



SPORT

MEET THE PLAYER... Ethan Sias



Ethan Sias wears the number 9 jersey for the Newrak Impala rugby team.

Rustenburg – Ethan Sias, who plays scrumhalf for the Newrak Impala rugby team, has managed to strike a unique balance between his sporting activities and his books.

In an interview with *Platinum Weekly*, Ethan, a first-year learner fitter, described how hectic his schedule can sometimes get. "It is quite tough getting up early in the morning, going for training and sometimes going to class afterwards," Ethan said. "At least after rugby on Saturdays, or during our off weekends, I socialise with friends."

Ethan started playing rugby when he was

still very young and developed a passion for the sport as he grew older.

"Rugby was a big thing in our community, and I think it was only natural for me to play. I also like playing golf during my free time," he said.

The 24-year old number 9 player is a bachelor. He is very close to his parents and spends a lot of quality time with them. He enjoys being in the company of his close friends whenever they decide to have a braai or any other social gatherings.

"My favourite food is homemade pie," he revealed.

WITKLIP MTB WINTER CHALLENGE

Rustenburg – Cyclists from various parts of South Africa converged in Bronkhorstspuit on Saturday 6 July to compete in the exciting Witklip mountain bike (MTB) winter challenge. Louis Bredell, a member of the Rustenburg Cycling Club (RCC), also competed in the 55km race together with his son Petrus

Bredell. They thoroughly enjoyed the route, which consisted of a single track, jeep track, farm road and even a cattle track. A bridge at the river crossing and a climb up the mountain around the 14km mark were among some of the more thrilling experiences for the cyclists. Well done to Louis for flying the RCC flag!



From left: Louis Bredell and his son Petrus.

2019 SUPER FINAAL

Crusaders vs Jaguares

In Christchurch klop die Saders die Jaguares 19-3 om as die 2019 Super kampioenspan gekroon te word – maar maklik was dit nie ou grote!

Die Argentynse kon net sowel hierdie finaal gewen het – as hulle die kans benut het wat aan hulle gebied is... maar 'as' is verbrande hout.

Hulle het 74 duikslae uitgevoer teenoor die 172 van die Saders. Hulle het gebiedsvoordeel gehad maar kon net nie die druk van 'n finaal verwerk nie. Daarteenoor was die kliniese benadering en dodelike verdediging van die Nieu-Seelanders net een te veel vir die besoekers.

Die Crusaders het nou vir die tiende keer die trofee gelig met coach Scott wat 'n besondere prestasie behaal om dit drie keer

in 'n ry te wen in sy eerste drie jaar. Hy is ook in die binnebaan om vir Steve Hansen as hoofafrigter van die All Blacks na die afloop van die Wêreldbeker te vervang.

Die Argentynse het bewys dat hulle saam met die groot honde kan blaf en sal aanstaande seisoen een van die groot menere wees ou grote. Die flank Pablo Matera kon as speler van die reeks aangewys word en was weliswaar *man of the match* in die finaal. Matera is 'n uitstekende rugbyspeler wat as een van die beses ooit in wêreld *ruggas* beskou sal word.

Die eerste skote op die internasionale vlak klap op Saterdag 20 Julie wanneer Suid-Afrika teen Australië op Ellispark om 18:05 gaan uitdraf.

Die All Blacks reis Buenos Aires toe om teen die Argentynse om 21:05 op te draf in die rugby kampioenskapsreeks.

CURRIEBEKER 2019

Die Curriebeker skop eerskomende naweek af. Baie nuwe gesigte sal gesien word in vanjaar se reeks met horde gereelde spelers wat oorsese weiveld sal betree. Die Haaie is die verdedigende kampioen en sal moet uithaal en wys om die beker in Durban te hou.

- **12 Julie**
Haaie vs Griekwas – Durban
- **13 Julie**
Lions vs Pumas – Johannesburg
WP vs Bulle – Kaapstad
Loslootjie – Vrystaat
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PLATINUM EVENT DIARY

PW EVENTS	Date	Venue	Tel	Email
Lebone Parkrun	13 Jul '19	RTB: Lebone II, College of the Royal Bafokeng	014-566-1510	lebonehelpers@parkrun.com
Newrak Impala Volcano Cup	13 Jul '19	PTA: Springs Rugby Club	082-926-8403	naas.olivier@newrak.co.za
Rustenburg BirdLife meeting	15 Jul '19	RTB: Methodist Church	083-702-1462	shaunmcgillewie@gmail.com
Die Supervrou – Timothy Kieswetter	16 Jul '19	RTB: Hedgehog's Nest	082-663-7281	events@hedgehogsnest.co.za
Social Dance Classes	17 Jul '19	RTB: Jennifer Petersen School of Ballet	014-597-3354	balletrtb@telkomsa.net
Photographic Society Monthly Meeting	17 Jul '19	RTB: NG Proteapark	082-371-9867	ngppark@mweb.co.za