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HULL BRANCH NO 14
BRITISH SUB-AQUA CLUB
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The club has had quite a few new members lately and Trevor Jones photographed some of them at the pool recently.

Welcome to them all.



Andy Sandham with partner
Cindy Hider

Joined November 2009



Paul Warneck
Rory Flett
Collette Devlin

Joined Late November 2009



Mark Richardson
Patrick Walsh
Steve Walsh

Steve was a member some years ago before turning commercial with "Northen Divers"/
Now rejoined and joined his son to give a helping hand.

STATEMENT BY J.W. PALMER
Committee member 18 November 09

In the beginning a London dive club was formed to train people in the safe use of under water breathing apparatus as the kit was becoming available to the general public at MOD surplus sales in the immediate post war period due to popularity and demand a network of clubs was formed up and down the country and so the BSAC was formed. Ours being one of the earliest, hence Branch 14.

So then, as a club to train and attract new members it is imperative that we can provide compressed air, a pool for training (be it only for a limited period) and a boat as a dive platform to access dive sites.

Three things, like the three things you need to support fire, a heat source, oxygen and fuel. Remove one and the fire goes out.

So then, to be correct we need to offer these three items mentioned earlier and should be part of the clubs financial structure i.e. Subs, rental for the boat, raffle and any other sort of fund raising.

More recently gas blending has been introduced and it was always said it should neither cost the club nor make the club money i.e. we pay whatever it costs. However due to changes in our supplier we now find that the cost of gas has

risen considerably. However, a small increase will balance the books and given the small amounts that people use, it is more important we have the facility.

When you consider the cost of alternatives taking the fuel into account.

I don't see the need for the gas blending situation to be propped up by the membership as the club is very financially weak and we must balance the books.



Steve Griffin

Trained as a PADI Diver.

Joined Hull BSAC November 2009.

Is a retained Fireman and is familiar with breathing apparatus



SEA SEARCH

Carrie and Kat from Sea Search came to the pub and gave a presentation on the work of their organisation.

All of the coast-line of the British Isles is covered and is dived to find which creatures reside there.

Flamborough Head is of particular interest and a section near South Landing is nominated a no catch area

Dick Davies was a member of our club who came to diving a little late in life. He became very keen and was often found in Trevor's boat where he became very adept at using the club's magnetometer. With his headset on, listening for the change in note that would indicate, perhaps, a wreck, he was soon nicknamed Asdic Dick.

Unfortunately, Dick died after two strokes and club members constructed a fine trophy in his memory.

The trophy is awarded to the member who has done the most noteworthy thing in the last year.

It needn't be a rescue - anything for the club.

Nominate overleaf. The committee makes the final decision.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 23rd MARCH

7.30 pm

Be sure to be there.
A quorum of 25% of the membership is required.

Many committee posts will be vacant.
Can you fill one?

All nominations to be signed and seconded and
passed to the /Secretary or Chairman before
Tuesday 9th March.

Dick Davies

DIVER OF THE YEAR AWARD

I nominate

For the above award

because

Signed

Seconded