

Johnson jumps to Olympic qualification

Athletes show keenness at the AGN meet

By **Charles Baloyi**

The Athletics Gauteng North (AGN) hosted its first league meet at the weekend with big-name athletes doing exceptionally well at the occasion.

The AGN adhered to the Covid-19 protocols when their numbers did not exceed 250 people at the Tuks Besmed Stadium at the University of Pretoria at the weekend.

AGN president John Mathane had his hands full as he contained angry parents that were prevented from entering the venue due to the

Covid-19 regulations.

“It was a nice and well-organised event in which we had more than 600 entries, but some had to drop out or did not run at the event. As you know, 250 participants were allowed, we managed to control athletes by dividing them. But we noticed that parents were not satisfied when we didn’t allow them in the stadium.

As the provincial event organiser, we plead with parents to work with us, we will lose the right to host the event if they do not cooperate with us,” said Mathane.

But he said the event was an overwhelming success and that he is hoping to put on a good show during the senior champs at a refurbished Pildicth Stadium next month. The City of Tshwane will officially hand over the revamped stadium to AGN

next month.

Cheswill Johnson shone brightest at the AGN meet at the weekend when his long jump leap of 8.27m booked him a place in the SA Olympic team. He joins fellow long-jumpers, African champion Ruswahl Samaai and Zarek Visser, in the SA Olympic squad.

The 2016 Olympic silver medalist Luvo Manyonga is out of contention as he had been suspended for “whereabouts failure” by IAAF’s Integrity Athletics Committee last month.

Whereabouts failure in

athletics is when an athletics fails to avail themselves from procedures that require to verify them as being free from doping.

Johnson opened his season with 8.20m at the Central Gauteng Athletics (CGA) meet at the Boksburg Stadium last week.

Meanwhile, Tshepo Tshite won the men’s 1500m in the AGN meet, clocking 03:43:38 ahead of Christopher Swart (03:43:96). Mpho Makofane finished a distant third in 03:49:40. The men’s 5000m was taken by Philani Buthelezi in 14:21:33, with Collen Mulaudzi (14:21:33) and Joel Mmone (14:36:24) finishing second and third respectively.

The women’s 5000m was won by three-time Soweto Marathon champion Irvette van Zyl, stopping the clock in 16:39:29. It was a big improvement from 16:55:10 when she won the at the CGA meet two weeks ago.

On Saturday, she was followed home by Stella Marais (17:03:53) and Nicola Jansen (17:37:03).

Cheswill Johnson was the star of the show at Athletics Gauteng North meet when he jumped 8.27m to qualify for Tokyo Olympics at the weekend in Pretoria. /ROGER SEDRES /GALLO IMAGES



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Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 160 (7) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) meetings of Nkangala District Municipality for the 2020/2021 financial year will be held as follows:

| DATE | TIME |
|---------------|-------|
| 09 MARCH 2021 | 10h00 |
| 05 MAY 2021 | 10h00 |

Kindly note that the above MPAC meetings are open to the public in terms of Section 160 (7) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, and will be held at Nkangala District Municipality Building, Committee Room B25, Ground Floor, 2A Walter Sisulu Street, Middelburg, Mpumalanga.

Enquiries on the above notice can be referred to the **MPAC Secretary, Ms. L.S Makgai at: 013 249 - 2023 or email to makgailrs@nkangaladm.gov.za / phalahl@nkangaladm.gov.za.**

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2020/2021 DRAFT AMENDED INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) AND SERVICE DELIVERY AND BUDGET IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (SDBI)

Notice is hereby given in terms of section 34 of the Local Government: Municipal System Act, No. 32 of 2000 and in terms of section 54 of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, No 56 of 2003, that Nkangala District Municipality has amended chapter 5 and Annexure 1 of the 2020/2021 IDP and chapter 4 of the SDBIP respectively. The Draft amended 2020 /2021 IDP and SDBIP were approved by Municipal Council on the 24 February 2021 for public comments.

In terms of section 21A of the local government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000, Nkangala District Municipality hereby gives notice of 21 days to members of the public to comment on the document from 26 February to 19 March 2021.

Written comments can be submitted to Divisional Manager PMS: Ms Mogorosi GD on Email: **mogorosigd@nkangaladm.gov.za** and P O Box 437, Middelburg 1050. Any person who cannot read or write may come during office hours (07h30 to 16h30) to Nkangala district municipality 2A, Walter Sisulu Street, Middelburg, 1050, ground floor PMS offices, Where the person will be assisted to understand the amendments and translate their comments or representations on or before 19 March 2021.

The amended 2020/2021 IDP and SDBIP documents are available municipal website (www.nkangaladm.gov.za) and Nkangala District Municipality Offices (performance management unit offices) at 2A Walter Sisulu Street, Middelburg, 1050 and are accessible from 26 February 2021.

Enquiries may be directed to: Ms. Gaobotse Mogorosi at tel: (013) 249 2085/2086 or email **mogorosigd@nkangaladm.gov.za** during office hours from 07h30 to 16h30.

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