

Bamburi Rugby Super Series Match Day One Round Up

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SDV Transami Cheetahs v Rwenzori - RFUEA Grounds 2.00pm

UAP Rhinos v Nguvu Sharks - RFUEA Grounds 4.00pm

Live on Supersport 9 and K24

Coastal Bulls v Lions - Mombasa Sports Club 4.30pm

Victoria v Mumias Sugar Buffaloes - Kyadondo RC, 5.00pm

The 2011 Bamburi Rugby Super Series kicked off with 4 matches at three venues in Kenya and Uganda.

The early kick off in Nairobi saw the SDV Transami Cheetahs register a 49-0 win over visiting Rwenzori from Uganda while the UAP Rhinos were 36-17 winners over the Nguvu Sharks.

The Lions ruined the Coastal Bulls debut, registering a 36-8 win at the Mombasa Sports Club while Uganda's Victoria beat the Mumias Sugar Buffaloes 16-5 at the Kyadondo Rugby Club in Kampala.

UAP Rhinos 36 vs Nguvu Sharks 17

The late kick saw defending UAP Rhinos beat the Nguvu Sharks 36-17 in an entertaining clash at the RFUEA Grounds.

This match began on a cagey note, the Sharks' Kenny Andola missing two straight forward penalty attempts in the opening quarter of an hour. The Rhinos would settle in the match, mauling from a line out deep in

Sharks territory and grounding the ball. Daniel Kiptoo was awarded the try after match referee Andrew Karani consulted the TMO. Isaac Adimo's conversion was charged down by Collins Injera as the Rhinos led 5-0.

Andola's third attempt at goal was successful; enabling the Sharks cut the deficit to two points with the scores at 5-3 on twenty minutes.

David Mogere reacted quickest from a scrumdown in the Sharks five yard, grounding the ball to give the Rhinos a 10-3 lead. Adimo's conversion extending the Rhinos lead to 12-3 after twenty six minutes of play.

Rhinos would grow in stature, dominating this period of play. Adimo's pass to Naftali Bondo saw the former Kenya Sevens player beat the gain line, touching down in the corner for a 17-3 score line with eleven minutes to half time.

A Sharks counter attack saw them threaten the Rhinos but Mike Wanjala dropped the ball with the try line agonizingly close.

Mogere would double his tally, touching down on thirty nine minutes as Adimo's conversion saw the Rhinos take a 24-3 lead into the breather.

The Sharks would emerge from the half time break a hungrier side, and their pressure soon bore fruit when Kenya Sevens player Horace Otieno touched down on forty three minutes with Andola converting for a 24-10 score line.

The students would dominate play but handling errors and indecision cost them dear, as they were unable to put points on the board. Their dominance eventually bore fruit with a Joel Omer try on fifty six minutes, a try that materialized following Willy Ambaka's initial probing run. Andola's conversion brought the scores to 24-17.

At this point it was a one try match, both sides wary of this fact. Rhinos would re-emerge from their brief lull, probably courtesy of the impact of their substitutes. They slowly inched forward into Sharks territory, keeping the ball tight and were rewarded with a Victor Oduor try on sixty two minutes.

The Sharks were not going down without a fight, again taking the game to the Rhinos, gaining good ground, only to be let down by a Willy Ambaka knock on.

The four time champions made the game safe when Adimo, receiving the ball from a lineout in midfield, sliced through the Sharks defence, beating the gain line and offloading to Nick Barasa who played in Lyle Asiligwa who touched down with Adimo converting for a 36-17 final score,

SDV Transami Cheetahs 49 vs Rwenzori 0

What was billed to be a closely contested duel ended up being a one sided affair, the Cheetahs running up seven tries.

Vincent Mose opened the scoring with a second minute penalty before Dan Weku's try on six minutes took the scores to 8-0. Mike Aung scored a captain's try on twenty minutes for a 13-0 lead. Nato Simiyu brace and a Mose conversion saw them lead 25-0 at half time.

It was one way traffic for thirty nine of the forty minutes allocated to the second half. The Cheetahs completely pounding the Ugandans into submission. The game ending 49-0.

Match Stats:

3-0 2 minutes	Vincent Mose	Penalty
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8-0 6 minutes	Dan Weku	Try
13-0 20 minutes	Mike Aung	Try
18-0 31 minutes	Nato Simiyu	Try
23-0 36 minutes	Nato Simiyu	Try
25-0 37minutes	Vincent Mose	Try
30-0 45 minutes	Vincent Mose	Try
32-0 46 minutes	Vincent Mose	Try
37-0 53 minutes	Kelvin Omiyo	Try
42-0 65 minutes	Vincent Mosie	Try
44-0 66 minutes	Steve Sakwa	Conversion
49-0 78 minutes	Leslie Ochieng	Try

Collated BRSS Match Day One Results

SDV Transami Cheetahs 49 Rwezori 0

Nguvu Sharks 17 UAP Rhinos 36

Coastal Bulls 8 Lions 36

Victoria 16 Mumias Sugar Buffaloes 5

