

BSAC Teesside 43 Branch Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday 28th January 2016

1. Attendance

- **Present** – Paul Nesbitt, Mick Harrison, Brian Malthouse, Mick McPhillips, Alistair Hunt, Carl Swinnerton, Nigel Watson, Stuart Wintringham, Dave Winstanley, Mick Finnegan.
- **Apologies** – Phil Bennett, Paul Kiss, Mick McPhillips.

2. Minutes of the Meeting 26th November 2015

- Proposed by Brian Malthouse & seconded by Dave Winstanley as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

- To be discussed in AOB

4. Correspondence

- A 60th Anniversary certificate was received from BSAC – **Action Paul Nesbitt is arranging a frame and will hang it in the club house.**
- A fitting framed dedication to Don will be added to the club house wall – **Action Paul Nesbitt to arrange.**
- A risk assessment was requested by Billingham Forum for our pool activities. Stuart Wintringham has completed this.

5. Officers' Reports

5.1. Treasurer, Carl Swinnerton

- From 26th November 2015 to 28th January 2016
- A £100 fine has been received from the Inland Revenue for a late return that the club was not aware we need to complete. It had been delivered to BSAC headquarters and they forwarded it to Carl Swinnerton – **Action Carl Swinnerton is in communication with HMRC to have the fine cancelled and resolve the issues.**

5.2. Membership Secretary, Carl Swinnerton

- No Membership changes.

5.3. Diving Officer, Stuart Wintringham

- Dive trip to Capernwray over the Xmas break is the only diving in.

5.4. Training Officer, Stuart Wintringham

- Training lectures to begin for Dive Leader and any other training that members require.

5.5. Equipment Officer, Phil Bennett

- An official air purity test of the compressor to be arranged – **Action Phil Bennett.**
- A new battery has been purchased and needs to be fetched to the club house along with the receipt – **Action Phil Bennett.**

5.6. Bar Manager, Mick Harrison

- Everything running OK!
- £500 was given to Carl before Xmas 2015.
- The bar accounts are still outstanding for 2014 and 2015. It was agreed that these will be completed and submitted by the end of March 2016 – [Action Mick Harrison](#).

5.7. Website, Nigel Watson

- Updated website with latest Club information etc,
 - A tribute to Don Foster.
 - 2016 Dive Planner\Neap-Spring chart. These are also on the club house wall.
- The new Facebook page has generated some enquiries.

6. A O B

- Enquiries have been made with Loftus and Saltburn baths as a cheaper alternative to Billingham Forum. BASAC Saltburn branch has also been approach with an offer to share their Monday night session. Discussions are ongoing with a proposal to split the costs 50/50 – [Action Ally Hunt to progress](#).
- It was discussed to approach Billingham Forum in the pretence of a new club wanting to see if they could obtain a poll session with a view to reducing our pool fees – [Action Paul Nesbitt\Mick Harrison to progress](#).
- Look at possibility of resurrecting Easy Fund raising – [Action Carl Swinnerton to take a look](#).
- Try dive possibilities – [Action Paul Nesbitt to produce some posters for Billingham forum, the club web site and other locations](#).
- Trickle\Slow charger purchase required – [Action Mick McPhillips to Source](#).
- Quick clamps required for the compressor batter connections – [Action Stuart Wintringham to source](#).
- Dive planning was discussed for the upcoming season and how we should arrange this to ensure diving takes place. A rota system of weekly Saturday\Sunday dives was discussed that would share the planning amongst volunteer “Dive Planners”.
 - A rota of volunteers and documented guidelines is required – [Action Paul Nesbitt to produce](#).
 - The following “Dive Planners” have volunteered so far, but anyone else would also be welcome;
 - Paul Nesbitt
 - Nigel Watson
 - Carl Swinnerton
 - Stuart Wintringham
 - Ally Hunt
 - Mick Finnegan
 - Dave Winstanley
 - Tony Harker
- The roof is need of professional repair – [Action Paul Nesbitt to contact Ben with a view to get his company providing a quote and to expedite the repairs](#).
- Discussion about option for a new compressor\filter system and adding a blending panel for Nitrox etc. with the assistance of a grant – [Action Nigel Watson to research with the assistance of Stuart Wintringham\Phil Bennett and come up with option\proposals and costs](#).

- The electricity supply to the club house was also discussed and how poor it is being 30A total. A 3 phase supply would be of great benefit and allow the use of an electric compressor – [Action Stuart Wintringham to investigate.](#)

7. Next Meeting

- [Thursday 8pm 25th February 2016](#)