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Commodores Report 2023-2024

19th December 2024

Ladies and gentlemen, Welcome to this our 50th Annual general meeting.

The year 2024 has been an exceptionally busy year for Shelly, notwithstanding it being our 50th year, we have also become the “go to” club for the SADSAA Tuna Interprovincial having hosted it for a 4th consecutive year.

Finances

The club has had a good financial year. The building has been well maintained and upgraded in many aspects. The club increased its turnover some 40% over last year and this is in large part what permits us to do what we do and achieve what we achieve.

The club undertook the following projects/renovations and/or upgrades:

- The relocation of the garbage room
- The relocation of the water tanks as well as the increase in our carrying capacity by two additional tanks
- Blinds were fitted to the bathrooms and restaurant windows
- All bar tables and stools where refurbished during the year
- Stainless steel braais purchased and fitted
- Plastered the pool facing wall as well as the wall along the side of the pool.
- All umbrella holders replaced with stainless steel
- New tv fitted in bar area
- Replaced pug and charger points in the bar
- Purchased three new extra size tables for outside
- Upgraded the launch tower radio system

The location of our building remains our exclusive selling point however the maintenance thereof due to our location totals an average spend of almost R60k per month. The onslaught of the elements remains never ending and there is always something that needs to be done. Thank you to our grounds man Phillip for taking care of our building.;

The club still managed to turnover around R14 million rand and we extend our heartfelt thanks to our service provider, Messers Loomes and Snyman and of course, Nevelle and the team. They have all kept us well fed and watered and have gone above and beyond catering to our needs such as braais, members specials etc.

We have had the benefit of ongoing sponsorships and I extend our thanks to all our loyal sponsors and wish them all and their families all the best for the festive season. We look forward to working with you next year.

Fishing

SBSBC hosted an incredible 4 competitions this year, namely:

The SBSBC Interclub

50th Anniversary Gamefish Competition

NDSAA/SADSAA Tuna Interprovincial

Please allow me to make special mention of Robyn Garbade, Maxine Marlow and Chantal Barclay, as non-committee members, for all the work they have done in making these competitions very special and successful indeed.

We have run three fishing seminars and at this point I would like to thank Carl Gutzeit for his time in delivering an hugely informative morning on slow pitch jigging.

I am proud to say that the base of competitive anglers has grown to now include some 17 regular anglers on the competitive interclub circuit. This year has been a great learning year and 2025 will build on this and our aim is to keep growing the competitive pool and to identify a high performance team with a view to growing them towards their NDSAA, SADSAA and possibly Protea Colours.

SBSBC was represented in one way or another at the following competitions:

Interclubs

Durban Ski Boat Club – Elmar Basson, Maxine Marlow, Leon Garbade

Warnadoone Ski Boat Club – Owen Barclay, Oliver Currie, Brandon Hooke

Mapelane Trophy – Owen Barclay, Eddie Lahee, Shaun Barker

Park Rynie Interclub – Brandon Hooke, Troy Peckham, Declan Taylor

Mapelane Junior – Owen Barclay, Oliver Currie, Joe Currie

Umhlanga Interclub – Owen Barclay, Leon Garbade, Brandon Hooke

- Mignon Basson, Addison Garbade, Maxine Marlow

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Shelly Interclub – Reydon basson, Oliver Currie, Brandon Hooke

- Faith Lategan, Addison Garbade, Danelle Claasen

- Piet Bodenstein, Maxine Marlow, Matthew Stott

ROSEBOWL Elmar Basson 1st place

I would like to take the opportunity to recognise the following members on their prestigious awards:

Elmar Basson – Natal Colours

Wesley Uys – Southern Gauteng Angling Colours

Mark Brewitt – SADSAA Angling Colours

Wade Martin – Protea Colours

Charles Du Plessis – Protea Colours (Re-award)

Dave Martin – Protea Colours (Re-award)

Elmar Basson served the year on the NDSAA Council as Southern area Representative and Leon Garbade re-elected as NDSAA Vice President.

Well Done to all concerned on a great angling year and I extend a HUGE thank you to all of our boat owners who gave so freely of their time and their boats to make these competitions possible.

The year ahead will see our mighty club host the following competitions:

SBSBC Interclub

SADSAA Tuna Interprovincial

SBSBC Gamefish Classic

Events

The club has hosted numerous member events such as social braais and get togethers as well as a continuing to be a great Rugby venue with the big screen being used to its full potential. We hosted two very successful live music events as well.

The SBSBC Committee has done their level best to keep the club running and achieving what it has and to this extent I must thank the committee for their hard work and look forward to seeing where the new committee will be taking us in the 24/25 year.

Thanks

Towards conclusion I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the following people for the involvement and guidance:

Mr C Schorn – SADSAA President

Mr N Nel – SADSAA Tournament Officer

Mr A VD Berg NDSAA President and SADSAA Action Committee member

Lindi Visser, our super lady who looks after all of us. Lindy you have truly made the office your own. Your systems and attention to detail are unmatched and we count ourselves blessed to have you. Lindy you have immersed yourself in the aspects of what this club does and I thank you for your hard work, diligence and of course, calm approach when everything seems to be falling apart.

My committee – thank you guys for your dedication and hard work. Often under trying circumstances and pressure and yet you all delivered in spades.

My Vice Commodore – Elmar, congrats on a hard fishing year for you. You have put in some long days and hours and the reward will come. Thank you for your loyalty and your friendship. There is not a day that goes by that I take it for granted.

Lastly to my family, Robyn, Addi, and Tosh. Thanks for supporting me and this club.

The year ahead carries with it uncharted waters as we head towards a new format Gamefish competition being a departure from our traditional Tuna Bonanza. However I know with the team that is coming in, they will make a massive success of it.

I thank you all for letting me be the Commodore of this most amazing club and wish you and your families all the best for the festive season and year ahead.

Safe seas and Tight Lines to all.

Yours In Angling

Leon Garbade

Commodore SBSBC 2023-2024

