

POINT WATERSPORTS CLUB CLUBHOUSE UPDATE

FROM THE GM'S DESK

Dear Members,

We've been enjoying some wonderful, typical Durban winter weather over the past week and it's been great to see the beach buzzing with activity during the school holidays. These crisp mornings and warm, sunny afternoons are some of the best days of the year to enjoy our coastline.

As the club continues to welcome plenty of members and visitors, we'd like to take the opportunity to share a few friendly housekeeping reminders. Please remember that smoking is not permitted inside, dogs are not allowed inside the clubhouse, and all non-members must be accompanied by a member or obtain a visitor wristband from the office before making use of the club facilities. Your cooperation helps us maintain a welcoming and enjoyable environment for everyone.

This weekend's entertainment:

- **Friday:** Ellinor 17h30 to 20h30
- **Sunday:** Carmen 13h00 to 16h00

We look forward to seeing you at the club for another great winter weekend.

Warm regards,
Grant Wessels
General Manager

ENTERTAINMENT LINE UP

ELLINOR
FRIDAY 17 JULY
17H30 - 20H30

CARMEN
SUNDAY 19 JULY
13H00 - 16H00

DATES TO NOTE

NITE SWIM SERIES
16 JULY

TALK: FREEDIVING
16 JULY

REEF & BEACH CLEAN
18 JULY

SIYAPHAMBILI #2/3
18 JULY

DUC LEAGUE SWIM
25 JULY

CLUBHOUSE TRADING HOURS

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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

SURF SKI

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the first **Siyaphambili Surf Ski Race** of the series. Thank you for supporting this fantastic initiative, which continues to develop young paddlers and grow the sport in our community. The next race takes place on **18 July**, so be sure to save the date and come join the action.

SPEARFISHING

Congratulations to everyone who competed in the **South African National Spearfishing Championships**. It was a well-supported event with some outstanding performances. A special congratulations goes to Garryd Ensor Smith on taking the overall win. We're especially proud of our DUC members, with **Gerhard Vosloo** securing 2nd place and **Liam Mullany** finishing 3rd overall. An exceptional result and a fantastic achievement for the club.

SCUBA DIVING

There hasn't been much diving to report recently, with large swells and strong bottom surge making conditions less than ideal. Here's hoping for a change in the weather pattern and some cleaner, calmer water in the weeks ahead.

FREEDIVING

If you've ever wondered what freediving off Durban's coastline is really like, join us this **Thursday, 16 July**, evening for a special presentation, **Freediving Durban**. Over the past three years, the DUC Freediving community has grown into something truly special. Along the way we've shared unforgettable encounters with marine life, explored our local reefs and discovered that some of the greatest rewards of freediving are the quiet moments of calm and connection found beneath the surface.

OPEN WATER SWIMMING

The second Canal Swim Nite Series takes place this **Thursday, 16 July**, and promises another exciting evening of racing and great atmosphere along the canal. A total of 37 teams will be taking part.

Looking ahead, the next DUC Monthly League Swim takes place on **25 July**. The R100 entry fee includes a bacon and egg roll, and entries can be made via My Club Account. For more information on the league swims or joining the regular social swims, contact **Steve** on 082 855 5516.



Durban Ski Boat Club



Durban junior angler **Declan Hewison**, who was part of the Natal u/19 team to fish the SADSAA Bottomfish Nationals in Port Alfred last week, had an excellent tournament and managed to win his boat on the last day, in the new mixed team format of the competition. Declan assisted the Natal side to take 3rd place overall, in some very tough sea conditions, against some of the top U19 bottom anglers in the country. Well done, Declan.

The SADSAA Light Tackle Billfish National / International tournament is taking place this week in Sodwana, where another Durban angler, **Alain Khan**, received his Protea colours to represent South Africa in this facet of the sport. We wish Alain all the very best for the tournament and will be keeping a close eye on the competition.

We have some great fishing weather ahead this week, right up until the start of the weekend, when another cold front arrives from the Cape, bringing with it big seas and more rain, so if you need your weekly fishing fix, you might want to slip the boss a sick note before the weekend. Even though the fishing around Durban has been a little slower over the past week, the return of the sardines on the South Coast is a positive sign for our bottom fish anglers, and some really spectacular Copper Steenbras were caught around Rocky Bay over the past weekend. These big trophy fish made a short appearance in our waters a few weeks back but vanished again as the water temperatures moved back up toward the 23° C mark. With a little luck, the recent rain and coming cold front will help push our local water temperatures down from their current 22° C closer to the magical 20° C mark, when all our exciting winter bottom fish species should appear in decent numbers. There have been some good Geelbek catches made, particularly north of Durban, and there are also some very nice Yellowtail and Amberjack on offer for those looking for a good workout.

