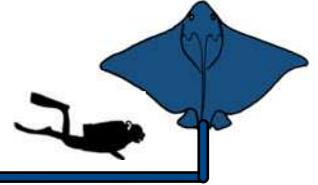


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Haslemere Sub Aqua Club

Feb 2012



CALLING ALL MEMBERS
Please come along to help at the
open night
THIS THURSDAY
23rd February

We are inviting potential new members to come to our pool session at the Herons on Thursday 23rd February - with **FREE TRY DIVES** for those new to SCUBA diving, or a chance to meet us for any already-qualified divers who may be interested in joining and diving with us.

Social events

Annual dinner-dance - December

The last minute change of venue to the Punch Bowl Hotel in no way dampened the great enjoyment of the Club's annual dinner dance in December.



Thanks to the social team for organising the event, and to Yvette for obtaining some wonderful raffle prizes.

More socials for 2012

The social team is organizing lots more events:

Scalextric - thanks to Suzy and Paul who are organizing another Scalextric evening – postponed from 11 Feb – new date to be confirmed!

Hyperbaric chamber visit – with a dry dive to 40m. £40. Contact Fox if you're interested.

Goodwood races – let Clare know if you'd like a day at the races in June

Annual Summer BBQ – at Sandy Catnach's

Clay Shoot - Paul Williams is organising another shoot in September, after the success of the last one.

Blockbuster Quiz – planned for the autumn.

... and maybe a few **pub lunches**

Quiz and Curry - November



Many thanks to Tony and everyone who helped him with organising and running the quiz in November. A great evening of questions and answers, curry and drinks, raffle and prizes.

Well done the winning team!



Suzy thanks the quiz-master and his team



Training

Open Water lectures continued through the autumn and winter, with subjects including ancillary equipment, basic first aid and computers.

There are plans to run some extra sessions in the pool on Thursdays, to give an extra interest to members who have completed their training. Do give any suggestions to the committee.



Porthkerris 2012

Clare is organizing a return trip to the picturesque Cornish bay of Porthkerris from Friday 17 – Monday 20 August 2012. Places on the hardboat, Celtic Kitten, have been filling up fast, so get in touch with Clare as soon as possible if you haven't already booked. Morning boat dives are generally for club diver and above, while afternoon dives on the boat and later from the shore can accommodate trainees, depending on the availability of instructors and dive leaders.

There might be some diving further afield on the Thursday or Tuesday, on the Celtic Cat. Let Clare know if you're interested.



Still need persuading?

Porthkerris divers have looked after us extremely well for the last two years - see www.porthkerris.com for more information. The diving is great, usually consisting of a mixture of wreck and reef dives with beautiful sea life around the famous Manacles reefs. In previous years non diving partners, families and pets have come along as there is plenty to do in the local area.

Costs for 2012 are the same as last year: £40 for 2 boat dives per day, or £25 for 1 boat dive per day. A 50% deposit is required at booking. Air fills are available on site, and usually Nitrox.

Accommodation - some of us are booked into the new divers' log cabin just above the dive centre, while others are planning to camp again – either on the field above the bay or right by the beach. Others book themselves into one of the variety of welcoming B&Bs in the area, including the 3 Pilchards in the adjacent bay, which has traditionally provided us with a bracing walk followed by Doombar and dinner.

The log cabin has facilities for self catering and a BBQ, and there's usually a catering caravan on site for teas and lunches during the day.

Haslemere Sub-Aqua Club is an active diving, training and social Club, welcoming both qualified divers and new trainees at any time throughout the year. We meet and train at The Herons Pool, Kings Road, Haslemere GU27 2QA every Thursday evening, except at Christmas, and in the summer holidays, when an alternative programme of events is organised. We organise a full programme of diving throughout the summer in the UK, as well as Club holidays abroad.

As a member of the **Sub Aqua Association**, Haslemere Sub-Aqua Club (SAA 259) follows the SAA diver training programme, leading to qualifications which are recognised world-wide. The training is designed to build confidence and enhance skills through a series of lectures, pool sessions and open water dives. Experienced instructors provide one-to-one and group tuition in a friendly environment.

www.haslemeresubaquaclub.com

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Scapa Flow

Russ has suggested another trip to Scapa Flow, greatly enjoyed by a small group of Club members previously. Get in touch with Russ if interested.

Membership

Our fees for this year are as follows:
Full £195. Senior £185. Student (16+) £190. Junior (12-16) £130. Country £140. Social/Associate £85.

Club fees can be paid by cheque, or internet bank transfer, but now also by Standing Order at £20 per month (total £240 for the year).

New Members fees are £235 for a full year (including an additional amount for SAA joining manuals etc), charged pro-rata over the year from date of arrival.

Hopefully everyone has now paid their club fees – anyone who hasn't, please get in touch with Michael Hutton.

AGM and 2012 committee

HSAC was at Bohunt School for our 2011 AGM, and reviewed the past year's activities and finances, and set the membership fees at the same as last year.

Our new Committee for 2012: Paul Williams as Chairman, Liz as Secretary, Michael Hutton as Membership, Liam as Treasurer, Sandy Catnach and Fox on Social, Mike Trussler as DO with Sandy Busek as ADO, Peter as TO, with Steve Bond as ATO, Steve Trussler and Phil on equipment, Bryony on FishTales.

The Club recorded grateful thanks to Suzy, Clare, Yvette and Tony who were all very active on the Committee in 2011 and stood down at the AGM.

The Committee met in December and again in February, planning training, diving and social programmes for the year ahead, as well as organising the open night and preparing a funding proposal to provide free introductory training to a few prospective new members. Thanks are due to Michael H for securing the return of our notice board in the Herons.

