



# The 'Dit'

## The Official Newsletter of Training Ship Hastings Sea Cadets

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### CONTRIBUTE TODAY!

The unit Newsletter rebranded as 'The Dit' is back and alive! News, Events, Puzzles and Pictures will appear in each month's Edition.

If you would like an Article to feature, please email [newsletter@tshastings.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@tshastings.co.uk) and the Editor will do their best to ensure it is published (Those with pictures will obtain preference)!

Please don't forget to check [www.tshastings.co.uk](http://www.tshastings.co.uk) where there is more news **as it happens!**

### AREA 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL 2010

The Southern Area 5-A-Side Football Competition was held on the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at HMS Sultan in Gosport. This is where cadets from all over the South of England engage in a competition to decide the best team in the South of England.

The Saturday hosted the Junior Teams who did not lose a game and played well, demonstrating the Teamwork and Sportsmanship attitudes we preach as a Corps. Although they were beaten in the Semi Final, they still achieved a respectable 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Sunday hosted the Senior Teams who took some time to warm up having lost their first game! Although they worked hard and won every game after this to gain some ground, they narrowly missed the Semi Finals due to Goal Difference.

Both Teams did the unit proud and Bravo Zulu to them for their efforts in what truly was an excellent example of the teamwork and communication skills they have learnt through being a cadet. **WELL DONE!**

### NAVY BOARD CADET 2010!

Hastings Unit, Sussex District has had the distinct privilege to have **Petty Officer Cadet Paul Huggett** appointed Southern Area Navy Board Cadet 2010. This prestigious award is given to the best cadet in each Area and in Southern this has been commended to Paul.

Paul Joined Hastings Sea Cadets in 2003 as a junior Sea Cadet and rose through the Rates to Petty Officer Cadet attaining his Marine Engineering Electrical & Mechanical First Class, although this did not stop him attaining his Junior Instructors at SCTC Gannet. Aside from this he has gained a wide range of Qualifications including First Aid First Class and BCU 2 star Kayaking complimented with Cadet Pulling Instructor.

Whilst attaining all this Paul has earned his Silver Sea Cadet Aviator wings on the First Sea Cadet Aviation course held at SCTC INSKIP where he learnt valuable skills in Naval Flying and Aviation, this also cemented his career path to become a Royal Navy Pilot.

Paul has also been an excellent role model to younger cadets and stepping up to teach and assist the cadets when required, he has been a consistent example of what a Senior Cadet within a unit should be.

Bravo Zulu to Paul on his new appointment.

### WEB PICK OF THE MONTH

[www.cadetbid.com](http://www.cadetbid.com)

**Got some old kit or looking for new kit?  
Well CadetBid.com is the place to find it or  
Sell it!**

**With over 200 members from the 4 UK Cadet  
Forces, you are guaranteed to find  
something!**

## WARDROOM AGM

The Wardroom Held their Annual Annual General Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2010 where the following Officers were elected:

**President: PO (SCC) L Whitear**  
**Treasurer: Lt Cdr (SCC) J Chinn RNR**  
**Secretary: Sgt (SCC) C Connor**

*Parents on the P&SA are respectfully reminded that they may enquire to apply for membership of the Wardroom. Current Annual Membership Fee is £2.*

## TRAINING OFFICER'S NEWS

**CMAT 5** is now completely fully booked, more information will be forwarded to successful applicants very soon

**APPLY EARLY** for new Courses from April onwards on the new National Training Programme to be released in February.  
**School Holiday Periods will be especially busy so early booking is recommended!**

## DISTRICT DRILL COMPETITION

Sussex District Drill & Piping Competition is being held on **21<sup>st</sup> February 2010**. Training Dates have been posted on the Cadet Notice Board and are as follows: **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb** and **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb**, 10:00 to 15:00.

Bring Money for Chip shop run & Wear 4's.  
**Venue: Unit (TS Hastings SCC)**

## UNIT WEBSITE

Keep Up to date with Unit news as it happens!  
 Visit the Unit Website at:

**[www.tshastings.co.uk](http://www.tshastings.co.uk)**

## THE MONTH IN PHOTO'S



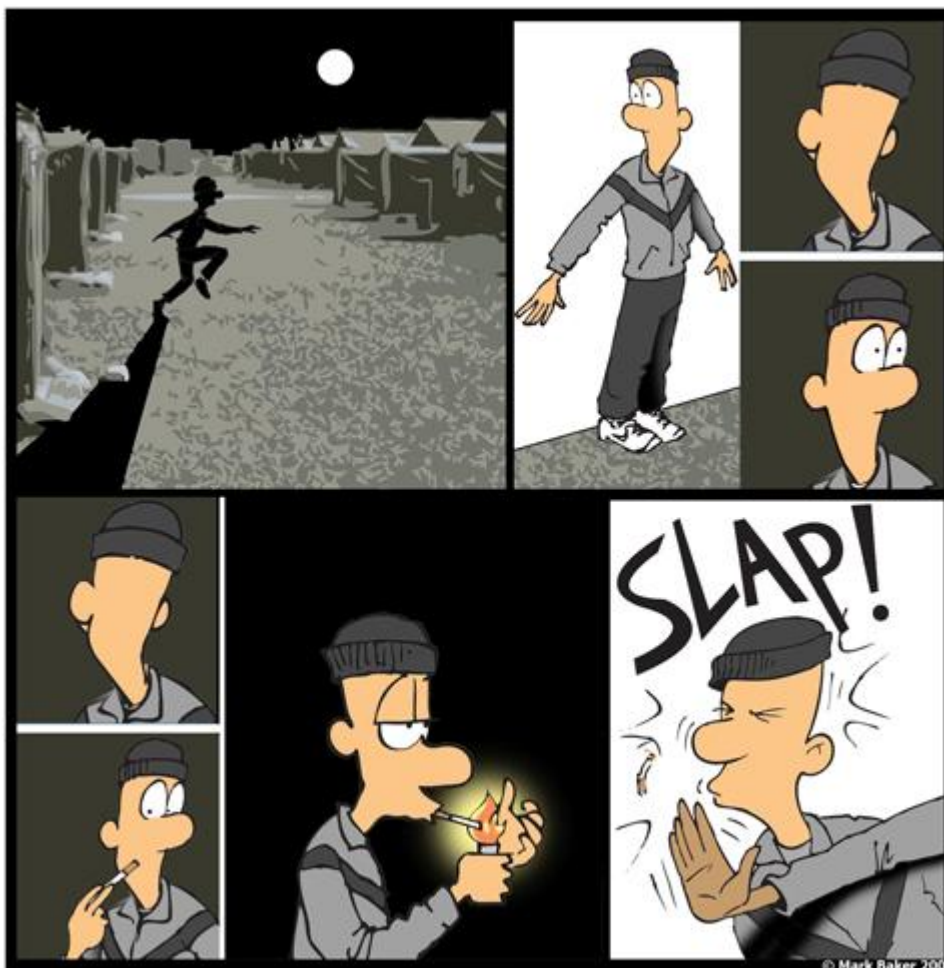
Petty Officer Cadet P Huggett  
 Receiving Navy Board Cadet  
 Award from Commanding Officer HMS Sultan

## Dates for your Diary (February 2010)

Date	Events	Location
13	Sussex District Dinner (Staff Only)	Seaford
12-14	Staff First Aid Course – Part 1	Eastbourne
20	Drill/Piping Training for District Competition ( <b>To be confirmed</b> )	Hastings SCC
21	Sussex District Drill & Piping Competition - Eastbourne	Eastbourne
26-28	Southern Area Cadet Multi Training	Browdown Army Camp

To book yourself/ your cadet on a course please see the Unit Training Officer PO (SCC) Lee Whitear or E-Mail him at [uto@tshastings.co.uk](mailto:uto@tshastings.co.uk)

## Fun and Games



(Comic – [www.pvtmurphy.com](http://www.pvtmurphy.com))

### Caption Competition!

Best Suggestion will be featured next month – Suggestions to [newsletter@tshastings.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@tshastings.co.uk)

