

POINT WATERSPORTS CLUB CLUBHOUSE UPDATE

Dear Members,

The summer rains have well and truly arrived, bringing much-needed refreshment to our surroundings.

Unfortunately, the weather warnings earlier this week meant we had to close the club on Monday as it wasn't an ideal day to be on the beach. This also gave our team a much needed break after the festive rush. Thank you for your understanding.

As the busy season is coming to an end, the club will resume normal trading hours from next week. This is subject to weather conditions. If the sun is shining and it's a day for the ocean, we will be open on Monday (13th) and Tuesday (14th), public holiday hours! Keep an eye on the Newsletter Alert Group and social pages.

While we're in for a wet week ahead, that doesn't mean the fun has to stop! Our DUC Scuba divers and Freedivers will be launching this weekend. If you'd like to join them for an underwater adventure, reach out to the Sports Portfolio Officers for more information.

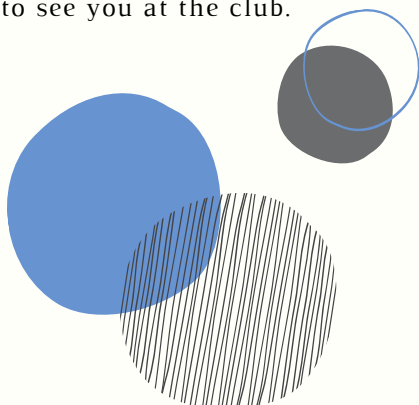
We also have some fantastic live entertainment lined up to brighten up the rainy days.

Whether you're braving the water or enjoying the music onshore, we can't wait to see you at the club.

Warm regards,



Grant Wessels
General Manager



ENTERTAINMENT LINE UP

DON SEAGREEN
FRIDAY 10TH JAN
17H00 - 20H00

CARMEN RODRIGUES
SUNDAY 12TH
13H00 - 16H00

DATES TO NOTE

DSBC TACKLE TALK
SATURDAY 18TH JAN

DUC LEAGUE SWIM
SATURDAY, 25TH JAN

FREEDIVING COURSE
BEGINNER W1
7 - 9 TH FEB

Clubhouse Trading Hours

031 030 0190 | general@pwsc.co.za

Club Office Hours Wed to Fri | 9am to 3pm - Weekends & Public Holidays | 9am to 2pm

Bar Hours: Wed to Sat | 8am to 9pm
Sun & Public Holidays | 8am to 7pm

Kitchen Hours: Wed to Fri | 8am to 8pm
Saturday | 7am to 8pm
Sun & Public Holidays | 7am to 5pm

Coffee Bar: Wed to Sat | 6:30am to 8:30pm
Sun & Public Holidays | 6:30am to 5:30pm

NOTE: Closing times are subject to weather and management discretion.
Kitchen orders to be placed 15 mins before closing time.

Durban Undersea Club



We hope that your year has started off well! Last week we mentioned that we'll be introducing our Committee over the coming weeks.

First off, meet your **Chairman: Butch Murray**

Butch has a financial background and qualification, and has had a financial consulting business for over 20 years. He has been involved in a lot of water-sport activities including Surf-lifesaving, Scuba, Canoeing and Surf-ski paddling. Butch was one of the original surfski paddlers to become a member of DUC and has participated in most of the iconic surfski and canoe races on the South African calendar and the odd international event.



Next week, we'll introduce your Vice Chairman. For now, back to news in the water sports. The Swimmers have penciled in the league swims for the year. Be sure to mark your calendars and take on the challenge of competing in all 12 events to and take home the 2025 trophy and some pretty epic bragging rights. Starting with the **25th of January**. Here are the rest of the dates for your reference: 22 Feb, 29 March, 3 May, 31 May, 21 June, 26 July, 30 Aug, 27 Sept, 25 Oct, 29 Nov and 16 Dec. For any other information on **Open Water Swimming** with the DUC, contact **Steve Evans** 082 855 5516

Our **Scuba** divers recently enjoyed two nice Durban dives. Dive report by **Adrian Pearton**: Visibility was about 7 to 8m but lots of cool stuff. **T-barge**: massive GT, pineapplefish and a pygmy pipehorse.

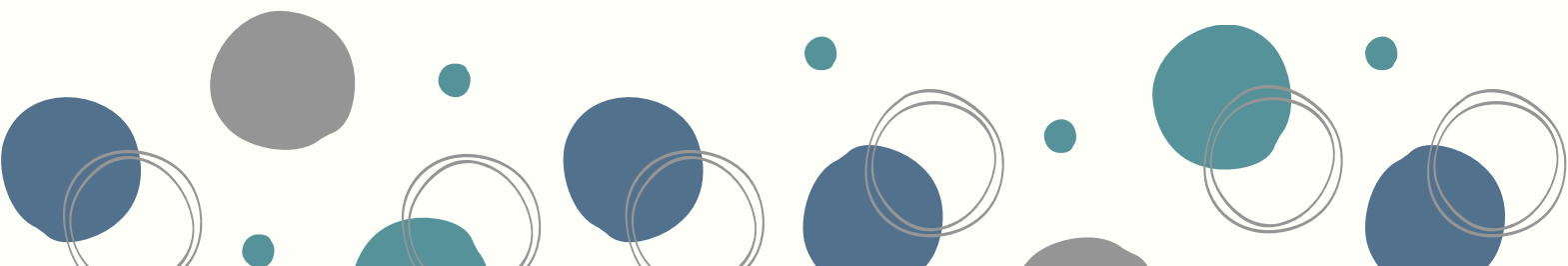
Birthdays: Massive frogfish, Spanish dancer with multiple emperor shrimps.



Image on the left by club member, **Warrick Keyser** of a gorgeous nudibranch. To make sure you don't miss out on regular scuba launches, contact **Sarah Keyser** on 072 801 0606, to be added to the launch broadcast list.

The **Freediving** section has been steadily expanding with the growing popularity of the sport globally.

There are some up coming courses in February and if you're interested in learning how to explore the underwater world on one breath, contact **Angie van der Hoogen** 082 874 1706. She will teach you about the many benefits of Freediving including reduced stress & anxiety, how to regulate your nervous system, improve mental resilience and enhance your respiratory system. The Beginner Freediving course is run over 3 days to cover theory, pool skills and open water dives. Join us on the 7th to 9th February.



Durban Ski Boat Club



After last weekend's blow-out, we seem to have some great weather forecast for this coming weekend and our **1st Monthly Mug of 2025**. This year we are changing things up a bit to get more members involved, and this month we are focusing on Dorado only. These are fun, social competitions, where the whole family can get involved.

Coming up a little later in the month, on Saturday the **18th of January**, Club Captain **Mark Justham** will be holding the Annual Competitive Fishing meeting. For anyone wishing to get into Interclub fishing, this is the place to start. Joining the DSBC competitive world allows anglers to learn so much from other competitive anglers and, allows you to fish a variety of new areas at the various interclub competitions along our coast, as well as being the beginning of your journey to provincial or national colours. This is open to anglers of all ages and includes junior anglers. **The meeting is compulsory for all anglers that wish to fish the 2025 season for DSBC.** For any further information, please contact Mark.

Also on **Saturday 18th January**, at 3pm, we will be holding a Gamefish **Tackle Talk** in Bar 2, where some of our top competitive anglers will cover some of the secrets to improving your gamefish angling. With our Couta season already in full swing, you don't want to miss this.

This is a **free talk** open to all, and the bar will be serving cold drinks.



DURBAN SKI BOAT CLUB
Game Fishing Tackle Talk
BAR 2
Saturday 18th January
3PM

DURBAN SKI BOAT CLUB
COMPETITIVE ANGLING MEETING
Saturday 18th January
2 pm in Bar 2
Start your journey to Natal colours, and beyond
This meeting is compulsory for all current competitive anglers and anglers wishing to start their competitive journeys.

Top images from left to right: Zuandre Van Der Merwe and Dorado smiles. Jason Ennis with a good GT caught on a snapped rod. Up-country member Anthony Lessing with a good bull Dorado.