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Poma Newsletter: January 2018

1) **Save the Date!**

1.1) POMA AGM - 18 April 2018, Port Owen Yacht Club.

Our changed financial reporting period, which ended 31 December 2017, necessitates having the AGM earlier in the year in order to have the financial statements approved as early as possible to ensure payment of the Municipal Grant by 1 July 2018.

A new Board will have to be appointed.

Member Organisations are reminded that they may invite members to attend.

1.2) GENERAL MEMBERS MEETING – 21 April 2018, Riviera Hotel.

At this meeting the budget and latest forecast for the 2018 Financial Year will be presented (the 2018 Budget was approved at the April 2017 meeting).

The proposed rates for 2018/19, effective 1 July 2018, will be tabled for discussion and approval.

Clients and members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

2) **Donations Received**

We have received a generous donation from Mr Bill O'Reilly of R25 000,00 during December 2017.

Mr O'Reilly has served as a POMA Director for many years and we thank him for the donation as well as his contribution as Board member.

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3) POMA Strategy

Your Board will be meeting to discuss and formulate important strategy issues on 9 February 2018.

Please contact your respective representative and ensure that he/she will submit any issue that you may want to be considered at this meeting. Please be reminded that your interaction with the directors is the only way to ensure that your voice is heard and your issues attended to.

4) Numbering of Jetties

The Marina Manager, Mike Little, and his team will be starting to number all the private jetties with the applicable stand number. Older clients will remember that this was done in the past, but with the replacement of old wooden jetties and introduction of floating jetties it fell by the wayside. Identification of jetties is necessary to make the administration easier and more accurate.

5) Launching Permits

We wish to thank those clients whom have already collected their new permits and remind remaining clients that we would dearly love to complete this exercise by the end of February 2018.

6) Dredging

We are, unfortunately, still waiting for a reply on our request for an amendment to our dredging permit (Environmental Authority), which was lodged via our attorneys, Webber Wentzel, early in December 2017.

Advertisements calling for dredging tenders have been placed and the first site meeting with prospective contactors has been held. Final receipt and adjudication of tenders will only be able once the terms of the EA is known.

A special member and clients meeting will be held as soon as the above detail is received and dealt with.

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7) Cleaning the Waterways

Nature has decided that there will not be water lettuce (Ulva) in the marina this summer! Instead we have the “fishnet weed” to deal with. The POMA team has been hard at work clearing this and we seem to be able to deal with this easier than the Ulva.

The seagrass in the Loop will be removed by the dredger as part of that operation. I am personally, looking forward to have a natural waterway teeming with juvenile fish. There are huge shoals of mullet in the waterways at the moment.

We have an exciting time ahead for the marina in 2018. I sincerely hope that we will be able to do the “Big Dredge”, which will then enable us to concentrate on the other, overdue, maintenance issues such as the wooden jetties, embankments and walkways.

Be safe on the water! (and, elsewhere)

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