

From the Desk of Mark Lewis on 19 September 2017

Western Cape President

It is with great pleasure that I could be witness to Chess taking centre stage the recent Western Cape Sport Awards ON Saturday 16 September 2017. The venue was glittering affair and was held at the Century City Conference centre with the Minister of Sport Ms Anroux Marais being the Keynote speaker



It was at that pivotal moment when the Sports woman was announced that I could only hold my breath and with all my fingers crossed it was our very own Anzel Laubscher that scooped the prize of being crowned Sports woman of the year, this category was strongly contested by the Top lady in Judo, Bowls and Juskei.

Anzel who learnt to play chess at the age of seven by her dad who would have celebrated his 70th birthday nearly on the day of her being awarded this high honour. Anzel Is currently on her way to the Caymen Islands where she will coach fulltime. She represented South Africa at many Olympiads and played in the Women's World Championship. At the last Olympiad in Baku she scored an amazing 7 out of 10 points on board 2 and has earned the title of Woman international master. She also recently achieved Joint Second place in the Zonal Championships in Zambia. Chess has taken her all over the world. Despite all this she also qualified as an advocate in last year. We wish her well in her pursuit to achieve the one title that has eluded her, Woman Grand master. All the best to you and we will look forward to when she takes on the best of South Africa as our nominee to represent Western CAO E AT THE SA Sports awards in Gauteng in November.