Main Committee Message



Dear Members,

As the cool winter months end the club is jam packed with activities on and around RAH before the summer heat sets in.

March 8/9th: 46th Muscat open was held at RAHGC where 82 players competed. 21 foreign players attended this year's event coming from all parts of the world (Bahrain, UK, Abu Dhabi, Qatar & Scotland). An 18 year old and 2016 winner Yaseen Le Falher came out as 2019 winner. Coming up on 22/23rd March is RAHGC club championship were we find out who is the best golfer at the Ras Al Hamra club. Get ready golf coaching sessions are open to be booked, please contact the golf club for more information.

Sport plays a major part of the club and as always, there are many activities ongoing in Tennis free trial lessons plus special kids lessons "Flash Saturdays" and the championship

ongoing since February. Football academy registration is open, New adult judo classes are available with a new fitness class timetable. The annual pool & snooker tournament took place on 23 March

In February, we saw the ORAC extreme Wahiba challenge, sailing regatta, Kids cricket tournament starting and running until mid-March and interdepartmental cricket tournament.

Water Front Contractor (Sport-Zone) is moving ahead with RYA accreditation for the Club, starting with the Powerboat accreditation. Sailing training accreditation to follow later. This means the Club will be issuing internationally recognized certificates for the powerboat training, more to follow on this in due course. April sees Hobie helm conversion sailing training.

RAHADS is presenting "A Fire Engine in my Room" – a comic exploration of ex-pat life in Muscat performed by a diverse cast on 28th – 30th March followed up on 13 June with a Murder Mystery Dinner – A popular annual Whodunit, this year with sea-views.

On March 1 from our RAHRC book library section, we had Math-Mania competition for children. In future, the library would like to do spell bee and science related competitions for children to improve their knowledge and interest. If you have an interest in this please contact the section for more details.

Pakistan section organized their mega spring festival event on 22 March with games, food, gifts & entertainment with 1000+ guests.

This month has seen the annual Dutch Night with the theme of "Illusion" and of course the 26th Canadian Stampede attended by almost a 1000 people. The last event before summer will be the 1st Spring-Fest, which is to be held on 26 April in Sohar Gardens – See flyers around the club for details.

It is with great sadness that we report the loss of the Astronomy founder and long-time Chief Astronomer, Randall Penney, who passed away on 15 March in Australia. Randall set up the RAH astronomy club many years ago and his passion was always undimmed.

The menu at the Clubhouse is evolving and offers even more delights for all to enjoy! Don't forget the great Bistro nights and Surf & Turf Dinners.

AGM's are coming up and most sections are still looking for volunteers to step up in order to keep our club activities going as many key people from the various sections are leaving this year. We encourage you to come forward and be a part of the sections as without active support the club & sections will struggle to flourish.

Club Website News: Members can log in through the club website www.pdorc.com to check their accounts after self-registration.

For more information on what is happening at the club, or an overview of activities and club sections including contact details, please visit our website: www.pdorc.com. If you have any comments, suggestions or feedback, please e-mail: <u>rahrc@pdo.co.om</u>, or you can use the feedback form and drop it in to one.

Many thanks.

On behalf of the Main Committee Wayne Bryant Bar Secretary