

## MINUTES OF MEETING OF FREE FLOW DIVERS BRITISH CLUB

5 Dec 2005

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2005

#### WELCOME & NEW MEMBERS

PB welcomed everyone, including new members:

- Stephanie Haese (Assoc)
- Stefano Picozzi ( Assoc)
- Nicola Bourquin ( Assoc)
- Sally Laird ( Assoc)
- Andrea Gillmeister ( Assoc)
- Freya McClelland ( Assoc )
- Joanna Brown ( Assoc)
- Elenor Jones ( BC )
- Laurence Jones ( BC)
- Randolph Kluver( BC)

and renewing members Allan Wank (Assoc) and Claire Cooper (Assoc).

All new members receive a Club polo shirt and cap. Club towel can be purchased for \$10.

The Club logo stickers were available. Everyone to take on trips and 'plaster' around. The British Club produces a monthly magazine – FFD features in the Sports section. Any trips should be written up and submitted to PB for inclusion in the magazine.

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#### VIDEO PRESENTATION ON LAYANG LAYANG RESORT

- Promotional video from Layang Layang Resort, 200 km northwest off coast of Sabah.
- 5D/4N package: S\$988 p.p. – Plus FFD discount of 15%.
- S\$240 extra night. Includes all meals, 3 boat dives, tanks, weights,
- Flights additional – Singapore to Kota Kinabalu around S\$280-350, KK to Layang Layang S\$365 (need to spend a night in KK because flight leaves early.)
- Plane takes only 12 passengers.
- PB reminded everyone that once a deposit is taken for a trip, members are then responsible for the total cost of the trip, unless they can find someone else to take their place.
- Sheila took list of preferred dates for Layang Layang from members (see attached)

- Proposals to be prepared for members to sign up for.

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## AGM

### Committee:

- Convener/Treasurer: Paul Blackburn
- Secretary: Heather Jackson
- Webmaster: John Gillies
- Trips Co-coordinators
- Short Trips: Angela Sausman
- Long Trips: Alison Wilson/Jane Meech
- Training Officer: Angela Sausman (Although FFD is a recreational dive club, training is needed on occasion. Angela to ask if the British Club will allow use of pool on an ad hoc basis)
- Social Secretary: Sheila Blackburn (with committee helpers – Gwen Gillies, Jane Meech, Angela Sausman, Heather Jackson)
- Membership Secretary: Alicia Hendy /Gwen Gillies
- Quiz Master: Michael Sausman

## FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

New Year's Eve Party at the British Club. There are now 26 people signed up for this:

- Paul, Sheila and Emily Blackburn
- Philip & Christiane Duckworth
- Keith & Liz Hamilton
- Nick & Heather Jackson
- Bob & Brenda Marshall & daughter
- John & Gwen Gillies (4)
- Paul Barfield (6)
- Bill Kerr (2)
- Claire Cooper (2)

Any member wishing to attend this event should advise Paul asap.

## FFD WEBSITE

John Gillies said the website would be up and running before Christmas. Any new photos/articles from dive trips should be submitted on CD, which will make it easier for John to include.

JG

## 2006 TRIPS

Members recommended the following trips :-

- New Caledonia (Goetz)
- Bali – Tulamben (Paul)
- Palau (Michael)
- Redang Redang (Goetz)
- Perhentian (Goetz)
- Layang Layang (Paul)
- Manado
- Oman
- Ningaloo Reef
- Tahiti Aggressor (Paul/Greta)
- PNG
- Christmas Island
- Puerto Galera
- Donsal
- South Africa Sardine Run 2007

An outline calendar will be produced for 2006.

If anyone is planning a trip outside of the organized Club trips, please let Alison and Angela know.

### **FFD CALENDAR 2006-2007**

The calendar is going ahead and will be ready by January 2006. Please send PB any pictures, together with details of where and when taken. Photographers will be credited.

PB

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

PB showed parts of his unedited 15 hours of video footage from Raja Ampat – highlights whale shark, octopus, and mantas.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Date for the January meeting to be advised.

*Prepared by Heather Jackson, Secretary  
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