



## **N.A.R.C AGM Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017 @ Stackpole Centre**

### **Attendees:**

David Kennard ,Ceri Jones , Andy Davies , Blaise Bulimore , Gareth Chard , Theresa Chard , Jeffrey Canning , Mark Jones , Mark Collins , Jo Collins

### **Apologies:**

Davey Jones , Liz Jones , Richie Grice , Ken Fanson , Nicki Meharg , John Scrivenor , Pete Crowcombe , Claire Caseley , Tony Rees , Lloyd Jones , Andrew Hughes , Mari Williams

Minutes of the 2016 AGM were accepted by CJ and seconded by TC.

### **Safety Moment:**

CJ informed the group that as of August 2017 all cylinders require an annual visual inspection. Internal corrosion issues appear to arise from decanting of cylinders onboard the dive boat. A practice to avoid.

### **2016:**

DK gave a re-cap – another good year of action for NARC. Also education & awareness continues to grow. Greece trip and local presentations being the highlights

CJ added that again another year of safe diving had passed with no incidents to report. This adds to 12 years now and must be recognised by all.

BB stated that although data recording is improved there is a breakdown between data getting to him from the boat. More vigilance please.

AD added that the group finances stood at just over £4000 at eoy.

### **2017:**

DK announced the planned dates for 2017 – also on Facebook and Website.

There is a new group banner being completed. BB offered images for leaflets etc - **Action DJ**

Possibility to reduce our coverage area due to future funding issues? DK suggested going back to our roots with angling clean ups and education a priority for 2017. Sadly MVRs has folded recently so surface cover may have to be sought from elsewhere.

AD offered “Megan” as a potential safety cover on shore / pier dives.

BB suggested we get MPA on board with group activities. They have a new Environmental Officer, Jonathan Monk . Contact and enlightenment required – **Action BB**

Sky News have approached the group to do a feature – **Action DJ / MP**

Radio Pembrokeshire maybe interested too – contact Jim Hughes – **Action AD**

### **Equipment**

CJ would like to see the collection crate scissors replaced with Backstabber Knives.

GC will pilot a new collection box to supplement then crate system – **Action GC**

CJ and AD proposed a second Marinox Kit be acquired. AD hoped to secure direct funding for kit. 3 x Go Pro cameras and lights. HDS to provide scuba quotes – **Action CJ / AD**

TC raised the option of a NARC information point for diving days and sites around the county. Ideas to be collated and a prototype produced – **Action TC**

### **Charity Status**

DK informed the group that we are no nearer attaining charitable status. This is a priority. CJ suggested a review of progress date of Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, and a completion date prior to the first dive of 2017. 1<sup>st</sup> May agreed by committee. **Action DK / DJ / CJ / AD**

### **2017 Funding**

AD informed the group that funding maybe tight this year due to many supporters uncertainty over Brexit and their supply of funds.

BB suggested the National Trust – **Action BB**

MJ suggested an approach to Biffa Waste Management – **Action MJ**

### **A.O.B**

1. DK requested confirmation of TR continuing as Vice Chair – JC offered as a reserve.
2. CJ suggested more socialising post dives... ☺
3. Future sites – Cunjic / Wards Pier / Hakin Point / Mackerel Stage / Reserve Mainland

### **Closing**

The next AGM will be approximately 12 months from now – Thank You