



Durban Paddle Ski Club

UPDATE AND NEWS

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Greetings to all our members out there.

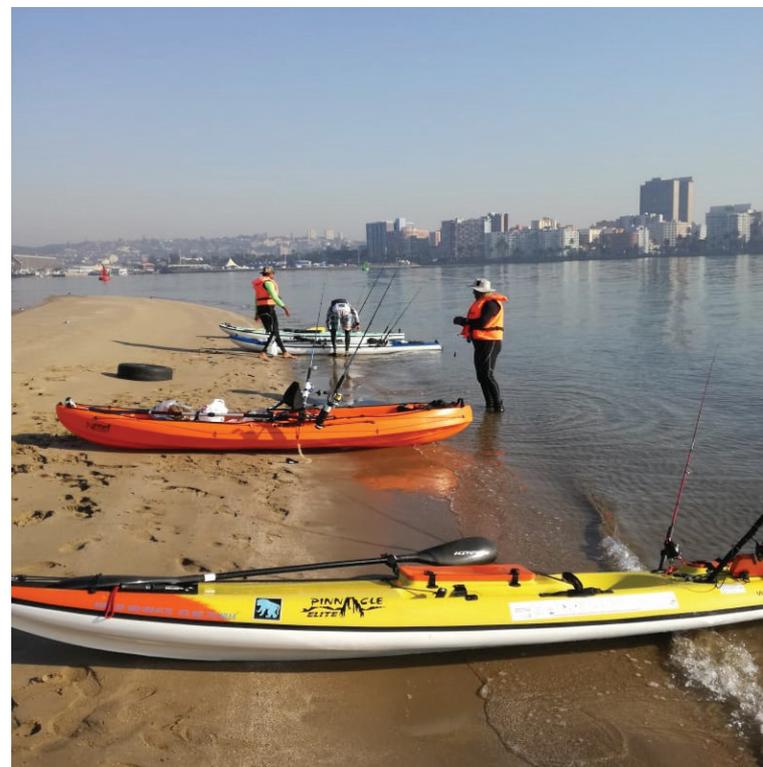
We are fast approaching the end of July and this means that warmer days are on its way. Hopefully we will see more of you at the PWC and on the water. For those who have not yet come down to the PWC you don't know what you are missing. The vibes are excellent with friendly people and good food.

SARDINES

For the past two months the Seine Netters have been netting virtually every day. They seem to be concentrating their efforts between Port Shepstone and Scottsburg where most of these silvery bullets are. Daily updates are being posted on Facebook so get down there and stock up on bait. During this sardine frenzy drone fisherman have been making merry by landing huge sharks with most being tagged and returned to the ocean to fight another day. The mackerel and shad are also still biting freely at times at Vetchies. Many guys have been trying for the elusive geelbeck this season but unfortunately none have been landed by our guys. These tasty fish could show up at any time now.

COMPETITION

Our club competition was held on 22nd July 2018 after being postponed from the previous Sunday-looks like Windguru got the wind direction wrong. Nevertheless the 22nd turned out to be a beautiful sunny day but the sea swells were huge which saw many an angler getting green. 60 x Dpsc anglers as well as 4 x Duc paddleski anglers took part in the competition which is heartening to see but still a far cry from the numbers anticipated considering we have a membership of 300.



Unfortunately not too many sizable fish were caught with most of the fish weighed were bags of shad. The total fish weighed in the Competition (Shad) 23.82kgs. There were many awesome prizes to be won and the first 30 anglers were rewarded with prizes. The Winners of the cash prizes are: **Subash Mahadow** and **Frans De Villiers** joint first, no second, **Greg Czekaj** was third. The Club also provided a boerewors roll to all participants.

Also on the 22nd was the Durban Ski Boat Club ladies angling tournament. The ladies, who took part, landed some awesome yellowfin Tuna. Two fine specimens of over 20 kgs were weighed in. Some wonderful prizes were won by these ladies.

The DUC paddlers also held their third Geriatric long ski competition on the 22nd. With the three Clubs having their respective competitions on the same day at the PWC you would have thought that there would be chaos but on the day it seemed to be really well structured and organised. Despite there being such a huge crowd at the PWC, proceedings went off without a glitch and we would like to thank everyone for their patience and tolerance. It does show that we can all co-exist.

AGM

The Clubs AGM will be held in the Islander Room at the Point Yacht Club at 18H30 on Wednesday 22nd August 2018. Claudette has arranged free parking at the PYC on that evening on a first come basis with Darryl Williams.

Please make an effort to attend as there will be some important issues discussed which will need your approval. Also there will be election of office bearers as we need some fresh ideas and also need to elect a new Chairman as Ernie has emigrated. If not attending send your signed proxy/nominations to Claudette before the AGM.

Use this opportunity to voice your concerns as we have of late had many selfish, baseless overtures directed at the Committee which is disturbing to say the least.

SKI INSPECTIONS

Please check the validity of all your safety equipment as we are fast approaching ski inspection time. Check the validity of your flares as these are not readily available currently. Safety is of paramount importance to all of us and needs to be taken seriously. The ski inspection dates will be communicated to you shortly.

VOTE OF THANKS

Firstly we would like to thank all the Sponsors of our Competition held on 22nd July 2018.

And they are: Eddie Litchfield/Craig Baker/Thermaltec Air-conditioners/The Kingfisher/Township Hyper/Midas Durban North/Jason Roelofse/Adriaan Ash/Pure Fishing/Kings Arms and Ammunition/Coco Cola Beverages/Brendan Nolan/Les Warren/Illovo Sugar/Sea Port Supply/CMH Group – Alan Gouveia/Brocket Rolling/Heaven on Earth Spa. Thanks once again for your invaluable support in making our fishing competition a success.

Guys please support these Sponsors. When you shop at these stores, please mention it as well.

A huge thank you must also go to our secretary Claudette for singlehandedly approaching and securing the wonderful prizes for our competition. She also arranged the packaging of the prizes and sent out letters of appreciation to every sponsor. Claudette, we thank you for your effort which is much appreciated.

Also we would like to thank the weigh masters from the DSBC, Bundu Bester and Dave Couto for weighing all the fish caught.

GENERAL

Please ensure that your email and personal details are updated with Claudette on her email: claudette@wildsands.co.za

If you are receiving an email from the PWC re subs, it is an error on their part, please email them back and say you are a Durban Paddle Ski Member.

Best regards

From The Committee.