

Local boys of Knysna and Mosselbay earn SALTBAA (South African Light Tackle Boat Angling Association) colours (jnr Springbok colours) in the SA Championships in Richardsbay Kwa-Zulu Natal



SA Championships 2011 took place from 2 – 8 April 2011 at Richardsbay, Kwa-Zulu Natal. Three Knysna boys, Carel Bruwer; Gerhard Barnard and Ruaan Stander and one Mosselbay boy, Chahn Barnard, part take.

Day One of competition, was cancelled due to rough sea and bad weather conditions

Day Two - Southern Cape boys ended 4th, with Carel Bruwer ended 4th for the day.

Day Three –the boys ended up 2nd with Gerhard Barnard that ended 3rd for the day.

Day Four - fishing were limited in the harbour area, due to bad weather conditions the boys showed great fishing skills in not so favourable conditions. They ended up in 1st place for the day. Chahn Barnard was awarded top angler of the day.

Day Five the boys showed that they still want to fish and again ended 1st for the day, with Gerhard Barnard 4th for the day.

Southern Cape finished in tight for first place with North West on 28 points. North West out counted Southern Cape junior on average weight and Southern Cape junior ended up 2nd in the Champion ships.

Two boys Carel Bruwer of Knysna and Chahn Barnard of Mosselbay achieved SALTBAA colours (Junior Protea Colours) Carel for U/21 and Chahn U/16 for participation in the 2012 S A Championships at Van Der Kloof dam in the Freestate.

Individual the boys results at the Champoinships are as follow: Carel Bruwer 2nd, he ended 7th overall and stand a chance to nominate for the U21 Protea team; Chahn Barnard 4th; Gerhard Barnard 6th and Ruaan Stander 14th – and this with only 4kg lines.

Well done guys.

Skippers for the boys were Gerrie Barnard of Knysna Angling Club and Ian Barnard of Mosselbay. Ian ended up 3rd best skipper of the Championship.

We need to thank a few people, without them, it will not be possible to take these kids to the SA Championships.

Our team members that did all the work for the boys: Team Manager and Marshall – Louis Theron; Johan Ouwenkamp – Marshall.

Then our sponsors: Freddie van Rensburg; Russel Kretzmann; Viking Fisheries; Kwikspar, Hennie Brandt; ZD Stander Vervoer; Knysna Angling Club; Knysna Deep Sea Angling; Whisk Bakery; George and Doreen Coetzee; George (Jnr) Coetzee;

Next year the SA Championships will be held at Vanderkloof dam in the Free State.