#### RAS AL HAMRA SUB AQUA CLUB

**BSAC BRANCH 1299s** 

# DIVE SECTION MONTHLY BULLETIN April 2019



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## COME AND MEET US AT OUR REGULAR PLANNING MEETING AT 8.00 ON WEDNESDAYS IN THE DIVE ROOM/BOAT CLUB BAR

#### **ALREADY A DIVER?**

If you are already an Open Water Diver — no matter which organisation your qualification is with (PADI, SSI, NAUI etc.) — you can simply come and dive with us. You won't need to do any more training but there are lots of opportunities to "cross over" to BSAC and gain further skills and qualifications if you want. Contact our Membership Secretary—Chris Grace (96964996) - or come along to our weekly planning meeting on a Wednesday evening to find our more.

If you have not dived for a while we run regular "back in the water" sessions and there is still time to join these.

#### Want to Learn to Dive?

We are not currently planning a beginner course so if you are keen to get started you can train with one of the commercial dive schools and then join us once you have qualified. Either way, call in on one of our regular Wednesday meetings to get the low-down from our Training Officer—Louis Tsiakkiros.



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#### **April News**

#### **AGM**

Don't forget the Section AGM will be held on THURSDAY 25<sup>th</sup> April at 19.00 in the Marlin Hall. This is your chance to make your voice heard and contribute to our plans for next year. There will be food available afterwards and the opportunity to socialise in the bar.





#### **Training News**

We have started a Dive Leader course with the recent O2 Administration SDC and the first of the theory sessions, remaining theory sessions will be run next month. We will also be running a Sports Diver course later in the year.

We are also running AED refresher courses for those who have already qualified and will follow this up with the full AED SDC soon.

Contact our training officer Louis to register your interest in either the AED course (which is open to all) or the Sports Diver course which is open to Ocean Divers, PADI OWD and AOW divers or equivalent entrylevel qualifications from other agencies.

If you have started a course but still have lessons to complete contact Louis or one of the other instructors to get things moving again



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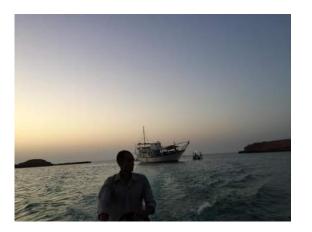
Elizabeth organized a beach BBQ on 21 March to coincide with the supermoon – many thanks for everyone that helped!

#### **Family Dhow Trip 19-20 April**

Many thanks to Elizabeth again for organising the dhow expedition to the Damaniyats – we had 19 divers plus assorted non-divers on board and completed almost 80 excellent dives with cuttlefis and rays galore and two leopard sharks. The organisation was superb and everyone had a fabulous time. Many thanks to everyone involved but special thanks to the crew of the dhow, Chris and Steve for piloting RN to Seeb to act as a diving platform, and to Elizabeth for everything else! Please share your photos on the Facebook page and on the special WhatsApp group.









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#### **March News Continued**

#### **Club T-Shirts**

David Baker has arranged for the production of a second batch of embroidered club T-shirts with the club logo, Oman flag and the new BSAC logo. There are a few remaining which are available to club members at 6 OMR (cost price); first come first served - contact Patrick to grab one! Note that the production version uses the proper blue and white "A"-Flag instead of the red and white US-style dive flag shown in the picture.



