



# Port Elizabeth Deep Sea Angling Club

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## **PEDSAC NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2012**

Hi all members,

It's been a while since the last newsletter went out, so herewith a few events that have taken place, and future events to diarise:

### **TUNA CLASSIC:**

2012 saw the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Algoa Bay Tuna Classic taking place at the end of April 2012, with fewer boats and participants taking part than in the past, but with still the same enthusiasm as in the past. 24 boats took part, with a total of 110 anglers, and 2 days of the four were suitable for heading south. The biggest Yellowfin Tuna to be caught, was 19.4kg, by 15 year old Carla Schmidt on board the vessel Sea Devil, skippered by Colin de Villiers. This saw Carla winning the 2012 competition! Our top boat (heaviest total weight for the competition) was won by Team Ghost, skippered by Tielman Niewoudt. In total, 68 yellowfin over the 15 kg mark were weighed in 2 days fishing.

**Well done to all the anglers who participated in this event, and thanks to our Sponsors and organizers, who without their support, the competition would not take place.**

### **ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING**

This is a special evening for PEDSAC, taking place on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2012, in the PEDSAC clubhouse; this year promises to be a grand affair, with a sit-down dinner and dance. It is an evening open to all PEDSAC members, including those recipients of prizes and awards for competitions won during the year. Tickets are limited, at R80 per head, first come, first served. Tickets can be booked (must be paid for once booked) through the office – please e-mail your booking to [denise@pedsac.co.za](mailto:denise@pedsac.co.za). Payments for this event can be made into the PEDSAC banking account, with the member's name as a reference.

**The banking details are:**

**PEDSAC - STANDARD BANK – BRANCH CODE: 050317 – ACCOUNT NUMBER: 2809 01 534**

### **BAR TIMES:**

The last newsletter mentioned that we would be implementing our new winter bar times, closing the bar on a Monday. This seems to be working well so far, with no complaints. The staff are

utilizing this time to do stocktakes, and we are carrying out some much needed maintenance too.

The bar remains open from Tuesday – Sunday, from 12h00 – 21h00.

Our new barman, Alex Richard, works every alternate week to George, and has fitted in well. Thank you to all the members for your patience during his training phase.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: PEDSAC's AGM will take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2012, at 18h00, at PEDSAC. Notification and call for nominations will be sent out in due course. Please diarise this date.

SUPER SIX ANGLING COMPETITION: will begin again at the end of September. Please check the club notice boards for more details.

GONUBIE INTER-CLUB COMPETITION: PEDSAC is sending two teams to take part in the Gonubie Inter-Club competition this weekend, the 30<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> July:

Team 1: Kevin Clark, John Allan and David Rossi

Team 2: Leon Kok, Richard Donaldson and Neal Murison.

Good luck to our anglers!

KLEINBAAI BOTTOMFISH INTER-PROVINCIALS: takes place xxxxxxx; PEDSAC's team participating is Martin Gierz, Richard Donaldson & Kevin Clark; I am sure they will do us proud!

EP REPRESENTATION: Congratulations to Colin Barris, on being chosen as the Captain of the EP team at the recent Tuna Nationals that was held in Hout Bay.

ST FRANCIS TUNA COMP: This takes place in July, dates are 11-14 July 2012.

FISHING IN THE HARBOUR: after another hugely successful Kiddies Fishing competition, organized by Linda of Up the Deck, we have had concerns from our landlords, TRANSNET, that we are ignoring some important Port rules, being that NO fishing is allowed in the harbour area, be it from the PEDSAC premises or the moored boats. Apologies to those parents who had arranged to have their kiddies birthday parties at the club, having some fun angling as part of the activities. Special permission was requested from TNPA, but was unfortunately turned down.

### TNPA ACCESS CARDS:

Those members still requiring the "pass" to the harbour, please let me know via e-mail, as I need to make a block booking with TNPA, and I have a few members on my list already, whom I will be making an appointment for shortly.

### 100 CLUB:

This monthly draw takes place on the last Tuesday of the month (except in December), and it is a general concern that interest in this event has waned. We would like to re-invent the draw evenings, and have had suggestions that a draw be held every 3 months instead, with R6000 up for grabs at each draw. This will give the organizers of the draw more time to get more draw prizes and sponsorships. If anyone has any suggestions, please let us have them!

### MUSIC TRIVIA EVENING:

Following the last successful Music Trivia Evening, we will notify all in due course of the next Trivia evening to be held shortly. This was really a fun evening, and looking forward to have all teams back for the next one to defend their titles. As part of the entry, a light meal will be served.

### AUCTION:

We are also looking at having an auction, where members can bring unwanted / unused goods, and put a reserve price on if necessary to be sold on a Saturday which we will put aside for this. We will have braai fires going, so bring some meat along to braai. A percentage of the monies can be donated to the NSRI. So if you have anything cluttering up your garage, let us know and we can auction it off for you.

### **Some additions:**

The Club has recently purchased and installed two flat screen TV's – one in the bar area, and one on the balcony area – both with dual PVR.

After an unfortunate incident with our slipway boom, a new structure has been manufactured and installed. Thanks to Gordon Barnes for the generous donation of the steel, and to John Allan and Vernon Cerini for getting the structure installed.

Those members who do make use of the bar area may notice that the bar counter and the bar furniture has been re-varnished.

A lot of general maintenance has taken place in and around the clubhouse – thanks to John and Vernon for getting it all done, and keeping the club looking ship-shape.

### **Tight lines!!**

**PS.** The Gonubie comp was a great success, with our PEDSAC team coming in 7<sup>th</sup> out of 13 teams. Those members who attended would recommend entering this comp next year, as it was well organized, the entry fees cover your accommodation, bait, boats, fuel and food – all you have to do is get there. Every team entered walked away with nice handouts and a prize.

