Canterbury Divers AGM 11th November 2008

Apologies: Pete Nigh and Marion Whale

Chairman: The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He gave fond farewells to Clive and Amanda Surridge, and also to Jon Bushell. He thanked the committee for their contribution this year.

He reported on the events since the last AGM; the DO's conference, the pool party, the O₂ administrator course, the Defibrillator course, the trip to Nemo, Weymouth, the Maunsel sea forts talk, Whitstable Harbour day and national try dive week.

Chris informed us that he had put the club forward for a scheme called scuba for you, which is similar to a red letter day.

Secretary: The secretary reported that no worthwhile e-mails had been sent to him via the club address. He has handled several enquiries to HQ this year.

Treasurer: The current account contains £1021 the deposit account contains £2424. The Treasurer announced that membership fees had increased to £300 for new members and £155 for renewing members. This figure was discussed and then passed by vote. Members asked to be informed by e-mail if significant decisions like this are made at committee level. The price of a try dive will increase to £10. The accounts were accepted. Dave C proposed and Carl seconded.

Dive Officer: John listed the diving that has been done this year from Neptune, Sea Explorer, and from the club boats. He reported that there had been some problems with the boats. Paul Oliver pointed out that the lack of club diving was a problem. Jon Bramley echoed this, saying that the club needed a reliable boat, and that the Valiant was not reliable. A discussion about the state of the boats followed.

Next year Kay Skinner is planning a trip to the red sea this year. Phil Buckley will arrange the Weymouth trip. Simon Woolett is planning a trip to the Normandy wrecks.

The following members were voted on to the committee:

Chairman Chris Weaver
Treasurer John Care
Diving Officer John Abbatt
Secretary Phil Buckley
Training Officer Kay Skinner
Equipment Officers John Abbatt & John Skinner
Committee members  Debbie Phillips, Malcolm Whale & Richard Cooke

Social Secretaries  Fiona Rawlinson 7 Claire Hollins

A.O.B.

- Carl announced that Chris Mcracken had just become a father for the second time.
- Jon Bramley asked John Abbatt to confirm that he would try to get a new boat in the coming year to replace the Valiant. John Abbatt confirmed this.
- There are three trainees so far this year.

Members present: Phil Buckley, Dave Clements, John Skinner, Kay Skinner, Sheila Clements, Ted Giles, Simon Woollett, Carl Freborn, Paul Oliver, Richard Cooke, Malcolm Whale, Debbie Phillips, Jon Bramley, Alf Reed, Hugh Singer, John Perrin, Claire Hollins, Fiona Rawlinson, Chris Weaver, John Abbatt, John Care, Rob Harrison & Dylan Woolfe