

REPORT
U/19 COCA COLA KHAYA MAJOLA WEEK
JOHANNESBURG
14TH TO 18TH DECEMBER 2007

Player who represented Northern, were:

1. Uwe Birkenstock (Capt.)
2. Sean Bergman
3. Duanne Coetser
4. Iain Hendricks
5. Eden Links
6. Pieter Malan
7. Samuel Mofokeng
8. Mduduzi Mthimunye
9. Shashen Naidoo
10. Kagiso Nnawe
11. Rassie van der Dussen
12. Jeandre van Wyk
13. Hardus Viljoen

Coach: Greg Smith
 Trainer: Grant Luden
 Manager: Edward Khoza

Results:

	HOME	SCORE		OPPOSITION	SCORE
Day 1	14 December	214/7 in 48 overs	Vs	Boland	211/5 in 50 overs
Day 2	15 December	144 in 49.2 overs	Vs	Free State	144 in 45.4 overs
Day 3	16 December	74/0 in 13.4 overs	Vs	Eastern Province	153/6 in 39 overs
Day 4	17 December	103/4 in 36.4 overs	Vs	North West	100 in 31.2 overs
Day 5	18 December	173/8 in 46.5 overs	Vs	Western Province	172/6 in 50 overs

Gauteng Cricket Board local organizing committee hosted one of the best tournaments at this level even though the rain tried to make some of the logistics impossible. On the field of play it was a low scoring tournament. Batting teams only managed to pass the 200 runs score, 32 times out of the 180 batting team innings.

An injury to Mduduzi Mthimunye (who only managed to ball 2 overs in the whole tournament), challenged the daily selection of a balance team. We had to play two matches with a make shift wicket keeper to try and strengthen our options in the bowling and batting departments.

With only 3 players managing an inning of more than 50 runs and one player taking 10 wickets for the tournaments, there wasn't going to much hope for the selection of players for high honors (SA Schools and Colts). Rassie van der Dussen was the leading run scorer for our team with 152 runs, at an average of 38.00 from 5 innings. Pieter Malan was the pick of our bowlers with 10 wickets, at a strike rate of 19.20 from 32 overs. He was selected for the SA School team and finished 5th in the bowling stats of the week.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents that supported the team right through the week and their support was much appreciated by the players during close encounters.

To the schools executive and NCU, thanks for entrusting me with the responsibility of managing such a talented team.

EDWARD KHOZA
 MANAGER: Northern U19 team