



CHAIRMANS REPORT – 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Coming out of the Covid 19 two-year pandemic we thought that things would go back to normal but alas, as with the rest of the world, PPA has not been able to get back to where we were before the pandemic. Membership uptake has been slow and our events have taken a huge knock as a result of costs and lack of sponsorship. Income from the surplus of the Cape Town Cycle Tour has also had an impact on our financial situation which is covered more fully in the Treasurers report.

Despite all of the above, you will read in the very detailed CEO's report the strategy that PPA envisages for the next five years. This plan re-positions PPA's as not only continuing to stage events for cyclists but also to become the voice for cycling nationally. This will include reaching out to government as well as provincial and local authorities and the private sector for PPA to become involved with non-motorised initiatives in its planning stages, safety of cyclists and cycling lanes/paths. PPA has already had some very good meetings with some authorities and have set up regular meetings to promote this synergy. We are in frequent meetings with CSA to see how the two organisations can use their knowledge and skills to improve road safety, increase events throughout the country and to promote cycling as a sport for all South Africans.

As a member of PPA you have access to our info@pedalpower.org.za at any time to ask questions and raise concerns or just to give kudos. We find that when we advertise the AGM, there is an increase in matters being raised that do not have to wait for an AGM. We would encourage our members to use this facility during the year. We would also encourage members to take up concerns that are municipal facilities/related with their local Councilor and by creating C3 service request on the City of Cape Town's website first.

Please bear in mind that PPA and The Cape Town Cycle Tour are two separate organisations and information with regard to the CTCT need to be directed to info@cycletour.co.za.

Last year this time we reported that we were in the final stages of appointing a CEO for PPA. We are pleased that Neil Robinson assumed duty in February this year and has made big strides into taking over the operational side of our organisation. To Neil and the rest of the PPA staff, we pass on our sincere thanks for your loyalty and dedication under difficult times. To the Executive committee members, thank you for your great voluntary support during the year.

To all our members we thank you for your loyal support and all the wonderful words of encouragement to continue our mission of providing cycling events and safety for all the cyclists in our great country,

Steve Hayward: Chairman.