



Port Owen Marina Authority (NPC)

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Changes to the POMA Board:

- Ian Mackintosh and Pieter Viljoen are replaced by Gabby de Wet and Alan Reynolds as Director and Alternate Director respectively representing Port Owen Yacht Club.
- Ian Mackintosh, Pieter Viljoen and Briers van Rensburg have been appointed to the board as Independent Directors.
- Ian Mackintosh will continue as Chairperson until the POMA Annual General Meeting in October 2023.

It is important to note that the POMA Directors are unpaid volunteers who are members of the Port Owen community and thus have a vested interest in making sure that POMA is efficiently and effectively managed. Unfortunately, there is a high degree of apathy evident amongst stakeholders and several of the member organisations have been unable to muster sufficient numbers to form a quorum and hold an annual general meeting. This is cause for great concern and all POMA clients are encouraged to support the member organizations in order to ensure the Association remains viable.

POMA Structure:

Most clients are aware of the structure and mandate of the Port Owen Marina Association (POMA), but for the sake of new clients and for the sake of those requiring a quick refresher, I would like to briefly reiterate.

After the Developer of Port Owen went into liquidation, the Berg River Municipality, in collaboration with various stakeholders, established the Port Owen Marina Association (POMA) to manage the marina and associated waterways (The name was later changed to the Port Owen Marina Authority) POMA is a “not for profit company” whose structure and mandate is contained in a Memorandum of Incorporation (MOI) which provides for a Board of Directors to manage the affairs of the Company. The original members were the:



- Bergrivier Municipality (BRM)
- Port Owen Property Owners Association (POPOA)
- Port Owen Yacht Club (POYC)

Later the following members were added.

DIRECTORS

I Mackintosh (Chairman); D Robinson; A J Uys; J Moolman; AT Focé; Gabby de Wet
H Lambrechts (Alt); Alan Reynolds (Alt); J de Meillon (Alt)
B van Rensburg; P Viljoen

- Port Owen Waterways Association (POWA)
- Admiral Island and Pelican Bay Homeowners Association (AI&PBHOA).
- Waterways Action Group (WAG)

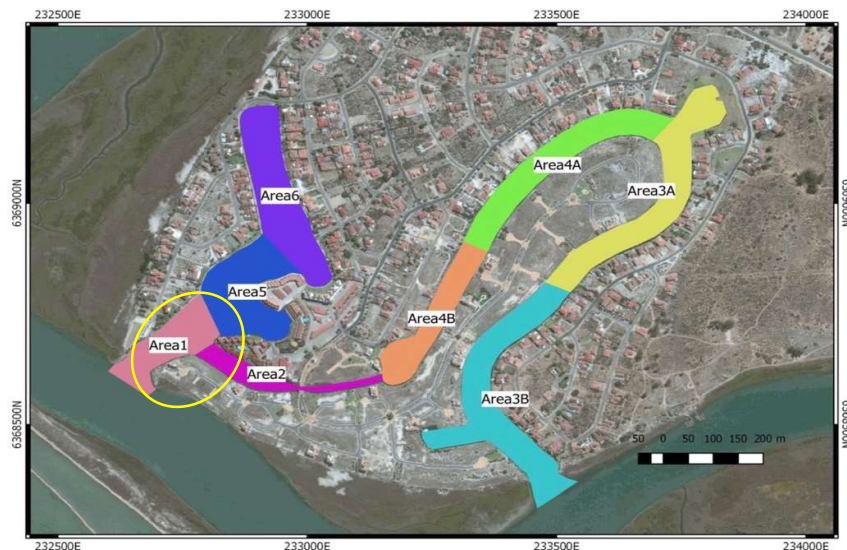
Each member is represented on the Board of Directors by a Director and an Alternative Director elected by the member organizations at their respective Annual General Meeting. The Board of Directors meets quarterly to review strategy, policies and procedures of the company and provide oversight of the day-to-day management of the company which is carried out by an executive committee (Exco). The following people make up the Exco:

- Operations Director
- Finance Director
- Marina Manager
- Financial and Office Administrator

Infrastructure repairs and maintenance:

This years' exceptional rainfall, particularly in the catchment areas of the Berg River, was very welcome, but has resulted in damage to civils infrastructure (walkways and buttress walls) in the waterways. In some cases, existing issues were exacerbated but there was also new damage. POMA is currently working with member organisations to compile a prioritised list of damaged areas and clients are requested to ensure that any damage to buttress walls and walkways is reported and captured by the member associations. Once this inventory is complete a work programme will be implemented to repair the damaged areas. Due to resource limitations, not all the work can be carried out immediately, but the Authority is committed to attending to identified areas as soon as practically possible.

Dredging progress:



PORT OWEN MARINA SURVEY AREAS

Dredging is ongoing and is being carried out under the restrictions imposed by our permits. Work has been focussed on areas 1 and 2, as shown in the above image and these areas are expected to be largely completed by the end of August. We are not permitted to dredge then for three months (September, October, and November) which are peak period for fish spawning. The dredging system

will be overhauled during this shut-down period but will be ready for recommissioning in December 2023 when activities will move to area 3B.

Bergivier Municipality Boating Permits:

These are no longer required/available. The CapeNature Rangers will still be doing patrols, but self-compliance is required in respect of:

- Certificate of Fitness for the vessel,
- Certificates of Competence for the operator and
- Compliance with the municipal bye laws as they apply to the estuary and river.

Directory:

It is important that everyone in a community becomes involved in managing issues that affect that community. One way to become constructively involved is to report violations of rules and regulations or incidents where potentially harmful pollution or offensive emissions are noticed. The directory below is provided to assist clients to identify and report incidents to the appropriate authority.

POMA Marina Manager (John Titterton)	manager@poma.co.za	076 362 2991
POMA Administrator (Elaine Visser)	poma@poma.co.za	022 783 0943
Pollution incidents (Lauren Mathews)	lmathews@capenature.co.za	
Complaints in respect of contraventions of environmental legislation eg: Trampling of salt marsh, vessels speeding, use of jetski's in prohibited areas etc.		079 291 1440
Odour and emissions complaints: West Coast District Municipality Air Quality Management Office and WCDM Environmental Health Dept.	cgbein@wcdm.co.za	022 713 5950
	cjminnaar@wcdm.co.za	
	cjkotze@wcdm.co.za mmeyers@wcdm.co.za	083 609 8051 074 733 9670
Illegal netting and fishing (Mathew Mahola)	mmahola@dfre.gov.za	084 635 3092
Any concerns relating to the marine rangers	tcoller@capenature.co.za	082 784 1752
	cbeattie@capenature.co.za	028 272 9829 082 070 1873 087 158 2080
Marine Rangers		079 291 1440

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