

Musselburgh Sub-Aqua Club

Committee Meeting

30 October 2013



Present

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

Apologies

Ali McLeod (AM)

PLEASE SEE END OF MINUTES FOR ACTION LIST

1. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Date	Ref	Action	Owner
28/8	4.2	Purchase two dive flags <i>Complete</i>	DR
28/8	4.4	Price up O2 cylinders <i>Carry Forward</i>	DR
28/8	6.1	Recurring Action: Discuss Trainee Recruitment <i>See below</i>	ALL

2. Diving Officer's Report - FS

- 2.1. Brian McRitchie is our only trainee at present.
- 2.2. Trainee Recruitment: FS has a list of people interested in learning to dive, and it was proposed that we take on some trainees. KD commented that he felt that without performing regular training sessions his skills as an instructor are getting rusty. FS commented that we have 6 active instructors, so we can take on 2-3 trainees through pool training over the winter. It was agreed that FS would contact those who had shown interest, and to discuss what is involved.
- 2.3. Commitment required from trainees and instructors was discussed. It was agreed that, should the club not be able to offer adequate training to the trainees due to lack of instructor availability, the committee will assess whether any fees should be returned to those trainees. All to review the welcome pack on the website to check whether any amendments are needed.
- 2.4. FS suggested that those training towards Master Diver should consider attending the Commie Pool on a Tuesday, where they can practice e.g. swimming with their kit removed. It was agreed that the club should cover the instructors' pool fees (£3.50) for such sessions. Priority remains on Wednesday sessions for Sport Diver training at Musselburgh pool.
- 2.5. FS appealed to all existing instructors to get in touch with her to state whether they intend to continue instructing; a few of the existing instructors have not yet renewed their BI rescue.

3. Treasurer's report - Ian Smith

- 3.1. Bank balance £8163.50, £21.63 float and £500 float lodged with Expedition Organiser. Balance predicted at £8685.13 with pool fees paid up until September, and including October DD income.
- 3.2. Expenditure since last meeting: webpage hosting for year: £48.95; holdalls, dive flags and kit: £66.86.

4. Equipment Officer's Report - Dave Rillie

- 4.1. The two expedition bags are now complete, except for the tamperproof tags for first aid kits. CM to procure.
- 4.2. CM to laminate the SCOTSAC training cards for these bags.
- 4.3. We still have most of the valves for sale. It was agreed that KD would take one set, advertise them on eBay and see whether they can be sold.

4.4. DR arranging services for 4 sets of regs. Dependent on number of trainees, may service another set to act as spares.

5. Pool Training Officer's Report

5.1. In Ali's absence FS will co-ordinate pool training, however there is still the requirement for lifeguard cover.

6. President's Remarks

6.1. Sandy intends to organise another trip to Lochaline in 2014. Yes please.

7. **AOB**

7.1. Penny Hatson is considering organising a trip to the Medes Islands. FS will discuss; PH to co-ordinate with George C, who is organising a Farne Islands trip 20/21 September to ensure they don't clash.

7.2. Xmas night out is fully booked. If you're not fast, you're last.

7.3. Secret Santa: £5 present, boys buy for boys, girls buy for girls. This is not compulsory, so if you are a bit 'bah humbug' and don't want to take part, don't expect to be dipping into anyone's chocolates they get out of Santa's bulging sack.

7.4. Come and Try nights - it was agreed that these could be publicised - FG to create poster to go on notice board at the pool.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Weds 15th January.

NEW ACTIONS

Date	Ref	Action	Owner
30/10	2.2	Contact interested parties re learning to dive	FS
30/10	2.3	Review Welcome Pack on website and suggest improvements if any	All
30/10	4.1	Procure tamperproof first aid kit tags	CM
30/10	4.2	Laminate training cards for expedition bags	CM
30/10	4.3	Advertise regulator set on eBay	KD
		Recurring Action: Discuss Trainee Recruitment	ALL