

BUTHELEZI, CHAUKE MEET IN 'WAR OF ATTRITION'

● Ring vets with a combined age of 80 set to trade blows over six rounds next month

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SA boxing history will be made on July 25 at the Sandton Convention Centre, where two boxers with a combined age of 80 will exchange blows.

Jackson "M3" Chauke, 41, and 39-year-old Gideon "Hardcore" Buthelezi will be in action over six rounds in one of the bouts organised by Geraldine Larena's Aquila Boxing Promotions.

Chauke from Tembisa is a former SA and IBO world flyweight champ, while Buthelezi from Boipatong on the Vaal has previously held three IBO world titles in the mini-flyweight, junior-flyweight and junior-bantamweight divisions.

Buthelezi is trained by former boxer Keith Rass, while Damien Durandt and Andson Kazembe hone Chauke's skills.

Chauke and Buthelezi are at a crucial stage in their fighting lives, especially Buthelezi, who has been inactive for almost four years.

His last fight was when he lost the IBO world flyweight title in 2022.

Interestingly, Chauke brought that belt back to SA in January last year after dethroning the Afghanistan-born Briton, Kaisy Khademi, in London.

He then lost that belt to reigning IBO junior bantamweight holder Ricardo "Magic Man" Malajika, who became a dual-weight world champ. Malajika subsequently relinquished that belt, which remains vacant.

Chauke's last fight was a loss to Ndabezihle Phiri for the WBC Africa title.

Buthelezi warned fight fans not to read too much into his and Chauke's ages but instead to gear themselves for a "war of attrition".

"One thing I know, and that is it's gonna be hell of a fight from round one. Fireworks... my coach tells me to go in there and work for three minutes and not



Ring veteran Gideon Buthelezi looks super-fit before facing Jackson 'M3' Chauke at the Sandton Convention Centre on July 25. /Alan Eason

go in there to pose," he said.

Buthelezi said Rass, who upset the bookies as a fighter when he defeated hot prospect and knockout specialist Petros Mahlangu in 1987, has been training him like his life depended on the upcoming

fight.

"I have given him the moniker "Mad Dog", and I can tell you that I have never been this fit," said Buthelezi, who is camping at Rass' house in Westbury on the west of Johannesburg.

"It's been five weeks now... that's how seriously I am approaching this fight. When I was offered it, I did not want any negotiations but just accepted the offer, even though it's [only] a six-rounder; that's how much I needed action."



MAKHADO MUNICIPALITY TENDER NOTICE



All suitable service providers are hereby invited to bid for the below mentioned projects. Bidders are requested to bid as per specification attached to the bid documents that will be obtainable from **03July2026 at non-refundable amount of R600.00** per document at the Procurement Office No. B043 Ground Floor, 83 Krogh Street, Civic Center, Makhado or can be downloaded from e-tender portal for free <https://etenders.treasury.gov.za/content/advertised-tender> or www.makhado.gov.za.

| BID NO: | DESCRIPTION | EVALUATION CRITERIA | SPECIAL REQUIREMENT | TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES | REFERENCE & NOTICE NO. | CLOSING DATE & TIME |
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| 28/2026 | Panel of service provider to supply and delivery of cold mix asphalt for the period of three (03) years | 80/20 preferential points | | Chief Financial Officer: Mr. NG Raliphada or Ms. P Mudau at 0155193000 | Ref: 8/3/2/2165 Notice no: 72 /2026 | 27 July 2026 at 12H00pm |
| 29/2026 | Supply and delivery of Mobile Road Broom Sweeper (Drivable) | 80/20 preferential points | | Director Technical Services: Ms LA Thulare or Mr MG Raleshuku at 0155193000 | Ref: 8/3/2/2166 Notice no: 73/2026 | 17 July 2026 at 12H00pm |
| 30/2026 | Re-advertisement: Request for proposals to for the leasing of Munnik car park and develop the area for the business purpose for a period of 10 years. | 80/20 preferential points | • Attach three year audited financial statement (only for those who are required by law to submit) | Director Development and planning Mr. A Mabunda or Mr. TI Lipharama at 0155193000 | Ref: 8/3/2/2167 Notice no: 74/2026 | 27 July 2026 at 12H00pm |

Completed bid documents signed by a duly authorized person, sealed in an envelope clearly marked "As mentioned above" must reach the undersigned by depositing it into the tender box at the foyer of the main entrance to the Civic Centre by not later than "As mentioned above" when all tenders received will be opened in public in the Council Chamber, Ground Floor, Civic Centre, No. 83 Krogh Street, Makhado.

The Municipality is not bound to accept the lowest or any bid and reserves the right to accept any part of a bid. Bids must remain valid for a period of ninety (90) days after closing date of submission thereof. Submitted tenders will be evaluated as per above mentioned table.

Bids which are late, incomplete, unsigned, or submitted in pencil or by telegraph or facsimile or electronically by e-mail, or not having the following documents attached for evaluation or not complying with the tender specifications, will not be evaluated, and will be disqualified:

- Valid Tax compliance status pin issued by SARS
- A copy of company registration documents (CK)
- Certified copy/copies of company owner(s) ID book(s), not older than three (03) months certification.
- Attach proof of payment for municipal rates not owing for more than (03) months or formal lease agreement for rental premises or letter from the traditional authority in cases of non-ratable areas. (Attach for both entity and directors of the company)
- Copy of central supplier database (CSD) full report.

NB: • All Service Provider doing business with Makhado municipality are required to register on the CSD (Central Supplier Database).
• A copy of a certified copy will not be accepted.

All procurement enquiries should be directed to Ms. P Mudau or Mr. M Ramabulana at Tel no. (015) 519 3044/3024

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