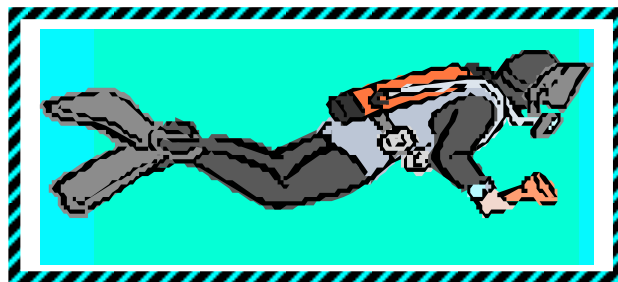


Barnsley BSAC Divers

# Newsletter

17<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012



## Club AGM

A reminder that the club AGM will be held in March as usual, date to be confirmed soon.

Please give some thought to this. Is there someone out there you'd like to nominate for a club official position? Or would **you** like to become more involved?

Feel free to speak to any of the current committee who will be glad to tell you more about the running of the club.

## Photo competition

A reminder that the theme for this entry is

**'Buddies'**  
above or below the surface.  
Any photo that is about diving with one or more friends

As chosen by Linda

Get your entries in to Mark R by  
**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

Pictures can be any size and from any location. Please do not write your name on them as this may sway the judge's decision!!

## Congratulations!!

To **Michael Sykes** for qualifying as Ocean Diver  
and

To **Chris Hill** who achieved 100% on his Sports Diver theory paper.

**WELL DONE!!**

# Dive trips 2012

## **South Shields** Third time lucky!!!

Linda has booked Allan Lopez and his boat 'Spellbinder' for

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2012**

This is a hard boat with a diver lift.

Depending on conditions we should get either 2 good wreck dives or 1 wreck dive and one inshore reef. It is about 2 hrs drive to South Shields and we can decide the time we set off.

Cost is £33.34 pp for 12 divers and £40pp for 10 and includes a hot lunch. If the weather makes it impossible to dive full refund to everyone.

## **Egypt Liveaboard**

Mark H and Neil have booked onto the motor yacht 'Blue Horizon' with Blue O2 for the week **30<sup>th</sup> March to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2012**

Flight from Gatwick to Hugada total price approx £900

They think there are still spaces on the boat if anyone is interested in joining them. See Mark or Neil for details.

## **St Abbs**

A Mark Robinson extravaganza!! **15-17<sup>th</sup> June 2012**

2 Boat dives on the Friday afternoon at the Farnes to visit the seals (£35pp)

Caravan accommodation at Scoutscroft for Fri and Sat nights (approx£55pp)

Shore diving Saturday and Sunday, St Abbs harbour or Eyemouth

BBQ Saturday evening together with night dive.

Book your place with Mark for any or all of the events.

Note: there are plenty of B&B alternatives in Coldingham if you prefer a comfier bed but beware early starts. so check your B&B will provide early breakfast!

# Orkneys

Dave Ruston and Steve Woodhouse are hoping to visit Phil and Suzi on Eday in **late June or early July 2012**

They intend going for at least a week, possibly 10 days but no fixed plans have been made yet.

The accommodation would be camping or a hostel.  
Diving under the guidance of Phil.

Please let Dave or Steve know if you would be interested in this.

# Farnes

The annual Farnes trip organised by Jim is nearly FULL!! Only 2 places left.

**27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

RIB diving, 2 dives each morning (Sat and Sun). Lots to see including the famous Farnes seals. Cost approx £70 (deposit £35 to Mark H to book)

**Don't forget** if you are booked onto this trip you need to organise your own accommodation either in Seahouses (where we usually socialise in the evenings) or Beadnell (from where the boat is launched). There are loads of B&Bs, below are just a sample:

'Spindrift', 59 Kingsfield, Seahouses 01665 721677 doubles £70 per night

St Cuthberts Ho, 192 Main St, Seahouses 01665 720456 doubles £110 pn

Horncliffe Guest Ho, 3-5 King St, Seahouses 01665 721706 £35pp pn

I can personally recommend 'Haven House', The Haven, Beadnell 01665 720106 doubles £75 pn .... Good quality and they will do an early breakfast for an early start.

## Other club news

- A big thanks to Mark for organising the Christmas Bowling do

Everyone had a really fun time. The bowling was good, the food was too and the prizes were EXCELLENT!

The overall winner was Dave Patchett (second year running) with a score of 293 but **everyone** went home with a prize... including me and I didn't even bowl!

- Welcome to our newest member Wayne Harper who incidentally was the next highest scorer in the bowling....you'd better watch out next year Dave!

Hope you enjoy diving with us Wayne.

- We need more new members!!!

The committee will be meeting in the next 2 to 3 weeks and the main item on the agenda is how to recruit new members this year. If you have any ideas or suggestions please speak to any of the committee ( Dave P, Justine, Trevor, Linda, Mark H, Paul or Ann) .....we need all the help we can get.

- Subs are due

Sorry to finish off with matters financial but Mark the Money Monkey would like to remind you all that this quarter's subs are due now. That's £27.50 for most, £20 for instructors and £12.50 for students/juniors.

Mark added that if people can pay half yearly subs this would save him hassling people quite so often!

All those who pay by standing order please ignore this.