

10 APRIL 2024

Clubhouse Update



Clubhouse OPEN Wed to Sunday

Club Office hours: Wed to Fri | 9am - 3pm

Weekends : 9am - 2pm

031 030 0190

Dear Members,

Despite the challenging weather conditions, our dedicated team for beach and reef cleanup came together for the monthly clean up. Their commitment to environmental stewardship, even in adverse conditions, is truly commendable.

On a different note, we want to express appreciation to members who have advertised with the club in our car park. With that said, we would like to announce that there are advertising spaces available for the upcoming year. If you're interested in showcasing your business or services to our diverse membership base, please don't hesitate to reach out to us by email - general@pwsc.co.za.

As always, your participation and contributions are what make our club thrive. Whether it's through environmental initiatives, advertising support, or simply enjoying the camaraderie of our community, each and every one of you plays a vital role in shaping the spirit of our club.

Thank you.

Grant Wessels
General Manager



Dates to Diarize

Dates to make note of this month. Be sure to mark your diary so that you don't miss the action!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **20th** DUC League Swim
- **20th** DUC League SUP
- **20th** Discover Freediving
- **27 - 28th** DSBC Festival
- **1st May** Turtle Talk



Club Watersport Sections

As a member of DUC or DSBC, you are spoilt for choice on various watersports that are available to you. In the following sections, we'll highlight any special events for these watersports.

- Angling
- Environmental
- Fishing Ski
- Freediving
- Lifesaving
- Open Water Swimming
- Scuba Diving
- Spearfishing
- Stand Up Paddle
- Surf Ski
- Underwater Hockey
- Water Polo



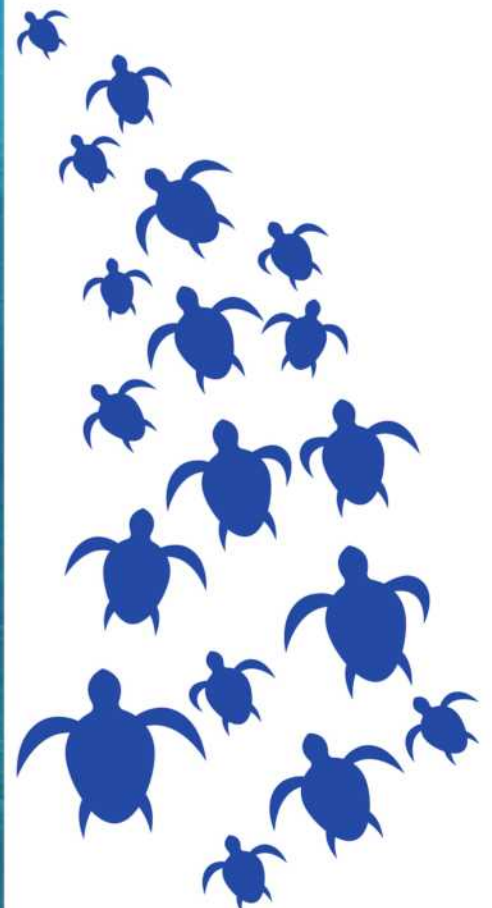
Social Activities



Catch this weekend's **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT** Happy hour every Saturday from 16h30 to 18h00 - 30% discount on drinks exclusive to members only.



Mark your calendars for this informative talk by Natalie Dos Santos on the **1st of May**. We'll be discussing citizen science and how you can contribute to vital research of our sea turtles on the KZN coast.



Special Notes

We would like to thank our members for advertising with us in the carpark. There is still some advertising space available. Please contact the office for more information.

Email general@pwsc.co.za



Angling

ENTRIES FOR THE 2024 DURBAN SKI BOAT CLUB FESTIVAL ARE NOW OPEN!

Join us on the weekend of the **27th - 28th April** for another fantastic Couta Festival, where the heaviest Couta takes top spot! Early Bird entry before 31 March is R800 and guarantees you a goody bag to the value of R260. Thereafter, entry will be R900. Entry forms are available online <https://www.durbanskiboatclub.co.za/festival>

Platinum Sponsors

- CMH, WesBank, NISSAN, YAMAHA, INFIN GREEN, LOWRANCE, SMG, YAMAHA, Bryte, WARN, ASSASSIN, LUMTHUNZI, SHIMANO, LMH, 3M, Natal Caravans & Marine, M PROJECTS, YAMALUBE, Windhoek, CMI, CLUB MARINE, PULSATOR

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Tel: 031 030 0190 - E-mail: festival@durbanskiboatclub.co.za Enter online • www.durbanskiboatclub.co.za

Environmental

We had an awesome reef clean up last weekend, the vis was bad until the end of the wall but when we got there we were treated to over 12 cowries huddled in various holes! The litter of the day was, disposable nappies and we even managed to collect one off the reef just 1.5kg collected today but it all adds up.

Save the date for the next clean up on the **4th of May!**



Freediving

LEARN TO FREEDIVE

BEGINNER OR ADVANCED COURSE DATES

~~12 - 14 APRIL~~ *Fully Booked*

3 - 5 MAY

31 JULY - 2 JUNE

21 - 23 JUNE *1 Spot Available*

12 - 14 JULY

16 - 18 AUGUST

Freediving is a lifelong learning experience and yours starts here.

082 874 1706 | info@saltescape.co.za

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Discover the underwater world in the most natural way by holding your breath. The Molchanovs Wave 1 Beginner Freediver course will take you through a fun and relaxed experience yet with a strong focus on making you a safe freediver.


Everyone can access the Wave 1 course. You just need to be healthy and able to swim 200 meters. By the end of this course, through passing pool, depth, safety, and theory requirements, you will become a complete Wave 1 freediver.

If you're not quite ready to dive straight into a course, we also have basic introductory workshops.

This covers the basic theory and pool skills for the foundation of freediving. Building your confidence in water before heading into the deep!

Contact Angie for details
082 874 1706



 **DISCOVER FREEDIVING**

INTRODUCTION TO FREEDIVING WORKSHOP


SATURDAY 20TH APRIL | 13H00 - 16H00
KINGS PARK POOL

Ideal for those who want to learn how to snorkel comfortably in the open ocean, to be more confident in water & explore the world of freediving.

Limited to max 6 participants
DUC member R750
Non-member R950

By the end of this workshop you will have a basic understanding of freediving physiology & how our bodies are able to perform underwater.

Contact Angie for more info
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Open Water Swimming

Mark your calendars for the April league swim. Note that we'll be swimming on the **20th of April**, due to the DSBC Festival taking place over the 27th and 28th.

Online entries close Friday, 19 April!



DUC MONTHLY OPENWATER SWIM 1200M & 2400M

**20
APRIL
2024**

PLACE:
Durban Undersea Club
TIME:

6:45 for 7:15am start

ENTRY FEE:

R75

(Includes a Bacon & Egg Roll!)

REGISTRATION:

Online entries only at
www.duc.co.za

WhatsApp Steve Evans on
082 855 5516 if you do not have a
swimming number.

Online entries close on Friday
19 April at 1pm.

Please wear a cap & have your
swimming number on your arm.

FOR INFORMATION :
Steve Evans 082 855 5516

**ALL
WELCOME**

**CHILDREN UNDER 12 MUST SWIM WITH A BUOY
& MAY ONLY SWIM THE SHORT COURSE**



Scuba Diving

Come and join us for an informative discussion about this exciting Citizen Science Project on the **9th of May**. Followed by a weekend of diving on the **18th and 19th of May**. To RSVP or to pre-book the dives contact Sarah at 0728010606.

GUIDE TO COASTAL FISHES of the WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN

An alternative to using the QR code is to open the App Store or Play Store and search for Coastal Fishes.

This simple-to-use app is the ultimate identification guide to the incredible diversity of coastal fish along the East and South Coast of Southern Africa.

The main features include clear underwater photographs of 756 fish species showing changes from the juvenile to the adult stage, where possible, the latest scientific names, brief species profiles, line drawings of typical family groups, compare features for comparison of similar species and a MY LIST - to record personal fish observations.

The App has been several years in the making, principally by Dennis King and Pamela Le Noury. Dennis has provided most of the photographs which were taken over a period of 40 years.

We trust the App will inform and enrich the lives of scuba divers, snorkelers, scientists, and students.

DIVE & MAKE WAVES

Discover how you can get involved in a SCUBA diving citizen science initiative. Come and join us in uncovering the wonders of our local reef ecosystems, and contribute to local marine conservation.

JOIN US FOR AN INFO SESSION

DATE: THURSDAY 9TH MAY
 VENUE: BAR 2
 TIME: 18H00 FOR 18H30

RSVP: SARAH 0728010606

SCAN ME!



For More Info



Guide to COASTAL FISHES of the WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN App

- 756 fish species
- Search and compare functions
- More than 3000 pictures









by Dennis King and Pamela Le Noury



Spearfishing

The KZN Spearfishing Team kick off National Champs at Noordhoeak Skiboat club in PE this week. A big Thank you to DUC for the team kit! Good luck guys!



Kitchen Specials Menu

ALL WEEK

Ribs n' Wings	R150
Big Daddy Breakfast	R95
Seafood Salad	R99
Homemade Fish Cakes	R95
PWSC Signature Pizza	R98
Asian-style Pork Strips	R60
Mussel Hot Pot	R70

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS

Falafel Salad	R95
Egg-fried rice	R70

WEDNESDAY 10 APR

Chicken Kiev	R115
Durban Mutton Curry	R105

THURSDAY 11 APR

Jerk Chicken	R90
Tender Roasted Beef Topside	R100

FRIDAY 12 APR

Fisherman's Eisbein	R98
Traditional SA Bobotie	R100

SUNDAY 14 APR

Famous Pork Belly	R105
Traditional Beef Wellington	R100
Apple Crumble	R45



Venue Hire

FUNCTION VENUE AVAILABLE FOR EXCLUSIVE USE!

Venue hire includes bar, catering, braai facilities as well as restrooms and beach access. Celebrate with us! For all enquiries, please email gm@pwsc.co.za



BOARDROOM AVAILABLE FOR HIRE

For a quick meeting or brainstorming day away from the office, the PWSC Boardroom is available for hire. The space is equipped with Wifi & smart TV with easy connection from laptop to the TV, Flip chart, air conditioned and printer available for use. For all enquiries, please email gm@pwsc.co.za

RATE: R300 per hour / R2000 Full day use

