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PRETORIA, 5 December 2022: CPHC-SA members elected and confirmed the CPHC-SA Executive Committee members at their annual general meeting held in Morgan Bay, Eastern Cape on 25 November 2022, where the appointment of a Chief Executive Officer was also announced. The appointments are effective 25 November 2022 for a two-year period, unless otherwise stipulated. CPHC-SA welcomes the EXCO members and CEO and believe that their experience and knowledge of the professional hunting sector, will equip them amply for the important roles they will fulfil to execute CPHC-SA's strategies, aims and objectives.

Mr Sean Kelly, chairperson for 2023. Sean's two-year term as CPHC-SA chairperson ended in November 2022 but he was re-elected as chair at the annual general meeting, until November 2023. Sean was born and raised in the hunting industry, spending many days on safari with his father and clients of Garry Kelly Safaris. Sean obtained his full Professional Hunters' licence in South Africa during 2001 for both plains game and dangerous game, followed by obtaining a licence in Tanzania during 2006, where he has been hunting ever since. He has served on the board of the African Professional Hunters association (APHA) for the past four years and is currently the treasurer of APHA.

Mr WJ Theron, vice chairperson and treasurer. WJ grew up as a passionate hunter and conservationist with strong roots as a child in the Free State region of South Africa. After completing various Dangerous Game and SA Wildlife College (SAWC) courses he also obtained his PH licence in South Africa during 2017. He joined CPHC-SA during 2018 and served as EXCO member of CPHC-SA since 2020. Willem Jan is also a qualified APNR reserve representative. WJ has combined corporate relations (M. Com Business Management, Marketing) and hunting / conservation experience of 15 years.

Mr Craig Kelly-Maartens, chairperson-elect. Growing up in the hunting and service industry laid the foundation for Craig's career in the professional hunting industry. He attained his plains game Professional hunting license in 1999 and his dangerous game license in 2003. He has hunted and guided in numerous African countries including Mozambique, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana, and South Africa and is a founding member of CPHC-SA and has served on the EXCO for a year before being elected as chairperson elect.

Mrs Adri Kitshoff-Botha, CEO. During her career of almost 20 years within the South African wildlife industry, Adri held the positions as Chief Executive Officer of three prominent organisations, namely Wildlife Ranching South Africa (2015-2020), Professional Hunters Association of South Africa (2010-2015), and the KwaZulu-Natal Hunting & Conservation Association (2007-2010). Adri was privileged to build a comprehensive network of role-players at international, national, and provincial level in various sectors, including the South African and international hunting tourism sector; South African wildlife ranching sector, provincial and national government departments, media; and various NGOs.

The remainder of the CPHC-SA Exco is made up by newly elected EXCO members **Hermann Meyerdricks, Mark Ivy and Warrick Ferrar** who have all been newly elected to the EXCO for a two-year term, whilst **Mike Currie and Paul Stones** will both serve the second year of their two-year elected terms.

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