



BUBBLING

WINNER



What's on Calendar			
October	1 st	Compressor Rota: Graham Barber OT4 Planning to go diving OS3 pool - Basic skills	Pool Marshal: Duane Knight David Spencer David Spencer
	3 rd and 4 th	Wreck Appreciation - Chelsea & Fulham London & 	
	5 th		BANSac Committee Meeting
	8 th	Compressor Rota: Axl West OT5 Developing Skills OS4 Pool - Developing skills	Pool Marshal: Ken McDougal Graham Barber Graham Barber
	7 th and 21 st	Night Dive 	
	W/C 10 th	Whirlwind - Northern Wrecks of the Red Sea - Rob Allen	
	15 th	Compressor Rota: Dave Merry OT6 What Happens if OS5 Pool - Beyond the basics	Pool Marshal: Ken McDougal Shaun West TBC
	17 th	Dive Leader Training covering DSMB & Rescue Skills (Chelsea & Fulham)  Contact Frank Betts	
	22 nd	Compressor Rota: Clare Barber OT7 Enjoying your diving OS6 Pool - Safety Skills	Pool Marshal: David Spencer TBC TBC
	24 th to 25 th	DIVE 2009 NEC Birmingham 	
	29 th	Compressor Rota: Duane Knight	Pool Marshal: Clare Barber Annual General Meeting
November	2 nd		BANSac Committee Meeting
	4 th and 18 th	Night Dive 	
	5 th	Compressor Rota: Doug McLennan Exam and revision OS7 Pool - Toning up your skills	Pool Marshal: Brian Crockett Clare Barber Clare Barber
		Deadline for BANSac photo competition digital submissions - More Details to follow	
	12 th	Compressor Rota: Dave White	Pool Marshal: Martin Cook BANSac Annual Photo Competition
	19 th	Compressor Rota: Ian McLennan	Pool Marshal: Shaun West
	26 th	Compressor Rota: Ken McDougal	Pool Marshal: Axl West
	28 th	Dinner Dance 2009	
December	2 nd and 16 th	Night Dive 	
	3 rd	Compressor Rota: Brian Harris	Pool Marshal: Graham Barber
	5 th	Diving Officer's Conference - Institute of Education, London	
	7 th		BANSac Committee Meeting
	10 th	Compressor Rota: Paul Crooks	Pool Marshal: Dave White
	17 th	Compressor Rota: Martin Cook	Pool Marshal: Duane Knight
	24 th	Compressor Rota: Shaun West	Pool Marshal: TBA
	29 th	Compressor Rota: Rob Gericke	Pool Marshal: TBA
January	7 th	Compressor Rota: Mike White	Pool Marshal: TBA
May	1 st to 3 rd	Dive Fest - Pentewan Sands, Cornwall	
July	4 th	Red Sea Trip - whirlwind See: Clare Barber	



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Dark Nights but Warm Water

It may be fast approaching all hallows eve and the nights are drawing in but its an ideal time to get a night dive in at Stoney Cove, where dives on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month between 18:00 and 21:00 you can both sample the delights of a quiet, dark and warm Stoney. Yes the temperature during the day may be going down but Stoney is still a balmy 15 degrees.

While you are there take the opportunity to check out the Tug Boat that has been sunk recently, got to be worth testing those navigation skills and giving it a quick look.

With the nights drawing in we move closer and closer to the clubs AGM, Dinner Dance and Photo competition. So its time again to put on your dancing shoes for the dinner dance and dig out the photo's from the Red Sea trip last year for the photo competition. At the AGM there is an opportunity to do your bit for the club and get signed-up for a position on next years committee. Now is the time you can put something back into the club, and have your say in the direction BANSac will go in 2010.


Safe Diving  Editor *Shaun West*

Dinner Dance 2009

Banbury Sub-Aqua Club's annual Dinner Dance and Awards Ceremony will be held this year on 28th November 2009 at "Banbury Cricket Club". With live music and great food and an amazing "Credit Crunch" kicking same cost as last year @ £35 per head Also this year we have the draw for the club mega raffle so please join us support your club and see if that 32" HD LCD TV is yours!



Complete the form below for each ticket required (Photocopy if required) and had it in with your £35 to Mick or any other committee member.

Menu		BSAC Dining for divers 				
Name →	A. N. O t h e r					
Please select one of the option items per person: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
Starter Options						
Goats cheese and cranberry tartlet on a bed of rocket.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leek and potato soup with tiger bread and butter swirls.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prawn cocktail on a bed of mixed leaves with rosemarie sauce and lime.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Main Course Options						
Roast turkey with stuffing chipolata sausages and bacon.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Topside of beef and Yorkshire pudding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Salmon fillet with asparagus tips and hollandaise sauce.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All above served with roast potatoes roast honey glazed parsnips and seasonal vegetables.						
Brie potato and courgette crumble (V)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dessert Options						
Chocolate and black cherry roulade.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Traditional Christmas pudding with brandy sauce.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Blackberry and apple crumble with clotted cream.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Christmas pudding cheese cake in brandy with raisins and pecans.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lemon syllabub with Italian meringue and lemon cello sauce.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cheese platters.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
After:						
Mince pies and oranges Tea or coffee						
(V) – Vegetarian option.						

£1000

It can't have passed you by that we are currently in a "Credit Crunch" situation and your committee has been working hard to secure charitable donations for the club. All their effort and hard work paid off recently, as thanks to the Banbury based charity "Banbury Recreation Charity", we received a donation of £1000 towards future club activities.



Banbury Recreation Charity has the Aims & Objectives "of providing or assisting in the provision of facilities for the physical recreation for the inhabitants of the town of Banbury and the neighbourhood thereof in the interests of social welfare in order to improve their conditions of life".

Press Release:

A big thank you goes out to the local organisation Banbury Recreational Charities for their generous donation of £1000 to Banbury Sub Aqua Club. The club has been around for over 50 years and is actively recruiting younger members to train up as the next generation of scuba divers. This money will ensure the club can continue the quality training that ensures the young people from the local community will safely become involved in this rewarding recreational pastime. If anyone is interested in trying out an underwater experience or is already a diver and wants to join a friendly and active club with a passion for the underwater world please do contact us on 07787097289 or visit our website www.bansac.org

Stoney Cove

New tugboat "Defiant"



The tugboat "DEFIANT" is a pretty Dutch tug with interesting war history, folklore has it that she was brought to England by two men escaping the Germans during WW2.

At 14mtrs (46ft) long and 20 tons she is somewhat smaller than Stanegarth, however she will make a superb addition to the collection and be a fine sister ship to Stangarth. Projects like this are always a real challenge and once again "Diver Magazine" have stepped forward to help out so if all goes well we hope to have "DEFIANT" at Stoney by the 16th September and have a jolly good sinking party!

And indeed according to plan she can now be found at the 20m shelf at Stoney Cove.

Stoney Cove



Antigua

By Graham Barber



I was looking forward to my first visit to the Caribbean on holiday. We selected Antigua, thinking that we may try another island next year. The resort we booked was St James Club, which had all the facilities that we required.



We had booked through Virgin and it was them we were flying with. One week before departure we were informed that the plane was now stopping at Barbados before carrying on to Antigua. Although not too alarmed at the extra time involved (9.5 hours instead of 8) we set off at an unearthly time of the day to join the early morning flight. All things went smoothly until we hit Barbados. We were stuck on the ground for an hour and a half while the plane was refuelled. Of course the air con and all the electrics were switched off while refuelling and the inside the plane got hot and very stuffy. It was then only a short hop from Barbados to Antigua.

Sipping the local 100% proof rum.

We arrived to organized chaos. I had never seen so many people shouting orders to mini bus drivers to try and get the passengers to various destinations on the island. It was our turn and we jumped into the bus for the hour drive to the resort. The driver gave us a running commentary on the trip passing Stanton cricket club, Stanton Bank, Viv Richards cricket ground and of course Eric Clapton Re-hab centre.

St James club was great being all-inclusive we did not have to pay for anything. The first few days were spent on the beach soaking up the sun and being served with drinks every half hour.

I decided that I would check out the Diving club they had on site. But every time I went down to the hut it was closed. I managed to catch the Instructor at lunchtime and arranged a day's diving.

As I had only taken my fins snorkel and mask I had to use the schools equipment. It all seemed in good order and we made our way down to the boat. The first dive was just around the headland where we were to dive on a reef. All six of us jumped into the water and made our way down the shot line to the bottom at



about 17 metres. I saw my buddy at the surface at the start of the dive and again at the surface after the dive. Some BUDDY!!!! However there was a German girl at the back of the group and I joined with her for the dive. She was also taking photographs so at least we had something in common.



Local Turtle By Graham Barber

The reef was fine not at lot to see, just the usual damage (due to the hurricane last year). We met the local Turtle and swam with him for a short while

On the return to the surface we went into English Harbour to moor up for a while. This was the base for the English Fleet back in the sailing days. It was very interesting to look at the very old buildings and see the docks and mooring lines. It was out of season and most of the buildings were shut to the public. I would of liked to explore more but it was time to get back to the boat for the second dive.

The second dive was very similar to the first although there seemed to be less fish life. My buddy did the same as on the first dive and again I buddied up with the German girl. At the end of the dive the clouds had come over and it appeared that we were in for some wet weather. The dive leader said for us to store the gear and hang on as we came around the headland. She was not kidding the waves were breaking over the boat and we were being thrown about all over the place. This was properly the roughest water that I had ever been in a small boat. We maintained headway until the beginning of the reef where we turned back into St James Bay. The waves ceased and it had started to rain. It poured and poured and I eventually decided to make a run for it. I was soaked before I got back to the room. It only lasted for a short time.



The rest of the holiday was spent on the beach being served drinks and being pampered. Evenings were spent in the bar listening to the local bands and sipping the local 100% proof rum.

All in all we had a really nice holiday, the food was great, the entertainment was good, the room very good, and the staff friendly and could not do enough for you, I could not fault St James Bay however it seems strange that I would not consider going back it just lacked the sparkle that the Maldives had.

Graham Barber

Marine Turtles

Hawksbill Turtle

(*Eretmochelys Imbricata*)



Hunted over the years for their beautiful shells, hawksbill turtles are considered to be critically endangered. The hawksbill turtle has a narrow head and a long, tapered beak shaped similarly to that of a bird of prey, hence the name. The scutes on their shells are misleadingly known as tortoiseshell and are sought after in some parts of the world to make jewellery and other ornaments. Trade in all wild marine turtles and their parts is currently banned under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) but some illegal trade continues to endanger the species. Please don't buy genuine tortoiseshell items at home or abroad.

How big?

One of the smaller turtles, adult hawksbills usually reaches about 1m in length and weighs approximately 60kg.



What's on the menu?

Adult hawksbills feed almost exclusively on sponges and soft-bodied marine invertebrates. Click here to see a feeding hawksbill at Arkive.org.

Where do they live?

Hawksbills are the most tropical of all the marine turtles, living around tropical coral reefs and lagoons in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans. Hawksbills nest throughout the tropics with significant rookeries at sites in Australia, the Seychelles, the Caribbean and Mexico. Click here to see a swimming hawksbill at Arkive.org. There has been only one confirmed record of a hawksbill in UK and Irish waters, when a hawksbill was accidentally entangled in a herring net set off Cork Harbour in February 1983.

Endangered?

Hawksbill turtles are listed as critically endangered by the World Conservation Union (IUCN), due to the impact of historical and current trade in their shells, as well as the threats faced by all marine turtle species. It is illegal to bring tortoiseshell into the UK, so please don't buy it when you are on holiday.

If you want to find out more about hawksbill turtles and how you can help them, why not Adopt-a-Turtle:

<http://www.mcsuk.org/marineworld/adopt-a-turtle/turtle+adoption>



Marine Turtles

Turtle Conservation Fund



In September 2001, MCS launched the Turtle Conservation Fund (TCF) to support marine turtle research and conservation projects worldwide. The TCF is accumulated through Adopt-a-Turtle and other MCS fundraising initiatives. The Fund allows MCS to award small grants of no more than £5,000 to non-profit organisations around the world who significantly contribute to the conservation of marine turtles and their habitats. So far we have distributed over £100,000 to 18 conservation and research projects in 15 different countries.



This world map shows the locations of the projects that we have supported through the Turtle Conservation Fund. Click on the links below to find out more about these projects:

1. Wildlife Conservation Society, Nicaragua
2. Nature Conservancy, Solomon Islands
3. University of Wales Swansea, UK, Grenada
4. Turtle Conservation Project (TCP), Sri Lanka
5. Marine Environmental Research, UK
6. PRETOMA, Costa Rica
7. Ecology Project International, Costa Rica
8. Marine Turtle Research Group, Cape Verde
9. RENATURA, Republic of Congo (Brazzaville)
10. Madras Crocodile Bank Trust, Andaman & Nicobar Islands
11. Madras Crocodile Bank Trust, Orissa, India
12. ARCHELON, Syria
13. MEDASSET, Lebanon
14. Aventures Sans Frontieres, Gabon
15. University of Wales Swansea, Irish Sea, UK
16. MMTWG, Mozambique
17. Gladys Porter Zoo Kemp's Ridley Turtle Project, Mexico
18. OCPE, Democratic Republic of Congo



Dive Fest



15th – 17th May, 2009.

Touted the event of the year for divers countrywide; “Dive Fest: Party on the Beach”... catchy. Organised primarily by BSAC and held at Pentewan Sands in Cornwall, Dive Fest was to see several thousand people descending on the campsite,

eager to get the most from the weekend. So on a windy and wet Friday in May, Clare, Rob and I headed south for the weekend to join the festivities; perhaps the weather was an indication of things to come.

Upon arrival Clare and myself headed for the 5 star caravan complete with central heating and a roof, dumped, er, unpacked our stuff and made our way to the tents where the rest of the Banbury lot were hiding out. With a light drizzle in the air we shared a few beers and made our plans for the morning, then headed for a look around the site to see what was on offer.

Apparently there was 2 weeks worth of alcohol consumed in one night.

We wandered down to the launching area to see a huge RIB being positioned – a RIB that makes yachts look small! Then I noticed Rich Stevenson sorting some stuff out – turns out the RIB is his and he designed it. Rich is a leading technical diving expert who has been on and led many expeditions and who I have ‘spoken’ to many times online; it was nice to finally meet him. With the sun setting and the temperature dropping we decided to head back to the warmth of the caravan and get a good night’s sleep before the day’s events.

Day 1

Having woken up early I decided to go to the launching area and see what was what. It was around 0630 and there were no boats on the road getting ready – surely people hadn’t drunk that much the night before? After speaking to one of the stewards and having been told no launching would happen in the morning I found Dave W and gave him the news. The sea wasn’t that bad to be fair but the club who was doing the launching didn’t want to break their tractor – so we were grounded; at least for the morning.



This gave us the opportunity to look around some of the ‘drier’ events that were on show. There were various speakers throughout the day, try dives, kit demos and various regional instructors assisting with different skills at various times throughout the day. Clare made a beeline for the shops – no change there then. Towards lunchtime we got the news that there would be no launching at all during the day, which gave Clare, Graham and me to do some revision for our impending instructor exams, just 2 days from this day.

Sometime after lunch we met up with the others by the tents (slightly more damp than when they started). Some had decided to head into nearby Mevagissey to get a shore dive in whilst others were just going to chill out for the rest of the

day. We headed along to Mevagissey as well, but just to have a look around and see how it's changed since I last visited; some 20 years ago!

I can honestly say the town itself hadn't really changed, although the streets looked a little narrower than I remember. We wandered around the harbour just in time to watch the keen divers getting out of the somewhat lumpy water, an interesting sight

Oh the things that people will do after a drink...

We then managed to look around a museum of all things Mevagissey. Some of the old fishing photos were very interesting and it did show that the place hadn't been affected by modernisation at all; at least some places are safe! After a couple more heavy showers we headed back to the campsite to get ready for the evening's entertainment. After a cup of tea and a couple of instructor lecture run-throughs we all headed to the main tent where the hog roast was waiting.

Needless to say a couple of drinks after dinner led to a fairly heavy night's entertainment culminating in many people keeping warm in the back of Rob's tank and a BBQ by torchlight – best that way as you can't tell if it's done or not... I don't think it was but the alcohol must have worked it's magic. We even managed to get our photo taken with Monty Halls although if you ask Dave W about this he won't recall it. Apparently there was 2 weeks worth of alcohol consumed in one night... They've obviously never had divers stay.



Day 2

Another early morning – this time because the weather was so bad it woke us up. Fortunately the central heating was on so we didn't get cold... Another quick run to the launching area only to be told there would be no launching for the day – bugger. The talk of the campsite was mostly about certain flags being removed from their relevant flagpoles. Oh the things that people will do after a drink...

After a light breakfast we decided to head around some of the stalls again and see what was going on in the speaking area. We ended up watching a programme about shark fins and how the Rock Salmon you get at your local fish 'n' chips is actually a shark called the Spiny Dogfish (*Scyliorhinus Stellaris*) – didn't know that. After looking around the new rebreather stuff from AP Valves and doing a small "hunt the logo" competition we had lunch. Shortly after lunch a few of the club members that were working the following day headed off.

Sunday night was a little less of a party than the following night but fun was still had. A few more lecture run-throughs and we called it a night.

Day 3

Monday was all about packing up and getting the unused boat back to Banbury. This almost went without a hitch other than a dodgy trailer link causing a very loud bang every time Rob went up a hill or applied the brakes – not good for getting out of Cornwall. Still, we made it back in one piece and managed to get the boat back in the boathouse without actually knocking a neighbouring wall down... well, almost.



So what was it really like? Well, it was good but I cannot deny it was ruined by the weather. I do think that with an event of that size and nature there should have been some provision for the weather, however, the diving was just a part of what was on offer so all in all it was actually a good weekend.

Will I be going next year? Well, a very non-committal "we'll see" from me.

Dave Spence

Alert over Portuguese man-of-war



Portuguese man-of-war jellyfish have been found in Devon and Cornwall.

Two of the creatures, which can deliver a potentially dangerous sting, were found in estuary between Bantham and Bigbury in Devon - On Monday evening (27th July) at least eight were discovered on Tregantle beach in Cornwall.

The Marine Conservation Society (MCS) said it is the third consecutive year the creatures have washed ashore, probably because of strong winds. MCS spokesman Richard Harrington said until 2007, it was a rare occurrence for a man-of-war to wash up on South West shores.

The creature is not a true jellyfish, but a siphonophore - a single animal made up of a colony of organisms, which normally lives far out in the ocean.

Jessica Manford, 26, from Plymouth was on Tregantle beach on Monday evening when she spotted the first man-of-war.

She told BBC News: "It had washed up in the seaweed, so I started looking a spotted more and more of them before the light started going.

"There were at least eight varying in size from teeny-weeny to about 6ins (15cm) across."

The two in Devon were about 4ins (10cm).

The MCS said people should not touch the creatures.

Mr Harrington said: "If you do get stung, don't panic, but seek urgent medical advice."



Portuguese Man-Of-War Facts



So named because its airbag can look like the sail of 16th century Portuguese warship. Airbag is about 30cm (12ins) long, 12.7cm (5ins) wide and acts as sail. Sting is extremely painful and in rare circumstances can be fatal. Normal habitats are warm seas off Florida Keys, Atlantic coast, Gulf of Mexico, Indian Ocean, Caribbean and Pacific.

Whirlwind takes pride of place at the front of the award winning Tornado Marine Fleet. She is the result of many years working with divers and it shows. The approach is professional and the quality is unsurpassed. Launched in May 2006.

The signature design with split-level dining room and saloon optimises the already generous space on board this 36m vessel. Light and airy, all 10 cabins are twin beds, **en-suite with air con** and have a safe box. The saloon area is ample with welcoming sofas, tables, plasma screen, DVD, a multi channel sound system, juice and hot drink station and of course the popular bar. The expansive upper sundeck runs almost the entire length of the boat whilst the lower sundeck is a perfect spot to sit back in and relax.

The **Wrecks and Reefs itinerary** is ideal for anyone new to the Red Sea. This itinerary hits all the key spots in the North, and then some. The Get Wrecked itinerary is the best way to visit the full volume of 19th and 20th C wrecks including Thistlegorm and Abu Nuhas.

Red Sea Trip – 2010



Hello all

For those of you that haven't been down the club recently I am organising a liveaboard trip to the red sea on **July 4th 2010** with scuba travel (voted best liveaboard for 4 years running) doing the northern wrecks and reefs.



The cost is £995 max but if I can get a minimum of 6 people we get 10% off and if I can fill the boat we get a free place. It is provisionally booked so I need people asap to start putting their names down and paying deposits (£250) to secure it.

We have plenty of time to pay it off and it will be a fantastic trip as all the big pelagic animals come out around this time so if you have dived it before in the winter it is bound to be better in the summer.

Any questions please do ask or visit: <http://www.scubatravel.com/holidays/liveaboards/egypt/whirlwind/whirlwind.html>

Let me know if your interested and I'll send you the details on how to book.

Clare Barber
Pool training Officer / Instructor

T-Shirt Competition



We are forever trying to recruit new members but the problem is no one knows who we are if they come to Spiceball on club nights. So

As Shaun suggested in the last edition of **SUBBLING UNDER** it would be nice for us club members to wear a T-Shirt that makes us stand out from the crowd, promotes the club and makes us easily identifiable to possible new members.

Now you have a choice! You can either wear a T-Shirt that is designed by me that you may hate (and would more than likely only come in pink!) or design your own. So to hopefully start a new tradition for the BANSAC club, this year there will be a T-shirt competition to design the club T-Shirt for 2010.

The only stipulation is that it must bare the **club logo** and the website address **www.bansac.org** (well we need the free publicity!).

So please do something to get involved with your club and create something that we can all be proud to wear! (Or you will be walking around in pink!). There are leaflets on the board that you can help yourself to or you can just design it on a sheet of A4 remembering to put on your name. They must be handed in to any committee member or me by 12th November 2009 and the winning T-Shirt will be announced and sold at the annual dinner and dance this year on November 28th.

Please remember when designing these T-shirts that we do need to print them so any over elaborate designs will cost you more to buy! Good luck and I look forward to seeing your designs.

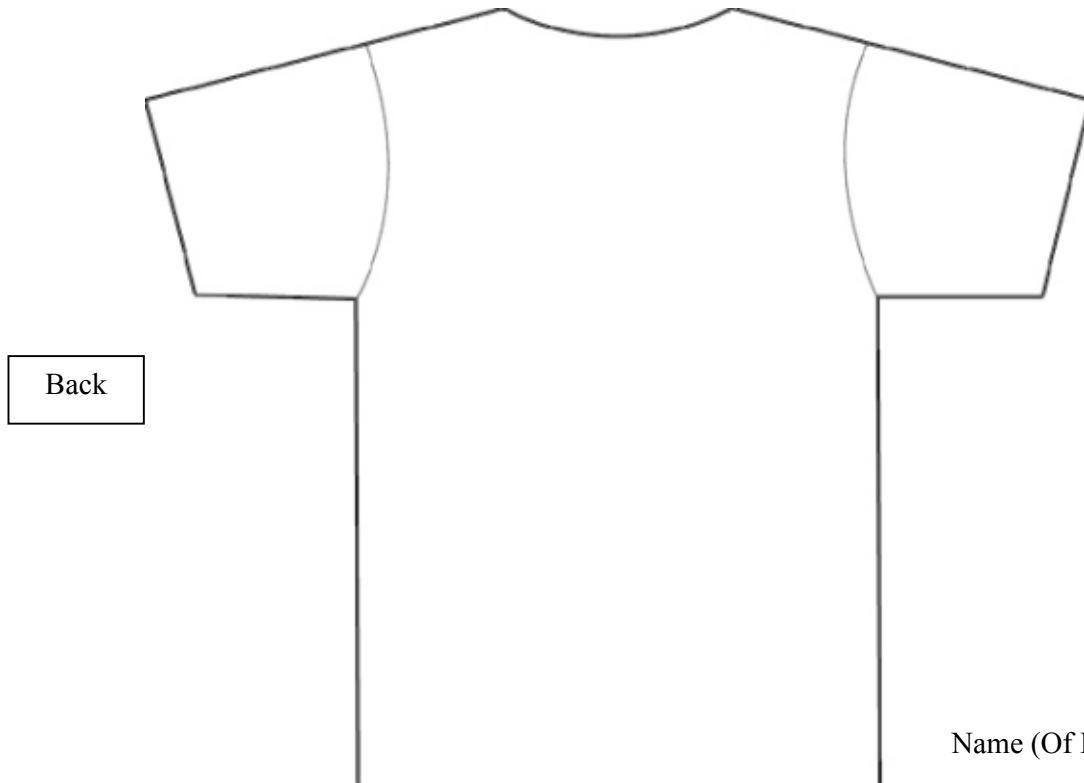
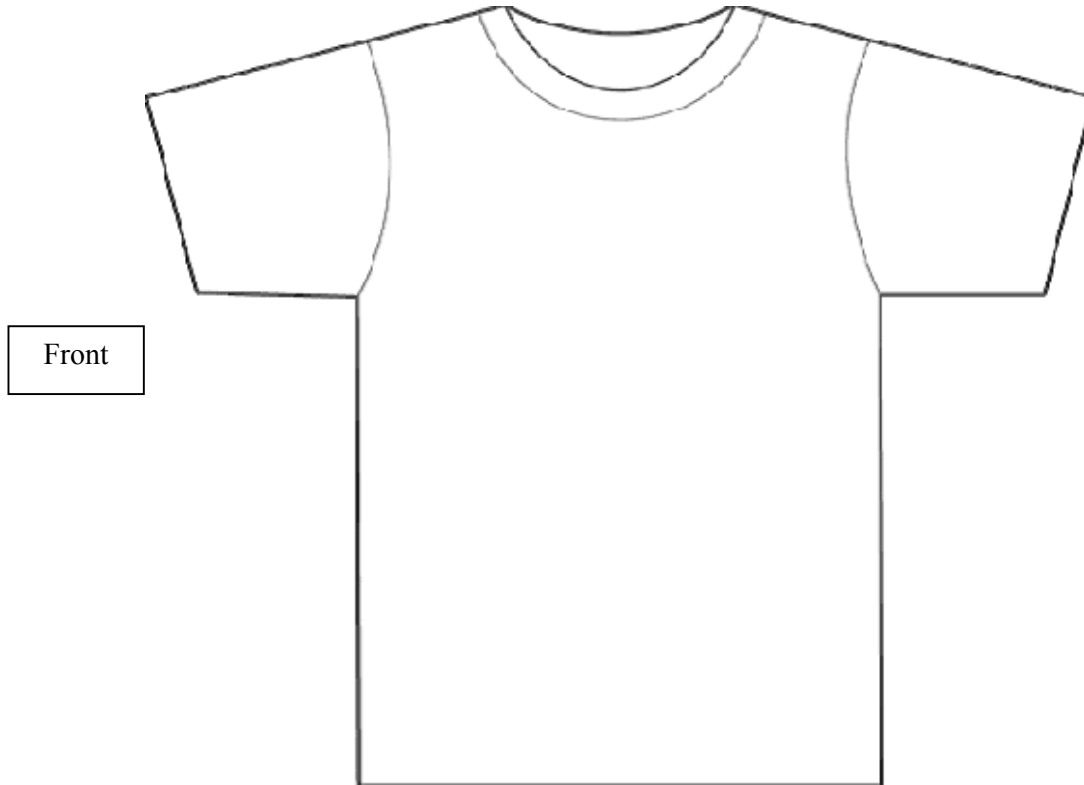
Clare Barber
Pool training Officer / Instructor

See the club notice board or below for an entry form.

T-Shirt Competition – Entry Form

Please ensure that your design has the club logo and our website www.bansac.org on it somewhere and remember the more elaborate the design the more it will cost to make so make it simple and good luck!

All entries must be handed back to Clare Barber or any Committee member by **5th November**



Name (Of Designer):

Nudibranch of the issue



Diaphorodoris luteocincta



Common name: None

M. Sars, 1870

Phylum: Mollusca
Class: Gastropoda
Order: Nudibranchia
Family: Onchidorididae

Description

White with a submarginal bright yellow border and prominent pointed papillae on mantle. There can be blotches of red, or a red reticulate pattern in the centre of the mantle. It grows to about 11mm long

Habitat

A common sublittoral species, found at up to 50 m depth on silty rocks and wreckage. Reported by Thompson & Brown (1984) to feed on the ectoproct bryozoans *Smittina reticulata*, *Cellepora pumicosa* and species of *Crisia*



Distribution

Common in the western Mediterranean but known from as far north as Norway

Identifying Features:

- •Oval sea slug, up to 1.1 cm in length.
- •White in colour with a conspicuous red blotch on the mantle.
- •White, conical tubercles on the mantle.
- •Sub marginal yellow band around the mantle edge.
- •Pair of lamellate rhinophores.
- •Up to seven, branched gills.

Shaun West

Next Issue

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 - Another little critter for you to keep a lookout for.
- ✓ Diving The Farn Islands
 - Clare's diving antics with the seals.
- ✓ Diving South Africa
 - Louise diving in with the sharks.

Coming Soon:

- ✓ Members qualification list
 - To assist all those budding Dive Managers.
- ✓ More "Your new committee"
 - Personalised detail of your committee.
- ✓ Your article?
 - **Something you want to share?**