

**MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD THURSDAY, 15th May 2008**

PRESENT: Paul Nesbitt Jeff Pape Mick Harrison
 Don Foster Mike Gardner Billy Cass
 Hedley Brammer Nigel Watson John Findlay

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies have been received from Kevin Wilde & R Waller

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Held 10th April 2008 passed as a true record
Proposed John Findlay Seconded Billy Cass

4. MATTERS ARISING

None

5. CORRESPONDENCE

BSAC request for latest committee members has been received, Mike Gardner to respond.

6. OFFICERS' REPORTS

6a. Treasurer – Mick Harrison

Boat insurance for one of the boats has just been renewed.

Following the recent award of charitable status, Mick has been looking in to setting up a separate account to simplify accounting. Unfortunately, the account would attract charges, both monthly and for each transaction. It was decided that we would continue with the single account for now. Consequently, Mick will now ensure all membership payments are processed and it has been agreed that a half year review of finances will take place at the July meeting to determine an appropriate course of action to keep the club in a healthy financial state.

Anybody with any comments, suggestions for fund raising, advertising etc. should contact a committee member in advance of this meeting.

6b. Diving Officer – Kevin Wilde

None

6c. Training Officer – Kevin Wilde

None

6d. Equipment Officer- Billy Cass

A gear cable has been replaced, and all servicing has been completed on the boat engines. The new radio has been fitted but minor mods are still required for full operation, Hedley to organise.

6e. Membership Secretary – Mick Harrison

None

6f **Bar Manager – Jeff Pape**

The sale of out of date crisps has been noted and the intention is to sell these to the less “choosy” customers before purchasing any more.

6g **Website – Nigel Watson**

A planned dive section has now been added to the website to allow members to advertise their own dives hopefully fill any listed dives that were not fully booked by the normal means (i.e. come to club nights or Thursday and sign on).

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Billy Cass raised the subject of slip fees that have increased significantly over the last two years. Billy is to investigate this issue to establish whether we can reduce these. Billy also reported that Davey Divers are, in principle, willing to share their pool nights to reduce costs. Mick also suggested that we discuss this with our current partner club at the Forum and investigate a 6 month hire option.

8. **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING – 8:00 Thursday 12th June**

