

Musselburgh Sub-Aqua Club

Committee Meeting

28 August 2013



Present

Ian Smith(ICS), Claire McMurdo (CM), Fiona Smith(FS), Fiona Gilfillan (FG), , Dave Rillie (DR), Iain Shaw (IS), Sandy McPherson (SM)
Also: Stuart Beaton (SB)

Apologies

Ali McLeod (AM), Claire Dillon (CD)

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1. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Date	Ref	Action	Owner
17/4	5.2	Investigate purchase of shot weight belts <i>Two weight belts were generously donated (thanks Rae) so action closed</i>	DR
19/6	2.9	Discuss whether trainees can be taken on <i>See AOB</i>	ALL
19/6	3.3	Investigate web options <i>Ian is happy to continue as at present. Any ideas for changes to the website to Ian please.</i>	ICS
19/6	4.1	Pass receipts from Lomo to ICS <i>Complete</i>	DR
19/6	4.5	Pass dive slates to DR <i>Complete</i>	FS
19/6	4.5	Acquire extendable poles for dive flags <i>DR has now identified kit needed and will source for next meeting</i>	DR
19/6	5.2	Pool training officer cover - discuss <i>See section 5</i>	ALL

2. Diving Officer's Report - FS

- 2.1. One dive took place over the summer break at the Old Swimming Pool at Dunbar. Tides and swells were against us on other occasions, but also lack of interest from other divers.
- 2.2. St Kilda and Egypt trips were safe and successful.
- 2.3. Remember boat diving is still available on Friday nights via Dougy Ritchie.
- 2.4. Training: Kai and Brian are both able and willing to be taken out on the boat - will leave it up to them to approach instructors to take them on.
- 2.5. MD training: FS will look at organising a dedicated weekend to progress this if there are enough willing bodies. Remember MD training can be done off the boat.
- 2.6. Open water MD training: Requirement is as follows.

Open Water Training

Carry out at least 10 dives in sequence at five or more different sites on five or more different days. A Master Diver Instructor, not acting as a participant in the assessment procedure, must witness all assessments.

1. At least sixty properly witnessed and varied dives of submerged duration of not less than 15 minutes each. Total dive time to exceed 30 hours logged underwater. (In addition to the ten dives logged for Sport Diver qualification)
 - o 30 to a depth range between 9 - 20 metres
 - o 20 to a depth range between 21 -30 metres
 - o 10 to a depth of 31 m or more, implementing NDC Deep Diving Regulations.
(The ten dives for Diver qualification shall not be included in these sixty dives.)

2. Act as a dive leader on four occasions, and lead a party of two other divers on at least two of these occasions.
3. Lead two open water expeditions in accordance with Diving Rules and Procedures to the satisfaction of the Branch Diving Officer. For this purpose an expedition must consist of a minimum of eight persons, of whom at least six must dive.
4. Plan and carry out a circular or other sweep search using a rope at a depth of at least 9m, whilst looking for a specific object.
5. Carry out a dive of at least 15 minutes to 15m making successful use of a surface marker buoy.
6. Carry out a dive of at least 15 minutes to 15m using a compass to complete a fixed course of not less than three directions of approximately 50m each.
7. Swim slowly for two minutes without a mask at a depth of 12m led by a companion.
8. Rescue Drill: to simulate the emergency rescue of a victim by a standby diver. With the victim simulating unconsciousness on the bottom at 15m make an emergency descent in quick, efficient and continuous manner. Without releasing weight belt, take control of the casualty. Take casualty to the surface ensuring that the correct rate of ascent is maintained and that the victim is breathing normally during the ascent. At the surface administer R.B. for 10 cycles then tow 100m landing on a boat or beach giving simulated R.B. and simulated CPR.
9. From a depth of 20m, conduct assisted ascents using an alternative air source, once as donor and once as recipient. Candidates should perform a safety stop(s) before proceeding to surface. Care must be taken not to exceed 10m/min on ascent. Partner must be of at least Sport Diver level.
10. From a depth of 30m, conduct assisted ascents using an alternative air source, once as donor and once as recipient. Candidates should perform suitable safety stop(s) before proceeding to surface. Care must be taken not to exceed 10m/min on ascent. Partner must be of at least Sport Diver level.
11. In 10m depth remove set disconnecting suit direct feeds; fin slowly for 2 minutes breathing from set held in hands. Refit set and feeds.

3. Treasurer's report - Ian Smith

- 3.1. We have £8981.70 in club funds, £70.58 float and £500 float lodged with Expedition Organiser. Balance in bank is £8411.12 with pool fees up to date.

4. Equipment Officer's Report - Dave Rillie

- 4.1. Dive poles sourced and being purchased.
- 4.2. Two dive flags to be sourced.
- 4.3. We still have most of the valves for sale. It was agreed that these should be reduced to £50 to try to recover some money from them. Anyone interested please contact Dave R.
- 4.4. O2 cylinder is to be purchased - DR to investigate pricing and report.

5. Pool Training Officer's Report

- 5.1. In Ali's absence all members are reminded that lifeguard is MANDATORY when swimming or diving in the pool. It is the responsibility of us ALL to find a lifeguard from those members in attendance prior to entering the pool.
- 5.2. It was not felt necessary to recruit a Pool Training Officer at present.

6. AOB

- 6.1. Trainee Recruitment: this was discussed, and the committee felt that the position had not changed since before summer, i.e. only a portion of the available instructors are available to train. That being the case it was agreed to complete the outstanding SD training and progress any MD training whenever possible. Any future approaches from potential new trainees will be discussed; this to become an agenda item.
- 6.2. We await the upcoming Branch Diver award from SCOTSAC. Once publicised we will discuss how this fits in with MUSAC's augmented requirement for 20 dives.

- 6.3. Trip reminder: 6th September May Isle/Bass Rock (see Dougy R); 8th Sept Farne Islands (see George C).
- 6.4. Reminder that the SCOTSAC dive conference and ceilidh are on 9 November. This is the 60th anniversary; tickets can be obtained from the website.
- 6.5. PSAC are having a quiz on 25th October at Craigiefield House to raise money for Marie Curie. Tickets are £10 with £5 going to charity (the other fiver is for a buffet). Contact karenlissimore@hotmail.com if you are interested.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Weds 30th October.

NEW ACTIONS

Date	Ref	Action	Owner
28/8	4.2	Purchase two dive flags	DR
28/8	4.4	Price up O2 cylinders	DR
28/8	6.1	Recurring Action: Discuss Trainee Recruitment	ALL