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Dear NBAA Members,
Dear NBAA Executive Committee,
Dear NFFA President,

2021 Chairman's Report,

I want to use this opportunity to say thank you to all our members who supported the NBAA in 2021. It was another tough year with covid and everything related to the pandemic but still we managed to put a full season together and for that I am grateful.

The following events were held and I want to thank the various sponsors who made this possible.

1. FLW Namibia Big Bass Fest

We hosted our second Big Bass fest this year and it was a huge success again with team Ruffnek/Dragon taking the honors well done Jurgen Geiger, Dex Geiger and Warren Fourie and thank you to our sponsors – Von Bach dam Tungeni Resorts, Williams & Knight, Beefcor, Ruffnek Boats, Tyre Rack, Frametique, WBM Lureworx

2. Keepnet Trail

We have hosted 3 Keepnet trials since inception and this is so much fun. Fun fishing for big prizes is what this has evolved into. I would like to thank our sponsors for these events. Thank you Cymot, WBM Lure Worx, Namturf Solutions and Williams and Knight insurance brokers who is sponsoring the current event. Congratulations to the winners as well them being Dr Andre van Vuuren, Neil Engelbrecht and Alec Williams respectively.

3. National Championships

This event turned out to be much tougher than anticipated with some very funny weather on competition days. It was a huge battle between Neels van Tonder and Thinus Williams with Thinus securing the win in the end and the only angler to catch a limit of fish. Congratulations to Thinus Williams, he is probably the most consistent angler in the last couple of seasons.

A huge thank you to Bank Windhoek for again being the anchor sponsor for this event.

4. Mercury Summer Bass Classic

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This event was once again well organized and a huge success thanks to Neil Engelbrecht. Thank you to main sponsor Mercury again sponsoring our classic. Congratulations to two of our new anglers Willie and Alexander Sowden on winning this event. This event is also one of our development events and hopefully we can source some new blood for the NBAA.

National Tournament trial

Again thank you to Bank Windhoek for sponsoring our season they have been doing this for many years now and hopefully we can secure another sponsor from them next year.

I would like to congratulate Jurgen Geiger on one of the most dominant performances ever in national tournaments and winning the angler of the year trophy in style. Well done Jurgen.

World Championships

This event was sadly again postponed due to covid but we are hope full that we will be able to compete in 2022.

Region 5

This event was also postponed from July to November because of lockdown restrictions. We selected a team for the event in November but because of covid protocols the majority of the team decided to not risk going to Zimbabwe. I must mention that Hollard Namibia sponsored 50 k towards this event and when we wanted to refund they said we can keep it for next years event as well as pledged another 50k towards maybe hosting in 2022. Thank you Hollard and also vice chairman Johan Coetzee for you're effort in securing this.

Executive Council

I would like to thank exco for their effort in 2021 – it was another year with lock downs and covid restrictions so most of our discussions were on a watsap group. We mainly focused on day to day running of the NBAA as well as the different events we hosted.

It is with a sad heart that we say goodbye to two of our stalwarts over the last ten years. Richard Grant and Neil Engelbrecht will not be available for exco next year. This is a huge loss for us and some very big shoes that needs filling. Richard and Neil thank you for all the effort you put into this sport we truly appreciate it.

The guys staying on thank you for you're effort and time once again.

We need to fill some vacancies and hopefully some of our members will step up to the challenge.

Once again thank you to exco 2021.

This year was also one of the saddest with us losing to of our members in a couple of months. Anton Smit and Elmarie Smit we will miss you and forever remember you by naming the classic trophy after you. We have lost angling friends across the border with Richard Watson passing away as well. May they rest in peace.

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I wish everyone a safe festive season and wil see you on the water in 2022.

Yours truly,

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Alec Williams (Chairman – NBAA)

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