



# B74AFC NEWS

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## Let's Wrap Up this Year

By Anina Hendrickse



The end of the year can be such an emotional time of year for us all. Whether it was your best year yet, or not so great, you start to get the 'feels' as the end approaches.

2022 is no exception. We are all counting down the days to 2023. A new year, with new possibilities, where the challenges of 2022 can fade away. Are YOU ready to close the

chapter on 2022 and welcome the new year with all its new possibilities?

This year has certainly not come without its challenges for our club. From a little chaos, to voting in a new committee. Figuring out the ways of work, planning functions, launching our first ever newsletter and Telegram Channel. Starting to get our fields in shape, soccer tournaments, a fund raiser, year-end functions, the list goes on.

What will the new year have in store for you? For B74AFC? Will this be the year you finally go after your dreams and achieve your goals in life? I sure hope so! I sure hope that whatever we set out to do as a B74 Family for this club, we achieve.

We would like to thank all our committee members, our players and members of our club for all your support and for sticking by when the club needed you most. We want to ask you to continue to support B74AFC as we continue our journey in our efforts to make B74AFC the amazing club that we know it can be.

We urge you to invite others to join our club. Reach out to individuals and organisations to sponsor our club. Goodness knows we need those 😊

In closing, a wish to you from my family to all of yours: "May this beautiful festive season fill your hearts with love, your homes with joy, and your lives with laughter. Wishing you and your family love, peace, and happiness!"



## U9 Street World Cup Champions

By Donovan Naidoo



I had the opportunity of putting an U9 team together and play in a month-long tournament called the 'Street Soccer World Cup'.

Our boys from the Bonaero U9 Prem and L1 together with one of the boys from another club went on to win the

tournament!!

The skills displayed at the tournament was on another level. Our team was named France and we beat Brazil in the final having. Being 2-0 down and to comeback and win the game 5-3!

This team of players just would not give up. When we played our first game it was the same story, we were 2-0 down and came back 3-2.

The boys also ended the tournament undefeated with 6 wins and 1 draw.



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## Celebrating our Children!!

Our kids work so hard on and off the field. This section is especially for them! We want to applaud ALL our kids (not just the ones mentioned below) for the efforts they have put in this entire season and the focus and dedication they also apply to their academics. Well done boys and girls!!!



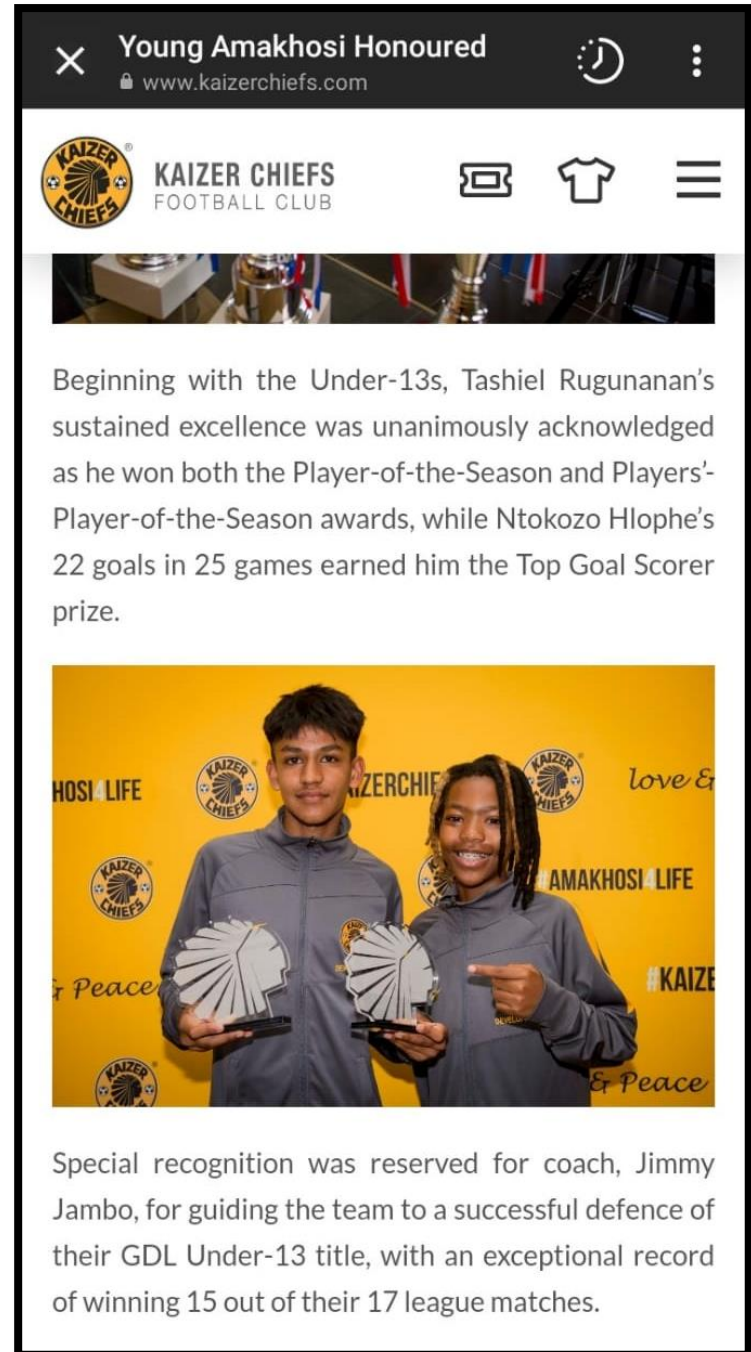
**Taheel Rugunanan**  
Sion Clearwater Campus  
\* Boys soccer vice-captain and top goal scorer of 2022



**Travis Herbst (Grade 2)**  
Maranatha Christian School  
\* U8 - Mini Soccer player of the Year  
\* Choir  
\* Cultural (Silver)  
\* Maths  
\* English  
\* Afrikaans



**Michael Herbst (Grade 4)**  
Maranatha Christian School  
\* Academic Full Colours  
\* Cultural Half Colours  
\* Overall



We celebrate this young man! An ex B74AFC player. We are super proud of his achievements.



**Ethan Hendrickse (Grade 9)**  
Pinnacle College Rynfield  
\* Accounting (Gold)  
\* Athletics (Team Award)  
\* Soccer Full Colours



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## A Message from 'Footies'

Gale and Dinanne would like to thank all our club and outside supporters for the love, support and kindness shown to us since we took over a year ago.

We, together with you and in collaboration are sure that we, the Club can only go from strength to strength. We wish you all a very Blessed Festive, Christmas and look forward to taking our club to new heights with your support!

We would sincerely like to thank all our coaches, especially our children and our parents who make this possible. Each sacrifice has a reward and so as we come to the end of the year, we too shall be rewarded in the New Year.

To our new committee, we thank you and God Bless. Thank you for your continued faith in us!

Wherever you may find yourselves over this Festive Season, be safe and be Back! Next year, we are gonna Rock it!!!



## Write an article

A Calling to all writers and news sharers



Do you have a story or just have some news you would like to share about yourself, your team, your club?

We would like to encourage everyone, young and old to submit their articles (with a picture if you have one) to the B74AFC Social Rep for publication in B74AFC News.



Do you have any fundraising suggestions? Well, don't



keep them all to yourself 😊 Contact any of your committee members or

WhatsApp Anina on 0824078220 with your ideas



## Donations



How about you donate your 'pre-loved' boots to the less fortunate? Bring your 'cleaned' old boots to the club and hand them in at the Bar.



Our Football Club needs YOUR help! Reaching out to all potential sponsors who could help us fund the replacement or replace the shade cloth in our seating area.



As an NPO, we are not subsidized so anything we need, we need to raise ourselves. We rely on our community and members to see us through, but this is not enough.

We need important partners like YOU!

So, contact us to help us and become an OFFICIAL Bonaero 74 AFC Sponsor 🏆

Contact Anina via WhatsApp on 0824078220 or Email: [aninah@live.co.za](mailto:aninah@live.co.za)



## News from the Ladies Team!

By Jacqui Coupland

Star Bonaero Ladies striker 'Stash' Jennings gave birth to her first baby on the December 15<sup>th</sup>. Mom and baby are doing very well. Congratulations to Stash and Chris. We cannot wait to meet her. We are thrilled to welcome the newest and littlest Bonaero member ❤️

We look forward to welcoming Stash back to the team later in 2023.



Make a note of the following dates:

- 16 Jan 23: Club Re-opens. 1<sup>st</sup> training session will commence on the day. Reach out to the respective Junior/Senior coordinators for additional info.

25-26 March '23: All ages B74AFC Soccer Tournament. Save the date. More info the follow in due course.



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## B74AFC Golf Day

By Jacqui Coupland



Bonaero 74FC held an end-of-year fundraiser on 16 December at Benoni Lake Country Club.

Senior representative, Scott Coupland, organised the 2022 Golf Day with the assistance of committee members (and

partners) and a few members of the Ladies football team. What a great day!

Thankfully, after a week of rain, the sun came out so shine for us all day. All our participating 4-balls arrived on time to register where they received a welcome bag and drink to start their day.

Historically, the seniors always put this event together but this year we opened registrations and welcomed a very fun 4-ball from our Ladies Football Team who were a barrel of laughs and GREAT golfers, as well as members of our rival football clubs Old Bens FC and Kempton FC.

A few holes were sponsored, where golfers were encouraged to do a fun activity at that hole and enjoy a little drink.

We also had two competition raffles running on the day. The big raffle was a fantastic-sponsored prize of two return air tickets to Durban or Cape Town. This was won by a deserving golfer.

Every one of the golf day participants bought a raffle ticket and were generous with their money.

As part of the golf day antics, Scott asked all the players to dress up as well as 'dress their cart' for Christmas. Everyone was great sports and really came to the party... Toby Shane won Best Dressed (Elf) and the ladies went above-and-beyond with their carts and won Best Dressed Carts.

Golf is harder than you think but judging on the talent of some of our star golfers Gareth Woods and Tristan Neto (who are star senior footballers too) .... they made it look so easy... even when they were challenged to tee off with a Kiddies golf club 😊.

So, after a lot of golf, looking for lost golf balls, sunburn, shooters and laughs.... the day was wrapped up with a small prizegiving awarding our winners of the golf day, closest to the pin and the longest drive with some sponsored prizes.

Golf days is a key revenue source for Bonaero74. Not only is it a lot of fun on the day, but it brings in much needed revenue. Money made from this fundraiser goes straight back into the club.

One thing that struck me, was the support and comradery from our rival football clubs. We applaud and thank Old Bens Vets (Chris) and Kempton Park Vets (Steve) for joining us on the day and their contributions (we will discuss their golf talent on another day 😊).

We would like to sincerely thank the sponsor of prizes:  
Sponsored holes:



We have already started with the planning of our next golf day. Dates will be announced soon. Please watch out for the Calendar of Events. If you are a golfer, please join us next time... bring your friends. If you know of anyone who would like to participate by sponsoring prizes, please contact us.



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