



Dear Subscribers

Welcome to our December Newsletter.

December 2007 Newsletter

fu.shi sandwiches to the rescue!

fu.shi sandwiches – of the sushi variation – are a firm favourite on our menu, but with the recent downpours in Plett it was the good ol' fashioned type of sandwiches (by the hundreds) that our kitchen staff eagerly prepared to nourish volunteers from our outstanding local rescue team and the hundreds of evacuees. Plett experienced significant downpours and is an awesome sight to behold with its rivers in full flow, the renewed Lookout beach and lagoon landscape (which intriguingly exposed large stretches of black slate paving previously covered by the dunes) and an abundance of bird life savouring the wetlands. A historical moment indeed! Despite damages incurred to some low lying areas (repairs are well underway), Plett is still very much prepared for the December influx of holidaymakers and local establishments are looking forward to hosting one and all!

Pictured right: The Keurbooms and Bitou river confluence area (with the inundated polo fields in the background top right) - aerial image courtesy of brinkimages.com



20 reasons to be in Plett

fu.shi and BoMa terrace are listed as one of these reasons in the annual Kurland Polo Magazine due for December release. The Plett Review magazine has also just 'hit the streets' headlining the New Look Plett - a new town for a new era - it is a wonderfully informative publication which reminds us that 4 of the world's finest hotels, the world's largest free flight aviary, and award winning adventures are based in Plett. Soon the Main Street upgrade will be complete and the airport will be fully operational. It is obvious that **Plett is very much a happening place** and there are lots more reasons than a mere 20 to be in Plett! (just take a look at our entertainment line up below to see what exciting events we have planned!) Those in agreement are the thousands of Matric students, not at all deterred by last week's rain, who are currently in town celebrating the sun, sea and sand along with their newfound freedom.

Pictured left: December is the perfect time to soak up the sun on our terrace which overlooks the bay whilst sipping one of our fabulous and very extensive range of Cocktails.



Pictured right: Sensations and Seductions - our decadent sticky Chocolate and mango Brownie with mango ice cream



Tips whilst taking to the skies

Here's some good advice: take advantage of inevitable domestic flight delays and read SA Airlink's Skyways magazine to gain **A few cooking TIPS** from fu.shi Executive Chef Vanie's (pictured right) monthly column.

For instance did you know that you should sauté onions with salt in order to release the flavour of the onion which will also brown quicker?

Also, that you should add salt and vinegar and gently whisk the water in a circular motion when poaching eggs, resulting in perfectly rounded moulds?

And that adding a little bit of boiling water when whisking in the butter, will prevent your Hollandaise sauce mixture from 'splitting'.

(p.s. it is a well known fact that BoMa terrace serves the best Eggs Benedict, ask any of our loyal BoMa terrace Sunday Brunch patrons and try it yourself between 10am-2pm every Sunday!)



Jenni Button Charity fashion show 22 December
(only a few tickets left, please call Linda 044 533 4440)

There is such excitement around Jenni Button's launch of her new Philosophy range at a luncheon at fu.shi on Saturday 22 December @ 12.30. Reservations are pouring in and it promises to be a fantastic event for the ladies with a mouth watering set menu selection and ample give-aways (such as a glass of Mumm Champagne, a Campari cocktail, Lindt chocolates) plus an awesome Clarins gift bag for each lady (valued at R400 each!). Other vouchers and gift items will be 'raffled' off.

Gillian van Houten will host the event and Simply 4 will be performing - all this for only R300 per ticket - and for a good cause too!

The aim is to raise funds for a local charity, PAWS (Plett Animal Welfare Services) which is a non-profit community based organization working closely with the community, volunteers, municipality and veterinarians. PAWS is primarily responsible for fieldwork, taking in of strays, providing a re-homing service for unwanted animals and rescue & emergency work. Participating private vets donate their professional skills and services for the community on behalf of PAWS which currently operates without premises and operates 1 mobile service. Without a workable, proactive and sustainable system of sterilization and vaccination, the starvation and neglect of animals will continue.
www.pletpetanimalwelfare.co.za.

Seats have to be pre-booked and paid for (cash or credit card) in advance. Please contact Linda at 044 533 4440 or linda@upper-deck.co.za to reserve your seat or table.



Upper Deck Gallery invites you to
Our Summer 2007 Exhibition
 in celebration of our exciting new gallery extension
 Please join us on **Monday 17 December** at 6pm - wine will be served

EXHIBITING ARTISTS

SALLY ARNOLD who has returned to South Africa after a 3 decade long sojourn in Europe, bringing with her a versatile and award winning repertoire.

LYNETTE TEN KROODEN whose canvases provide a feeling of vast, expectant stillness, allowing her to bare her soul and intellect with a technical finesse that has justifiably earned her position as an internationally sought after artist.

SUSANNA SWART whose sculpture encompasses her love of the land and its people. The veld, its metaphysical beings, and the ancient mysteries of Africa are reflected in her work.



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Our Exciting December Programme

Thu 6 Dec	7pm	Wendy Oldfield & Offshore Jazz Wendy is a familiar voice which has been on the SA music scene for decades – her vocal ability is superbly complimented by this talented jazz trio
Sun 9 Dec	5pm	NU HAVANA Cuban dance band They're a 7 piece Cuban dance band of excellent young dancers and entertainers. These gorgeous guys and girls are performing in our area for the first time ever! Courtesy of Havana Club they'll get you dancing and a great party atmosphere going!
Mon 10 Dec	7pm	
Tue 11 Dec	9pm	
15-30 Dec	4-5pm	Bombay Sapphire Blue Gin Promotion Daily promotions and tastings courtesy of the Bombay Sapphire promotion girls!
Mon 17 Dec	6pm	Upper Deck Gallery exhibition opening Formidable and internationally renowned artists Lynette ten Krooden, Susanna Swart and Sally Arnold will display their work in celebration of the brand new extension to the existing gallery.
Wed 19 Dec	7pm	Absolut Cocktail Cabaret Exclusively 'designed' cabaret with a unique mix of sultry tunes, music and dance with a twist of lime, a dash of vodka & a swirl of sweet fun. Awesome!
Thu 20 Dec		
Fri 21 Dec	7pm	Simply 4 They're back! They rocked Plett at our grand opening last year, resulting in endless
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22 Dec requests for their return. Good fun and a great party guaranteed! Also a sneak preview of Jenni Button's new Philosophy range, but you have to come on Saturday to see it all!

Sat 12:30pm Jenni Button fashion show luncheon

22 Dec Be the first to see Jenni's new Philosophy range at a special charity fundraiser fashion show. A fantastic fu.shi lunch menu with Mumm Champagne and great give-aways courtesy of Clarins, Lindt Chocolates and Campari (Edward Snell & Co). Tickets at R300 each

Mon 24 Dec 7pm Christmas dinner at fu.shi

Celebrate Xmas with a fabulous set menu . R295pp.

Thu-Sun 27 Dec 28 Dec 30 Dec 2-3:30pm SKYY Vodka promotion

7-8:30pm Enjoy great cocktail specials and stand the chance of winning Kurland Polo VIP lounge tickets or a pair of Police sunglasses!

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Mon 31 Dec 8pm New Years Eve Party!

A fantastic set menu and awesome party with DJ Alan Sass and International DJ Guy Osborne from Ministry of Sound! The terrace is the prime spot to see in the New Year. R495pp. Reservations essential!

PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE CLOSED ON 25 DEC AND 1 JAN

What a great way to start the day...

Ara & Noelle thanked all 50 staff members (from Upper Deck Properties, fu.shi, BoMa terrace, Chef's Bar and Upper Deck Gallery) for this past year's dedicated effort, by treating them to breakfast at a local restaurant. Executive Chef Vanie and her kitchen team enjoyed sitting back and relaxing whilst the food was being prepared and 'the tables were turned' for fu.shi waitrons and restaurant management who were being served and waited upon. Everyone enjoyed being thoroughly spoilt and all staff members thank Ara and Noelle for their wonderful generosity!



Pictured from left to right: Ara with restaurant and bar staff, the kitchen staff enjoy being served, Executive Chef Vanie with Noelle and two waitrons

We look forward to welcoming you to fu.shi fusion cuisine, BoMa terrace, Chef's bar and Upper Deck Gallery.

With warmest regards,

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