

# THE PRESS

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## OUR FORM

We’ve moved into the top 3 after an exceptional run of form that has seen us lose just once in the last 16 matches. It’s the first time in the club’s history that we’ve climbed this high in the table, and it’s a testament to the hard work, consistency and belief within the squad, as well as the excellence of coaching they have been receiving.

With just six weeks remaining in the season, the job is far from finished — our focus is now firmly on chasing down the top two and finishing the campaign as strongly as possible.

| RANK | POSITION | TEAM                 |                                 |
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| 1    | 1        | HOUT BAY ALL STARS   | W W W W W W W W W W W W W L W W |
| 2    | 4        | 7 ELITE              | W W W W W W L W W W W W W W W W |
| 3    | 2        | HOUT BAY ATHLETIC FC | W L W W W W W L W W W W W W W W |

## GOAL CONTRIBUTIONS



GOALS & ASSISTS

GOALS:

NATHAN DAAMES 28

JESSE VAN AS 25

MAKA RUGARA 11

ASSISTS:

NATHAN DAAMES 14

JESSE VAN AS 11

KMI CANHAM 8



TEAM RESULTS

P62

W35

D9

L18

# PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Fisher Othiambo is a 19-year-old Kenyan central defensive midfielder who joined us from our partners at TTA in Nairobi. A disciplined, composed and highly athletic player, Fisher has already shown the qualities that make him such an exciting prospect. He reads the game well, works tirelessly for the team and brings a calm presence in midfield. We have high hopes for his future, and don't be surprised if you see him wearing Kenyan national colours before too long.



## GARDEN ROUTE TOUR:



**HEAR IT FROM THE BOYS...**



### **Tatenda Mushonga**

I learnt a lot on our recent tour along the Garden Route about responsibility and teamwork. We had groups that prepared dinner for the team on different nights and it was not only fun, but I also taught us how to be more responsible and more appreciative. We stayed at great accommodation with one of them being beach side chalets. We got to play against new teams which was a good test against different teams with different styles of play. It was great to see us compete, and win most of them.



### **MJ Floyd-Mogapi**

I feel like Plett was a great experience for the team. Getting to know each other in those beautiful, homey forest cottages really brought everyone together and we saw people really enjoy each other's company. Plett taught me a lot about football, specifically with the Plett tournament. Getting second place showed that we're getting closer to the coach's vision. It was just a step for us long term.



### **Max Leven-Marcon**

One of the biggest things I learnt was the importance of taking initiative and leading by example. If you give your best effort in everything you do, your teammates will follow and it creates a positive spirit within the team. The tour showed me that success comes from everyone working together, supporting each other, and giving their best efforts.



### **Matthew Moody**

I recently travelled with my team down the Garden Route, and although I was disappointed that I could not play because of an injury, I still had an amazing experience. Spending time together, going on outings, and supporting my teammates showed me that being part of a team is about more than just playing. The team did incredibly well, winning all but one game and finishing second. I came home with great memories and a new appreciation for teamwork and resilience.



## **Clinton Patrick**

As part of our academy program, we went on a local tour to George, Plettenberg Bay and Hermanus to play against different teams and play these teams using different play styles, like one example was the 9 V 9 which was new to me. The tour gave me the opportunity to adapt to this 9v9 play style, improve my teamwork and also see new sights which are some of the most beautiful in the world, like the garden route. It also gave us the players an opportunity to interact with other football players and learn the value of professionalism and discipline. One personal highlight was scoring a goal and getting an assist in one of the matches. Overall, the tour was an educational and enjoyable experience that helped me grow both as a football player and a person.



## **Brandon Chikuvura**

Plett was very insightful. It helped us bond more with each other, creating a connection that other teams do not have. My personal highlights would be, when we were at Oakhurst Cottages, I just enjoyed being on a farm, sharing it with all the animals and greenery was just peaceful. Another one of my highlights would be Brenton on Sea, I loved how I got to share my room and cabin with people I do not really know so well. I learnt that the player you are outside the field matters just as much as the player you are inside the field, and that we should appreciate every small thing we get.



## **Atang Phokoletso**

Our tour was a surreal experience for me. From lacing up for a football game to hiking around for whale sightseeing, I kept it balanced out by spending golden hours on the beach for recovery. Staying at a cozy farm cottage was the ideal retreat, a quiet environment to rest and detox from social media and shopping in town. From competitive action on the pitch to exploring outdoors and connecting with others, it was an unforgettable trip from start to finish."



## **Kgosi Keadirejang**

I really enjoyed how we were put in an environment where we could bond as team and as teammates, learn from one another and enjoy each others company. One of my personal highlight was the karaoke night how we were just laughing, joking around and also how the coaches got involved it was super fun"



# ELITE 7:

The boys took a break from the pitch and spent the day at Boulders Beach, where they got to swim alongside Cape Town’s famous penguins. It was a great chance to unwind, enjoy the ocean, and experience one of the city’s most iconic spots together. Days like these are all about creating memories, building team spirit, and enjoying everything Cape Town has to offer.



## THE ELITE



Boulders Beach

