



Bsac Teesside 43 Branch Casc 60th Annual general meeting 30th March 2017

Those present Committee:

P Nesbitt, C Swinnerton, M McPhillips, P Bennett, M Finnegan, N Watson, D Winstanley, A Hunt, B Malthouse. A Bousefield.

Members:

B Hudson, M Harrison, J Thompson,

Apologies:

R Church, B Johnson, S Wintringham, K Wilde

Last years AGM minutes

These were proposed and accepted as a true record of the event, Nominated by B Malthouse & A Hunt.

Matters arising : There were None

Reports

Chairmans Statement 2016

Good evening & welcome to BSAC43s 60th AGM the club has now been running for over 60 years and as BSAC 43 one of the oldest in the country. Sadly we didn't organise or celebrate the fact last year.

Diving for 2016 I would say was a successful year despite the fact it was a no show for myself & other senior members. The newer club members however led the way & the Whatsapp group worked successfully in getting dives organised.

Finances continue to be stable with a welcome windfall during the year the detail will be gone into later on from Carls report, again supported by essential fund raising events organised mainly by Brian Malthouse & the bonfire night as usual. Pool sharing was offered to another Billingham club but they pulled out at last minute this will be reviewed at this meeting

Membership numbers remains fairly low & we should try once again to address this as this our main area of funding, we all should encourage friends & family members to try diving, plus advertise the club at work or public areas such as sports centres etc.

Biggest success for 2016 was the successful improvement to the air filtration for the compressor this was discussed at last years AGM & plan & implementation went well thanks for all concerned in their efforts on that. Also work on repair to roof protect the clubs interior from further damage from water ingress thanks to all who pitched in! We should set a task for 2017 & utilise the same commitment by all including a grant application

On a personal note for myself & those affected by the closure of SSI in 2015 I am pleased to say that we all are now back in employment & looking forward to moving on from what was a big upheaval for all concerned

Rolly Church is still suffering from ill health we wish him & his wife Cynthia all the best for 2017 a visit by those who know him well would not go amiss

Thanks must go to those who help to run the club - the committee they are

Diving officer/ training officer - Stuart Wintringham

Lot of work by Stuart organising training including lectures, pool & diving also monitoring diving within the club keeps Stuart busy thanks for all his efforts in 2016

Secretary - Mick McPhillips.

Thanks to Mick for his secretarial duties in 2016 & his efforts in compressor refurbishment – 2017 grant application????

Treasurer/membership secretary - Carl Swinnerton.

Clubs finances & membership ably handled by Carl does a fantastic job

Thanks to Carl for his work last over the last year

Equipment officer Phil Bennet

Phils main role has become clubs travel agent with lots of trips booked for 2017 he just needs his ABTA certification and he's all set, thanks for being the main organiser of trips away for the club, ably assisted in his absence as EO by Dave Winstanley Assistant EO

Web master/ADO

Nigel Watson

Regular updates of site keep Nigel busy with what is the best websites for a dive club, always willing to assist Stuart in training & others throughout the club ensures Nigel is kept busy throughout the year. Thanks to Nigel

Bar manager – Mick Finnegan 1st year in charge of the bar & he has put the boat back on an even keel , excellent work over the year re-organising the bar & helping with organisation of the compressor upgrade Big thanks to Mick

Committee members – Brian Malthouse

Still remains no1 fundraiser for the club, works tirelessly with bonus ball, raffles, etc to make money for this club.

Thanks once again for your efforts Brian

PS any one wishing to purchase tickets for easter raffle or donate prizes see Brian after meeting!!!

Alex Bousfield

Thanks to Alex for his efforts over 2016

Ally Hunt

Lot of effort by Ally looking into pool sharing possibilities and helps out where he can thanks to Ally for his help over the year

Dave Winstanley

Now taken over role as assistant equipment officer & has done lots of work around the club including help with compressor refurb again another big thanks to Dave

Lastly Not forgetting - Senor Kevin Wilde

our Spanish resident returns thanks for input when visiting the UK

Once again thanks to all of the above but not forgetting all those friends and family who assist & support this club in its running & work at club events as well as putting up with all of us! Great big thank you to all of them

Paul Nesbitt Chair BSAC43

Treasurers Report For 2017 AGM

Accounts for 2016: Starting 01/01/2016 Bank Balance: £5,647.82

Finishing 30/12/2016 Bank Balance: £4,540.42

Current Bank Balance: 01/03/2017 £4014.69

We made a Loss of £1,107.40 in 2016. This is mainly down to the fact that we made some major improvements to the compressor costing £3,199.51 in total.

A large part of this cost has been absorbed by the £2,126.22 refunded from Northumbrian Water on 28/07/2016. This resulted from a telephone query/claim I made in 2016 (relating to the time in 2015 when we had no water).

Our Insurance Renewals for the year so far: Boat Insurance went up slightly to £233.08 payment made on 24/01/2017 compared to £231.11 last year. Public Liability Insurance also went up slightly to £518.75 payment made on 04/07/2016 compared to £503.00 the year before.

The compressor made £335.00 on cylinder fills and the boat made £519.00 in fees for 2016.

The Bar takings for 2016 have yet to be banked but should be in the region of £500.00. I'm sure Mick's report will cover this in more detail.

The pool fees are rising from £39.15 to £40.35 per week starting 01/04/2017. This is an increase totaling £58.80 for the year. With not sharing the pool any more and not much pool training it seems to be a questionable expense! I think this item should be on the agenda to be discussed in more detail.

BSAC have increased their Membership Fee's this year (an increase of £1.00 on average). I think we should leave our club fees the same as a way of thanking our existing members.

The Club needs as much fundraising as ever if we want to carry on improving our club! Brian has worked hard again raising £667.97 in 2016. " Well done Brian".

Report Compiled on 06/03/2017 by Carl Swinnerton

Membership Secretary's

Report for 2017 AGM

At this present time the Club has 29 Members comprising of: 21 Full Paying Members, 3 Honorary Members, 1 Junior Member, 1 Joint Member, 3 Associate Members. This is reduced from 34 members last year (a loss of 5 members).

I anticipate a slight drop in existing club membership renewals this May due to the lack of interest and involvement from some of our members.

Lets hope for an influx of new members and some great weather conditions for the season ahead.

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Diving/Training officer: No reports Due to illness

Equipment officer:

The club has a wide range of equipment some in good condition and some not! The Boat is still in fair condition and is in need of it's annual service, Which hopefully will be in the very near future.
It is my proposal that we have two full sets of Scuba equipment fully serviced and ready to go.

Points for all members to be aware of,

Boat should be left the same way as it is found. Boat and engine fully washed (lots of salt crystals found on boat and rusty fittings.

We should also arrange a date to have a good sort out of our equipment store and service equipment that we intend to keep/Use and Bin anything that is damaged or too old.

I would like to thank Nigel watson, M Finnegan, D Winstanley for the work they put into the Compressor and new Filtration unit.

Hopefully everyone will be fully trained on it soon.

I am happy to stay in the role if there isn't a more suitable person and no one steps forward.

Phil Bennett

Bar Manager:

The bar takings are a little down on recent years due to a falling membership but they remain a regular level of profit for the club.

Bar accounts for 2016/2017 Takings £1475.00 Stock £740.00 leaving a balance of £735.00 in the Bank.

M Finnegan

Website

Everything has been running Fine throughout the year.

N Watson.
AOB

A number of issues were raised which will be dealt with at the next committee meeting

The current pool arrangements and financial impact on the club.

Possibility of encouraging new and ex members of the club into the fold with a reduced membership for the first year.

Roof repairs

Promotion of the club to attract new members..

Election of the Committee for 2017:

The existing posts were offered to others, but there were no challenges to these so they remain as is, with the exception of the Diving & Training officers as Stuart left due to health problems.

Chairperson: Paul Nesbitt

Treasurer/Membership secretary: Carl Swinnerton

Secretary: Mick McPhillips

Diving officer: Nigel Watson

Training officer: Mick Harrison

Equipment officer: Phil Bennet

Bar Manager: Mick Finnegan

Committee members J Thompson, Alex Bousfield, D Winstanley B Malthouse, A Hunt, M Harrison, K Wilde.

The meeting was closed by the chairman thanking all who attended.

Next committee meeting : 8PM Thursday 27th April 2017