

Port Owen Marina Authority (NPC)

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Newsletter: October 2021

We have had our Annual General Members Meeting, as well as the Annual Clients and Public Meeting, on 23 October 2021. The attendance at the Clients meeting was fair, considering the Covid situation.

At the moment, the Covid numbers are very low, but the experts keep on warning people to stay away from mass gatherings to prevent a "Fourth wave", so we ask you act responsibly. Social distancing and wearing of masks seem to be all important.

1. Governance

1.1. The POMA Board for 2021/22:

The directors elected by the member organisations are:

- The Bergrivier Municipality (BRM) will nominate its candidate after conclusion of the municipal elections.
- Admiral Island and Pelican Bay Home Owners Association (AI&PBHOA) is still unwilling to nominate a director to serve on the Board, so there is no representation.
- The Port Owen Property Owners Association (POPOA) nominated Abe Uys as director and Herman Lambrechts as alternate director.
- The Port Owen Waterway Association (POWA) nominated Derek Robinson as director and John de Meillon as alternate director.
- The Port Owen Yacht Club (POYC) nominated John Scudder as director and George Breeze as alternate director.
- The Waterway Action Group (WAG) will nominate their directors for the next term as soon as they have had their AGM and elections. In the interim, Briers van Rensburg will continue as director and Llewellyn Delport as alternate director.

The new Board elected Abe Uys as Chairperson and Derek Robinson as Vice Chairperson for the new term.

1.2. Resignation of the Marina Manager:

 Riaan Adendorff has left us at the end of October, due to personal reasons. His Father's health is deteriorating and his attention is needed on the family farm

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- Riaan was a real pathfinder in the position of Marina Manager for the Port Owen Marina, being the first full-time, permanently employed manager. He helped to establish, not only the manager's position, but also that of the administrative and maintenance positions.
- He had to work with the Executive Directors another first for the organisation and did that successfully. He will be missed and we wish him well for his future.

1.3. Fanie Joubert "Retirement":

 Fanie Joubert joined the POMA Board in 2005 as the representative for POPOA. He has now, after 16 years of service, decided to call it a day, for medical reasons.

We wish to thank "Oom" Fanie for his service. He has been a veritable encyclopedia for the POMA Board, carrying all the unwritten history in his head, but gladly giving it to anyone interested or affected in some sort of way. He will be missed at the Board meetings, and I am certain that he will be called on occasion to assist with resolving contentious issues.

Enjoy the rest, Oom Fanie, and we hope that your medical problem will be solved soon. Our thoughts are with you.

2. Fees for 2022

- The fees for the new year were presented at the Clients and Public Meeting held on 23 October 2021. The 2021 fees will be increased by 4.5%, effective 1 January 2022.
- The official schedule can be viewed on the POMA website.

3. Dredging permit applications

Our consultants are running late with the completion of their report, but we are confident that our submission to the Department will be completed before the end of November.

As promised previously, a detailed Dredging Report will be published as soon as we have received a response from DFFE.

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4. Embankments, Walkways and Open Spaces

We are making good progress with the walkway and embankment rehabilitation as per the budgeted schedules.

5. Law Enforcement

The numbers for the Marine Rangers are as follows:

- Hotline 067 412 9922
- Jan Pienaar 079 750 6742
- Lauren Matthews 084 879 0668
- Ryan Marinus 082 624 5851

6. Fire Prevention

Please note that the Basic Standard Operating Procedure for Fire Prevention in the Marina is now available on the Poma website.

7. General

Although the restrictions have been relaxed, on the back of a vastly improved Covid infection rate, be mindful of the health requirements and always be safe!

Abe Uys