GLUG meeting minutes 1 August 2017

Present: Debbie, Mark, Martin.
Apologies: Fi, Val, Allan

1 Recap of QBM discussions – key points discussed in agenda items below
2 Finance update – positive, around £5,000 in hand
3 2017 dive schedule. Still space on the Plymouth trip, **please sign up ASAP**. Divercity Scuba trip to **Weymouth September 24-25**.
4 2017 social schedule: roller skating (Sept – **Martin** organiser), whales exhibition (Oct – **Fi** organiser), wildlife photographer of the year (Nov – organiser?)
5 Diary dates: AGM 7 November. Debbie, Val and Fi definitely standing down – **all members encouraged to consider standing for these or other posts**. Xmas meal 2 December, venue TBC poss preceded by ice skating and Somerset House (Martin to explore)
6 Incorporation. Committee exploring incorporation as a Company Limited by Guarantee – among other things, provides protection to committee. Debbie has drafted Mem and Arts, Ads (solicitor member) has agreed to review them with a view to decision at AGM. Noted that it brings certain statutory obligations (not onerous with org of GLUG size). Members present agreed incorporation would be a positive move. **Action Debbie**
7 Dive schedule 2018. Plans include
   a. Refresher dives: Crowborough Feb, Vobster and Wraysbury March/April TBC
   b. Weekends: Weymouth April (for divers who have dived in previous 3 months - **Martin**), Torquay July (**Martin**), Plymouth August (**Mark**). GLUG divers encouraged to join SeaSearch Kent (**Fi**)
   c. Holidays: Lanzarote late Feb (**Fi** to provide details), Malta and St Tropez May (**Martin**), Mull July/September (**Debbie**)
   d. Day dives. **Lisa** keen to organise day dives – welcomed but need to ensure meet club standards (enough experienced divers, dive within limits, shore support etc).
8 AOB. We have a donation from Dive for Life to allocate. Members present agreed that it should be split equally between the Albert Kennedy Trust and the Human Dignity Trust, provided the divers who went to DfL agree (if we can contact them).
9 Date of next meeting 7 September.