

● Boks left wing shrugs off individual accolades after grueling 80 minutes

By **DAVID ISAACSON**

Ethan Hooker emerged from the thick of the Springboks' 29-24 win over the All Blacks at FNB Stadium on Saturday night to learn with surprise that he'd been named Man of the Match.

The victory gave SA a 2-1 lead in the series, with the final contest in Baltimore to come next weekend.

"It [the Man of the Match award] was the last thing on my mind [because] I was so exhausted after 80 minutes and so happy that we won," said the left wing, who was busy on attack and defence.

He learnt of his achievement from one of the team officials.

"I was like, 'Flip, there's a Man of the Match'; it actually [slipped] my mind."

Hooker's duties included chasing and fielding high balls in a cold, swirling wind. "I enjoy the aerial contest and having the wind factor, and then obviously them being so good in there as well; it really tests yourself. You really have to think a lot more ... it's a big contest, and I pride myself on the aerial contest, so I love going up against these guys."

Hooker, who also had the task of marking Will Jordan, one of New Zealand's ace playmakers, said he didn't pay much attention to the names and reputations in the opposition.

"I just focus on doing my job on the team. There are 23 of us, and on game day we all just give it our all, and at the end of the day I'm not focusing really on who I'm playing against."

Hooker believed the Bok pack ascendancy in the second half helped tip the match in their favour.



Ethan Hooker is tackled by Anton Lienert-Brown in the third Test at FNB Stadium, Nasrec, on Saturday. /Siphiwe Sibeko/Reuters

"I think a lot of it came from scrum dominance. We really did get the ball rolling there, and then also I think we got our contestable kicking game right, started getting our ball back a bit ... we got our structures in place, and we just sort of built momentum from there.

"And the crowd helped a huge amount. As soon as you start getting momentum, the crowd joins and it lifts you."

Now the team had to refocus on preparing for the final fourth Test in the US. – TimesLIVE



BID NOTICE AND INVITATION TO BID

Bidders are hereby invited to bid for the following projects:

No.	Project Number	Project Description.	Closing Date.
01	Lim473/office building/26/27/016	Professional Architectural Services for the design for construction of a municipal office building.	14/10/2026 @ 12:00
02	Lim473/Design-Masemola/26/27/017	Design for construction of Masemola Majakaneng road to Mabobane internal road.	14/10/2026 @ 12:00

Compulsory Briefing: 01 October 2026 @ Municipal Chamber @ 10H00.

Bid documents will be obtainable from Makhuduthamaga Local Municipal Offices from 01 October 2026 (Mon-Fri from 08:00-16:30) from the cashiers at a non-refundable deposit of **R560.00** payable in cash or bank-guaranteed cheque. Bid documents can also be downloaded from www.etender.gov.za at no cost.

Completed and signed tender documents must be sealed in an envelope and marked with the relevant project number and project description and be deposited in the tender box at Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality Offices in Jane Furse before the closing date and time.

The municipality shall adjudicate and award tenders in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 5/2000 and the revised procurement regulation with effect 16 January 2023 and on 100 points for functionality and 80/20 points system where 80 points are for the price and 20 points for Municipal specific goals on all projects (according to the said legislation). Details of functionality and specific goals are in the bid document. Bids will remain valid for 90 (ninety) days. The lowest tender will not necessarily be accepted and the municipality reserves the right not to consider any tender not fully completed. Tenderers are required to initial each page of the tender document and sign where necessary.

Enquiries contact:

Supply Chain Unit: Mr Mothapo K.J - 013 265 8607

Infrastructure Development: Ms Lubisi N.B - 013 265 8600

Mr Moganedi R.M.

Municipal Manager;

Private Bag X 434, Jane Furse, 1085

RE-ADVERTISEMENT BOARD NOMINATIONS

SEKHUKHUNE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY NON-EXECUTIVE BOARD

PREVIOUS NOMINEES/APPLICANTS MUST RE-APPLY!

Notice is hereby given by Sekhukhune District Municipality in terms of section 93E of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000 and read with item 4(3) of the SDA By-law for establishing and operating Sekhukhune Development Agency (2010) that members of the public and interested persons are informed of the five (05) non-executive directors vacancies in the Sekhukhune Development Agency Board. Applicants are required to comply with section 93E (1) and 93F in respect of eligibility for nominations.

We invite suitable, experienced and committed individuals to be nominated for appointment to the Board of Sekhukhune Development Agency

REQUIRED EXPERIENCE

BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD HAVE EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING FIELDS:

*Development Economists; *Chartered Accountants or Financial Experts; *Legal Practitioners (Attorneys or Advocates); *Urban Planners or Spatial Development Specialists; *Business Leaders or Entrepreneurs; *Engineers or Infrastructure Specialists; *Public Administration or Governance Experts; *Community Development Practitioners; *Tourism Specialists; *Agriculture or Agribusiness Specialists; *ICT or Innovation Specialists; and *Project Management Professionals.

REMUNERATION

Appointed members will be remunerated in line with the Board Remuneration Policy of the Sekhukhune District Municipality.

TERM OF OFFICE

The Board Term shall not exceed of three (03) Years.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- ✓ Signed Nomination letter
- ✓ Certified I.D Copy
- ✓ Certified driver's license copy
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae
- ✓ Certified Copies of Qualifications
- ✓ Proof of residence

Only one scanned copy is required, and scanned documents should be in PDF file format.

SUBMISSION

All nominations should be addressed to the Municipal Manager: Mr. M.M Kgware and directed to Ms. Maseilane Mahlatji at mahlatjim@sekhukhune.gov.za.

ENQUIRIES

Please contact Ms. Maseilane Mahlatji on 013 262 7578 or mahlatjim@sekhukhune.gov.za

CLOSING DATE
The Re-Advert closes on Friday
18 September 2026 at 16:30

