



2022 - What's in store for Nomads

2022 Rosebowl - Hosts: Albatros

o Venue: St Lucia

o Dates: 25-29 April 2022

Nomads AGM and Prizegiving Day
 22 January at the club house

Nomads Closed 2022

Venue: Sodwana Bay3-7 October 2022

Combined Nomads AGM and Prizegiving

The AGM will precede the prizegiving for 2020 and 2021 where the club will recognise the exploits of its anglers over the past two years. Getting together has been problematic due to Covid so let's all get out there and rekindle the *gees* of Nomads. A marquee will be erected for the event with a split braai for the hungry.

Nomads Golf Day

This will be held in the new year since the date originally planned collided with many corporate events. Watch this space for updates.

2022 Rosebowl

Albatros are the hosts and have chosen St Lucia as the venue. This area is "local waters" for many of our active members so we should stand a better than average chance in this event. Once details are shared, the members will be notified.

2022 Nomads Closed

Nomads submitted an application to iSimangaliso to hold our closed at Sodwana Bay from 3-7 October 2022. Permission has been granted.

Approval reference number: 8/2022 Max. anglers: 40. Max. boats: 10

Please note the following:

- No fishing may take place in any of the Restricted or Wilderness zones of the MPA, including the DAR 1 & 2 Barges South of Cape Vidal and the Sodwana Diving Restricted zone.
- Only pelagic gamefish as per Annexure 2 of the MPA regulations maybe caught.
- The Total Daily Bag Limit of fish is Five (5) per angler, irrespective of species
- The Catch and Release of fish is encouraged.
- KaaKaap/Green Jobfish (Aprion virescens) MAY NOT be caught or kept.

- All Sharks, Rays, Kingfish species and Billfish are to be released.
- All anglers possess valid fishing permits.
- Internal Park Rule 03/2009 No stainless steel hooks or Vertical Jigging Equipment is allowed.
- Only Circle hooks may be used, when bait fishing for Billfish.

Tuna Nationals

15kg line class fished out of Shelly Beach.

Adrian Feher was the sole Nomads representative fishing for Southern Gauteng Red team. The team were placed second with Adrian securing the most meritorious YFT of 33.5kg. Congratulations and well done.

No report back from the angler. Ed

Light Tackle Billfish Nationals

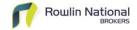
Report by Mark Cockcroft fishing for the SADSAA team Nomads was represented by Mark Cockcroft in the SADSAA light tackle bill fish team held in Sodwana at the end of September. The other team members were George Breedt (Zululand) and Charles du Plessis (KZN). The team fished on Charlie's boat, Mesteph, skippered by Faith Lategaan.

The weather was not perfect but kind enough to have three days fishing to start. After day three the SADSAA team were lying 5th with one sail fish on a J hook. The teams in first and second each had two sailfish caught with circle hooks and third place also had two fish but caught on J hooks.

Things were looking bleak for the defending champions from 2019, when Thursday was a blow out and Friday was certainly not looking promising at all. But, as has happened so many times, the difference between the forecast and the actual weather were nautical miles apart. With only a light northerly blowing, every team was back in the mix and fishing hard for a medal.

Fishing was not good on the last day and with injury time looming, team SADSAA were still lying mid table with one fish when they stumbled upon a chum line, expertly laid by team Southern Gauteng. With an hour to go a pack of sailfish rose to the chum and smashed the half beaks and lland lures in the SADSAA spread. Unfortunately, Mark and Charles did not get solid hookups but captain George managed to release his second fish, this one on a circle hook rig.









In the final analysis, four teams had caught two sailfish each. The deciding factor came down to how many each team had caught on circle hooks. Team SADSAA with their second on a circle leapfrogged into third place and took the bronze medal.

Congratulations and well done Mark Cockcroft on a great team effort. This same team has now achieved gold in 2019 and bronze in 2021.

No report back from the SGDSAA team. Ed

Heavy Tackle Billfish Nationals

Kevin Allardyce was selected for the SADSAA team whilst Martin de Wit represented Southern Gauteng. Both released marlin during this comp. Well done guys. No report back from the anglers. Ed















2021 Nomads Closed fished at Sodwana: 11-15 Oct

We had four boats entered with only three days being fishable. One black marlin was released and 13 pelagic fish were brought to the weigh-in. More boats and anglers would have entered had it not been because of diaries clashing for members committed to national competitions which had already been rescheduled as a result of Covid.

Herewith the results:

Top Boat						
Boat	Club	Day_2	Day_3	Day_4	Total	Score Rank
Bulldog	Nomads	450.00	-	-	450.00	1
Chezzy	Nomads	44.96	-	11.14	56.10	2
Slice of Life	Nomads	5.92	37.32	-	43.24	3
At Sea	Nomads	24.76	-	-	24.76	4

Top Angler						
Angler	Boat	Club	Entries	Species	Total sco	Rank
Kevin Wallace	Bulldog	Nomads	1	1	450.00	1
Lukie Jansen	Slice of Life	Nomads	1	1	37.32	2
Michael Baty	Chezzy	Nomads	3	3	24.40	3
Alex Lockyer	Chezzy	Nomads	2	2	16.32	4
Donovan Foley	Chezzy	Nomads	2	2	15.37	5
Courtney Hicks	At Sea	Nomads	1	1	14.36	6
Graham Axton	At Sea	Nomads	1	1	10.40	7
Billy Hall	Slice of Life	Nomads	2	2	5.92	8

Meritorius Gamefish								
Day	Boat	Club	Line class	Angler	Species caught	Scoring Weight	Comp Score	Index
day_3	Slice of Life	Nomads	10	Lukie Jansen	Dorado	10.80	37.32	1
day_2	At Sea	Nomads	10	Courtney Hicks	Dorado	6.70	14.36	2
day_4	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Michael Baty	Wahoo	5.90	11.14	3
day_2	At Sea	Nomads	10	Graham Axton	Dorado	5.70	10.40	4
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Alex Lockyer	Bonito (Atlantic) [Sarda Sarda]	5.10	8.32	5
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Donovan Foley	Bonito (Atlantic) [Sarda Sarda]	5.00	8.00	6
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Alex Lockyer	Dorado	5.00	8.00	7
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Donovan Foley	Dorado	4.80	7.37	8
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Michael Baty	Dorado	4.70	7.07	9
day_2	Chezzy	Nomads	10	Michael Baty	Bonito (Atlantic) [Sarda Sarda]	4.40	6.20	10
day_2	Slice of Life	Nomads	10	Billy Hall	Dorado	4.30	5.92	11
day_3	Slice of Life	Nomads	10	Billy Hall	Dorado	3.70	-	12













Ladies comp at St Lucia

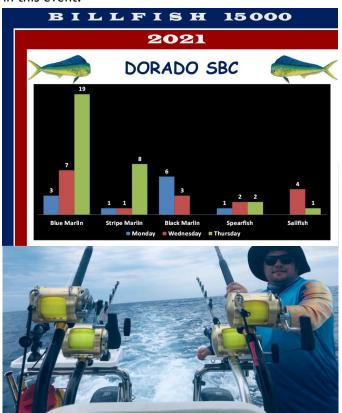
Natalie Len Ferna (R) fished this comp under the guidance of Adrian Feher. She was placed third. Well done Natalie.

No report back from the anglers. Ed



Billfish 15000

Two Nomads boats entered this prestigious billfish comp fished out of Sodwana Bay - *Skylar Blue* (Christo Myburgh) and *Slice of Life* (Chrisjan Jansen). Both were unplaced but countless memories and new experiences were had by these two teams. Well done in taking part in this event.













ILTTA comp in Guatemala

Nomads was represented at the 80th ILTTA competition fished out of Puerto Quetzal, Gautemala by Dave Martin, Wade Martin and Mark Cockcroft.

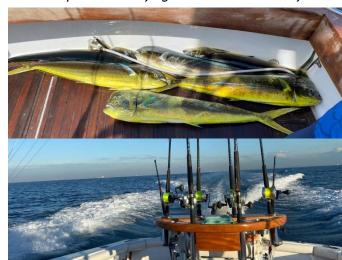
Fishing was tough and overall the fleet battled to find the sailies. Nomads was placed 20th overall and Mark made 24th placed individual. Feel free to chat these members about their Guatemalan experience and put one of these trips on your bucket list.

This was a self-funded trip so don't try your luck and look for a club nomination to fish the next ILTTA comp. Ed





An "upside down" flag indicates a released fish





Rowlin National

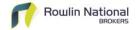


















From the Nomads Committee

May this Christmas season
Bring you nothing but fond memories,
Happiness and laughter
Wishing you all the best this holiday season
and throughout the year,
Merry Christmas!

The light of the Christmas star to you
The warmth of home and hearth to you
The cheer and good will of friends to you
The hope of a childlike heart to you
The joy of a thousand angels to you
Love and God's peace to you

May your neighbours respect you, Troubles neglect you, The angels protect you and Heaven accept you.

May you have warm words on a cold evening, A full moon on a dark night and The road downhill all the way to your door!





