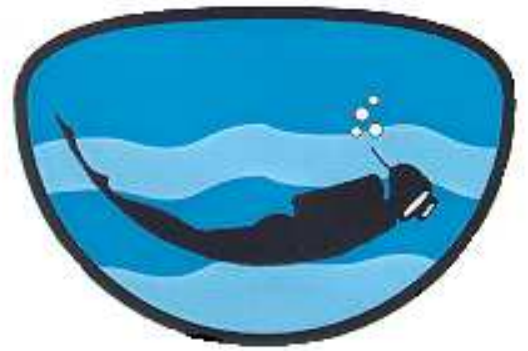


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Canterbury Underwater Club Inc. Newsletter



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What's the Committee Been Up To?

November saw us discuss what was needed for the Christmas meeting. Mark was not able to join us at the meeting due to a family matter so all financial reporting, membership applications and renewals will be carried over to be discussed at the December committee meeting.

Club Meeting Information

November Meeting Summary

The minutes from the November meeting can be found at the end of this newsletter.

November Raffle Winners

The raffle winners were 1st - Phillip S (lamb chops), 2nd – Eddie (mince), 3rd – Warren (wine), 4th – Grant P (wine), 5th – Wayne L (beer) and 6th – Matt Carter (sausages)

November Meeting at the Hitching Post – by Lynette Baker

What an amazing place. Really cool gifts that are a little unusual and that you don't see every day. I saw some people buying gifts which was awesome, and heard some others saying they would bring their wives back for a look another time.

The Trout and Salmon display was also very impressive. I didn't realise that Trout and Salmon could get to 32kg. Huge fish! I could imagine what a fight they would have put up to be landed. Michael who caught the fish spoke to some of the members about his experiences and many commented that they were blown away.

Following a good look around we all then went over to the domain for the BBQ and drinks put on by Steve and Lesley. Great effort, many members stayed on to about 10.00 drinking in the dark and huddled beside the BBQ for warmth. Must have been the CUC way of celebrating NZ cup day. However and unfortunately a member locked his keys in his car so most of the boys had to (of course) test their car breaking in skills, no-one was successful so AA was called eventually. Great evening and those who attended had an awesome time.

Next Meeting

Tuesday the 9th of December. Please arrive at 7:30pm, meeting starts at 8pm as normal.

After the official part of the meeting we'll be firing up the BBQ and instead of the usual raffle will be having a 'mystery auction' – items will be wrapped, some might have a reserve to indicate where the bidding might start and others might just be the luck of the draw. There have been some valuable items donated so make sure you are not shy with your bidding on the night. Then again there could be the odd 'booby' prize so come along with an open mind and ready for some fun and laughter!

Te Korowai

A useful resource for you to download is this one page flyer with **GPS coordinates** for the marine reserves and rāhui and summary of new fishing rules.

<http://doc.govt.nz/Documents/conservation/marine-and-coastal/marine-protected-areas/te-korowai-know-the-rules.pdf>

French Pass Trip – Canterbury Show Weekend

A somewhat smaller group than originally booked due to some last minute cancellations which was disappointing. Still we were a happy bunch and enjoyed some fantastic scallop dives, most divers returning with big fat scallops and easily reaching their quota. It seemed that the fishing was a little less successful with no kingfish making into a boat however some got their blue cod quota as well a as few other species.



View of French Pass settlement by Bert Parker



Our small but happy group of divers and fishers by Annette Parker



Gareth demonstrates why you should you remove your automatically inflating lifejacket before jumping in the briny simply to cool off...

Jo's Wholemeal Ginger Crunch Recipe

For all of you that have eaten this here is the recipe. I make it, slice it and freeze it so that you always have some at hand when a boat trip is hastily arranged!

For the slice:

150 gm butter	2 Tablespoons golden syrup	¾ cup brown sugar
¾ cup desiccated coconut	1 ½ cups rolled oats	¾ cup wholemeal flour
2 teaspoons baking powder	3 teaspoons ground ginger	1 cup chopped crystallised ginger

For the icing:

100 gms butter	2 ¼ cups icing sugar
6 Tablespoons golden syrup	3 teaspoons ground ginger

1. Preheat the oven to 180C. Line a 20 x 30cm slice tin with baking paper.
2. In a large pot melt the butter, golden syrup and brown sugar. Mix in the other ingredients then press into the prepared slice tin. Bake for 20 mins then remove from oven.
3. Make the icing by melting the butter and golden syrup together, beat in the icing sugar and the ground ginger. Spread onto the warm slice and sprinkle with more chopped crystallised ginger if desired. Allow to cool before cutting into pieces.

Upcoming Trips

Please make sure you check the website for trips and events.

Saturday December 20th - Christmas Dive

This trip is being organised by Phil Baker, please contact Phil on 03 965 3454 or 0272 555 074 to get your name down for this trip so Phil can co-ordinate boats, transport and divers.

Meet at the Halswell Tavern around 7:30/7:45am, the trip will depart at 8am. This trip will run weather permitting; Sunday will be used as a backup day if required.

Short, Sweet & Sometimes True!!! – submitted by Warren Price

I dialled a number and got the following recording:

"I am not available right now, but thank you for caring enough to call. I am making some changes in my life. Please leave a message after the beep. If I do not return your call, you are one of the changes."

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My wife and I had words, but I didn't get to use mine.

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Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses.

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The irony of life is that, by the time you're old enough to know your way around, you're not going anywhere.

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God made man before woman so as to give him time to think of an answer for her first question.

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I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one.

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A woman asks a man who is travelling with six children, "Are all these kids yours?"

The man replies, "No, I work in a condom factory and these are customer complaints".

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Nominated as the best short joke this year...

A three-year-old boy was examining his testicles while taking a bath.

"Mom" he asked, "are these my brains?"

"Not yet," she replied.

## Canterbury Underwater Club Inc- Lodge Information

The Canterbury Underwater Club Lodge offers a fantastic facility to both members and non-members with dedicated boat parking, gear washing facilities, fish filleting stations, crayfish cooker and a communal cooking and living area.



The lodge can sleep a maximum of 20 people in its' five rooms, specific rooms can be requested when booking but may change to accommodate the numbers of person in a party.

The Annex rooms (11 to 16) can sleep up to 16 people and will be reserved for members only unless the entire Lodge has been pre-booked for a Group.

This will not apply to holiday weekends and may be varied for either of the above if the lodge is only or likely to be partially occupied during your stay.

**Please \*remember\* that you need to bring your own linen and bedding.**

### **Member Rates**

Members and Partners \$10.00 per person per night

Child 5-17 years \$5.00 per child per night

Child Under 5 Free

### **Member Cancellation Policy:**

Prior to mid-day on the day of arrival No Charge

Later than mid-day on the planned day of arrival 1 night charged

Cancellation of a Booking for a holiday weekend must be done 3 days prior to the planned day of arrival or a two night penalty charge will apply if the beds booked cannot be re-let. The booking agent will advise the Treasurer and Secretary in these events.

### **Non-Member Rates**

Adult \$26.00 per person per night

Child 5-17 years \$10.00 per child per night

Child Under 5 Free

Vouchers can be used for non-members (for a stay when accompanied by a member) but will be redeemed at the non-member price.

### **Non-Member Cancellation Policy:**

Cancellation of bookings and refund of deposits will be as per standard motel practice for Groups or Individuals.

## Lodge Booking Information

Bookings are handled by the Norfolk Pine Motel. To lessen the impact on them in the running of their own business, we kindly ask that you respect the following instructions:

1. E-mail is the preferred booking method.
2. Phone bookings should be made no later than 7pm and no earlier than midday.
3. Please do NOT use the motel's 0800 number; doing so will incur a \$4 charge.
4. Please let Norfolk Pine know how many people in your group so they can allocate beds and also the member/non-member make up of your party.
5. Payment must be made upon collection of keys – Vouchers, Cash or Cheque only please, NO EFTPOS.
6. Uplift keys before 8pm; please phone them if you are running late.



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## General Lodge Rules and Obligations for ALL Users

- **No Pets** of any description to be taken onto or into any part of Club Lodge facilities.
- Any visiting guests may not over-night at the lodge unless booking and registration is completed at Norfolk Pine Motel prior to 8.00 pm and it does not interfere with any other persons booking.
- No smoking is permitted at the Club Lodge.
- Alcohol consumption is permitted in moderation.
- General noise to be kept to a minimum late in the evening to be respectful to others staying at the lodge.
- No undersize Fish/Crayfish/Shellfish or excess quota of any species to be kept at the club lodge.
- BBQ and Crayfish Cooker are only to be used outside.
- Clean up when you leave. There are no cleaners. We are totally reliant on club users.
- Keys must be returned to Norfolk Pine on the day of departure, lost keys will incur a \$25.00 fee.
- Please direct any complaints (other than minor booking issues), suggestions or issues with the lodge facilities to a committee member.

These conditions of use of the Lodge are authorized by the President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Canterbury Underwater Club Inc. and take effect from 20-04-2010.

Signed on behalf of the executive of the committee:

Mark Buckland - Treasurer

Dated: 16-04-2010 Updated 20-05-2011



## Minutes of Meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014

### Meeting opened 8.00 pm

Wayne opened the meeting, thanked everyone for attending and welcomed partners.  
Approximately 30 members attended

Guests: Don Shannon, Simon Dixon, Jeremy Brown (all these men joined the club)

Apologies: Don Smith, Joan W, Jo and Rod Mckay, Terry Riley  
Apologies accepted by Grant , Seconded by Paul

### Reading and Approval of Previous club Meeting Minutes from: 14.10.2014

The minutes were taken as read and accepted. Moved by Grant and seconded by Paul

Matters arising from previous minutes: None

### Trip reports/events:

**Club trips** - Gareth spoke about last weekend's shore-dive off Taylor's Mistake. All planned activities are on the website calendar. This weekend is the French Pass and the following weekend there is no club dive as Gareth is remaining in the sounds.

**French Pass (13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November)** – This weekend

**Akaroa Christmas dive trip** – date to be advised but it will probably be the weekend of 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December. This is a family event where the club gets together for picnic in Akaroa.

### Members dive reports

- **No member reports**

### General Business

**Free divers** – Wayne asked the members to consider whether the club opens its membership to free divers as we have been approached by several keen young people to join our club. Discussion was held. Chris Glasson spoke positively about his recent experiences with young free divers and spear fishing, and suggested it is a growing trend that the club could benefit from. John S questioned the possible intent for free divers to join our club – could it be for cheap accommodation. Wayne briefly mentioned the past. Shelia asked about the clubs constitution. This will be further discussed at committee meeting. Those who have an opinion (supportive or not) please contact Lynette (secretary)

**Club Clothing** – Wayne mentioned that the committee are looking at getting club caps, beanie's, hoodies and polar fleece jerseys with club logos on. He asked members if they would be interested in buying clothing. It would have to be on an order system. Chris suggested that he would only be interested if it was good quality, stylish and warm. Discussion was held – would need to have a variety of sizes to fit smaller people too. Wayne has the prices and will discuss with the committee.

**New regulations** – Brian Franks mentioned that the new safety regulations are now been applied which may affect club dives and how we operate. He said that the new regulations have helped lift safety standards which are a positive thing.

**Life jackets**- John S enquired about life jackets and whether the club had any left. He would need to ask Mark, but it was believed that there were a few left. John has an order for 2 adult jackets.

**60<sup>th</sup> Party (1<sup>st</sup> November)** – Chris Glasson thanked the organising committee for a great evening and all the effort they went to for club members. He mentioned it was a shame not more people supported the event.

### Meeting closed 7.50pm

Wayne called the official part of the meeting closed and asked the group to be split into 2 groups, one to go into the trout display room and the other into the gift shop.