

KNYSNA YACHT CLUB



Newsletter – August– 2017

Commodores Corner – Allan Waterston

The months just seem to fly by and this time next month, 3 September, we will be holding our annual Opening Cruise, marking the start of the 2017/18 dinghy sailing season. Holding the opening cruise on the Sunday follows the decision to move organised club dinghy sailing from Saturdays to Sundays. This will afford numerous sailors and would be sailors to join in, taking advantage of the lagoon and the facilities on offer at KYC. Of course our keeler group who meet regularly on Saturdays will now be able to sail both days of the weekend and enjoy the vibe at the club – what vibe did I hear someone say?

Well after many Sunday starts and stops over past years, we will be going all out in the restaurant, initially providing a Sunday Roast from 3 September. This will be a busy day at the club and to be sure not to miss this inaugural Sunday Roast, please book early, as capacity is limited. Extended operating hours are also on the cards from September coupled with a new menu. Details are being worked out, visit your club and be sure to be in the know.

Some six weeks since our AGM and election of the new committee and work is already underway on all aspects of your club to meet the needs of the members. Regrettably we have already had one resignation, that of Delle Henry, leaving the position of Liaison Officer, vacant yet again. Colin Mathiesen has volunteered to take on the role of Treasurer, a position for which there was no nomination at the AGM; with the less than acceptable performance last year the screws are already being tightened to reduce the losses recorded in the past year.

Dealing with the crucial areas of activity, sub-committees have been formed to guide and monitor the F & B activities as well as Maintenance and Club Development. A further sub-committee will be looking at our constitution again. While these focus on the here and now, a clear strategy is required to grow and develop our club and in this regard, your committee will be meeting in early September.

Following the approval of Honorary Life membership to Bruce McCurrach at the AGM, a short presentation was held in the pub on 5 July when a framed copy of the tribute to Bruce from the President of SAS, Philip Baum, was handed over. Well done Bruce and thanks for all you have done for sailing in SA over the past 50 years or so.

KYC has a small facility at the Heads next door to the NSRI Station fondly known as the 'Bathing booth'. Through the kind generosity of Mike Edgar a long standing member of the club, the booth was renovated and given that little bit of tender loving care that was required, thank you Mike, your help and support is gratefully appreciated. This facility is available for use by all our members, please contact Nicky if you would like access.



Talking access our new cell phone based access control system for the parking area is now the only way to get in. If you are not a paid up member you will not gain access without going through a process. The intercom system will still function but our staff will no longer be able to open the gate with the push of a button. If you have guests please facilitate their access and sign them in. Change is not always easy for some, however with your help the change should be painless.

In-shore sailing – Colin Mathiesen

Our Sailors are doing it again – Some really good results

Blaine Dodds has just finished 3 in the Hobie® 2017 multi Worlds & Europeans Noordwijk

At the recent Eden Sports Council annual awards ceremony held in Riversdale, JP was selected and awarded the Eden Sports Council Newcomer Award for 2017; congratulations JP.

Two of our successful young sailors JP Kriel and Lameck Jason recently attended a Rescue and Safety boat course at George Lakes Yacht Club; they now need to obtain their skippers licence for power boats after which they will receive their certification. Completing the latter will bring Lameck his SAS Level 1 dinghy sailing coach qualification; well done just shows what can be achieved with a little dedication.

The New Sailing season

Its prepare for the new season time again – planning the calendar and getting setup for the sailing season.

Get the paint and grease out as the Opening cruise is going to be on Sunday the 3rd September.

Yes SUNDAY -

This year – we will be holding all our Club Racing on Sundays so please make a spot in your diary for this.

The club and restaurant will be open to cater for your needs

We encourage you and your families spend Sunday afternoons at the Club

Sailing Meeting

We are having a Sailing meeting on Tuesday the 8th August @ 17:30 and like to get some new enthusiastic persons involved.

If you have like

- Driving a motorboat (Rescue)

- Watching sailors race up and down to lagoon (Bridge)

- Enjoy writing or sending emails (Secretary Rosters)

- Have a child who sails or wants to go sailing (Sail Training)

- Run events or business (Duty Officer Racing)

Please join us at the meeting or email Nicky at secretary@knysnayachtclub.com and give her your details and how you would like to help.

We are planning a simple introduction to club bridge work that will deal with starting races and what the bridge is all about.

This will be followed by a power boat skipper's course -

Contact Nicky if you are interested in either. secretary@knysnayachtclub.com 044 3825724 08:00 to 13:00 (weekdays)

Canoe – Danie van Wyk

The canoe polo members put up a very successful Oyster Festival Canoe Polo tournament in the Knysna Waterfront, the beautiful venue of the next SA Canoe Polo Champs in March 2018! A fantastic mix of players participated, from Masters, Under 21 SA players to some absolute beginners. The games drew big crowds mainly due to the Oyster Festival. Club boats were made available to those who couldn't bring their own and the entrance fee was free. Determination, skill, fitness and potential was on display. Congratulations to all teams involved. Special

mention and thanks go to the referees and Iain (plus Nelson in his absence) for organising and Jacek, Coban, Daneel and Jacob for setting up the court. Iain also put up the Cape Town players on short notice.

Thank you to all our very generous sponsors namely: [Knysna Waterfront](#) - For letting us use their perfect-for-polo venue and a generous sponsorship: [Fluid Kayaks](#) - Brilliant prizes and an AMAZING main prize of a Brand New Vuvubat Polo kayak won by Iain Hanton!: [Ocean Odyssey Whale Watching and Eco trips](#) - Sponsored some great vouchers and prizes: [Boekenhoutskloof](#) - Fantastic wine for prizes and then of course the [Knysna Yacht Club](#) - Venue and Braai after the event.



Winning Team: Don, Daneel, Jason, Aiden, Kyla

Club regalia

Our new clothing range is very popular and selling like “hot cakes”. Our new range of KYC branded clothing is available from the Office or from the Bar. If there is something special you are looking for chat to Nicky and she will see what she can do.

Fleece Jackets



Navy

Bomber Jackets



Body Warmer



Navy

Long sleeve knit



Golf Shirt



Navy/Blue/White

Golf Shirt



Navy

V-neck T shirt in navy



Tenders on floating Jetty's

Unidentified tenders on floating jetties remain tied up. If you have not spoken to Nicky and obtained a KYC number for your tender, next time you visit the club there is a good chance that it will not be where you left it.

NB: All boats left on KYC premises **MUST** have a KYC number on them.

Up coming events

3rd September Opening Cruise

Membership

Please remember to advise Nicky of any of your personal details if any of these have changed. Please call or email your new details to Nicky at secretary@knysayachtclub.com

Please note if you have not paid your Subs, you are now a defaulter, and will not be able to access the gate with the new phone system. The plastic key will be removed from the Gate system. Please make sure your Cell number is correct on the system. Speak to Nicky should you have any problems.

We would like to thank our members for the payments made but we are looking for the members who have made the following eft payments with no reference to allow correct allocation. If one of these relates to a payment that you have made, please mail Proof of Payment to secretary@knysayachtclub.com

27 March 2017	Subs invoice	R1 842.00
29 March 2017	KYC001/104038	R 520.00
28 July 2017	MULDER	R1 745.00

NB when you do an eft, please use your Surname or membership number as the reference.

Restaurant and Bar

Restaurant

Breakfast	08h30 – 12h00	(Tuesday to Saturday)
Lunch	12h00 – 14h00	(Tuesday to Saturday)
Dinner	18h00 – 21h00	(Wednesday and Friday nights)

Please phone 044 382 0166 to Reserve your table.

Bar

Normal hours during the week are 11h00 till late and Sunday's 14h00 – 22h00

Wednesday nights– Happy Hour from 18h00 – 19h00 with a Lucky draw in Ashes Bar.

Lucky Draw Winners for July 2017

5 July	Ken Jones	R175.00
12 July	Chris van Zyl	R390.00

19 July	Ursula Niewoudt	R240.00
26 July	Sylvia Klute	R240.00

Friday nights – Another lucky draw but you have to be present at the club when the draw takes place around 19h00. The jackpot currently stands at R3000.00 and grows by R50 per week until won or reaches R4 000; don't miss out be at the club and stand a chance to WIN

Boat Parking - Nicky

We have members that are dumping boats without informing any Staff member.

Please note this will NOT be tolerated any longer. If boats are dumped without permission, we will remove them to the trailer park.