Coming in hot from the half-time break, it was Banele Hlophe (21) who came to the rescue with a captivating goal past UP Tuks goalie Giovanni Idi (16), ending the game with a 1-all draw.

Both teams attempted to find the right mix of attack and defence for the remaining 30 minutes but the latter proved more decisive. The game remained one-apiece which arguably left the host more frustrated as they're yet to beat UP-Tuks during Varsity Football action.