## **Main Committee Message**



The best time to visit Oman is between November and mid-March, when the cooler air brings the mountain scenery sharply into focus and daytime temperatures average 25°C with some rainy days. At RAHRC, this is the season when we experience member's guests and family flocking to enjoy the pleasant weather by the beach or the swimming pool. The blustery winds, choppy waters and the pounding waves rolling and crashing on the shore have been unable to discourage our sailors/divers and lovers of the sea venturing into the deep and the sight of regular kayakers, fishermen and swimmers are a proof of this.

Events and activities are full on during this time of the year.

## **Events in February 2019:**

- Kinderfeest held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February organized by the Holland Section at the Volleyball court was well attended with 1210 tickets sold, no HSE concerns and for the first time this year 1 & 2 years old children, were able to participate in the Kinderfeest games and competitions.
- Cricket Tournament on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February organized by the Cricket Section at the Sports hall. A well-attended family oriented fun day for children & adults, which consisted of the PDO Gas, PD, Feed Office and UDC Directorates. There were no HSE concerns.
- Annual Regatta on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February organized by the Sailing Section was well
  attended with around 120 participants and no HSE concerns. This very popular event
  as always attracts ex-members of the club who fly in to attend this event.

## **Events in March 2019:**

- Mathe-mania Maths Quiz Competition organized by the Library Section to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> March at the Marlin Hall.
- Dutch Night 8<sup>th</sup> March organized by the Holland Committee at the Volleyball court.
   Canadian Stampede 15<sup>th</sup> March organized by the Canadian Section at the Volleyball court.
- Cabaret 2019 (standup comedian show in Dutch) on16<sup>th</sup> March organized by the Holland Committee at the Cinema Hall.
- Spring Festival 22<sup>nd</sup> March organized by the Pakistani Section at the Volleyball court, Sohar Garden and Marlin Hall.
- Spartina Race 23<sup>rd</sup> March organized by the Biathlon/Triathlon Section
- Pantomime A fire engine in my room from 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> March by the RAHADS Section.

Tickets are on sale at the RAHRC admin office for Dutch Night, Canadian Stampede & Cabaret. Kindly look out for our Events & Activities e-mail every Sunday and Wednesday to keep yourselves updated about the upcoming events in the club.

The club management/Main Committee appreciates the effort and the time contributed by the volunteers of the various section to make this club 'The Club'.

On the HSE front, we request members to be cautious around the beach and swimming pool area. We would like to inform parents that their children/guests are their responsibility therefore kindly ensure that your children/guests are well taken care of. Kindly also take care of your personal belongings while in the club premises.

The weather is great and everyone wants to enjoy the beach with BBQs there. However, the responsibility lies with each individual (members and their guests) to keep the RAHRC beach clean. If we all clean up after ourselves there will be no litter left over from barbecues.

Friday, Saturday and sometimes Sunday mornings are the most disastrous. Members walking on the beach have tripped over barbecue skewers on the beach. These wooden skewers are sharp and harmful. Recently, we had children dig up plastic bags of chicken bones that had been buried in the beach sand even though there are bins a stone's throw away from the BBQ grills.

A piece of advice - kindly bring your own bags with you, this will ensure you throw everything away! Trash doesn't just disappear and we all know it, so take everything you brought back with you or gather up the mess after you're done and throw it in the many bins that are placed for your convenience and that will make the beach and the ocean smile.

Cigarette butts are one of the leading pollutants! Smoke all you want of course we will not tell you what to do but if you do smoke, **dispose of the cigarette butt properly** so it does not go near the water or sand. This will keep the beach clean!

We are pretty sure almost everyone has a place in their heart for the beach, so pass on the word, help us keep the beach clean, our marine life safe and the beach beautiful

Some club rules for guest access:

- A member is allowed to bring in 4 guests (same guests) up to 4 times a month by signing them up at the security entrance @ OMR 2/- per guest.
- A member is allowed to bring up to 10 guests once a month with prior notification to the club with the guest names and ID number at least 48 hours working days/time in advance.

In order to make this family-focused club the most happening place in town, the various sections require volunteers. So if you are able to contribute your time and expertise in any field, kindly write to us and we shall be happy to guide you to the relevant sections.

To know more about the various sections &contact details of committees of these sections please visit  $\underline{www.pdorc.com} \rightarrow information & schedule \rightarrow information guide.$ 

For queries/suggestions, we can be reached at www.pdorc.com

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