



2017 GNPA OPENS



This has been a significant year in GNPA's Opens history, a year full of highlights and changes. Just to name a few:

- A new executive committee was selected at the May 2017 special meeting held at Zwarkop Country Club which took over the management of the league:
 - Chairman – Johan Ellis
 - Vice-Chairman – Gerrit Venter
 - Secretary – Chantel Penny
 - Treasury – Chris Viljoen
 - Tournament Director – Len van Niewenhuizen
 - Development Officer – Barney Brummelkamp (Resigned from the Committee)
 - PRO Officer - Jan Du Toit (Resigned from the Committee effective 22 September 2017)
- Significant progress has been made in updating the GNPA Constitution.
- For the first time ever GNPA sent 3 teams to the Opens Championships.
- The return of the opens singles and doubles competitions.
- Prize giving with some amazing trophies for all the opens teams and competition winners.
- Very successful opens championships

GNPA OPENS LEAGUE

The results of the opens singles completion held at Cue Masters were as follows:

Opens league Singles Champion: Thabang Makhubedu

Opens league Singles Runner-Up: Wesley Bornman

Special thank you to Cue Masters for sponsoring the winner prizemoney for the event.

The results of the Doubles completion held at Innesdate were as follows:

Doubles Champion: Tewis Joubert & Reinhardt Venter

Doubles Runners Up: Robbie Grace & Mourits Muller

PREMIER LEAGUE



Team Champions: Cue Master Bounty Hunters

Players: Gerrit Venter, Chris Viljoen, Llewellyn Saunders, Xabia Bromfield, Mario Naude, Hendrik Robbeson

Reserves: Roux Malherbe, Marcell Kok, Dawie Schwab & Nico Jacobs

Team Runners-Up: Old Boys Young Guns

Players: Wimpie Esterhuizen, Mourits Muller, Robby Grace, Riaan Bothma, Raymond Purdon, JP Du Toit

Reserves: Benjamin Read, Jaco v. Staden, Wayne Parker, Carel Kuhn, Sello Dick & Paul Brown

League Top Performer: Thabang Makhubedu (75%)

SUPER LEAGUE

17 Teams consisting of 102 players:

Team Champions: Hunters Dragons

Players: Andre Grundling, Dries Marx, George Plats, Theo v. Heese, JP Duvenhage, Andy Blockley

Reserves: Ettiene Venter, Hano Redman, Judy Grundling

Team Runners-Up: Cue Masters 5

Players: Itumeleng, Tirhani Salliptlamele, Koketso Mabokela, Simon, Hlayi Mashimbye, Katlego Kgobodi

Reserves: Kena Sekhu & Brandon Swanepoel

League Top Performer: Martin Pretorius (81.11%)

A-LEAGUE

Team Champions: Old Boys Mavericks

Players: Dewald Meyer, Ian Robertse, George Cokayne, Andre Burkenstock,
Pieter Steyn, Frans van Wyk

Reserves: Jacques Barnard, Frikkie van Wyk

Team Runners-Up: Cuando Mad Crocks

Players: Willem Putter, Roy Stanley, Naas Hietbrink, Johan Pelsler, Pieter Visser,



Johan de Villiers

Reserves: Ina Pelsler

League Top Performer: Dewald Meyer & Wynand Scholtz Jnr (83%)

B-LEAGUE

Team Champions: Da Vinci Eagles

Players: Steven Hubener, Wian Erasmus, Amanda Erasmus, Khan Ma,

Coen Barkhuizen, Petra Barnard

Reserves: Anthony Theardt, Martin Fourie, Frik Botes

Team Runners-Up: DA Vinci Outlaws

Players: Gerrie Scheepers, Hennie Snyman, Herman Oosthuizen, Jan du Toit,

Morne Bothma, Rob Schickeling

Reserves: BJ Galesi, Pieter Botes, Cecilia Oosthuizen

League Top Performer: Hennie Snyman (80.30%)

2017 OPENS TRAILS

50 Players (30 Premier, 10 Super, 5 A and 5 B division) were invited to participate in the trails, hosted at the various clubs, to select the team to represent GNPA at the SA Opens Championships. The trails consisted of a round robin played, each player playing 2 frames against each of the other players. Congratulations to Velly Diamond who finished 1st at the Trails.

2017 OPENS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Opens championships were held at Ugo Sports Centre in Shelly Beach from the 8th of October 2017 to the 14th of October 2017. For the first time ever GNPA selected 3 teams to represent the region at the Opens Championships. Overall a very successfully tournament for all our teams based on the results below.

Special thank you to Mourits Muller and Jarno Loubser from **B2IT** for sponsoring the Gauteng North Opens teams with Caps and Backpacks.

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Gauteng North A1

Players: Chris Viljoen (Cpt), Munier Cassim, Xabia Bromfield, Tewis Joubert, Velly Diamond, Mourits Muller, Thabang Makhubedu, Ellias Manyane, Wimpie Esterhuysen

Manager: Craig Curtis

Referees: Gerrie Scheepers & Neels Groenewald

Achievements:

- GN A1 ended 2nd after the round robin stage of the team events (Won 11, lost 4)
- GN A1 was crowned runners up after losing 14 – 10 in the Final.
- Top performers in the team events:
 - Velly Diamond (71%) – Overall 2nd
 - Thabang Makhubedu (64.44%) – Overall 5th
 - Tewis Joubert (62.33%) – Overall 7th
 - Xabia Bromfield (59.61%) – Overall 18th

Gauteng North A2

Players: Gerrit Venter (Cpt), Khutso Mothiba, Solly Matebula, Bosco Manakana, Wesley Bornman, Riaan Bothma, Jacques Du Plessis, Mario Naude, Robbie Grace

Manager: Deon Roberts

Referees: Yolanda Gerber & Leandre Potgieter

Achievements:

- GN A2 ended 13th after the round robin stage of the team events (Won 5, lost 10)
- Top performers in the team events:
 - Gerrit Venter (49.33%)
 - Wesley Bornman (47.28%)

Gauteng North B1



Players: Hendrik Robbeson (Cpt), Llewellyn Sanders, Reinhard Venter, Jaques Muller, Hardus Hoon, Henri Kwak, Gops Reddy, Thabo Mahlangu, Alroy Seafield,

Manager: Jacques Muller

Referees: Jaqueline Mulder & Enock Phasha

Achievements:

- GN B1 ended 1st after the round robin stage of the team events (Won 16, lost 2)
- GN B1 was crowned B-Division Champions winning the Final comfortably after winning the Semi-Final 14-1.
- Top performers in the team events:
 - Llewellyn Saunders (72.22%) – 4th
 - Hardus Hoon (71.94%) – 5th
 - Reinhardt Venter (66.67%) - 10th
 - Alroy Seafield (62.96) – 16th

Singles Competition

Semi-Finalist: Thabang Makhubedu

Top 16: Tewis Joubert

Top 32: Reinhard Venter, Munier Cassim

Top 64: Velly Diamond, Thabo Mahlangu, Xabia Bromfield, Riaan Bothma, Wesley Bornman

Doubles Competition

Runners-Up: Velly Diamond & Xabia Bromfield

Top 16: Chris Viljoen & Gerrit Venter

Solly Matebula & Bosco Manakana

Top 32: Ellias Manyane & Thabang Makhubedu

Hendrik Robbeson & Munier Cassim

Mario Naude & Henri Kwak

Player of the Tournament

Thabang Makhubedu was awarded with Player of the Tournament for reaching the semi final in the singles competition and ending 5th overall within the team events.



Referees

- Yolanda Gerber and Leandre Potgieter was awarded best team referees for the tournament
- Neels Groenewald won the referees trounament.
- Gerrie Scheepers was awarded his Green Blazer

National Team Selections

- The following players were selected to the national teams:
 - Thabang Makhubedu
 - Tewis Joubert
 - Velly Diamond

