



TuksVolleyball: hungry for more titles

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TuksVolleyball's women's team recently competed in the Champion Cup Indoor Tournament at the University of Witwatersrand (Wits) and finished with a silver medal.

The final was a tight affair, showing ample effort from both UWC and UP's volleyball teams. The match ended with a score of 15-13. In their pool games, UP beat TUT by 3-2 and Kamplits by 3-0. They later beat Uni Jozi in the quarter-finals with 3-0, and Superkids with 3-0 in the semi-finals. UP's Natasha Webster received an award as best setter, and Dina Kladis was appointed assistant coach for the South African women's under-20s.

Kladis, who coached the team, said that she was satisfied with the final result and that they are on an "upward trend as far as indoor volleyball is concerned".

By finishing with a silver medal, TuksVolleyball qualifies for the Classic Tournament which will be held in Durban in September and with R100 000 prize money up for offer, the stakes are high. Not only is TuksVolleyball working towards the Classic Tournament, but they also have their eyes set on winning the Zone 6 Tournament in December.

TuksVolleyball has definitely stepped up their game in comparison to last year, having not competed in the Champion Cup Indoor in 2017 and finishing third in 2016. The tournament itself saw a lot of comebacks from previous team members including Cathryn Driver, who last played in 2011.

Kladis, content with the team's progress, said, "The challenge the team set itself was to play as hard they can from the first game. Every player stepped up to the plate". With Kladis as the new coach, and TuksVolleyball's hunger for more wins, the team aims for better, showing a desire to compete in more tournaments and improve their standing in the league.

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