



Greater Eldorado Park Sport Council meeting

The Greater Eldorado Park Sport Council will be holding a general public meeting on March 6. The meeting will start at 7pm at the Civic Centre.

A player controls the ball during the DNC event.

DNC cup gets underway

By Hosen Mofleh

Sparks are expected to fly when the first steps of the Danone Nations Cup gets underway. This exciting U12 soccer tournament is at its cluster level and overall winners will play at regional level, then provincial, national before representing the country in the world finals set to take place in London. In London, the team will be competing against teams from other countries and will be playing in front of tournament ambassador and former France and Real Madrid midfielder, Zinedine Zidane. Some of the schools which will be in action at cluster level include AH Barnard Primary School,

Teske Memorial Primary School, Resvale Met Primary School, HM Dikidila Primary School, Beaufort-West Primary School, St Mathew's Primary School, Destiny Academy, Niko Brummer Primary School, John D Crawford Primary School and Murraylsberg Primary School. AH Barnard is the reigning regional and provincial champions and its coach, Andrew Louw believes his boys are mentally and physically ready to defend their title. He said this is an important tournament in their school calendar and last year they worked very hard and he is very happy that the hard work put in by the players eventually paid off and the same is expected from this year's

players. The school first participated in the tournament in 2002 and has reached the National Finals twice, in 2009 and 2012. "Reaching the National Finals is always a big achievement for me," said Louw. Through this tournament, youngsters show a great deal of soccer display at a young age and get to be developed from grassroots level and get a chance of playing overseas and meet some of their heroes. The success of this competition sees over 2.5 million children taking part in this event every year.

It was organised not just for teams to win but for the players to enjoy the game and share their experience.