

Chase 373 News

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A.G.M 2007 held 28.11.07

The annual general meeting was held at Cannock Rugby Club house on Tuesday night. A stunning turn out it was too, may need some more seats next year.

There's a bit of a mix up on the committee this year, Mark's now Ian and Ian's now Mark. Paul' now Mick and Mick's now Paul, but they're both equipment officers so it doesn't really matter, otherwise it's game on and all systems normal. (If that last paragraph made sense to you, your on the wrong medication).

With what must be an all

time record length AGM at 2 hours long, the action came thick and fast!

Committee 2008

D.O. - Chink

Chairman - Bode

Secretary - Mark

Treasurer - Ian

Training - Wayne

Equipment - Mick & Paul

Still looking for a volunteer to take the bull (s*&t) by the horns and regularly update the club notice board at the baths. Roll up, Roll up!!

Club funds still in the black, a review of the fees is underway, watch this space (only if you've nothing better to do though).

Club kit hire prices remaining unchanged for next year.



Notes:-

- Next Dive at Stoney Cove on the Sunday 9th December
- Weymouth week booked for 1st to 8th August 2008
- Possible Pentewan Sands caravan weekend again, details later
- Anyone interested in a weeks live-aboard next year?
- Anyone interested in Scapa Flow next year?

Recruitment Drive back on -(again)

It's that time again, to try and out all those closet divers in the local area. Looking to raise the profile of the club, Mills'ee is going to do something daft in the middle of Cannock in a dive suit—(just got to figure out

what!) and he's looking for volunteers to join him.

We currently have Amie and Paul Smith going onto cylinders, and a couple of prospective starters after recent try dives, but we need an influx of starters to

liven up the pool nights a bit.

Sutt's off for a good knees-up

Big Sutton is taking a hiatus from club diving to focus on an operation to repair his knee joint. In the near future, he's off to Oswestry for specialist surgery.

The 'fix' requires a heavy course of physiotherapy after wards for up to a year and our best wishes go with Sutt for a speedy recovery.



Three Russian divers who went missing last week while diving at Elphinstone Reef, south-east of Marsa Alam in Egypt, have been presumed dead after searches were called off.

Five days of searches by up to 11 vessels and several helicopters, including naval craft and volunteering dive boats, were followed by an extra day of surface searches co-ordinated by the Red Sea Association for Diving and Water Activities. Operations were hampered by rough, windy weather

Egypt's Daily News named the missing divers as Vladimir Bukhmiller, Sergei Gurba and Natalia Doronina. Div-

ing from the liveboard Tiger Lily, they were reported to have been attempting a hazardously deep descent on air.

"They were trying to dive to 90m. We know this because a fourth diver who was with them refused to go," a Russian consulate spokesman was reported to have said. Under Egyptian law, dives on air should not exceed a depth of 40m, due to the increased

risk of an oxygen toxicity hit and resultant seizure.

(Article from DIVER-NET.COM news)

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Scuba + Outdoor Pursuits – Cannock are charging for air fills again. It's £2 per cylinder fill with 50% going to the shop and 50% going to the Shark Trust

See www.sharktrust.org

This years DIVER awards 2007 - voting is online at the www.divernet.com site.

Submitting a form automatically enters you into a prize draw for a holiday to Grenada

If you feel the urge, Scuba + Outdoor pursuits are down for four categories Nominations No. 4 & 7 as "SCUBA +

OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTRE"

Also No. 9 as

"DIVE pursuits.com,"

(The on-line store for the shop)