

Rapid

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## Welcome.

Welcome to the first newsletter for 2013 and also the first under the new name. In the last newsletter I asked members to dream up a name for this publication.

Congratulations to the Pattinson family who supplied four names. The committee then took a vote on the names supplied with "Rapid Times" being the winner.

If there are any articles you would like to see in <u>your</u> publication please email your suggestions to <u>kevandtrish@btinternet.com</u>



With the nights slowly becoming lighter and days supposed to be getting warmer ( ha ha ha ) we can all look forward to the start of our Sunday morning, outdoor sessions. See future events.

## **Congratulations.**

Congratulations to Miriam and Dane on successfully passing their three star canoe assessment over a very cold, snow covered weekend in January. Congratulations must also go to Adam and Ben for successfully completing their four star kayak training in North Wales. A first for the club under the new four star river leader award.

## Social night.

A big thank you to everyone who turned up for the social night at the new Greek restaurant in Sleaford for what was another successful social evening. It was great to see some new faces.

The club tradition was upheld by us being asked to leave (yet again) as the owners wanted to go home. If there is somewhere you think we should go on one of our social nights please let me or Alison know?

### Future events.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April first outdoor session Kirksted bridge.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & 14th April First aid course. Sat / Sun 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual trip to Llangollen Wales.

I have arranged for a three star canoe assessment to take place in Sept / Oct time so if you would like to spend the summer training for your three star canoe award can you please let me know.

#### <u>Website</u>

Please take time to check out the website which has all the up to date information on what the club are up too. A big thanks of gratitude go to Barry for all his continual hard work and time spent in keeping the website. updated.

If you have any pictures or articles you would like adding to the website please forward them to Barry.

On a final note, in May a few members of the club will be attempting to paddle from one side of Scotland to the other. They will be totally self contained for the five days of paddling. I am sure you will join me in wishing them all the best and I hope the Scottish weather is

# The faces of the new child welfare officers

Miriam Holden is the child welfare office and Dane Butler is the deputy child welfare officer.



Miriam Holden



Dane Butler

kind to them.Look forward to reading more about the trip in the next issue of "Rapid Times"

Happy paddling, Kev