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Wedding bells for Hitman

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ONGWEDIVA - This is no longer a boy meet girl story but factual that the Hitman will be accompanied by his three-year-long fiancée Smile.

Paulus 'Hitman' Moses, WBA Lightweight champion will tie the knot with Smile today after he asked her dad for her hand in marriage.

The marriage ceremony will take place at the Congregation of Endola in Ohangwena Region, only 16 kilometers from Oshakati.

The wedding celebration will start at the bride's homestead today at Endola and continues the following day at the bridegroom's homestead at Okopya.

Hitman and Smile Shaduka now Moses are match made in

retail heaven. They do not have children together yet but the WBA Lightweight champion has two beautiful daughter all of whom were named after his mother and bearing their granny's full names.

Three-year-old Tangi (Thanks) Josephina Nghishikushitya and aged two Pombili (Peace) Josephina Nghishikushitya. The couple will start their own mini United Nations with their brood of two gorgeous daughters.

Hitman is ready to get back to the boxing ring at the Nestor 'Sunshine' Tobias Boxing and Fitness Academy starting from September 8, to prepare for his next title defence, with his challenger still unknown to him.

The Hitman will most prob-



Paulus 'Hitman' Moses, WBA Lightweight champion

ably be fighting at the end of October this year. He told this reporter that the date will be announce in due course.

Saintfiet calls 25 Warriors



Brave Warriors coach Tom Saintfiet

ONGWEDIVA - The virtuous Brave Warriors coach Tom Saintfiet called on 25-man to training camp to prepare for international friendly against Swaziland penciled for September 5 in Windhoek.

The Namibian national football team cognomen the Brave Warriors will be manned by 13 legionnaires, three of whom are unattached and 12 local players from Namibia Premier League clubs.

The team will be trimmed to the last 20 players. This is a big challenge to all and sundry. Players have to convince the coach that they are the real material to reach the final 20.

A chunk of players called up are those that annihilated the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) 4-0 on June 6 at the Independence Stadium in Windhoek.

Saintfiet wants to repeat the same feat to proof that the 4-0 drubbing against DRC was no accidental success.

The temporary Warriors' squad: **Goalkeepers:** Virgil Vries (Eleven Arrows, Namibia), Athiel Mbaha (Unattached) and Abisai Shinangayamwe (Jomo Cosmos,

South Africa).

Defenders: Harman Toromba (Vasco Dagama, South Africa), Ivan Namaseb (Orlando Pirates, Namibia), Richard Gariseb (Bidvest Wits, South Africa), George Hummel (Eleven Arrows, Namibia), Nelson Geingob (Chief Santos, Namibia), Steven Goagab (Carara Kicks, South Africa), and Ralph Ellinger (Sport Klub Windhoek).

Midfielders: Collin Benjamin (Hamburg SV), Oliver Risser (Manglerud Star, Norway), Quinton Jacobs (Orlando Pirates, Namibia), Sydney Plaatjies (Moroka Swallows, South Africa), Rudi Louw (African Stars, Namibia), Razundara Tjikuzu (Trabzonspor, Turkey), and ninja Karongee (African Stars, Namibia).

Forwards: Rudolph Bester (Maritzburg United, South Africa), Eslin Kamuhanga (Civics FC, Namibia), Jerome Louis (Black Africa, Namibia), Heinrich Isaacks (Civics FC, Namibia), Henrico Botes (Platinum Stars, South Africa), Wilko Risser (Sportverein Eintracht Trier, Germany) and Edward Asino (Hotspurs, Namibia).

JJD unchallenged for NPL chairmanship



Premier League (NPL) Interim Chairman, Johnny Johnson Doeseb

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ONGWEDIVA - Namibia Premier League (NPL) Interim Chairman, Johnny Johnson

JJD will be inaugurated as substantive NPL chairman after acting in the position for a couple of months now following the resignation of Hendrick Davids a businessman and owner of Orlando Pirates (Namibia).

A one-day NPL Annual General Assembly meeting is penciled for August 29, commencing at 09h00 at the Namibia Breweries Limited Customer Care centre in Katutura.

All delegates are courteously requested to report themselves on August 28 at the venue where the AGM is to take place.

Each of the 12 premier league clubs will be represented by no more than three members delegated by their respective teams.

JJD will give a presentation tabling his philosophy and the way forward with regard to the development of Namibia's elite football league and its transformation from semi-professional to professional entity.

JJD is a small young man with a lion's heart, visionary and act extremely professional. He made some phenomenal strides towards the development of football since he took over as owner of the Walvis Bay -based Eleven Arrows Football Club.

The team had no sponsors for many years and JJD a sole

owner of the club turned it professional. His players are housed in his football village and satisfactorily remunerated every month.

JJD and his staff moved from the Namibia Premier League's Soccer House to a new NPL office. Soon the NPL will have a Chief Executive Officer. The post was advertised and a number of candidates applied for the post which will be manned by suitable applicant most probably at the beginning of October this year.

Another notable move by JJD as acting NPL chairman was the three-day working visit to South Africa

The NPL and their counterpart Soccer Premier League (SPL) of South Africa employed the opportunity to exchange ideas that could benefit the growth of NPL and strengthening the partnership between the two parties.

In addition, the two parties stretched their talks on streamlining the NPL as a business entity. The Namibian delegation also held talks with SuperSport for possible viewing of the Namibia Premier League games.

Some of these potent developments in football were overlooked by his predecessors. No wonder the NPL clubs unanimously nominated and appointed JJD to run the elite league the next three years.