



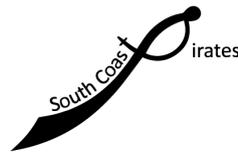
LAUNCHING THE PIRATES



COMMITTEE MEMBERS

## First Club Night

By Malcolm Hunt



### Club Night

The first ever Club Night was held at The Flamboyant Gazebo on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 5pm. A successful evening saw 30 members, prospective members and guests attend as well as 20 players who played a couple of training 5 a side games to entertain us and then joined the onlookers for drinks and a BBQ. We had 7 guests join as full members and 2 as social members, another 2 full members have since signed up and paid

### Chairman

George explained the origins of the SCP, about the 5 year plan/budget to achieve top level status and what conditions the players currently perform under. He stressed the commitment to community involvement and to educate the youth in playing and coaching rugby. SCP also has a list of players with skill sets that can be called upon if members need casual workers. Tim explained he had already used 6 of the players and was happy with their work effort. This can only be of benefit in helping to keep the unemployed players focussed on sport and away from more destructive pastimes.

### Treasurer

Malcolm described some of the areas that SCP need funding for as well as the current fee structure and membership benefits. He explained that SCP are targeting Australia for major funding through the good offices of Base Titanium who have been a strong supporter. Other funding comes from the membership scheme, Kenya Rugby Union, Kwale County, 10% from bar sales at Club Night, 50% or 15% from BBQ sales (whether guest cost or social cost), monthly raffle, individual donations. Financial transparency was essential and quarterly accounts will be sent to all members. Monthly accounts are available on demand

### Coach

Dave introduced the SCP captain, Marcos, to the Club members as well as other individual players and talked about the training regime they undergo and their commitment to improvement



George Barbour (Chairman), Chookie Lane (Secretary), Malcolm Hunt (Treasurer), Dave Nolan (Coach), Tim Jackson (Assistant coach) Paul Thompson (Tommo) (Committee) Tracy Barbour (committee)



## Full Membership Prize Draw and Raffle

Marcos picked 2 names from a jar for the prize draw from the full members. The first 2 winners were Catherine White and Iain Lane. 3 raffle prizes were also picked by Marcos, the winners being Gill Bell, Amrie Rosenbohm and Mandy Woodhouse

## Club Night Bar/BBQ

Beers, wine and spirits sold on a cash basis at 200 kes, sodas at 50kes. BBQ free to full members, 600 Kes to social members and 1,000 kes to guests. Guests will pay a temporary membership fee on arrival of 200 kes which is redeemable against the cost of the BBQ



## Drift Wood Sevens

This is the final round of the KRU National Sevens Circuit. Driftwood Sevens is a fitting farewell to the Kenyan sevens rugby season. What better way to end the season. S C Pirates did a fantastic job, but came upon some tough opposition. Watch this space next year!



## MEMBERSHIP FEES

Full – 2,000 per month or 20,000 per annum, (SCP cap, T shirt and polo shirt given) Name in to the Monthly Prize Draw

Social – 500 per month (SCP cap or T shirt given)

Junior (under 16) – 200 per month (SCP cap or T shirt given)

## Special Thanks

Joey Kennaway and Sean White - a commitment to assist in the building of a changing room with showers and toilets for the players at the Show Ground. This will be of enormous benefit to the players but is pending on discussions with Kwale Council who are the land owners

Tom and Amrie Rosenbohm - new residents in Diani who are joining as full members and have made a very generous donation to the Club. This money will be accounted fully in the monthly accounts

Jenni Pierce And Paul Thompson - have committed another generous donation to the costs of 4 away games for the next 4 years

Paul Bromfield - will supply a lot of the building supplies from the toilets to the tiles, and much more for the new changing rooms

Thank you everyone!

**NEXT CLUB NIGHT SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER: FLAMBOYANT GAZEBO; 5PM**

**Diary Dates**

**25<sup>th</sup> October** – Les Gauloise will be coming to play a pre-season friendly at the Ukunda Show ground. Time to be confirmed

**1<sup>st</sup> November**– SCP Club Night from 5pm at The Gazebo. The date will vary each month according to the tides. Please put this in your diary and we encourage each member to bring along as many people as possible to enjoy a few hours by the beach

**8<sup>th</sup> November** – SCP first home game at the Ukunda Show ground. Time to be confirmed. Please try to attend and bring friends and family to cheer the team on. You have no idea how much they appreciate it!

**Behind The Scenes**

We are lucky to have Elam Muniafu with us for 4 weeks. He's a rugby coach both at 5-a-side level and full 15 and is managing the programme to get school children interested in, and playing, touch rugby and has had meetings with representatives from the County Committee on Child rights. The council and community are fully supportive of our initiatives and hopefully we'll find plenty of talent for the future of the SCP. SCP players will also be involved in coaching the school children and this will undoubtedly raise our profile in the local community.

Dave Nolan had meeting with the 12 members of the Showground Committee 12 including the Community Chief, Secretary and the Chairman of the Committee. A very successful meeting finished with agreements on what's needed to bring the ground up to standard. The SCP players will be allowed to use the on-site gym free of charge and the instructors will work out a routine to condition the lads.

**FINALLY**

The committee encourages all members to actively participate in the running of the club and all suggestions are welcome, input will be asked for at the beginning of each Club Night. We'd like volunteers to sell raffle tickets in advance of Club Night as well as on the night and also if anyone is willing to contribute a prize. This could be a bottle of wine, DVD, book, shopping or meal voucher etc, in fact anything that results in more tickets sold and more income being banked

