

June 16th Youth Tournament, a success!

By Shadrack (Vice chairman)

It is a day not to be forgotten, not very soon. Totomeng Table Tennis Club hosted their very first historic tournament at Bill Jardine Rugby Stadium (RaidersTTC home venue) to celebrate Youth Day.

This was a good platform for the newcomers in the Association to announce their seriousness in Table Tennis. It was even great as it was also attended by the juniors from who enjoyed playing at the tournament.

It was a very wonderful moment for the juniors to interact and make friendship with each other. It was good to see an attendance of at least 24 juniors taking part in this well organised occasion.

The day belonged to Tevia Sapire (U/17 Gold) who walks away with the beautiful trophy in the boy's category. Mbali Khumalo (U/17 Gold) also stamped her authority and proved once more that she is challenging for honours this year.

Lailaa Edwards made it looks so simple when she won gold in the U/14 category, beating all odds and sending the message to all the girls. There were couple of surprises as Thabiso Marota (U/14 Gold) beat Lebogang Masekoameng to snatch the trophy for the boys.

All credit must go to Mr. Archie Danke and his colleagues for his dedication in his club, as he organised his team and bringing them to the tournament at such a short notice. We are pleased that they are in the process of affiliating to our Association to officially become members.

Our tournament was blessed by the presence of Mr. Joe Carrim (GCTTA chairperson) and Mr. Oupa Mosai (Gauteng School Sports Table Tennis chairperson), who watched the proceedings and enjoyed the entertainment brought by the players on the day.

Special thanks to Mr. Rodriq Volkwyn for organising, arranging the playing venue and assisting with all the logistics for the tournament, he did such a wonderful job to make the tournament a success.

Mr. Shameel Edwards, Ms. Saadia Edwards and their family gave a helping hand on making sure that everything runs smoothly as planned. It will be a pleasure to have you guys whenever we have tournaments, your friendliness and willingness to work and interact with other people is magnificent.

As a step forward in developing our youth, the top four players in each age category will attend training at Raiders Table Tennis Club on Mondays, starting at 18h00. Those who wish to join them during training sessions are welcome.

At the end of the day, it was all joy and celebrations to all who took part in the tournament, as everybody was a winner...!

My sincere gratitude to:

Sponsors: CAPSA

Mr. Joe Carrim (GCTTA chairperson)

Mr. Rodriq Volkwyn (Raiders TTC)

Mr. Shameel Edwards

Ms. Saadia Edwards

Mr. Archie Danke

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All Athletes, Parents and Supporters.

Results

AGE GROUP	POSITION 1 (GOLD)	POSITION 2 (SILVER)	POSITION 3 (BRONZE)	POSITION 4 (BRONZE)
U/14 BOYS	THABISO MAROTA	LEBOGANG MASEKOAMENG	TEBOGO MALAPANE	AVAYONKE SIBALI
U/14 GIRLS	LAILAA EDWARDS	MASEGO SETLHABI	ROZAAN EDWARDS	HLENGANE DZIKITI
U/17 BOYS	TEVIA SAPIRE	SHAKEEL EDWARDS	ABDULLAH DAWOOD	LEBOGANG MASEKOAMENG
U17/GIRLS	MBALI KHUMALO	KGOMOTSO MAILULA	DINA SEHUME	ROZAAN EDWARDS







