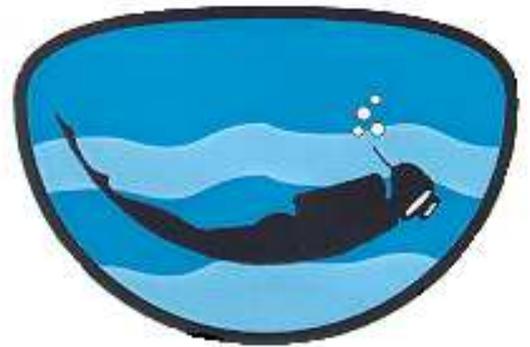


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Canterbury Underwater Club Inc. Newsletter



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Committee members are here to help if you have a question about the club or any of our facilities.

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What's the Committee Been Up To?

A few points of discussion from the last committee meeting that members' might be interested in:

- Sub-committee set up to explore subsidies for boat owners on club trips.
- The committee would be looking to support the Kaikoura community and the concerns over proposed oil drilling in the area.
- The Win Christie Memorial Library will be set up at the lodge with the generous donation of books by Lorraine Christie. This will be on a trial basis.

Club Meeting Information

August Meeting Summary

The August Annual General Meeting drew a good attendance of around 35, and we had a couple of visitors – Mark and Brent.

A few new faces were elected to the committee – you can see the new committee on page 1.

Motions 1 to 4 were all passed, motion 5 was rejected.

Raffle

The winners of the raffle prizes were Terry Reilly, Mark (guest), Tony Glentworth, Larry Thomas, Ian Waite, Warren Price, Tony Moor and Wayne Lester.

Trophy Winners

The John Tinniswood Trophy for services to the club by a non-committee member was presented to Rod Mckay for all of the work he has done on creating the new look club website.



Rod Mckay (left) receives the John Tinniswood Trophy from President Grant Prebble.

Photo Competition Winner – Above Water Category

The trophy and prize for the ‘Above water’ section was won by Lorraine Ferreira with this great shot taken from the waterline of dolphins going about their business.



Taken in French Pass, 2011 on a GoPro

Lorraine was also the runner up in this section with her shot of the French Pass jetty.

Photo Competition Winner – Under Water Category

The trophy and prize for the ‘Underwater’ section was won by Rod Mckay with his shot of a particularly unhappy looking stone fish (actually I guess they always look like this!).



Taken in the Maldives, 2011 on a Panasonic Lumix DMC-TZ7

Rod was also the runner up of this section with his shot of colourful anemone on the HMNZS Canterbury.

Next Meeting

Tuesday the 10th of September, cash bar opens from 7:30pm.

Location – Christchurch Airport

As you drive to the airport, the first roundabout is the one where Memorial Ave and Russley Rd meet. The second roundabout inside the airport boundary is Orchard Rd, turn left there. The ‘Hangar’ is the building on the right about 200m along.

September Guest Speaker

Jens Christensen will give a presentation on his recent dive trip to Papua New Guinea with Dive HQ.



October Guest Speaker – NOTE different venue for this particular club night!



In October our meeting will be held at the Air Rescue hangar, and after the official part of the meeting the guys there will show us the helicopter and the harnesses used in diver rescue etc. We'll be taking some BBQ items for supper and also a few beers.

The Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust is situated at the premises of Garden City Helicopters, **515 Memorial Avenue** near the entrance to Christchurch Airport.

November Guest Speaker

Did you realise that New Zealand has the fifth largest coastline of any country in the world?

Wayne Middleton
Coastguard Boating Education Tutor



In November we have Wayne Middleton from Coastguard Boating Education to go over the courses they offer – Radio, Day Skipper and Boat Master being a few.

To improve safety and enjoyment on the water, Wayne offers a number of easily accessible and inexpensive recreational boating courses, ranging from basic Day Skipper Course to the nationally recognised Boatmaster qualification.

New Member Applications

A membership application has been received from Robert Parker.

During the AGM...

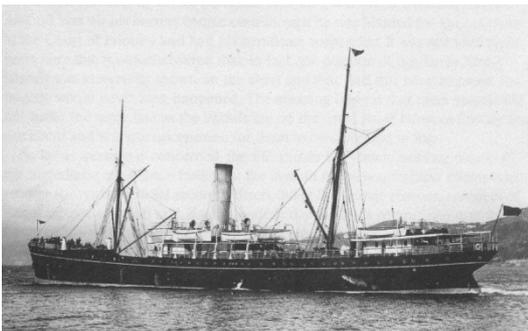
While we were all at the AGM on the 13th of August, TVNZ was showing a 'First Crossings' programme on the discovery of the wreck of the Elingamite in the Three Kings Islands. Hopefully you managed to set your recorders, or have followed the link on our Facebook page to watch it on the TVNZ website – it was certainly a very interesting programme, especially seeing the technology they had at the time.

Mark then found sent an article through for the newsletter – it appears that someone at Dive NZ has gone back through a large number of their magazines to produce 'A Snapshot of New Zealand Diving History' and I've managed to find a few of these pages on line – I recommend you take a moment to read them as they really are quite interesting!

In the beginning - <http://66.70.225.22/backissues/55history.html>

1950's and 1960's - <http://66.70.225.22/backissues/55history2.html>

1970's to 1999 - <http://www.divenewzealand.co.nz/index.asp?s1=dive-articles&id=49>



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SCUBA Earth

ScubaEarth® is an online scuba resource and social community for divers and other water lovers. It's a robust, one-stop site to research, plan and share dive experiences. ScubaEarth hosts everything from current weather and dive conditions to photos and videos for those constantly craving scuba snacks.

There are thousands of travel websites, but few dedicated to divers looking for their next vacation, virtually anywhere in the world. ScubaEarth can help you answer questions like:

- Where should I go on my next dive trip?
- What will I see?
- What should I pack?
- When is the best time to go?
- What kind of local flavour is there?
- How can I keep a digital logbook of all my dives & share them with my buddies?
- How can I browse other logged dives to see recent dive conditions at a dive site?
- Where can I keep a digital record of all my PADI certifications?
- How can I find a PADI Dive Centre or Resort to dive with and take my next PADI course?
- And much more.

Visit the website at <https://www.scubaeearth.com/default.aspx>

Upcoming Trips and Events

French Pass/Okiwi Bay - November

Grant Prebble is again organising a trip to French Pass for Canterbury Anniversary weekend. The trip is now full but let Grant know if you are interested as the places are not confirmed until everyone has paid!

****Would the remaining two people who have NOT yet paid their deposit get this to Grant ASAP to secure your places.**

It is possible to join the trip if you take your own boat and arrange your own accommodation.

Kaikoura Weekend – 12th and 13th of October

Our trips co-ordinator Terry has put together an outline for the October club trip. Make your own accommodation booking with Norfolk Pine as per usual.

Saturday 9am Fishing and maybe a dive - Terry leading this trip

Saturday Evening Shore night dive - Paul Roberts will be leading a shore night dive, so any questions on what to bring can be asked of Paul at the club meeting on Tuesday 8th October.

This is limited to 8 divers. This is a club dive not a commercial one. Paul can bring tanks for those that don't have any and also take owners tanks back for filling to save having to drop them off. (Your choice entirely)

Sunday Diving in the morning - Terry leading this trip

Please let Terry know what you want to do so he can organize logistics. You can do all or some of the activities. Anyone bringing boats up and that can take divers out can you please let Terry know as early as possible.

Please text or email Terry to confirm the activities you wish to take part in:

027 391 7801 or terry.reilly@xtra.co.nz

Next of Kin Information

We would like to add to the member information that we currently hold, contact details (just a name and phone number) for your 'next of kin'. We see this information as vital for any trip organiser in the event of any emergency or accident.

Please email or text me (if you prefer post, please post it into the address on the cover of the newsletter) with your 'next of kin' name and a contact phone number for them so we can start building this, and hopefully we won't need to call on them!

This information will not be distributed to the wider membership.

My number is 027 296 1985 or editor@canterburyunderwater.org.nz

Lifejackets for Fundraising

We have had the opportunity to secure an end of line special on a range of lifejackets, this represents a great opportunity for fundraising for the club and **YOU** get to stock up for your boat, for gifts, for lazing in the pool or whatever other inventive ideas you might have for one.

These will be available at the club nights while stocks last, with cash or cheques to be paid to Mark. Please note that the colour may vary from the images shown below.

Life Jacket Neoprene	Life Jacket Adult Foam 'Contender'
Number available = 25 Sizes available = 2XL (suit 125 cm chest) Price each = \$60	Number available = 18 (LGE) and 3 (XL) Sizes available = LGE (suit 85 - 100 cm chest) and XL (suit 100 - 120 cm chest) Price each = \$60
	
Life Jacket Blaze	Life Jacket Child
Number available = 5 Sizes available = L Price each = \$60	Number available = 18 Sizing = suits 22 - 40 kg weight /chest 60 – 70 cm Price each = \$40
	

Members Out and About

Mid-winter Dinner

A couple of dozen members and partners enjoyed a delicious meal at Curry Time in Redwood on the 27th of July, with this being the first visit for many although it sounds like it won't be their last. The food was tasty and the service was very friendly and efficient. Two spot prizes for the evening went to Grant and Rod; I'm pretty sure the bottles of wine as prizes never actually left the premises!



Events Calendar

Please check the website calendar for upcoming trips and events.

Please note that the Working Bee will now be held the weekend of the 2nd and 3rd of November, more details are on the website.

Funny

Thanks to Ian Waite for sharing this funny joke:

A Maori fella is walking up the beach with a couple of live crayfish in a bucket when he is stopped by a Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries inspector.

The inspector says to the guy that it looks like he has caught a couple of under size crayfish.

The guy says, "Nah Bro, these are my pet crayfish. I just bring them down to the beach each day for a swim. When I whistle they hop back in the bucket and I take them home."

The MAF officer doesn't believe him and says it is illegal to catch undersize crayfish and starts writing out a ticket.

Then the guy says, "Nah Bro just watch" and chucks the crayfish into the surf.

The MAF officer then says, "Ok let's see ya whistle and make those crayfish come back to you."

And the guy fella says, "What crayfish?"

Membership Renewal

Canterbury Underwater Club Inc
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Annual Subscription Invoice for the Period 1st July 2013 to 30th June 2014

Fees:

Senior \$75.00
Junior \$45.00 (up to 18th birthday)
Couple \$85.00
Veteran \$36.50 (60 years and over with five or more years of CUC membership)

*A rebate of \$5.00 is allowed if payment is received before 31st October 2013.

Members who fail to pay their subscription by the 30th November 2013 will have their names removed from the club list and will have to reapply for membership and pay the joining levy.

Remittance may be sent to PO Box 2287, Christchurch, or paid to the Treasurer at monthly meetings, or remitted directly into our Bank Account online or via any branch:

KiwiBank Limited (NOTE THIS IS A NEW ACCOUNT – Do not use any saved details as these will be wrong)

Account Name: CANTERBURY UNDERWATER CLUB INCORPORATED

Account Number: 38 9014 0722283 00

Please make sure you include **your name** and "CUC Subscription" as a reference.

PLEASE COMPLETE, DETACH AND PRESENT WITH PAYMENT

Type of Subscription: (Circle one) Senior / Junior / Couple / Veteran

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Members Name: _____

Name of Spouse / Partner: _____

Address: _____

Phone: Work: _____ Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

I hereby give permission for the above details to be included in the club membership listing which is circulated to members of the Canterbury Underwater Club Inc from time to time.

YES NO

Signed: _____

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

Vouchers: 2 x vouchers per adult per night required if used.

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 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.
3. Please do NOT use the motel's 0800 number; doing so will incur a \$4 charge.
4. Please let Ian or Sue 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.



Norfolk Pine Motel - Ian and Sue Plummer

124 The Esplanade

Kaikoura

p: 03 319 5120

f: 03 319 6405

e: norfolkpine@clear.net.nz

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

Member's Corner

Advertise your business here in exchange for a small donation to the club in the event of business generated from this newsletter.

Diving Needs – Deep Blue Diving

Deep Blue Diving's philosophy is to make diving affordable to all divers! Starting as an importer and wholesaler of diving equipment in New Zealand, but quickly growing to making and selling their own range of diving equipment and wetsuits. The Deep Blue brand is now well known for its value for money. Mention this ad each time and get 5% discount for you and another 5% goes to the club.

Deep Blue Diving

3/251 Blenheim Road
p: 03 332 0898 or 03 348 0666
www.deepbluediving.co.nz

Diving Needs – Dive Werks

Contact Russell for special prices on servicing and equipment which include:

- Hydro Tank Test (inc fill)..... \$39
- Visual Tank Test (inc fill) \$29
- 10 tank fill concession..... \$70
- Individual tank fill..... \$8
- Massive in-house specials on all equipment

Call Russell on 332 7445 or 0274 361 604

Dive Werks – 351 Port Hills Road

Diving Needs – Underwater Sports

For all your diving requirements, we sell you stuff, train you, service your tanks and gear (Most brands). We can take you diving or help you with advice on diving. Mention this ad each time and get 5% discount for you and another 5% goes to the club.

(Offer does not apply to already discounted items or concession tank fill cards)

Underwater Sports

25 Coleridge St
p: 03 964 4444 (Paul)

Gym Membership

Increase your fitness.

Physical Sense Gym and Physio (300 Colombo Street next to Ascot TV) offers **stay fit for diving** packages. Mention the CUC and we will give you a free personal training session (worth \$90)

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Insurance

KIWISAVER, Life, Health and Mortgage Protection Insurance - You probably already have one of these products but you should ring Mike Bennett at **ACORN INSURANCE & INVESTMENT** for a better price. Not only will you get access to the best priced and best value for money insurances, you will receive a BIG discount on your current premium AND the club will benefit too!

Mike Bennett

p: 962 1000 (b) or 03 338 9706 (hm)

m: 027 438 1742

www.acorninsurance.co.nz

Laundry and Cleaning Products

As divers we appreciate the clear blue waters we all have access to but our waterways are being destroyed by everything we flush down our drains.

Did you know that for the same price as regular laundry products you can replace them with completely natural products that work better than chemical brands, and they don't harm the environment?

Do you suffer from allergies? Eczema or flaky skin? This could be caused by the chemicals in your cleaners and laundry powders.

I now work to remove TOXINS from everyday life and promote wellness and health.

For every new customer CUC will receive \$25.

Contact Tony Glentworth

p: 03 942 5991

Synthetic Oils

Richard Lowen is providing synthetic oils – very environmentally friendly – at substantially reduced prices to members.

p: 03 980 7695

m: 021 1064 319

Used Cars

Let us explain why you should buy a used vehicle from us. Reliable, AA tested, 1 hour finance, just \$1 deposit, no repayments for 6 months for approved buyers. It's very easy to own a reliable new car, wagon or 4WD. Special personal orders obtained.

For each vehicle purchased through this advert, \$50 will be donated to CUC.

Alexander's Cars Direct

p: 03 379 5729