



The Conservation Minded Club

The Chum Bucket

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Dear PEDSAC MEMBERS,

It has been some time since the last newsletter was distributed, and we trust that Post-Covid, we can all resume our angling activities as the weather improves!

The Club has seen an increase in membership, as well as PEDSAC, Off the Hook Seafood and Grill and The Wheelhouse venue facility gaining popularity as the “go-to” venue for members and members of the public alike.

We extend a warm welcome to all our new members and their families and friends, and trust that you are enjoying this wonderful facility.

Nic and his team from Off The Hook continue to provide excellent service and quality of food, which pairs extremely well with the cold refreshments available from Marlin’s Head Bar.

The annual Chairmen’s lunch was held on the 19th August as per tradition, and was a much enjoyed event.



From L-R: Martin Gierz- Gert Cromhout – Dion Van Zyl – Pierre Westerveld – Trevor Villet – Richard Stone – Richard Donaldson – Anthony Donald – Karl vd Merwe – Slobby/Byron Breetzke – Gordon Barnes – Steve Brewis.

The AGM was held on the 24th August, with 59 members attending. Our Club leadership has remained consistent and the Committee 2022/23 elected at the AGM is as follows:

Chairman – Richard Stone
Vice – Chairman – Trevor Villet
Projects and Planning – Rainer von Schuetz
Marlin's Head – James Norton
Honorary Treasurer – Ian Peinke
Tournaments officer – Wayne Gerber
PRO and Entertainment – Tanya Thomson
Club Captain – Pierre Westerveld
Safety Officer – Keith Schmidt

The safety officer (Keith Schmidt) was elected for another term, as well as Club Captain (Pierre Westerveld) re-elected for another term. Well done everyone on an exceptional contribution to this Club!

Our newcomer in the position of PRO and Entertainment – Tanya Thomson. Welcome Tanya, we know you will make a valuable contribution to this team! Thank you to Jen Nelson, for her contribution to this portfolio for the past 2 years.

The Super Six league is set to kick off once more, with the first leg taking place in November, and thanks goes out once more to Trevor Villet and his team from Isuzu for their contribution to this increasingly popular club league event.

The annual Prizegiving for the Super Six and Tuna Classic was held on the 20th August, which was arranged by Wayne Gerber, and proved to be an exceptional event, enjoyed by all. Congratulations go out to all those members who received recognition of their achievements throughout the year.



CLUB MATTERS & NEWS

Marlin's Head pub will now be open for business on Mondays from 16h00 from the 5th September 2022.

Our trading times are as follows:

Mondays – 16h00 – 21h00

Tuesday – Saturday – 11h00 – 23h30

Sunday – 11h00 – 20h00

Off the Hook Seafood and Grill is open

Tuesday – Saturday 12h00 – 21h00 and

on Sundays (by bookings only) 12h00 – 15h00

Bookings for larger groups is recommended and they can be contacted on 0670658862.

CLUB MAINTENANCE

- **New paved area** – the area in front of the Wheelhouse has been upgraded, and includes the removal of the grass, lifting and paving of the whole area to provide additional seating space. Additional benches are in the process of manufacture and we have new umbrella's sponsored by some of our members to provide some shade for the upcoming summer days.
- **FISH CLEANING STATION** – a new fish cleaning station was built, and the plumbing thereof was sponsored by Rainer of R&M Plumbing – thanks Rainer!
- **ICE MACHINE and ICE PLANT** – These are now up and running, flake ice is provided to all members at no additional cost.
- **KITCHEN UPGRADE** – The entire kitchen has been improved by installing stainless steel panelling to keep within better hygiene requirements.
- **VENUE FLOOR** – the venue floor was upgraded by Chris Howes and his team.
- **Bar Airconditioner** – Installed in bar area to keep our staff and patrons cool in the sweltering summer months. Thanks to **Sydney Ambler** from **The Weatherman** for this speedy installation and for keeping our aircon's in tip-top condition.

Once the Club lease is successfully tendered for in 2023, some more major improvements of the clubhouse and kitchen are on the cards.

Future dates of interest:

8th October - BREWFEST –from 11h00. Tickets cost R150 each and include a free tasting glass. Brewers from around Port Elizabeth will be showcasing their fare, and are available to discuss their different brewing techniques.

22nd October – Overs & Unders – more information will be posted closer to this date.

28/29/30 OCTOBER – WILLIAMS HUNT ISUZU SUPER SIX LEG 1. Registration for this event takes place in the Wheelhouse venue on the Friday evening, where a sponsored snack can be enjoyed by all participants.

5th November – MASS BOAT INSPECTION DAY. All PEDSAC boats will be able to take advantage of a discounted survey rate on this day, and we urge all boat owners to have their paperwork completed and current in order to make the whole process run smoothly. **ALL OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS PLUS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2023 NEED TO BE PAID BY THIS DATE IF PARTICIPATING IN THE MASS SURVEY!!**

2/3/4th December – WILLIAMS HUNT ISUZU SUPER SIX LEG 2 . Registration for this event takes place in the Wheelhouse venue on the Friday evening, where a sponsored snack can be enjoyed by all participants.

2023 TUNA CLASSIC – pen these dates!! 27-29 APRIL 2023

SECURITY

The security entrance to the harbour remains a concern for many members who feel that this is an unnecessary measure to just be able to pop into the club. We need to bear in mind that PEDSAC occupies Transnet land, and that this measure is in place for good reason. We ask that PEDSAC members please comply with Transnet requirements of checking in vehicles and vessels; failure to do so, or causing any unnecessary friction, could taint our reputation with Transnet. We would like to keep the great relationship we have with Transnet for the future of our Club and the continuity of our lease holding at the harbour.

Those members whose vessels occupy the vacant land opposite the clubhouse – please bear in mind that this land belongs to Transnet, which we use on an informal basis. Please keep all vessels and the area which they occupy neat and tidy at all times. We have a skip next to the boat wash bay where all rubbish can be deposited.

Those members making use of the slipway – please remember to close the slipway boom gate after you launch/retrieve your vessels! It is of the utmost importance that only PEDSAC members and authorised users may make use of this launch site.

We would also like to re-iterate the following sent out in previous newsletters:

URGENT NOTICE:

PEDSAC acts on behalf of **Transnet** issuing Automatic **Pilot Exemption** to all PEY registered boats on the payment of the annual harbour dues that are levied along with the cost of the boat safety survey. As such **NO OTHER BOATS THAT ARE NOT PEY REGISTERED, Qualify for this automatic exemption.**

ALL DTP, DTM, SR and other registered vessels may not make use of the slipway under any circumstances unless permission has been obtained from PEDSAC, and that the skippers of those vessels have completed the PORT PILOT EXEMPTION EXAM, and is cleared with Transnet, or by prior arrangement with PEDSAC (light tackle or sporting events)

Members found to be assisting non – PEDSAC registered boats by allowing them to utilise the slipway, or allowing non-PEDSAC members to use PEY registered boats to launch from the club, will be subject to disciplinary action and could face a life long ban from both the club as well as TRANSNET.

Also please remember, the same disciplinary action will apply to PEDSAC vessels leaving PEDSAC without a current paid up club member on board.

COMPETITIONS

Our newly appointed PRO/Entertainment officer is working hard on garnering new sponsorship for the previously sponsored Eastern Cape Motors Ford SPECIES CHALLENGE – we look forward to hosting this much enjoyed competition in the near future.

We have noted an increased number of anglers (including ladies teams!!) from our club who are participating in competitions around the country. We are certain that your representation of PEDSAC will do us proud!

The following members are participating in the following events:

Kleinbaai 29TH September – 1st October 2022

Mens - Emil Goosen, Angus de Beer, Marius Moolman

Ladies - Sheena Gerber, Tanya Thomson

Juniors – Matthew de Beer, Logan Moolman, Gavin Peinke

Sodwana – 20-25th November 2022

Sodwana Heavy Tackle – Kevin Clark, Shane Gerber, Andre de Koning, Emil Goosen

Sodwana Ladies Heavy Tackle – Tanya Thomson, Sheena Gerber, Lisa Coetzee

Sodwana Light Tackle Billfish – Wayne Gerber, Paul Smith, Marius Moolman

This is a wonderful representation of our PEDSAC anglers!!

If any PEDSAC members have any news or photographs they would like to send for future newsletters, please send your information to denise@pedsac.co.za

Tight lines all!