



TRANSAGULHAS 2009/10

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The 2008/9 PSPG Trans Agulhas has come and gone. A big thank you to PSPG Property Developers, Red Square and Wild Africa Cream for their sponsorships who made this Event possible.

As from the 2nd January 2009 the main sponsor, PSPG, and Club Agulhas had many enquiries via the website from persons asking when are we starting to open applications for the 2009/10 PSPG Trans Agulhas. What a wonderful compliment to all of us for a job Well Done!

Well, Club Agulhas, in conjunction with PSPG and SAIBA, has decided that the time has come and this year the PSPG Trans Agulhas will be an Ordinary International. PSPG and Club Agulhas has had many enquiries from overseas drivers to participate. We took this to SAIBA who has done their bit and this year the PSPG Trans Agulhas will have the above status.

What will this mean : It's really quite simple - traditional Trans Agulhas, with overseas participation. We have to upgrade to allow overseas participation. One winner in every class as per normal, one set of trophies. Simple as that.

Remember : *Application to enter will be taken to the organizing committee and their decision is final, no correspondence will be entered into if your application to enter is denied.* We do not want confusion like last year, the overseas driver was informed that his application was unsuccessful and still he came to Mossel Bay, no one's fault but his own.

We have decided to start early this year and will keep you all informed as we progress to turn this the biggest event yet.

The 21st PSPG Trans Agulhas was a big success and myself, as the Chairman of Club Agulhas would like to thank Pieter Smith and his fellow Directors, for making my life easy. There are many roll players to put an Event of this stature together and every one of them are hereby thanked. I do not want to mention everyone by name as I have done so and given everyone credit at the Prizegiving, but still, Thank You all.

As the chairman of the organizing club, I can tell you this much : the 2008/9 PSPG Trans Agulhas had the most coverage in our 5 years of organizing it. The Burger, The Cape Times, The Hermanus Times and the Overberg Venster, as well as Die Buite Burger. Thank you to Mouton van Zyl and Colin Hoffman. ***Julle mag maar!!*** We hope you will join us again this year.

Brian Emmenis from Capital Sound added a new dimension to the Event. What a gift he has!

For the benefit of the newcomers : a few practicalities –

Yes, we do know it's January, but we do not want to be caught off guard, life has that ability, as we all know. So, ***get your ducks in a row !!!***

Entries will open with the sending out of this bulletin and entry forms are also on the website, www.pspgtransagulhas.co.za . We have to ask for a deposit of R1500.00 before the 14th July 2009 to secure your entry after which date entries will be CLOSED. No late entry will be accepted. This deposit will be non-refundable and not transferable. The entry fee has been increased and will be R3,500.00. This amount includes camping and racing fees. Final payment must be made before the 1st November 2009. If you are not in possession of a Trans Agulhas ID



sheet (and if you are a Novice, you probably are not), that will cost you R270 extra. This R270 is refundable on return of the ID sheet on no later than **1 January 2010**. Please bear in mind that a first come first serve basis will be followed should a cut-off number be agreed upon. Ground crew vehicles will be limited to two vehicles per team. Any x-tra vehicles will cost you R250 each. If you wish to take a truck with, you will be charged R300 for any truck.

The following arrangements will be in place :

Registration & Scrutineering venue

26 & 27 December 2009

Van Riebeeck Sports Field, Mossel Bay.

Rules

2009 SAIBA rulebook with the 2009 Trans Agulhas amended Special Rules. *(Not yet available)*. Special Rules will be supplied on registration, and a printable version will also be available on our website www.pspgtransagulhas.co.za *(2008 Rules are available, 2009 will be posted as soon as approved by organizing committee)*.

Venue & Date

Arrival, 26 December 2009, Van Riebeeck Sports Field, Mossel Bay - gates open at 08h00. Bring own accommodation with, as none will be supplied.

Media

There will be coverage in the media, before the event as well as during and after.

Dates & Routes

Tradition prevails. Find the stages on www.pspgtransagulhas.co.za . If there is any variation, this will be communicated to everyone well in advance before the **PSPG Trans Agulhas Ultra Longhaul Challenge**.

Classes

Team Novice **P750S (Standard)** – you only qualify for this team if you have never been on the starting line.

P750S (Standard)

P750 (Blue Print)

P750M (Modified)

No participation of RIBS or Jetski's will be considered for this year's PSPG Trans Agulhas because of safety costs.

So, this is it, are you tough enough to participate in the challenge of the seas??

We await all applications with anticipation.

Yours,
Club Agulhas

