

## Newsbreak 30/11/2011

### **Commodores Lunch**

This is scheduled for Sunday **11/12/2011**. It is the clubs opportunity to thank those members who have attained the age of 65 and above for their past support. For those of you who have not attended this event it is really enjoyable. For those that are regular attendees please put the word out to your mates---- Emil, please get on the blower to the Main Manne. We look forward to spoiling you, and rekindling the fun times of yesteryear!

Please phone 031—3379506 and get your name on the list.

### **Boat Inspection**

As you have heard by mail and by word of mouth the boat surveyors have to make a file up for you---it is part of their commitment in the process of the survey. There has been much debate on where these files are to be kept. Let me clear up the issue both for the surveyors and our members.

We suggest that you retain this file for your records----after all you may move elsewhere, and will need this information going forward. We also recommend you make a copy of all documentation and have this certified. Keep at home.

Regarding the club we only want a copy of the pink form (the white form) to hold on your file---as per usual you will retain your pink form. This will be confirmation that your boat has been inspected. We also hold on file past buoyancy certificates that we were required to produce last year. Please understand that the club will not be the custodian of all the information we need to carry on our boat in the event of authorities asking for our details.

Regarding the pink form, It will be stamped by the inspector to this effect, and it may well have an endorsement that you are still awaiting buoyancy certification.

To summarise, please ensure you have a file on your boat that is water proof and contains all your documents---skippers ticket, radio licence and confirmation of up to date payment, fishing permit, your pink form etc.

### **Family day---16<sup>th</sup> December 2011 (Friday)**

Just a reminder that this is an opportunity to bring your family for a really great time-----Father Christmas will bring sweets and presents from way inside the Indian Ocean. For those that want to drop off presents, please see that these are clearly marked with your child's names. Whilst you are free to decide the value of the gift, think of something around the R50 mark-----I don't want my one year old grandson miffed off because you bought a Lamborghini for your child. Please see that all presents are dropped off by early Friday morning the 16<sup>th</sup> Dec, so it can make the boat.

Besides excellent live music (Amethyst duo), we will also hold a poitjie comp. Please "register" your poitjie with Evette so we know how many fires we need to provide for. There will be some nice prizes.

By the way we need a FC-----somebody please come forward.

### **Some sad news.**

Graham Hodgson passed away yesterday from a lung ailment. Graham always had an impish smile and liked nothing better than enjoying a few cold ones with his mates. Although Graham was Cape Town based we saw a lot of him at the club. To his family our sincere condolences.

### **Sponsorship.**

Wesbank have once again come forward with 5 Gazebo covers. Some had served their time, and were beginning to look shoddy. These are not cheap----around R17000. Once again, a big thank you to Wesbank for their support, and involvement in our club.

### **The Durban Ski Boat Club festival 2012**

We are hard at preparing the way to launch our 2012 festival so here is an early "heads up"

The dates are 28<sup>th</sup> and 29 April 2012. Please note that Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> is a public holiday-----fantastic for registration and meeting friends of old. The entry fee will be R325 early bird and late entry R395. Make sure you square these dates off in your diary.

For the Dorado hunters there have been some solid reports that fish are around and on the bite.

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