

Record attendance at Cape Town 10s

The recent takealot.com Cape Town 10s rugby tournament attracting record numbers featured a cameo performance by Stormers captain and South African Rugby Player of the Year, Duane Vermeulen, who joined Kurt Darren for a special rendition of Kaptein, a rugby debut by former Proteas captain Graeme Smith, Jack Parow stagediving and crowd surfing the massive beer tent, and a Haka performance by the Sharp International Team, led by Carlos Spencer and Christian Cullen.



Over 23,500 people streamed through the gates, contributing to the most successful event yet with increases of 42% in attendance, 90% in food and 40% in beer sales, smashing 37 tons of beer, six tons of food and an equivalent of 5km of strapping to keep them on the field of play. Thousands of spectators rubbed shoulders with sporting legends and celebs, and enjoyed memorable live performances by Good Luck, the Kiffness, Me & Mr Brown, Ard Matthews, Jack Parow and Kurt Darren.

One-hundred-and-ten rugby teams and 40 netball teams from 11 local provinces and abroad competed in the two-day action-packed tournament. It was indeed a festival of sport with teams partaking in over 500 matches and scoring 1193 tries and 1443 netball goals over the weekend. Crowd favourites The Sharp International Team, featuring Christian Cullen, Carlos Spencer and Graeme Smith, walked away with the top honours in the Veteran's League while the formidable Hamilton's Rugby Club were winners in the Premier Rugby Division for the second year in a row. The feisty JAG Bullyproof netball side battled it out in a hotly contested Premier Netball Division and successfully saw off all competition, walking away with top bragging rights. Other highlights included the takealot.com celeb team led by Siv Ngesi, Jack Parow and Rob van Vuuren going all the way to the final of the 'Mainly here for the Beer' Division and Jonah Lomu dropping in to support his former teammates.

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