



THE DURBAN SKI-BOAT CLUB

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MINUTES OF THE 68th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE PWC ON 26th NOVEMBER 2018 AT 18H00

- 1.0 NOTICE OF MEETING – circulated and accepted.
- 2.0 APOLOGIES – tendered apologies were accepted.
- 3.0 WELCOME – The Commodore welcomed the Chairlady of the DUC, Louisa van Staden and the Vice Chairman, Butch Murray to the meeting. Nic Nel, Chairman of NDSAA and Riaaz Hussain who heads up safety for KZN were also welcomed.
- 4.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 67th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE PWC ON 29th NOVEMBER 2018. Acceptance proposed by Alan Gouveia and seconded by Hilton Kidger.
- 5.0 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION – the following comments were tabled;
 - 4.1 Any changes required will require approval via a SGM which will be called at the right time.
 - 4.2 Align categories of membership between the DSBC and DUC
 - 4.3 Create a Fishing Ski section for non-motorised fishing craft.
 - 4.4 Align membership fees of DSBC & DUC
- 6.0 COMMODORES REPORT – the Commodore, Bruce Jackson addressed the meeting, quote, ‘from the heart’. A year ago the committee inherited a number of challenges with the DUC leadership at the time, concerning the PWC operating model. With the change in Chairman & Vice Chairman of DUC the relationship has improved. In the new Permanent Site, PYC will be our neighbours as will be the Seine Netters.
- 7.0 CLARIFICATION OF THE PWC MODEL AND MOI – The PWC Memorandum of Incorporation (MOI) has not been signed off and legal opinion has been sought to see if it legally acceptable in its proposed form and in the best interests of both parties, being the DSBC and DUC. The structure proposed is that PWC is a registered non-profit company (NPC) with two members, being DSBC and DUC who will retain their own respective identities and autonomy. This has not yet been finalised but we are close to signing.

- 8.0 UPDATE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PERMANENT SITE AND OUR FUTURE PLANS – Pictures were shown of the new Permanent site along with a description of what was being shown. Two architects, Richard Burns and Richard Cooper, representing DUC & DSBC respectively will be asked to present ideas optimising space utilisation. The building contractor working for the DPDC (the Developers and our Landlord) has indicated August 2019 as an indicative handover timeline, after which the clubs will fit out the new facility according to guidelines provided by the respective committees of both clubs. The new club house has a lot of space and so there will be a big cost to fit this out! The final costs have not yet been determined. There will be a height restriction on the road access to the beach for boats on trailers, of 4.5m under the promenade which is adequate for all but the very biggest ski boats which in some cases will need to lower their T tops.
- 9.0 2019 FESTIVAL PLANS – the Festival will be held over the Easter weekend 19th – 21st April, 2019 and arrangements are being made to cater for attractions for the whole family. 18 entrants have signed up already and there will be a lucky draw for the first 50 entrants. The Festival is open for additional sponsors.
- 10.0 SOCIAL COMPETITIONS & EVENTS – Four social competitions will be held next year and approximately R10,000 is given away in prizes each time. CMH is a major sponsor. Members are invited to support the club socials which carry a nominal entrance fee of R100 per angler.
- 11.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – Treasurers report attached – these are the points raised in his presentation.
- 11.1 DSBC is no longer a “trading club” as PWC handles this side of things.
 - 11.2 We incurred a R360K revenue loss due to loss of boat shelters.
 - 11.3 Costs of R400K were incurred on legal issues
 - 11.4 All DSBC staff costs were transferred to PWC with only our three tractor drivers – Twenty, Welcome and Blessing staying on the DSBC payroll.
 - 11.5 Approximately R500K – R700K is the total expenditure on the tractor services provided. DUC contributes 20% towards this and DUC members enjoy full benefits.
 - 11.6 We spent R700K on fitting out the Temporary facility.
 - 11.7 Our contribution to PWC fixed costs is R2.305m.
- 12.0 COMPETITIVE ANGLING – Fishing Captains report attached.
- 13.0 ELECTION OF AUDITORS - unchanged - proposed by Rob Downs and seconded by Mick Gray
- 14.0 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS – the current committee members will remain and serve for next year and Bruce thanked all for their support and contribution.
- 15.0 SAFETY

- 15.1 Thanks to Skinny who is our Safety Officer and sees that boat inspections are carried out efficiently and effectively every year. Skinny extended his appreciation to the skippers for the way they presented their boats and paperwork for inspections which makes the task of the volunteer safety officers that much easier.
- 15.2 Beach Protocol – this is still a work in process. The DSBC (not the PWC) is the designated custodian of the beach launch site as appointed by the Ports Authority.
- 16.0 GENERAL – Questions from members
- 16.1 Darren Gray and other members – Please explain the loss of fixed assets R156K? Was anything sold and to whom?
- 16.2 Sun deck – R78K. This was donated to Warnerdoone SBC.
- 16.3 Old assets no longer useable – were donated or disposed of.
- 16.4 Bar top? This has been retained in storage for possible use in the Permanent site.
- 16.5 Kitchen equipment – this was mostly very old – remaining items of use are in storage.
- 16.6 Some items were sold to Mapelane SBC, others are in storage.
- 16.7 The Coke fridges were returned to Coca Cola.
- 16.8 Alex van der Werf – How do the F&B (finances) work?
- 16.8.1 This comes into the cost of running the PWC – both income and expenditure. Presently both clubs subsidise a shortfall.
- 16.9 Chris Smith – where will the funding come from for fitting out the new Permanent site?
- 16.9.1 Currently there is no budget yet for this as we still have not received a building plan from the developer.
- 16.10 In the PWC model, will the PWC hold an AGM?
- 16.10.1 No, as the only members of the PWC are the two clubs themselves each of who holds their own AGM.
- 16.11 Please explain the R2.3m contribution to PWC. PWC took over operational expenses and F&B runs at a loss?
- 16.11.1 The shortfall (or over-expenditure) is in the salaries and wages. The full staff complement from both clubs was retained, with only some attrition.
- 16.12 With the PWC loss/ shortfall, do we foresee an increase in subs once we move into the permanent site?
- 16.12.1 No, not beyond inflation. We are planning prudent expenditure cut backs.
- 16.12.2 There has been a growing imbalance in membership split between DUC and DSBC. This is being addressed.
- 16.12.3 There is a steady stream of new members applying for membership.
- 16.13 We may have to rentalise parking.

- 16.14 The fit out costs for the new Permanent site are a concern at the moment (due to the many unknowns?)
- 17.0 Honorary memberships were extended to Mike Phillips (previously of the Kingfisher), Rob Basher Downs (CMH) and Marty Lodetti (M Projects). Proposed and seconded by Hilton Kidger and Matthew Hancock respectively.
- 18.0 Noted – a vote of thanks from the floor for the committee and elected officials of the club who serve in one way and another.