Agenda for the SGM of Stratford upon Avon BSAC

To be held at 9.30PM on Thursday March 10th 2016 In the Function Room at Stratford Football Club

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. To approve the proposed amendments to the Bye-Laws of the Club as set out below. (For an explanation of the reasons for the proposed amendments and to put them into context, members are strongly urged to read the Proposed Amendments to Bye-Laws Document)

Proposals

- 1) In Clause 5. (i) delete "There shall be <u>four</u> classes of membership" add "There shall be <u>five</u> classes of membership"
- 2) In Clause 5. (i) (b) add "nor any right to vote at a Branch Meeting"
- 3) In Clause 5. (i) add "(d) Junior Diving Membership for which any person between the age of 12 and 16 years shall be eligible provided they have a parent or guardian who has been an active member of the club for a minimum of 2 years and takes an active role in their training. Always subject to the discretion of the committee."
- 4) In Clause 5. (i) (d) delete "(<u>d)</u>"; add "(e)" (same text, just renamed)
- 5) In Clause 6. (iii) delete "<u>The other Committee members shall be the Training Officer, the Equipment Officer, the Recruitment Officer, the Web Officer and the Social / Public Relations Officer.</u>"; add "The Committee may assign to those committee members who are not officers as specified in clause 6(ii) such specific roles and responsibilities as the committee deems necessary to ensure smooth running of the branch."
- 6) In Clause 11. (i) delete "Notice of the meeting and the agenda thereof shall be sent by post or otherwise transmitted to all paid-up members <u>four</u> weeks before the meeting."; add "Notice of the meeting and the agenda thereof shall be sent by post or otherwise transmitted to all paid-up members five weeks before the meeting.
- In Clause 11. (ii) delete "The Notice shall identify those members of the Committee who are standing again and shall request nominations for Officers and the Committee in large";

add "The Notice shall identify those members of the Committee who are standing again and shall request nominations for Officers and the other Committee members."

- 8) In Clause 11. (iii) delete "nominations must be [a] delivered to the Secretary in writing at least <u>seven (7)</u> days before the meeting," add "nominations must be [a] delivered to the Secretary in writing at least twenty one (21) days before the meeting,"
- 9) In Clause 11. (v) delete "Any member may propose amendments to such motion and may make any further motion for consideration at the meeting but such amendments and any further motions must be proposed and seconded in writing and delivered to the Secretary not less than <u>fourteen (14)</u> days before the meeting."; add "Any member may propose amendments to such motion and may make any further motion for consideration at the meeting but such amendments and any further motions must be proposed and seconded in writing and delivered to the Secretary not less than twenty one (21) days before the meeting."
- 10) In Clause 11. (vii) delete "The right to vote at the meeting shall be restricted to Honorary Members and Full Diving Members whose current subscriptions are fully paid."; add "The right to vote at the meeting shall be restricted to Honorary Members, Full Diving Members and Students Members whose current subscriptions are fully paid."
- 11) In Clause 11. (viii) delete "No Officer shall hold the same post for more than three consecutive years.";
 add "To promote succession it is desirable that no Officer shall hold the same post for more than three consecutive years."
- 12) In Clause 16. (iii) delete "In the event of a diving incident involving a member, the details shall be reported to the Diving Officer by the <u>diver(s)</u> and the Expedition Leader, if there be one, as soon as possible.";
 add "In the event of a diving incident involving a member, the details shall be reported to the Diving Officer by the <u>member(s)</u> and the Expedition Leader, if there be one, as soon as possible.";
- 13) In Clause 16. (iv) delete "If the Diving Officer considers it appropriate, he will request that the <u>diver(s)</u> involved and the Expedition Leader submit to him a written report on the incident within 7 days."; add "If the Diving Officer considers it appropriate, he will request that the <u>member(s)</u> involved and the Expedition Leader submit to him a written report on the incident within 7 days."

14) In Clause 16. (iv) delete "At the conclusion of every review, the Diving Officer will advise the member(s) of the decision and will simultaneously advise the Committee.";

add "At the conclusion of every review, the Diving Officer will advise the member(s) concerned of the decision and will simultaneously advise the Committee."