



Ashley Kemp of Tuks in action during the weekend in a Varsity Hockey game against NWU

## Tuks hockey means business

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Tuks's men's hockey team has shown that they are serious this year to win the title in the Varsity Hockey tournament when they started the first weekend's action with three victories.

In the first game of the tournament at Wits university, Tuks managed to get off to a great start, when they beat defending champions UJ, 5-0.

Tuks got things underway, scoring after just three minutes. Michael Forrest made it 2-0 a few minutes later with a goal from a short corner. Another goal by Forrest gave Tuks a 3-0 lead.

The second half, saw great competitive hockey being played with UJ looking to get themselves on the score sheet but Tuks keeper Hendrik Kriek stood tall in between the sticks.

On the scoreboard things remained the

same for quite a while. Kriek was asked to step up many times, as the UJ attack bombarded him with shots, but he remained resolute to keep the clean sheet.

Eventually Tuks sealed the outcome with two goals in the final shift.

The second day of action saw Tuks and NWU play to a 4-4 draw at full time, but because the tournament rules stipulate that there has to be a winner, the teams were involved in a shootout which Tuks won 3-2.

In the last game of day three, Wits really came close to making a comeback but Tuks did what was necessary to emerge 6-5 winners in the dying moment of the match.

Although Tuks were unbeaten during the weekend's matches, they are currently second on the log. Maties from Stellenbosch is at the top of the log after they were also unbeaten and achieved a better points difference.