

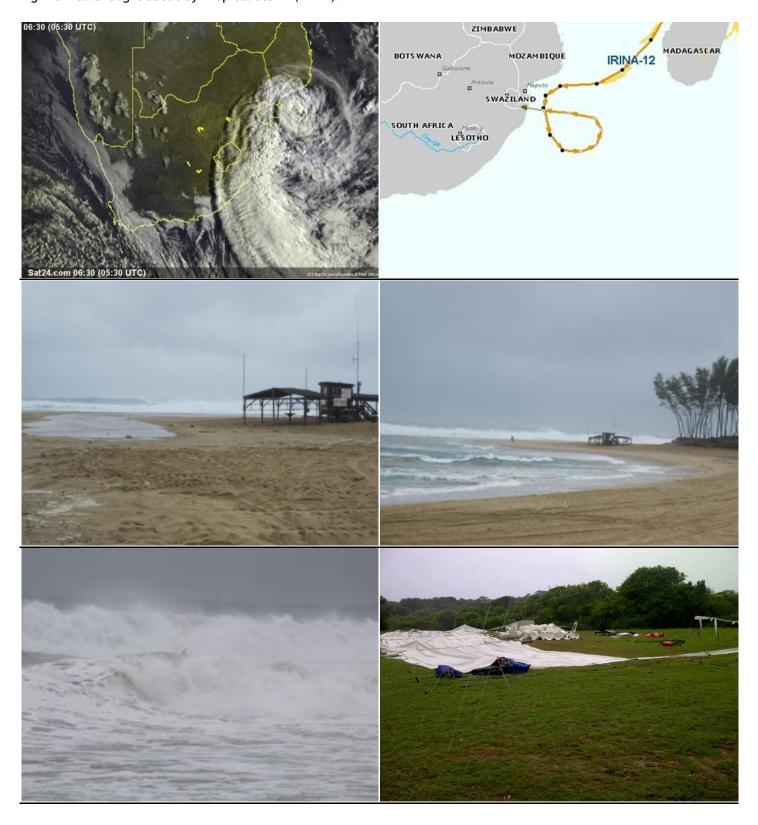
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Important Dates to Remember

2012 Rosebowl

On Monday 5 March 2012, the organisers of the 2012 Rosebowl called off the competition due to the heavy seas and high rainfall brought about by Tropical Storm (IRINA).





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Competitions Nomads Nominations

Interclubs

13-15 April Shelly Beach Interclub
25-27 May Umhlangha Interclub (*)
15-17 June Zinkwazi Interclub

Nomads will be sending one team to each of these Interclubs except for Umhlangha. Here 3 teams will be sent with the club for paying for one team only. The other two teams need to fund themselves (approx R5,000 per team).

If you are interested in nominating, please contact Alex Lockyer on 082-414-1657 <u>alockyer@weidmuller.co.za</u>

For Sale

Geoff Hardy has sold his boat and is now left with 22 fuel jerry cans. He no longer requires them and is selling them for R75.00 per can. Those interested must please call Geoff on 083 259 3199 or deltat@icon.co.za

The Big Catch



Hooked?

Come fishing for the biggest catch of your life! There's R1-million cash to be won!

This is not your ordinary fishing television show, nor a travelogue on the sport.

THE BIG CATCH is strictly a 'tag & release' competition which supports global environmental & conservation objectives as well as the collection & documentation of all catches for the Oceanic Research Institute ORI.

For more information go to the website: http://www.thebigcatch.co.za/

References:

East Coast Radio: The Big Catch Launches in SA

5 Mar: George Herald: Get Hooked with 'The Big Catch'



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VHF Marine Operators Certificate

On 21 December 2011, ICASA entered into an agreement with SAMSA for SAMSA to manage the Marine Operators Certificate. If your vessel has a VHF radio onboard, the skipper <u>is</u> required to be in possession of a Marine Operators Certificate.

To read the article:

http://www.nomadsfishing.co.za/index.php?option=co m_content&view=article&id=674:samsa-to-performcertain-functions-foricasa&catid=43:general&Itemid=75

The examining authorities for this certificate are located in Cape Town, Port Elizabeth and Durban. Pretoria is available but the travel costs (flight & accommodation) from one of the other centres needs to be borne by the Pretoria requesting group.

In addition, the exams can only be done during office hours and not over a weekend, public holiday or afterhours.

Ian van Zyl has been in contact with Mr Koos Arnold from SAMSA who is the SAMSA Radio Surveyor: Southern Region located in PE who is prepared to come up to Johannesburg so that members may take the VHF operators course.

In order to make this viable please could those interested in doing the VHF Marine Operators Certificate reply to Magriet Nel, the Nomads secretary. info@nomadsfishing.co.za or nomadsfishing@gmail.com A suitable date in May / June would be then be selected.

The course material is of a self study nature and the documents will be made available to those interested. The examinations are conducted in groups of 10 with 1h20 available for the theory portion and 5-10min for the practical portion.