

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NOMADS GAME FISHING CLUB ON
WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY 2023 AT 18H30 VIA TEAMS

AGENDA

1. WELCOME
2. PRESENT
3. APOLOGIES
4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES
5. ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES
6. CHAIRMANS REPORT- In writing
7. VICE CHAIRMANS REPORT-In writing
8. FINANCE AND MEMEBRSHIP -In writing
9. COMPETITIONS ROSEBOWL -In writing
10. PRO REPORT -In writing
11. CLOSED-
12. INTERCLUBS
13. DEVELOPMENT
14. ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE
15. GENERAL
 - 15.1. RESOLUTION MEMBERS TO NOMINATE AND ELECT CLUB CAPTAIN

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE NOMADS GAME
FISHING CLUB HELD on SATURDAY 22 JANUARY 2022 AT 10H00 at the Club
House, Rynfield Dam**

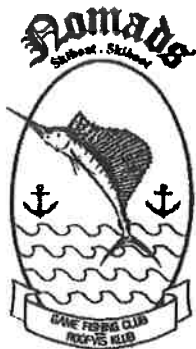
PRESENT: Colin Green, Sean Green, Mike Green, Mark Cockcroft, , Dudley Saunders, Paddy Venske, Dave Martin, Elmarie Martin Wade Martin, Kevin Allardyce, Mark Cockcroft, Sean Cockcroft, Alex Lockyer , Dries Liebenberg , Hennie Liebenberg, Henk Liebenburg, Chrisjan Jansen, Martin de Witt , Pieter Range, Norman Coetzee, Adrian Feher, Natalie Lenferna, Alex Lockyer, Donovan Foley, Richard Mosley

APOLOGIES: Mike Koch

	ITEM
1.	CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME - Kevin welcomed and thanked the members for attending.
2.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES - Nothing
3.	ADOPTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES - Kevin was the proposer and Alex seconded it.
4.	CHAIRMANS REPORT - - In writing.
5.	FINANCES & MEMBERSHIP REPORT - In writing..
6.	SAFETY - Nothing to report.
7	NEW COMMITTEE ELECTED AS FOLLOWS;

	ITEM
	<p>Kevin Allardyce-Chairman and secretary</p> <p>Chrisjan Jansen-Vice Chairman</p> <p>Colin Green-Treasurer</p> <p>Alex Lockyer-Nomads Closed</p> <p>Wade Martin-PRO</p> <p>Dries Liebenberg</p> <p>Adrian Feher-Development and Inter-clubs</p> <p>Courtney Hicks-Ad hoc</p>
8	<p>GENERAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mark Cockcroft and Ian Van Zyl resigned as members. Kevin thanked them for their considerable efforts over the years.

_____ CHAIRMAN _____ DATE



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A warm welcome to you all.

Membership: - 2022 was a good year for the club. Our membership has increased to 67 members, and we remain the largest club in the Southern Gauteng Deep Sea Angling Association.

Finances: - Our finances remain in a good state as our Treasurer's report reflects.

The Constitution of this club is premised on the objective that we are a competitive angling club. As a committee we remain committed to promoting competitive angling at whatever level you wish to pursue it whether it is simply to participate in the Closed and / or Rosebowl competitions; or you may have your sights set on club colours and wish to participate in interclubs; or you may wish to travel the long road to Protea colours, striving to obtain your association, provincial and national colours. Whatever your aim is, the committee is mandated and we are here to assist you in reaching your goals. That is why as a club we continue to sponsor members at interclubs and to actively encourage members to nominate for interclubs, interprovincial tournaments and nationals.

The club was well represented this year not only by the selection of some of its members to represent SGDSAA in provincial and national tournaments, but also by the selection of Mark Cockcroft for his first (1st) cap, and Dave Martin for his fifteenth (15th) cap, as members of the Protea Team that participated at the 69th International Billfish Tournament held in Puerto Rico.



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The Nomads Club team of Wade Martin (Captain), Dave Martin and Fires Van Vuuren competed at the International Light Tackle Tournament Association in Costa Rica and were pipped at the post, by virtue of time, to achieve second place and a silver medal at this international tournament, which is certainly the most outstanding result in the club's history. Wade Martin was the sixth top angler, Dave Martin the 21st and Fires Van Vuuren, the 24th. It goes without saying that as a club we are extremely proud of them for their incredible achievements.

Fundraising: - Our fundraising efforts were bolstered by a successful Golf Day which resulted in the club making a profit of R48,000.00. I wish to thank the committee for the huge effort that they put into the golf day in order to make it the success that it was. Also, thank you to all the members who showed true *gees* in supporting this fun fundraising event. Plans are already in progress for our next golf day in April 2023 and we are hoping that it will be even more successful than last year.

The All-Stars is an incredible initiative of SGDSAA, and as a club we were proud to sponsor the tournament. We are also proud that Paddy Cockcroft participated in that tournament. A big thank you to Adrian Feher who put in a huge amount of effort as one of the organisers of this Tournament. The Tournament will take place again this year and we shall, as a club sponsor this amazing event.

I hope the Rosebowl 2023 will be a watershed for the club, where our members, and as skippers and anglers participate in order to bring back the trophy to where it belongs.

Our club captain, Mark Cockcroft gave a detailed report to the entire club which was published in the Nomads Tide. It did not make for a pretty reading. As a committee we resolved to take action to ensure that the last three years of defeat are not repeated this year. To this end we cannot emphasise enough the need for each and every member to support our efforts to bring back the trophy.

We identified the Closed, held at Sodwana in October 2022, as a means of raising the bar. A practice run of sorts for the Rosebowl. Riaan Odendaal, a local skipper and Protea angler, kindly gave us a presentation on game fish and billfish Angling. Handouts were given to the members who attended the Closed and these handouts will be made available to all



those fishing and for those that will be attending the Rosebowl. It contains a list of waypoints and useful information.

We have seven boats committed and entered into the Rosebowl and this includes the new members and skippers of Aquaholic and Skylar Blue. The committee thanks those boats that have already entered for the commitment. Every active skipper in the club has been approached to participate and we look forward to more members committing to this competition. The same approach will be adopted for the Closed, skippers must therefore expect the call.

As a committee we cannot encourage you enough to participate in these important tournaments.

2023 promises to be another good Angling year for our club as we continue to go from strength to strength.

I wish to thank the committee members for their efforts that they put in over the year.

Wade Martin put together an incredible Nomads Tide in August 2022, thus saving me the trouble of recording all the tournaments and events that took place. A copy of that Tide is attached to the reports submitted to you for your ease of reference.

I together with the following committee members have committed to standing again, for which I thank them.

Chrisjan Jansen	Vice-chairman
Colin Green	Treasurer
Alex Lockyer	Closed and clothing
Dries Liebenberg	Events
Adrian Feher	Development and Interclubs
Ian Van Zyl	Safety officer, Website and Records

Special mention must be made of Colin and Ian. Colin has been a member of the committee for 16 years and would like to step down. I persuaded them not to however it is time that other members of the club put their hands up to serve on the committee so that the long-standing stalwarts such as Colin and Ian can focus on fishing.



Although Ian formally resigned as a member of the committee last year, he selflessly continued to maintain the website and has graciously agreed to continue to do that for this year and to be the records officer. Ian also continues to be a safety officer. We are very grateful to him for his commitment to the club and its members.

Martin de Witt has put his hand up to make himself available to serve on the committee for which I thank him.

Wade Martin is stepping down as a member of the committee after two years of hard work and I wish to thank him for his efforts and the contribution that he has made to the club. It is very much appreciated.

Mark Cockcroft is unable to be the Club Captain this year due to other commitments. Normally the committee approaches a senior angler in the club and if that member is willing to act, he is appointed as the Club Captain.

This year we are going to adopt a different approach.

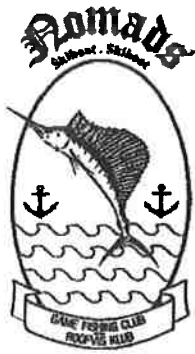
If you feel that you would like to contribute as a Club Captain then please nominate from the floor at the AGM and the members attending will vote. The position of Club Captain carries with it certain responsibilities including ensuring that all the participants in the Rosebowl are fully prepared and to assist them where necessary. The same applies to the Closed.

We want your views at the AGM on where the Closed should be held 2023. If for some reason you cannot attend the AGM please drop me an email.

Finally on a sad note Paddy Venske passed away. Not only was Paddy a member of Nomads he was a friend and mentor to many of us. His leadership as the chairman of SGDSAA was exemplary and he shall be missed by all. We passed the club's condolences to the family.

Tight lines and be safe in 2023.





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Vice Chairman Report :

I am delighted in the direction our Club is heading. New members and some new blood. We again had a successful year in various aspects.

Also some areas of improvement is required.

Rosebowl 2023 will be the first big attempt in restoring our status as the best Billfish club in the country. I really want to ask all our members again to try and participate this year. We need quality Boat numbers (which we have).

We are moving financially in the right direction and I am sure this year will be even better.

The Nomads Closed was again a special Comp. If you've missed it, please join us in 2023.

Nomads is family, this is special and we are proud to be inclusive, especially with our wives and children growing.

Let's stay positive and keep building.

Yours in Boating

Chrisjan



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CAPTAIN'S REPORT

ROSEBOWL 2022 – ST. LUCIA

The 2022 Rosebowl was hosted by Albatross and was held at St. Lucia, Zululand. The spirit of the tournament was as always high and many old friendships were rekindled between the clubs and club members.

Sadly, in terms of boats and anglers, Nomads again had a dismal turnout however on the positive side, in terms of support we certainly had the best ground crew with a number of wives and family members joining us at the weigh in and functions.

Unfortunately, we were found wanting in boat numbers and anglers. Watermark, Chezzy, Finding Nemo and At Sea made up the Nomads fleet with Bulldog busting a transom on day one and Bob Marlin pulling out at the last minute.

The first few days of the competition were dogged by 10 to 20 knot winds that darted around from the southwest to southeast. This made the launch out of the estuary very technical with shallow water over a sand bank in the mouth and choppy shore dumpers that stood up out of nowhere. It made for nervy times but as a club we escaped with no physical injuries albeit that some of the boats suffered minor damage to T tops.

The southerly made fishing very difficult and uncomfortable and very few fish were weighed in the first three days. Despite our best intensions Nomads could only show its strength by propping up the entire leader board.

On the fourth day fishing started to improve and some quality fish came out. Unfortunately, the quality fish were coming out on the other boats. At the end of the fourth day Nomads was still holding up the leader board in 6th position just behind archrivals Makaira.

On the 5th day the north easter blew and the fish turned. Unfortunately, despite our plan to snag as many sailies as we could, our numbers (4) counted against us and we could not cover the ground we needed to cover. In contrast, Makaria's depth of boats (approx 12), allowed them to spread themselves across all three facets in all quadrants of the fishing grounds. With 3 marlin, 2 sail fish and a load of game fish they rocketed from 5th to 1st place in one day.

Whilst we congratulate Makaira for the greatest come back since Lazarus, we have to look at ourselves as a club in terms of new members, boat numbers and skilled anglers.

We had a number of new members joining the club and they are full of enthusiasm and eager to learn, I think of At Sea who caught a bomber of a yellow fin on the last day on 37kg line and are learning all the time, I think of Dries and Chrisjan and Mike Baty, these are guys have oodles of passion and are eager and willing to learn.

The learning ground guys, and where I cut my teeth, is at competitions like the Closed and the Rosebowl, where I stole with my eyes watching Grant Estman rig a half beak or Dave Martin tie a chokka strip, or Friedel showing a new methods of sail fishing with a coffee grinder. Much of that knowledge and more was gleaned from the senior anglers that graced the likes of Denwar II, Gaffit, Gaffer Dog and many other Nomads boats.

However, you don't have to be a Protea to teach someone something about the way you fish. Shaya-Lo-Manzi, Fish Hunter, Tjaila Tyd, Wild Cat, Reel Screamer, you guys are all top class anglers and you have so much to offer the youngsters coming through. We need you chaps, not only to pass your knowledge on but to help the club restore some pride at next years Rosebowl.

The Closed is from 3 - 8 October 22 and the next Rosebowl is in March 2023, let's make a committed effort to have no less than ten boats at both venues with senior, junior, male and female anglers.

PRO Portfolio.

As a club, through our social media platforms namely Facebook & Instagram we have managed to grow our online foot print and public awareness both domestically & abroad.

Especially on the international stage with Nomads GFC doing very well in recent international competition and reinforcing that Nomads GFC is truly a revered fishing club.

The Image of the club has been revamped with the introduction of new fishing and step out attire, lending itself to a sharper more professional image.

We have managed to attract the attention and following of major local & international fishing equipment suppliers and boat manufactures, this bodes well for future possible sponsorships in favour of the club.

Nomads GFC generously backed the SADSAA All-Stars initiative which supports the less privileged and moderate to high functioning disabled children. Which we are proud to be apart of.

The club has been kept updated internally via quarterly news briefs and via WhatsApp and email which allows for a feeling of inclusiveness amongst members.