

Issue 31 | October 2022

## **Committee Bits**

This week we held the final committee meeting before the AGM. The date is very likely to be November 17<sup>th</sup> after the pool session. We will confirm and send out all the necessary paperwork as soon as possible.

The football club will now be closing at 11pm sharp so we will need to make a prompt start at 9:30pm. If you are determined to attend the meeting it will be worth making your way up to the club a little early to grab a drink and a seat.

If any member is considering standing for any of the roles on the committee, now would be a great time to speak to the current position holder and find out a little more about it. We will be welcoming applications to stand for any of the roles and serving on the committee is a fantastic way of giving back to the club. Speak to any of the current committee to find out more.

## **Christmas Party**

The Christmas party is now at the Alveston Manor Hotel in Stratford. We will have a private room so we can misbehave as usual. Spaces are going fast so please look out for us at the pool or club where we can take money and save you a spot.

As usual, we will hand out awards so to give us time for engraving, please could the recipients of last years awards return them to Simon Steed as soon as you can.

## **Club News**

We have two new Ocean Divers joining us this month. First to pass was Will, shortly followed by Noah. We know that there are more to come very soon so watch this space.





Well done to both and we look forward to diving with soon.

September was busy for trips. The month started with Porthkerris which was unfortunately cut short due to the weather. Mid month, there was a cheeky day trip to West Bay for a few members. This was a lot of fun and we managed to squeeze in a couple of very nice dives between the high winds that weekend.



We also had a large group head to Lundy for a fantastic time playing with seals (at a respectful distance of course!) and walking around the island. Some very memorable curries cooked by resident masterchef Rob made it even better!

We also welcomed Svitlana from Ukraine for a try dive hosted by Nick Todd. Well done Svitlana and you are welcome back anytime.





## **Activities Calendar**



## http://www.stratforddivers.co.uk/events/

# Pool sessions run each Thursday between 8pm & 9pm at Stratford upon Avon Leisure Centre

Cost is £3.00 payable on the night

## After the pool we meet at Stratford Football Club for drinks

Date	Event	Organiser	Cost	Spaces Available	Minimum Diver Grade
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October 2022								
30 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Red Sea Northern Wrecks & Reefs	Andy Dale	£1457	Full	Sports			

Next years Trips will be added soon – if you have any trips coming up please make sure to let us know

#### **Boat Bookings**

To help trip organisers we have set up an email address that will go to Angie as DO and the website admin team. If you are planning a trip, please contact <a href="mailto:boatbookings@stratforddivers.co.uk">boatbookings@stratforddivers.co.uk</a>

This is particularly important if you are planning a trip with Hornet as it will allow us to reserve the boat for you. Boat bookings are strictly first come first served and must be with the agreement of the DO. Trips booked can be viewed in this newsletter and on the website

If you have a trip that is not listed above, please could you send me the details so I can add it.

Alastair.manning@gmail.com or 07394 404855

Club Airfills:- Now available from our own compressor at the bargain price of £3.50 per fill (to cover running costs). Please let me know if you will be dropping off a cylinder for filling as I may not be at the club every week. Just ask me for more details.

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