



2018 Mercury OET Bill- and Gamefish Tournament

5th November – 9th November 2018

Sodwana Bay

Once again, this prestigious tournament is proudly sponsored by **Mercury Outboards**. This tournament has grown from strength to strength since its inception in the late seventies, hence the timeous invitation to you personally. Our field has been limited, so it is vitally important to make use of this early reminder to register straight away. **Please follow the payment instructions carefully.**

We will bring you updates via e-mail as to the progress of the competition, including details of all the prizes that are up for grabs. It is therefore important to include your correct e-mail address.

The tournament will be fished on an open line class base with the maximum line class being 37kg. A line tester will be available at the marquee tent during registration and during daily weigh and teams are encouraged to test their lines before the first days fishing. Point scoring will be 100 points per release of all Marlin species including Shortbill Spearfish. Sailfish will score 50 points per release and 1 point per kg on Gamefish, irrespective of the line class. Remember only two gamefish per angler per day allowed to be weighed at the scales. IGFA and SADSAA rules will be applicable. Teams must consist of not less than two (2) persons and no more than legally permitted on a boat.

Please note that the release of all billfish and kingfish is compulsory: under no circumstances may any billfish or kingfish be taken out or brought to the beach. Should this rule be ignored, the team may be responsible for a fine of R30 000 imposed by iSimangaliso. **Both billfish released and gamefish weighed will be eligible to WIN the bonanza prize for the tournament.**

Teams in the top three positions will not qualify for any other main/bonanza prizes. (Please note that this excludes the Calcutta prize money)

We are privileged to have sponsors on board that have been with us for many fine and fruitful years. Some of the committed sponsors include **Mercury Outboards**, BuCo Middleburg, Camp Ross Ramos, CC Sport, Creydt Timber, Cetainty Lodge & Charters, Cross Country, Dolos (Oom Attie), Eventually Lodge, Eventus Sitrus, Fishing's Finest, Garmin, Grip Hooks, Grimbeek Taxidermy, Heineken, HSE Safety Solution & Pienaarbros; Isimangaliso, Jeep, Jessor Point Boat Lodge, Jormid Electrical, Leatherbacks (Sodwana Bay Lodge), KZN Ezemvelo Wildlife, Makita, Mallards Marine, McGee Ford-Lydenburg, MCon Construction, Mojo and Squidnation Teazers, Mpumalanga Lifting, National Luna, Nauti-Tech, Ndlovu Construction, Nemo Dive Charters & Accommodation, Nico Zaayman, Penn Fishing Tackle, Pulsator Lures, Rothman Motors, Ski Boat Magazine, Sodwana Hengelklub, Specialised Security Security, Success Maintenance & Lifting Services, Sunset Boats, Super Winch, Talisman Witbank, Team Zaen Mari, Tropical Dream Tackle, Turbo Panelbeaters, Two Summers Electrical, Wild Coolers, Willem Pretorius, Wokini Guest House & Game Farm and many, many other exciting sponsors.

Only official sponsors of the Mercury OET Bill- & Game fish may be advertised in any way. No conflicting advertising will be allowed.

Our regular drinking hole at the marquee tent will be overflowing. The entry fee includes all drinks during happy hours. Anglers will be advised of the extended bar hours. There will be an additional charge of R800 per person for non-anglers attending the functions for the week.

CLOSING DATE 30th SEPTEMBER 2018

ENTRY FEE: R7 500-00 per boat (5 Anglers) plus R1 650-00/angler thereafter.

Please note that the entry fee is non refundable and non transferable.

CALCUTTA: R1 000 per boat

Payments must be made directly into our account and clearly marked with your **BOAT NAME** as reference on the deposit slip or electronic transfer. Banking details are as follows:

MDSAA	ABSA BANK
Account Number:	071 203 5331
Branch: Randburg:	632 005

Please fax your completed entry form along with the fully completed indemnity form **together** with your deposit slip via e-mail to: mdsaafishing@gmail.com

Please note that entries are limited and only boats who have done **(1-5)** below will be considered. **(1)** entrance fees are **FULLY PAID**, **(2)** entry form completed in full, **(3)** indemnity form fully completed and received. You are also kindly reminded to **(4)** complete the Sodwana Bay Lodge Code of Conduct, including vehicle registration numbers so that entrance cards can be arranged. We would also appreciate if you could **(5)** e-mail a photo of your boat to Vikki Bezuidenhout at mdsaafishing@gmail.com – the photo will be used during the opening ceremony to welcome the team.

Remember to purchase your fishing license at a post office before you depart to Sodwana.

Skippers are reminded that their own vehicles are to be used for launching of boats. Two tractors will be available in the afternoons to assist with the pulling of the boats.

Admission Reserved

Any queries can be directed to writer hereof.

Yours in angling
Sam Botha
Tournament's Officer
084-805-3077

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ENTRY FORM

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Closing Date:

30 September 2018

Boat Name:

Make of Engines:

Make of Hull:

Registration #:

Engine HP:

Club:

Crew # 1 Skipper Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 2 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 3 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 4 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 5 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Entry Fee = R7 500.00 (5 Anglers)

R7 500.00

Crew # 6 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 7 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

Crew # 8 Name:

E-Mail Address

Shirt Size:

Size	Long/short sleeve

Cell Number:

As per legal limit of your boat

Extra Crew Entry Fee:

Please add R1 650 per person above 5 anglers:

Extra Shirts:

Please add R400 per shirt x _____

Sizes:

Non-Anglers:

R800 per non-angler attending the functions:

Calcutta (R1 000 / boat):

We prefer bank transfer, cash is a big risk.

Total Entry Fee:

R7 500 Entry Fee + Extra Crew Entry Fee + Calcutta:

Please note the entry form is in PDF with Editable fields. Please type in the required information on the form and send your completed entry form along with the fully completed indemnity, Sodwana Bay Lodge Code of Conduct form together with your deposit slip and a photo of your boat via e-mail to: mdsaafishing@gmail.com PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE YOUR BOAT NAME AS REFERENCE.

Shirt Sizes	Chest (widest section)	Length	Shirt Sizes	Chest (widest section)	Length
Small	100	68	2XL	119	77.5
Medium	104	69.5	3XL	124	81
Large	109	71	4XL	140	84
XL	116	72	5XL	145	88

INDEMNITY FORM

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In respect of participating in the tournament as organized by Mpumalanga Deep Sea Angling Association (MDSAA) at Sodwana Bay.

WE, AS PARTICIPANTS ON THE BOAT _____,

Do hereby ACKNOWLEDGE AND DECLARE THAT WE ARE PARTICIPATING AT OUR OWN RISK and on express condition that MPUMALANGA DEEP SEA ANGLING ASSOCIATION, MDSAA member clubs, members, it's officers or employees or the owners of any hired vehicle / aircraft / ship / boat, the driver or conductor of such vehicle, the pilot-in-command, or any member of the crew of such aircraft, master, skipper or any member of the crew of such ship or boat, shall not be liable to us for any damage arising out of bodily injuries suffered by us or for any loss or damage to our property or estate arising out of any accident or which may occur during or as a result of our participation.

Furthermore do indemnify and hold harmless the iSimangaliso Wetland Park Authority, its members, officers, servants and agents from liability from all or any claims that could accrue to them or their heirs, executors and administrators above against any claims whatsoever the same may arise.

I/We acknowledge that if my/our actions result in iSimangaliso Wetland Park Authority withholding the deposit or part there off paid by MDSAA for the tournament I/we could be held accountable to refund MDSAA for the loss

I acknowledge that I have read the tournament rules and will adhere to such rules.

SIGNED AT _____ ON THE _____ DAY OF _____ 2018

	NAME PRINT	SIGNATURE
Skipper		
Crew 1		
Crew 2		
Crew 3		
Crew 4		
Crew 5		
Crew 6		
Crew 7		
Crew 8		

Sodwana Bay Lodge Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct will be adhered too at all times while on the Lodge and throughout the duration of the OET Fishing Competition. All participants and guests are will be expected to conduct themselves in a sportsman/woman like manner.

- Security Personal:
 - Will at all times be treated with the utmost respect.
 - No foul language will be allowed or tolerated towards the Security Personal.
 - Instructions given will be followed.
- Access:
 - Will display the Gate permit disc in the right hand lower corner of the said vehicle's windscreen (Driver side), when entering the Lodge.
 - The said Gate permit disc will be displayed (as stated above) at all times while on the Lodge premises.
 - If a vehicle does not have a Gate permit at time of entry, the normal Access Control system will be followed.
- While driving inside the Lodge:
 - Keep to the speed limit, which is 25 Km per hour at all times when driving in the Lodge.
 - No reckless driving i.e. wheel spinning, speeding over the speed bumps.
 - Only valid licensed drivers are allowed to operate a vehicle on the Lodge.
 - No driving or parking on the grass.
 - Be careful of our wild life.
 - Be careful of pedestrians.
 - Music to be kept at a reasonable volume.
- Non-Residents visitors/competitors:
 - Vehicles to be parked at boat lockers and area below the Scuba Shop.
- Wild Life:
 - Not to be harmed in anyway, this includes poaching, or hit by vehicle.
- Gillies:
 - No Gillies are allowed to go to the houses.
- Boats:
 - Those boats that have lockers are to be parked inside said lockers when not being used.
 - Boats that do not have lockers are to be parked in the Boat yard when not being used.

Vehicle Details

Vehicle 1: Make _____	Vehicle 2: Make: _____
Registration: _____	Registraion: _____
Driver: _____	Driver: _____
Cell: _____	Cell: _____

Signed:

Angler 1: _____	Angler 2: _____
Angler 3: _____	Angler 4: _____
Angler 5: _____	Angler 6: _____