

Ski News June 2016

Well, we've had a taste of Summer at last? – at least we have in Rock. For those of you around over the Bank Holiday weekend it was a pleasant surprise with lovely calm water in the estuary for early morning skiing. The good conditions were temporary but are now back in full force providing the few able to get out, with sparkling, glassy water and sunny skies, unusually, throughout the day. Not sure how long it will last though.

Thanks to Richard Mattos with some help from Piers Beach and his family the plastic raft has been rebuilt and is ready to go back out to Cant. Unfortunately many of the sections were badly damaged, but with some spare sections we had in reserve and the ones that were reusable, a slightly smaller raft has been put together. As the ladder was broken, it has had to be left out. Chains and weights permitting we hope to have it back in position before the main holiday season.

Thank you to those of you gaining your SBD2 with Charlie or elsewhere. This has made issuing the permits so far a straight forward task. There are still a few forms that were not filled in clearly but this can easily be sorted out and shouldn't cause a problem as long as the correct qualifications are in place.

The Camel Ski School web cam is now in place and it's certainly worth checking out the Club web cam if you haven't already. It scans the whole estuary which not only is handy for checking the calmness of the water and state of the tide but also for noting the position of the channels at low tide as reference for when you've left it a bit late getting back! The channels, as you know, vary slightly or sometimes quite significantly from year to year.

The moorings are starting to be occupied and activities on the estuary are increasing. Even if the weather doesn't stay, the Summer Season 2016 is definitely on its way!!