



NEWSLETTER

No. 11

Tuesday 20th March

Hasn't the weather been wonderful Spring is here, the daffs are opening, the plants are growing and the paddlers are paddling(I did write this before the snow reappeared). Unfortunately though, because of the amount of rain, we have had call off the symonds yat paddle for the time being.

New Sponsors and discount for members

A big **Thank you** goes to two new sponsors;

We have received a £100 donation plus offer of reduced rates to member from £30 to £25 per physiotherapy session from Nikki Parsons of Clevedon Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic (8 Jesmond Rod Clevedon, 01275 - 341439)

We also received a £200 donation from Business Link West who are based at Oldmixon Crescent, WSM

Swimathon

On the 1st of April this year (No, it is not a joke) a swimathon has been organised in Strode swimming pool to raise money for the Children's Hospice in Wraxall. This is the 3rd year that this fundraising event has taken place.

This year our club is entering two teams. The first team from our Junior Section is;

Holly Lertxundiwillis – Team Captain - hollylw24@hotmail.co.uk.

Morgan Lamb

Jess Byron-Dyer

Sam Smith

Tom Barnes

Josie Ewers

Our Adult team is

Lynne Lamb – Team Captain – lamb40@blueyonder.co.uk

Gavin Price

Alistair MacDonald

Clive Bishop

Julie Bugler

Danielle Bishop

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We will be swimming at 6pm and each team member will take it in turn to swim two lengths. This will continue for an hour.

If you wish to sponsor a team then please send your pledge to the relevant Team Captain. You can sponsor per length or just donate a specific amount for the whole event.

Working Groups

At the last committee meeting it was decided that as our club keeps growing, and there is so much to organise, then we need to set up some Working Groups. Eight groups were decided.

We do not want these groups dominated by committee members. These groups will be reporting to the committee but we would like club members, including junior members, on these groups. I am sure you have your own ideas as to what you would like from the club. **Don't sit back and keep your ideas to yourself. We need to hear them.**

These are the groups along with a list of people who are on them. To add your name to the list then *either* contact me *or* contact the person in bold. They will then let you know when the next meeting is of that group. You will not be committing yourself to anything by going along to a meeting.

Pool Sessions Working Group: - **Steve Holland** (steve@alison36.freemove.co.uk)
Mike Perrott, Gavin Price, Martin Aspinall, Lynne Lamb, Nikki Flannaghan, Jan Bond and Angus Norrish. To organise the in-pool training and the logistics of the cleaning and transporting of the kayaks

Club Nights and Trips: - **Lynne Lamb** (lamb40@blueyonder.co.uk), Martin Aspinall, Steve Holland and Julie Bugler

Financial Development - **Martin Aspinall** (m_aspinall@blueyonder.co.uk), Gavin Price, Nathaniel Gaydon, Nigel Barnes and Steve Holland.

To look at all club income and expenditure, covering

1. all forms of fundraising, including grants, fund raising events, merchandising (eg t-shirts /polo shirts with logo) etc and
2. all forms of club expenditure, including affiliation, kit, CWACC commitments, etc

Training Working Group – **Gavin Price** (gavinpriceuk@yahoo.co.uk) Ian Lamb(to be confirmed), Mike Perrott, Nigel Barnes, and Lynne Lamb.To look at all forms of training for all abilities including first aid and setting up a programme to train people up to coach level as quickly as possible.

Youth Section Working Group – **Nigel Barnes** (NB007A5668@blueyonder.co.uk), Steve Holland, Lynne Lamb and Nathaniel Gaydon. To look at developing the Youth Section- specific activities and training events at Club evenings and around Marine Lake

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Community Liaison – **Lynne Lamb** (lamb40@blueyonder.co.uk), Gavin Price and Alistair Macdonald. To develop the identity of the club within the wider community, including liaising with local schools, clubs, both able and special needs, and coordinating with MARLENS and North Somerset sports development officers.

Vision – Gavin Price (gavinpriceuk@yahoo.co.uk), Nigel Barnes. To define the club's vision in the short and the long term: to answer the question 'what do we want from our club?'

Health and Safety – Mike Perrott (mike.les@ukonline.co.uk) and Alistair MacDonald. To assess the club paddling activities and ensure they are safe for members. Mike will do a risk assessment for the lake and will carry out risk assessments in the future if there is a need.

Trip to the NEC

This was a huge success. We did crate stacking! wall climbing, scuba diving, caving and came home with lots of leaflets/booklets and aches and pains. We saw some amazing kayaking and so much equipment for sale. It was a fun day out and I am sure some photos will be put onto our website's gallery very soon and hopefully there will be a fuller written account of the day in the next newsletter.

Thursday Night meetings at the sailing club

We have been holding social evenings at the sailing club for the 1st three Thursday's in the month for January, February and March. On Friday the 23rd of March, Gavin Price and Steve Holland will be meeting with the sailing club to discuss our future requirements with them. We will let you know what is happening.

Cheap Equipment

Mitch Butler has discovered a very good website. It is called www.7dayshop.com It is based in Guernsey so is tax exempt. This means that it has many extremely cheap items that you may be interested in. Go and check it out

And Finally:

I have been asked to forward this to you all;

Hello,

We are a bunch of novice canoeists attempting to canoe 100 miles along The River Wye in May. We are raising money in memory of Elliot Cox aged 11 who was tragically killed walking home from school in September.

We are trying to raise £10,000 for the County Air Ambulance, the local primary school and scout pack.

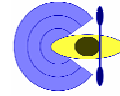
We would be very grateful if you could follow our progress and pass our details onto your members.

Thanks Simon Wakeham (paddler)

www.ayleburtonhippos.co.uk

and this;

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I have a chalet in Morzine in the French Alps that is particularly well suited to canoeists. I know this because one of my chalet hosts for the ski season is a white water canoeist and she suggested that many clubs might be interested in placing a small poster advertising the chalet.

The usual 5% commission would be paid to the club for any bookings made by its members.

The poster is on the attachment and if you feel that any of your members would be interested I would be grateful if you would display it or, better still, email it to them.

The chalet is also available during the summer for other alpine activities such as hill walking and mountain biking.

If anybody would like to see the poster then let me know and I will e-mail it too you.

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