



# CUSTODIANS

OF PROFESSIONAL HUNTING & CONSERVATION SOUTH AFRICA

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Custodians of Professional Hunting and Conservation South Africa



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# FUN & GAMES

## AT THE 6TH CUSTODIANS CONFERENCE.

26-28 NOVEMBER 2023



Met verskeie aktiwiteite wat alreeds vanaf Sondagmiddag aangebied is en die rekord getal bywoners van ons jaarlikse konferensie, kon die paar dae nie anders as om 'n groot sukses te wees nie.

The programme commenced with an EXCO meeting on Sunday afternoon, followed by individual welcoming sessions with our international guests, whilst some of the delegates tested their skills at laser shotgun shooting on the lawn, next to the river.



Delegates could register beforehand to partake in any of the four activities arranged for Monday morning.

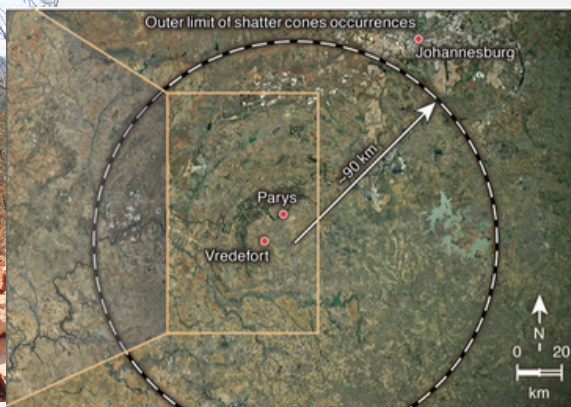
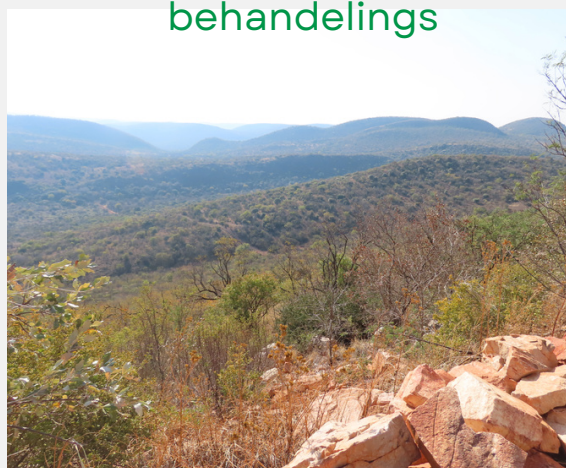
Selfs die mees gesoute vlieg hengelaars, het die *Living Dynamics Yellowfish Flyfishing Experience* aanbieding en demonstrasies as wereld-klas beskryf. Party was so gelukkig om 'n vis of twee te kon vang!



# NOG! PRET & PLESIER



Terwyl die groep vlieghengelaars hul “vliegies” gemaak het en later visgevang het, was daar terselfdertyd baie pret by die “Gin Tasting & SPA” behandelings



Die groep wat die Vredefort Dome uitstappie meegemaak het, het totaal geïnspireerd teruggekeer oor hierdie unieke geologiese verskynsel wat reeds 2023miljoen jaar gelede gevorm is



Poor attendance at the First Aid course was possibly due to there being so many other activities to choose from and the fact that many delegates attended one at last year's conference.



## *F&J SHOOTING RANGE*



36 Delegates participated in our Association's second Krieghoff shoot which was held at F&J Shooting Range outside Vanderbijlpark. Once again, our sincerest appreciation to Krieghoff and Eugene Combrinck from Magnum Arms for making this possible.



## *Baie geluk aan die vier wenners in die onderskeie kategoriee :*



**Dames: Magda Currie & Sylvia Greeff**

**Onder- 40's:  
Richard Dorrington  
(op krukke nogal!)**



**Bo-40's: Sean Kelly**



# GIN BAR, AROUND THE CAMPFIRE & COFFEE ON THE ROCKS



The Krieghoff Shoot prize giving was followed by our second “Around the Campfire” event. After we had to halt the event at one stage due to lightning and thunder, everybody settled inside the main lounge, listening to three of our founder members sharing their stories and experiences as professional hunters over the past few decades, with the formidable Dr Robbie Kröger once again being the program director.



Met ‘n groep lang-asems wat tot in die vroeë oggendure gekuier en “opgevang” het met vriende wat hul lanklaas gesien het, was dit nie verbasend dat almal nie opgedaag het vir die 05:15-koffie op die rotse nie.

Vir dié wat wel dapper genoeg was, was dit ‘n unieke ervaring met koffie en beskuit langs die rivier. Ongelukkig, met die son wat agter die wolke weggekruip het, was daar nie ‘n werklike sonsopkoms-ervaring nie. Volgende keer?!





# CONFERENCE



“High Five” aan elkeen van ons baie borge en donateurs.

Hul logos is aan die einde van hierdie nuusbrieff gepubliseer.

**Ondersteun hulle asseblief!**

*Splitting Image  
Taxidermy het  
seker gemaak  
dat elke  
afgevaardigde,  
‘n pragtige  
rekenaarsak  
ontvang!*



Our 6th conference started off with our two main sponsors and conference partners Dallas Safari Club (Executive Director Corey Mason) and Badger Cargo (Managing Director Pieter Erasmus) bringing their good wishes to Custodians members.



**Ons het ‘n rekord-getal bywoning gehad, waarvan sommige op die foto is; die ander was dalk by die koffie/teepotte?**

In his presentation entitled *What Does the Future Hold: Despair or Opportunity?* our keynote speaker Christo Van der Rhee, sketched the actual, not-so-positive picture of the current South African economic situation, while emphasizing the role that we must play in taking South Africa forward.

Other international guests presented their special messages, included James Reed from Sports Afield, the Rowland Ward Foundation and BookYourHunt, as well as Christian Jensen from the Nordic Safari Club and Jens Ulrik-Hogh who represented CIC.



# KONFERENSIE



Custodians member and MD of Blood Origins Robbie Kröger's commitment to the hunting community, was re-affirmed by the short behind-the-scenes clip of his movie *Wire & Water*, which has already received seven awards from international film festivals. Website link to the behind the scenes clip. Robbie was also the program director at the Around the Campfire event and MC at our gala dinner.

The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment were represented by Mpho Tjiane who shared the 2022 hunting stats with us and Khutadzo Mahamba who gave us an overview of the legislative framework.

Prof Dilys Roe from IIED (International Institute for Environment and Development) could unfortunately not attend our conference in person, but her video presentation touched on some interesting points on the perception of hunting in the UK. Website link to presentation. We were fortunate to have Dillys on Zoom afterwards, to answer questions from the floor.

**Link to presentations: <https://www.cphc-sa.co.za/events/>**



Ons het ook 'n aanbieding gehad oor 'n elektroniese PH-registerstelsel, wat alreeds deur sommige van die provinsies aanvaar word.

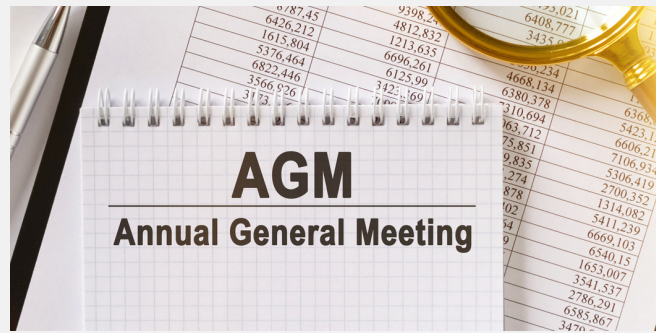
Vir enige navrae: kontak asseblief vir Adri by [ceo@cphc-sa.co.za](mailto:ceo@cphc-sa.co.za)

**Onthou ook dat Registers van Nonkie bestel kan word:**

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Our chairperson Sean Kelly presented his chairman's report and CEO Adri Kitshoff-Botha, the CEO's annual report.

Treasurer WJ Theron presented the annual financial report and Resolutions 1, 2, 3 and 4 below. The resolutions were distributed to all members on the 31st of October.

**The association's annual report vs available on our website**  
<https://www.cphc-sa.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/Annual-review-report-abstract-from-the-2023-conference-manual.pdf>

**Resolution 1:** Adoption of the annual financial statements for the financial year ending 31 August 2023

**Resolution 2:** Adoption of the proposed budget for the financial year ending 31 August 2024

**Resolution 3:** Approval of membership fees

**Resolution 4:** Appointment of accounting officer



EXCO member Hermann Meyeridricks presented the following resolutions to the meeting. The resolutions were also distributed to members on the 31st of October.

**Resolution 5:** Adoption of the Association's financial rules

**Resolution 6:** Establishment of FINCO

**Resolution 7:** Mandate to CEO, in terms of the financial rules



**Resolution 8:** Appointment of CEO as Information Officer for purposes of the Protection of Personal Information Act

**The proposed amendments to the Constitution**, as distributed to members beforehand, were also approved.

Full members had the opportunity to vote for the four persons to fill the four vacancies on the Executive Committee. They also nominated and voted for the shadow EXCO members.

# GALA DINNER



*The success and excitement of the previous two days flowed over to the Green & Gold themed gala dinner, with special guests Butch James and Danie Rossouw. Our members thoroughly enjoyed the interactions with the two 2007 rugby world cup players!*



There were so many highlights on the night, but the one that definitely stands out as an Association record, is the total of almost R1.6m raised during our auction;

**A whopping R1,570,950 to be exact!**

Baie dankie aan  
ons afslaer,  
Corne Du Plessis,  
elke donateur  
van  
veilingsitems,  
bier en onder-  
biers wat die  
veiling so  
ongelooflik  
sukcesvol  
gemaak het!



**Our new chairman, Craig Kelly-Maartens is ready to scrum!**



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD RECIPIENTS



## ***BASIE MAARTENS AWARD***

PRESENTED TO JOHAN CALITZ

## ***COENRAAD VERMAAK AWARD***

PRESENTED TO COIRA GOSS



## ***GARRY KELLY AWARD***

PRESENTED TO PAUL STONES



## ***IAN GOSS AWARD***

PRESENTED TO DALLAS  
SAFARI CLUB



# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

*An interview  
with our new  
chairman,  
Craig Kelly-  
Maartens will  
be published  
in the  
January  
newsletter*



Fltr: Sean Kelly (Immediate past chairman); Craig Kelly-Maartens (Chairman); WJ Theron (Treasurer & Vice-chair); Howard Knott; Mark Ivy; Paul Stones; Jannie Otto; Hermann Meyeridricks



## SHADOW EXCO MEMBERS

Fltr: Makena Ngoato; Cullen Kelly;  
Steven Schwartz, Hanroe Taljaard,  
James Lizamore (Absent: Greg King)

## OUR TWO ROSES AMONGST THE THORNS



Adri Kitshoff-  
Botha and  
Nonkie  
Kunene were  
delighted  
about the  
gala dinner's  
success



# CUSTODIANS MEMBERSHIP

## 2024 FEES

When EXCO considered the budget for the new financial year, they considered a previous resolution taken to annually increase membership fees, at a rate at least equal to inflation rate.

**Full membership fees: R2665 (including SATIB Risk Insurance, partly subsidised by CPHC-SA)**

**Field membership fees: R825 (including SATIB Risk Insurance, partly subsidised by CPHC-SA)**

**Retired membership fees: R2030**

**Associate membership fees: R1580**

**International membership fees: R3360**

**Life membership fees: R25,000 (5 years membership in good standing)**



### **NEW FULL MEMBERS YOUNGER THAN 25**

**Yr 1: Upon joining: Registration fee + SATIB**

**Yr 2: 33.3% of annual membership fee + SATIB**

**Yr 3: 66.6% of annual membership fee + SATIB**

**Yr 4: Full membership fee**



## TOYOTA SA & SMG VEHICLE SALES & MARKETING

### COLLABORATION WITH CUSTODIANS OF PROFESSIONAL HUNTING & CONSERVATION SOUTH AFRICA (CPHC-SA)



# TOYOTA

TOYOTA SOUTH AFRICA MOTORS (PTY) LTD IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE A VEHICLE SALES AND MARKETING COLLABORATION WITH THE CUSTODIANS OF PROFESSIONAL HUNTING & CONSERVATION IN SOUTH AFRICA (CPHC-SA), WHEREBY TOYOTA WILL BECOME A PREFERRED VEHICLE SUPPLIER TO THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS MEMBERS.

THE SEAN MCCARTHY GROUP (SMG) HAS ENJOYED A SUCCESSFUL HISTORY WITH THE TOYOTA BRAND FOR OVER TWO DECADES.

THE SMG HAS A NETWORK OF 24 BRANCHES, REPRESENTING BMW, MINI, JAGUAR, LAND ROVER AND TOYOTA, CHERY, YAMAHA AND FIVE APPROVED REPAIR CENTRES SITUATED ACROSS KWAZULU-NATAL AND THE WESTERN CAPE.

# SMG

Globally Inspired. Locally Refined.



**TOYOTA SA AND SMG SPECIAL DISCOUNTS  
TO CUSTODIANS MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING:**

**CPHC-SA MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE THE MINIMUM DEALER DISCOUNT AS LISTED IN THE MINIMUM DEALER DISCOUNT COLUMN BELOW, PLUS AN ADDITIONAL TOYOTA-SA SPECIAL DISCOUNT AS INDICATED IN THE TOYOTA SA SPECIAL DISCOUNT COLUMN BELOW.**

**THUS: CUSTODIANS MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING PURCHASING ANY OF THESE VEHICLES, WILL QUALIFY FOR THE TOYOTA-SA SPECIAL DISCOUNT OVER AND ABOVE THE DEALER DISCOUNT, EVEN IF THE DEALER'S DISCOUNT WOULD BE MORE THAN THE MINIMUM DEALER DISCOUNT SPECIFIED BELOW. TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY AS SET OUT BELOW.**

<u>Model Range</u>	<u>Minimum Dealer Discount</u>	<u>Toyota SA Special Discount</u>	Period - 1 Jan 2024 to 31 Dec 2024
Corolla Sedan	5%	2%	
Fortuner 2.4	5%		
Fortuner 2.8	6%		
Hilux Double Cab	6%		
Hilux Extra Cab	6%		
Hilux Single Cab	6%		
Land Cruiser Pickup	8%		
Coaster	2%	1%	
Corolla Cross	5%		
Corolla Hatch	4%		
Corolla Quest	3%		
Hiace CBU	8%		
Land Cruiser Prado	4%		
Land Cruiser Station Wagon	8%		
Quantum Bus	8%		
Quantum Van	8%		
RAV4	4%		
Rumion	3%		
Starlet	5%		
Vitz	3%		



## TERMS & CONDITIONS

The special discount benefit is applicable to any paid-up, CPHC-SA member in good standing.

Please note that, at no point will a CPHC-SA member who qualifies for a special discount be able to use this discount in conjunction with any other offer available from Toyota. Only one special offer can apply at any given time (either the above, or another special offer by the dealer).

A Custodians member who wants to take up this offer, must provide the dealership with a current (not older than 7 days) CPHC-SA membership confirmation letter obtained from the CPHC-SA office (admin@cphc-sa.co.za), stipulating the member's full names, ID number, Company name (where applicable) and CPHC-SA membership number.

The dealer will also verify the compliant member's details from the CPHC-SA office (admin@cphc-sa.co.za).

Vehicles purchased in terms of this offer, are not permitted to be sold within the first six months or 10,000 km's.

## ENQUIRIES / CONTACT DETAILS:

TOYOTA / SMG: FOR ASSISTANCE NEEDED ON ANY OF THE BRANDS IN THE SMG GROUP:

<b>ANGELA WILLIS</b> Dealer Principal <b>SMG TOYOTA HILLCREST</b> 39 Old Main Road, Hillcrest, Durban 031 737 5353   084 505 4431 <a href="http://www.smgtoyotahillcrest.co.za">www.smgtoyotahillcrest.co.za</a>	 <b>TOYOTA</b>	<b>SMG</b> <b>TOYOTA</b> <b>HILLCREST</b>	<b>SMG</b> <small>Globally Inspired. Locally Refined.</small>
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We will never send our banking details to you via e-mail. Should you receive our banking details via an e-mail, it is an attempt to defraud you by inducing you to make payment into a fraudulent bank account. Should you receive such an e-mail, please notify us immediately. sunils@smg.co.za or +27 (0)31 737 1500

CPHC-SA: FOR MEMBERSHIP CONFIRMATION LETTERS:

ADRI KITSHOFF-BOTHA: 083-650-0442; CEO@CPHC-SA.CO.ZA

NONKIE KUNENE: 081-036-1151; ADMIN@CPHC-SA.CO.ZA

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# SATIB 24 CRISIS CALL

Our Organisation and SATIB Insurance Brokers reached an agreement last year, to offer emergency medical evacuation insurance as part of an exclusive membership benefit to professional hunters and field staff that are members of the Custodians.

This agreement includes access to SATIB24 Crisis Call, for all Custodians full and field members, for injuries and incidents incurred whilst providing services to their clients, whether in camp or actively on the hunt:

SATIB's incident management includes the SATIB24 Crisis Call which offers: \*emergency evacuation and repatriation; \*medical emergency; \*accidental death; \*permanent disability; \*income protection for disability; \*hospitalization; \*life support equipment; \*search and rescue; \*quadriplegia, disfigurement and trauma.

This emergency cover by a reputable provider, will give our members peace of mind, knowing that, for the first time, the day to day inherent risk in the field and lodgings is now covered.

## SECTION 16A

Custodians is accredited with the Central Firearms Registry and can award Section 16A "Professional Hunter Status" in terms of the Firearms Control Act to active professional hunters. That would allow members to license their firearms as professional hunters. The Association can also endorse motivations for new or renewal firearm licence applications.

# REMEMBER! →

Custodian members can now upload PH permits and firearm licence expiry dates onto their personal profiles on the Custodians membership database.

This will allow Custodians to remind you 120 days before expiry.

Nonkie will soon email every member their standard log-in details.

Our Association's position statements :  
<https://www.cphc-sa.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2023-CPHC-SA-POSITION-STATEMENTS.pdf>



# OUR FOOTPRINT



**Attended the ZPGA (Zimbabwe Professional Guides Association's) AGM in Victoria Falls**

**Adri het ons vereniging se waardering oorgedra aan ZPGA se uittredende voorsitter Rob Lurie, vir sy toewyding aan die professionele jagtersbedryf die afgelope 3 jaar as ZPGA voorsitter. Sy het ook ons goeie wense oorgedra aan inkomende voorsitter John Laing**



**We will be at the**

**OPHAA Booth**

**DSC Convention: 11 - 14 January 2024**

**31 Jan to 3 Feb**  
**Not exhibiting, but walking**  
**the floor; attending**  
**meetings & presentations**



## Regulatory / Legislation

Exco member Howard Knott, attended the Workshop on the National Elephant Heritage Strategy for South Africa: Tuesday 5 December 2023 Mapungubwe Region

We will also attend the Black & White Rhino Biodiversity Management Plans consultation workshop on the 13th of December



# 2023 CONFERENCE SPONSORS

## As at the 5th of November 2023

### CONFERENCE PARTNERS & MAIN SPONSORS



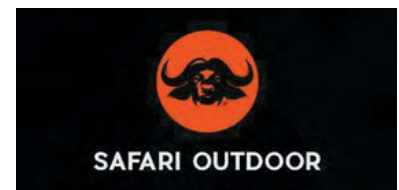
#### DIAMOND



#### DOUBLE GOLD



#### GOLD



#### SILVER



# 2023 AUCTION DONORS

## As received by the 5th of November 2023



*Sandra Maartens  
&  
Gene Rault*



*A Special Thank you to Coenraad Vermaak  
Safaris for the continuous sponsorship of the  
office cellphone*



**Additional auction donors at the event:**  
**Coira Goss; Russell Field; GPO Germany - Thank you!**