



## **STARS, PHUMELELA MUNICIPALITY SUPPORT 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM**

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**Free State Stars, FS Department of Agriculture and Phumelela Municipality** held football games in support of the last weekend of 16 Days of Activism against women and children abuse. All soccer matches took place on Sunday 11 December 2011 at Warden Stadium with the main match being Ea Lla Koto against Phumelela X1. The Phumelela Municipality incorporates three towns (Memel, Vrede and Warden).

'Ea Lla Koto', fielded players who have seen less action this season but they themselves were in a ruthless mood hammering the home side by six goals to zero. Going into half time the score was 4- 0 courtesy of Darryl Baloyi, Tshidiso Mosikili, Madoda Motha and Tebelo Mofokeng.

In the second half Mofokeng netted two goals to earn himself a hat trick. In the award presentation that took place after the game Mofokeng received a trophy for the best goal in the match, whilst crowd favorite Stars midfielder Thamane Motaung was named Man of the match.

### **Msebenzi Zwane ( MEC Department of Agriculture )**

"We as the department of agriculture and Phumelela Municipality are humbled by the response Free State Stars have given us as the municipality and the people of Warden and surrounding areas. Stars sincerely made themselves available despite not being offered money or anything they made sure that they honour the invitation and mingle with the people of the place and take pictures. I vow to Rantsi Mokoena and Free State Stars that as from today I now support a team that supports its community and I plea to other members of the community to do the right thing a support our team that is within our region Thabo Mofutsanyana."

### **Rantsi Mokoena (General Manager - Free State Stars)**

"Part of the reason we honoured the invitation is to give back to the community by supporting grassroot level football and joining hands with Phumelela municipality in support of the last weekend of 16 Days of activism against women and children.





Yes we have seen a lot of talent in the area and hopefully in the near future a star or stars will emerge from this area. We as Free State Stars are trying to keep this team a Free State affair by signing more players from the province especially within our region.

Currently only three players in our team are from Free State and we want to improve and increase that number. So many players have made themselves a name at this club and I don't buy this thing of people calling us a "small club". This club has produced the first Bafana Bafana captain and the club current coach **Steve Komphela**, as well as the first player to score in the 2010 World cup Siphiwe Tshabalala.

In recent years the club has produced players like **Thulasizwe Moses Mbuyane, Sthembiso Ngcobo, Tshabalala** himself whom before joining Stars nobody knew their identity.

Despite not taking along a player at this moment but I encourage the players to work hard and avail themselves every time the club host trails in Bethlehem."

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