

## **SPEEDWEEK 2007**

**06 SEPTEMBER**

5 more records are broken!!  
2 records are equalled!

Once again the riders woke up to a morning of blue skies and loads of wind. The morning got off to a sluggish start as most riders felt the after effects of yesterdays gruelling two heats and the celebrations which followed the announcement of the 8 national records which were broken.

The first heat of the day was underway by 13:45 in 20 – 25 knots of wind. Bjorn Dunkerbeck, Patrick Diethelm and Finian Maynard dominated this round with consistent 41 knots runs. Local riders Hennie Bredenkamp, Matthias Roettcher, Darren Barker and Frank Stein were all up there in the top 20 making us proud. Valerie Ghibaudo dominated the ladies race and finished 2 knots faster than Karin Jaggi. In the kiter's race Alex Caizergues once again let the pack by finishing 1 knot clear of the second place finishing, Rolf van der Vlugt, who had another fantastic day on the water. Charlotte just managed to keep ahead of world record holder Sjoukje Bredenkamp by 0.2 knots in the ladies race.

In heat 2 the wind picked up to 30 knots and Bjorn Dunkerbeck just managed to keep ahead of current world tour leader Antoine Albeau. Patrick Diethelm set the fastest speed of the day with a 43.02 knots run. African Record holder Hennie Bredenkamp came in at 5th position with a staggering 41.46 knots run. In the ladies kitesurfing race Sjoukje managed to out sail Charlotte by 0.8 knots and equalled her own world record with a run of 37.26 knots.

The forecast shows for slightly less wind tomorrow but with a better angle we are hoping for some good speeds and of course another action packed day of racing on the Walvis Bay jellyfish infested speedstrip!