
PUBLIC NOTICE - Commodore II wreck

From : A Baard <andre.baard@gmail.com> Mon, 24 Oct, 2016 13:21
Subject : PUBLIC NOTICE - Commodore II wreck 📎 1 attachment
To : summer jacobs <summer.jacobs@inl.co.za>
Cc : Briege Williams <bwilliams@sahra.org.za>, John Gribble <jgribble@sahra.org.za>, Unname <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

Hi Summer

I trust you are well. Your article in Table Talk of 5 October refers. The Sunday Times picked up on your story and published a piece this Sunday, see attached for your info.

I represent The Citylife Trust, the applicant attempting to find a long term resting ground for the very interesting piece of wood. Besides being property owners in the area my mother grew up here and used to play on the selfsame piece of wreck (although much bigger back then) way back in the 1950s ... so it has some family history too ... There have been numerous newspaper reports of this ship over the decades since the 1930s ... collating them with some anecdotal info would make a great coffee table book ... just an idea ... I have been very surprised by the interest, even a national paper ... so there is something feelgood and interesting (so needed in the hyper negative narratives that consistently grab headlines in RSA ...) in this story of longevity against the odds ... Great parallels to the human condition this chunk of kanniedood wreck.

As per the final requirement of SAHRA, we need to advertise the idea to the public and invite comments, objections etc We felt your publication was considered most suitable and we would be very pleased if Table Talk would consider publishing the below public notice *gratis* ?? Would it not be great if the community paper could contribute to conserving this interesting relic of the past? If not, please quote us as we are committed to get this project off the ground.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

KRgds

Andre

Trustee
The Citylife trust
082 940 4440

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that The Citylife Trust, intends applying in terms of Sections 35 and 36 of the National Heritage Resources Act, (No 25 of 1999) to the South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA) to move a piece of the Commodore II shipwreck currently lying near the mouth of Milnerton Lagoon, to a permanent position about 100m from its current location.

The intention is to move the piece of wreckage to a grassed area visible from where the wreck currently lies in the shallow water of the Milnerton Lagoon mouth to enable it to be preserved from further damage as it lies adrift on the beach. The proposed new site for the wreckage is easily accessible to the public and the concept is to conserve the wreck piece from inevitable further degradation and create an authentic outdoor maritime wreck mini-museum for the future generations of visitors to this stretch of beach to enjoy. An information board with the history and current status of the Commodore II will be erected alongside the wreckage to educate the public and provide a background to this interesting piece of Cape Town's maritime history.

A firm and written undertaking has already been obtained from the Lagoon Beach Hotel, who have committed to keep the publicly accessible site (adjacent to Whang Thai Restaurant), tidy and guarded.

We request the public to direct any comments, queries, suggestions or objections within 30 days to date: Andre Baard, The Citylife Trust, PO Box 367 Durbanville or please email us at: thecitylifetrust@gmail.com

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public repsonse to notice of 2 Nov - I

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From: **Maureen Smith** <maureenharris@hotmail.co.uk>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 1:15 PM
Subject: LAGOON BEACH WRECK=PRESERVE IT
To: "thecitylifetrust@gmail.com" <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

Hello

I would like to give my approval of the wreck being maintained by the LAGOON BEACH HOTEL.

Thank you for your efforts.

Mr and Mrs Smith

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From: Wessel Van Dyk <wesseljvandyk3@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 2:40 PM
Subject: Fwd: Andre baard re Commodore-Piece of history
To: thecitylifetrust@gmail.com

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From: Wessel Van Dyk <wesseljvandyk3@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 2:15 PM
Subject: Andre baard re Commodore-Piece of history
To: citylifetrust@gmail.com

This ship was stripped in the harbour and the wooden hull towed out and allowed to beach on the Cape Town side of the cement water outlet that is still there. We used to dive from the high bow into the sea and inside the hull was a largish pool in which we swam. it was quite an attraction to the local kids. At a later stage a local was given a permit to burn the wood and remove the steel pieces holding the wood together. He sold the metal for scrap. It would be very nice if this piece of history could be preserved.

Incidentally, i knew Judy Baard and her sister as well as their husbands and was wondering if they were relatives. I know both ladies are no longer with us.

Wessel van Dyk
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From: **Chantel van der Linde** <matikitok@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 7:57 PM
Subject: Lagoon beach-Commodore II-Preserve a piece of history
To: thecitylifetrust@gmail.com

Good day

I was pleasantly surprised by the article in Table talk today 2 Nov. I have been living in Tijgerhof just up the road from Lagoon Beach for just over a year. I frequently walk or run along the beach where the wreck lies. Often have I pondered, while struggling through my run, the history of this seemingly random wooden structure.

To finally hear a bit about it's amazing journey made more than a century ago was a real joy. I am thankful that Mr Baard took the time to research and share the story.

I fully approve of and endorse the idea to preserve and treasure this last surviving section of a ship that made so many journeys, from movies to war.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help ensure the wreck is preserved. It would be sad if we were unable to share the tales of the adventure the ship and its Captain's and crews may have experienced over the years it spent at sea.

Lets keep it around for our children and grandchildren to enjoy.

Chantel van der Linde

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Hollywood no less ...

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From: **jeff rich** <jeff.rich@mtnloaded.co.za>

Date: Sun, Nov 6, 2016 at 8:28 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: MR BAARD
To: Andre Baard <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

That's all very well, but how to contact the correct person or department. That's the rub. jr

----- Original Message -----

From: Andre Baard
To: jeff rich
Sent: Sunday, November 06, 2016 8:26 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: MR BAARD

Hi Jeff

Great idea, perhaps you can follow up with them?

Rgds
Andre

On 06 Nov 2016 8:17 AM, "jeff rich" <jeff.rich@mtnloaded.co.za> wrote:

----- Original Message -----

From: jeff rich
To: citylifetrust@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2016 9:18 AM
Subject: MR BAARD

I read the article in the Table Talk and wondered whether MGM would be interested in doing a documentary about the wrecked ship from their movie. Jeff Rich parklands

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Fwd: 'Piece of history' IV

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To : Brieger Williams <bwilliams@sahra.org.za>, John Gribble
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From: **kim dean** <kimanddean215@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 1:34 PM
Subject: Re: 'Piece of history'
To: Andre Baard <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

I hope to see the wreck successfully moved and displayed in the future.
Enjoy your day further more Mr Baard

Regards

On Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 1:30 PM, Andre Baard <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Dean

I am glad you agree!

KRgds

On Wed, Nov 2, 2016 at 1:28 PM, kim dean <kimanddean215@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Mr Andre Baard

My name is Dean, I'm 20 and I'm a student, after reading today's article in the Tabletalk I've felt quite compelled to give my thoughts on the matter.

I strongly agree with preserving the wreck of the Commodore II. I've spent a lot of time around this wreck without even knowing it had an interesting story to tell. Remnants of history can't speak for themselves. This fragment of time should be able to tell it's story from dryer land and there is no better way than a plaque and a small move.

Kind Regards,
Dean

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From: "Sally Levesque Phillips" <sallylevesque@gmail.com>

Date: 08 Nov 2016 21:13

Subject: In favour of 'rescuing' wreck

To: <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

Cc:

I saw the article regardibg preserving the piece of wreck in Milnerton Lagoon.

I support the idea of putting it on the grass next to the beach with some sort of plaque/information board.

I still think people should be allowed to climb, play and pose on it as part if it's heritage is as a 'jungle gym' in the lagoon.

Another nice information plaque would be one at the old hall above the tennis club to tell of it's hayday when Milnerton was a 'sea side resort' for the residents of cape town to come out for the day. There is a great book on this history of Milnerton in the Milnerton Public Library.

A third historical info board in Milnerton could be one telling about Wolraad Woltemade who saved 14 sailors from drowning. I had been under the impression that this happened at the mouth of Milnerton lagoon but a quick google suggests it might have been near where the Milnerton market happens.

Thank you for this great initiative

Sally Phillips
17 Peddie Road
Milnerton

Re: public rpsonse to notice of 2 Nov - I

From : A Baard <andre.baard@gmail.com>

Tue, 29 Nov, 2016 09:10

Subject : Re: public rpsonse to notice of 2 Nov - I**To :** Briege Williams <bwilliams@sahra.org.za>

Hi Briege

I am hoping to get a lifting plan from a salvage co before the Christmas break but things are crazy busy so lets hope.

When I receive it I will let you know.

Rgds
Andre

On 28 Nov 2016 2:10 PM, "Briege Williams" <bwilliams@sahra.org.za> wrote:

Hi Andre

I was wondering how you were getting on with the 2 requirements of the permit application that I outlined to you below? I notice that the 30 day notice period is up on Friday so we will be able to proceed with the permit application once the additional paperwork is received.

Regards

Briege

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To: "Andre Baard" <thecitylifetrust@gmail.com>

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Sent: Wednesday, 9 November, 2016 12:04:08 PM

Subject: Re: public response to notice of 2 Nov - I

Hi Andre

Thanks for all the comments you have sent to us so far, i'm glad they are all positive. We are only able to proceed further with the permit application once the 30 day notice period is up on Dec 2nd but we can work together now to get all the other paperwork required for the application in order to have everything in line to process it ASAP.

There are a few things we will require from you:

1. The plans for moving the wreck, ie the methodology and details of how it will be moved.
2. A more accurate location plan, I've double checked the aerial photo you submitted and the pin is not quite in the correct place so that will need to be ammended

We also need to put in place a heritage agreement between SAHRA and yourselves just to set out ownership, access, maintenance etc, I will draw this up and send you a draft copy to see if you agree and then I suggest we have a quick meeting to sign it and check that everything is in place before the paperwork is submitted.

I know you are keen to get this moving quickly and I will endeavor to be clear about what is needed so that we don't have any hold ups in the process.

Regards

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