

# GLUG Committee Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010

## The Phoenix Artists Club



# Minutes of Meeting

## 1 Matters Arising

- a. Apologies from Ian C. (Who WILL resign at the end of this year.) Steph B.
- b. Present: Mark V. Doug Y. Ian F. Martin S. Brian B.

## 2 Committee Reports

- **Chair:-** Constitution to be circulated tonight for members to review.
- **Vice-Chair:-** No report
- **Treasurer:-** No report
- **Membership Secretary:-** We now have 126 paid up members with 1 unknown transaction, someone paid, but we don't know who they are. 5 brand new members joined last month. 70 accounts now restricted until they pay membership. We are creating the ability for lapsed members to receive specific emails regarding trips & social events, to tempt them back to the site, but they won't have access to the site until they pay their membership fee.
- **Webmaster:-** Still battling to get online banking with NatWest. The Mandate for single signature statement application is still ongoing! The website has now been upgraded to wordpress 2.9.2. The conflict between previous upgrade and trip system has now been fixed. Filters now mean that training trips will also show on the Training Page and social trips will also show on Social Page. Trips system almost completed; the system is now live and is the sole system on the site for booking and monitoring trips. Trip organisation reports almost ready for trip organisers to print off. It will shortly be possible to create Agenda's and Minutes on line. Trips review is now live for members posting trips so that committee members are notified of posted trips. Selected people can be given auto review status for certain types of trips. Auto-mailer now set up to respond to people incorrectly responding to automatic posts from the website, explaining how to post correctly, incorrectly posted messages will be automatically deleted.

All past minutes and agendas are now available from the welcome page. Some pages still need to be reviewed and new content supplied. Training trips need to be posted to the trips page. The iPhone plug-in has been disabled due to a bug.

- **Training Coordinators:-** SCUBA review carried out last week with four students. Malta going ahead, Try dive on March 20<sup>th</sup> (Fred to compose press release) to try and pull in new members. UK conversion course in the process of being put together.
  - **Publicity:-** No Report Submitted.
  - **UK Dive Coordinator:-** No report
  - **Equipment Coordinator:-** 6 cylinders were submitted for servicing.
- 3 **Insurance:-** DAN insurance paid and Corinne reimbursed by cheque £314,20
- 4 **Member addresses on system:-** Mark V. Members who don't want post sending to their home address due to concerns of being outed, should not put the address on the website. GLUG does not send out mail shots, or pass out contact details to other organisations, but we cannot guarantee the database can differentiate between members who are concerned about being outed and those who are not. New controls to allow members to supply addresses for certain purposes will be added.
- 5 **Trip System:-** what can and cannot be posted. Trips open to all GLUG members (subject to qualifications) are to be posted on the trips page. Trips NOT open to all GLUG members or 'casual' trips between members are to be posted on the forum.
- 6 **Club Constitution – Draft to be discussed – this is the main focus of this meeting ahead of the proposed EGM on April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Copies of the reviewed constitution have been distributed to the committee and member representatives to review and comment on by Friday. Any amendments will then be added and a .pdf posted to the website. Members can then download the document and review it. Any serious objections or amendments can be submitted. The constitution will then be posted for voting on line, with a final vote at the EGM on 6<sup>th</sup> April.
- 7 **AOB:** Concern was raised that an American member had booked on the Red Sea trip with only 18 dives. According to their website, Oonas divers state a minimum of 30 dives for most trips, with some requiring at least 50. Brian B to contact Oonas divers and discuss.  
Dave B. offered to take over as Treasurer if Ian C. wanted to resign before the end of the year. It was agreed to offer this option to Ian C. and await his response.

**(Open meeting)** Much interest was shown about the Malta trip and there were two definite interests in Dry Suit training, with a possible third. There were also requests for training later in the year for Advanced Open Water and Nitrox.

- 8 Date of next meeting Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010