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DHEKELIA
SAILING
CLUB
NEWSLETTER



End of an Era at DSC!

The DSC tower (also formerly know as "the Bridge") has finally disappeared from the Dhekelia landscape, writes Colin Leigh: The tower was dismantled from Troodos and erected at Dhekelia Sailing Club by the RPC detachment 9 Signal Regt. (Radio) on the 1st April 1979. The Colonel of the Regt. was Lt. Colonel Seward Royal Signals. I joined the Dhekelia Yacht Club (as it was) in January 1980. (Working at 9 Signal Regt)

Soon after joining I was sent for by Lt. Col. Seward to say that, as I was interested in sailing, I would be the Bosun, no choice, and I would have two RPC privates to help me full time (plus various men under punishment). Sometimes they used to sleep in the Club Room. In those days we only had 12 Albacores, 2 Bosuns and 1 Laser. I brought a Mirror 10 out with me and it was crated in a nice tongue and groove planked box. I boxed in the tower with this wood.

About 12 months later the Colonel was tried by Court Martial, Cashiered, and given 6 months in a Civilian Prison. This was for many things, including the tower. The S.I.B (Special Investigation Branch R.M.P) came to see me at the Club and advised that they would be removing the tower. I suggested that if possible they could take it but strongly advised against it. The tower remained at the Club.

I, personally, was sorry to see it go, a Sailing Club without a bridge (ie tower), isn't a sailing club. I hope that consideration be given to a new one in the future.

Colin Leigh

P.S. The 2 R.P.C. privates were very good. Andy Bishop and Knocker Medhurst (Knocker used to work for Marlow Ropes and was an asset)

QUIZ 'N' CHIPS

**Friday 21st November
6.30pm for 7pm start.**

**Fun quiz-night for all the family!
(maximum of 4 people per team)**

**Only €1 per person
plus your food ordered from Lambros**

Cash prize for winners!

NEW CLUB OFFICERS

We are delighted to introduce the following new Club Officers:

Trish Last - Club Secretary

Pete Last - Property Member

Dave Jackson - Entertainment Member

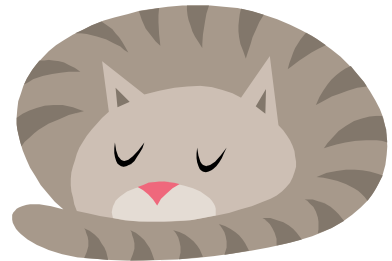
Andrew and Alison King - Shop Members

CLUB LOGO

We received a grand total of **10** replies to the proposed designs for a new DSC Logo! The consensus appears to be that people prefer the old logo, so the House Committee have decided to keep it with a view to updating the colours and the way it is used. If you have any ideas for new club merchandise, contact Andrew and Alison King at the Club.

Please note that Andreas has moved the Bar facilities back upstairs for the winter. If you have any small change after using the bar, please remember CC3 the Club Cat! There is a pot on the counter for your contributions towards the cost of her food.

Thank you



DON'T FORGET!

The club will be closed from 10th to 14th November due to the extension of the slipways!

Finally...

All contributions for the newsletter are welcome. Please let me have them by the 25th of the preceding month.

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