

MUSAC Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 26th March 2008 @ Musselburgh Learning Centre.



Meeting Commenced at 19.05hr

Committee Members: Ian Smith (BDO), Billy Symington (Equipment Officer), Kenny Donaldson (CM), Dougie Ritchie (CM), Karen Davies (Treasurer), Tom Hares (Committee Member), Fiona Smith (Secretary)

Non Committee: Rhona Ritchie, David Carruthers, Craig Dugdale

Apologies: Sandy McPherson

1. **Ian Smith** - Branch Diving Officer opened the meeting by welcoming Karen and Fiona onto the Committee.
- SCOTSAC AGM Highlights: See www.scotsac.com for news and all ongoing courses. A full report of the AGM will appear in the May/June issue of Scottish Diver.

Main points covered SSAC have dropped the age for members to 14, clubs can still set an age limit ie Musselburgh will still be minimum age 18.

No further decision has been made on the shared ascents. All SCOTSAC training is being reviewed and they plan to bring the training manuals up to date.

- Congratulations to Sandy McPherson who won two prizes in the 'Walt & Jean Deas' Photography Competition (3rd in Abroad, wide angle and 2nd in up close).
- IS would like to push on with training new instructors, anyone interested please feel free to approach him.
- The doors have been opened again to trainees and all instructors are encouraged to help out with the pool and open water training.
- A BI Meeting is proposed for April.
- Everyone is reminded that if they want to go on proposed diving trips they must be a fully paid up member of ScotSAC and MuSAC. They must also be suitably qualified and prepared for the trip.

2. Billy Symington- Equipment Officer

- The equipment cupboard has been sorted out and all new club equipment has been laid out: female jackets on the left and male jackets etc on the right. Please help to keep this tidy by putting stuff back where you find it. Any problems please speak to Billy or Dougie.
- All Instructors/qualified members are reminded if they want to go in the pool on compressed air they have to bring along their own kit. This is to ensure there is enough equipment left to allow trainees get in the water. If members bottles are full and they don't want to use them for a pool session only if there is spare bottles will they be allowed to use them.

3. Karen Davies - Treasurer

- Karen will have a handover with Rab to finalise the figures. Rab has brought it to the Committee's attention that since the AGM report there has been a mistake with the figures. This is being looked into and amended report to follow.
- KD raised the issue of having the AGM in September to coincide with the payment of membership fees. This would also allow MUSAC's financial year to run September to September.

4. Fiona Smith - Secretary

- Working on a membership database.

Meeting Closed at 20.10 hrs

It was agreed that the next committee meeting would be on Wed 27th June 2007.

Fiona Smith
MUSAC Secretary