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**May 2009 Newsletter No: 1**

Management Committee have asked that I send out a monthly newsletter, informing our members of the events and happenings at our club.

**10<sup>th</sup> May 2009** was **Mother's Day**. Hope all of our mothers out there had a wonderful day together with family and friends and filled with good food, fun and laughter.

We had our annual **Dinner Dance and Prize Giving** on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2009**. The event was well attended and most members enjoyed the three course meal.

Marian Williams and Sheryl Fisher took on the project of re-vamping the old Easter Regatta trophy that was always on the shelf in the main hall of the club-house. It is now called the **Light of Remembrance** and was unveiled at the Dinner Dance and Prize Giving, in honour of all the sailors that have passed away on the Vaal Dam prior to May 2009. It proved to be a poignant moment when Johnny Smit asked for a moment of silence, in remembrance of Cedric Wells. We were extremely honoured to have Judy Wells, her daughter Tarryn, her mother and a few of her friends with us, for the evening.

Many of our sailors were honoured. Tielman Burger was Club Champion and received the John Cullum Trophy. Eleanor Spies was awarded the Teasdale Neptune Trophy for the biggest donation to Neptune, in the form of her precious wedding ring. Andrew Fourie received the Simon Fisher Trophy for the most promising junior on a multihull. Andrew also shared the LDYC Junior Champion Trophy, with Dylan Emmett. Deon van der Walt and his family were awarded the Spring Series Cruising Class and the Summer Series trophy. Dominic and Megan van der Walt were awarded the LDYC Junior Trophy. John Brownhill won a new award called the LDYC Sailor of the Year Award, for representing LDYC away from the club. These are only a few of the awards that come to mind.

After dinner, Geoff Teasdale organised a skit (with props) which had almost all of the members participating. It proved to be very entertaining.

On Sunday **17<sup>th</sup> May 2009** at 11h00, we held our **Annual General Meeting** (AGM). Approximately sixty people attended. This was better than last year but it is such a pity that so few of our members attend this important event.

**The New Constitution** was sent out to all members for perusal and comments, prior to the AGM. Bill de Swardt (Trustee) Clair Harvey (Secretary) and other members of Mancom are to be thanked for their hard work and input to get this huge task completed in time for the AGM. The New Constitution was approved with a two thirds majority, by the members present. Everyone should have received the new Constitution via email by now. If you haven't, please contact Marian in the office and update your email address and other member details to get your copy sent to you.

Once again **Quad Bikes and Motorcycles** were discussed at length, as well as the subject of **Dogs**. Mancom have decided to take a zero tolerance approach to these two issues.

No dogs are allowed in the club house, bar or ablutions. Dogs can be on the grounds provided they are on a leash and the owner cleans up after their pet. You may bring your dog onto the veranda, to sit next to you, provided it is on a leash.

Members are requested to make application for an LDYC quad/motorcycle **driver's licence** and no member may drive on the premises without this licence. The quad/motorcycle must be registered and display a flag with an LDYC registration number on it. Mancom have decided that the gate to Lakeview Estates will now be locked and no further riding will be allowed on the grounds next door, due to the fact that building will be commencing there shortly.

The following members were awarded **Honorary Membership for one year** for their service to the club:

John and Christine Durrant  
Trevor and Sheryl Emmett  
Stephen and Nicolene Bester  
Rodney and Sharron Beresford

Austin Daly was bestowed with **Honorary Life Membership** for his loyalty and service to our club.

Abram Mqathi and John Mosia were given **merit awards for 30 years of loyal service**. John Khanya, our gate security was given a **performance award** for his dedicated service. These awards were presented to them by John and Marian Williams.

There were a few **changes to Mancom** this year. Rodney Beresford resigned as Treasurer, but has agreed to continue serving on Mancom as a Trustee. Clair Harvey resigned as Secretary, but has taken over the portfolio of Treasurer. Alet Smith has stepped into the position of Secretary.

No **entertainment officer** has been appointed this year. An entertainment committee has been formed and various events put onto the calendar, so that it won't only be one person doing all the work. Any suggestions for events and assistance from members would be most welcome. Vicky Fenny has taken over the portfolio of **Kids Club Officer** for this year and has already planned events from July till the end of the year.

Nicolene Bester has resigned as **catering manageress**. Quinton Oliver has taken over from her and any suggestions regarding the menu and kitchen would be welcomed by him.

Sharron Beresford has come onto the **Sailing Committee** as secretary. Geoff Teasdale is the new Cruise Captain. Rodney Beresford(1), Mike Bremner(2) and Peter Pace(3) have come onto the Sailing Committee.

All the members present helped themselves to the delicious eats and refreshments after the meeting closed.

**The Brass Monkey Winter Series sponsored by Forte commenced on the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2009.**

#### **Cruising Fleet:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Ian Harvey	Dream One	SPYC
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ronny Hamlette	Tequila Sunrise	SPYC
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Eleanor Spies	Kinetics	LDYC

#### **Racing Fleet:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Tyronne Morris	Flashpoint	LDYC
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Johnny Smit	Gem	LDYC
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Guy Nottingham & Peter French	Sebago	Unknown

Our fleet of **Radio Controlled Boats** (the Mickey Mouse Club), is rapidly increasing and we now have 21 boats that participate. Every second Saturday afternoon, they sail in a regatta on our foreshore. That is after the sailors with their big yachts have finished the fun racing for the day. Eleanor Spies is the bridge officer, with Hilda Smit assisting in her absence.

Saturday Fun Series takes place every second Saturday afternoon at 14h00. All members are welcome to come along for a fun day of sailing.

I would like to ask all members to please contact me with **any news, events and happenings** that you feel may be of interest to other members of our club. You will notice that I am also a fan of photographs and these would be greatly appreciated.

### Forthcoming Events for June 2009

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6 June 2009	Power Boat Skippers Course	08h00–15h00
	L26 Measuring at LDYC & Manten	Notice
7 June 2009	Examination for Skippers course	09h00–10h00
	Certificate of Fitness – boats	09h00–10h00
13-15 June 2009	L26 Nationals	Notice
	J22 Junior Lipton at TYC	Notice
20 June 2009	Quiz Night – Hosted by Eleanor Spies	19H00
21 June 2009	Forte Brass Monkey 2	10h00
25-28 June 2009	Vasco da Gama Race	Notice

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**“Never be afraid to do something new. Remember, amateurs built the ark; professionals built the Titanic.”** **Anon.**

Teresa Wolmarans  
PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

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**FLAG OFFICERS:** Commodore: J Smit Vice Commodore: S Bester Rear Commodore: T Burger  
Treasurer: C Harvey PRO/Signal: T Wolmarans Secretary: A Smith  
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