

RISING STARS - Soweto Open 25th June 2016

Not an ordinary day in Soweto on the 25th June 2016, this marked the First Soweto Open table tennis tournament as part of the 40th Commemoration of the June 16 anniversary, with a turn up of seventy five participants in total and international player from Botswana. This was the Rising Stars Table Tennis Club's first tournament sanctioned by the Gauteng Table tennis Association under Mr Joe Carrim. The Rising Stars owned up to the event as we witnessed the biblical historical moment of David vs. Goliath, the young David who goes by the name of Chetan Natoo who overthrew the hegemony of Goliath (Chijioke Osuji) in a battle to decide the thrown of Soweto Open, the young David stood up against the Giant of Maccabi table tennis club and defeated him and walked away with the title (Chetan NATOO). In the women's category the reigning South African champion Danisha Patel stood victorious to clinch the title on her home soil against the Botswana number two (Tshepiso Ratebane) in the final.

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Other results

Under 15 Girls 1st Lailaa Edwards

2nd Nosiphiwe Dlamini

Under 15 Boys 1st Aiden Schlome

2nd Richard Hearne

Under 18 Girls 1st Danica Schlome

2nd Lailaa Edwards

Under 18 Boys 1st A. Schlome

2nd M. Samodien

Women 1st Danisha Patel

2nd Tshepiso Ratebane

Men 1st Chetan Natoo (David)

2nd Osuji Chijioke (Goliath)