



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 jcopeland@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 where there is more news **as it happens!**

AREA DRILL COMPETITION 2010

On 7th March 2010 Hastings Cadets took part in the annual Southern Area Drill & Piping competition at HMS Excellent in Portsmouth, where they competed against Sea Cadets from across the South of England for the position of the smartest squad both in terms of dress and drill.

The Hastings team was led by Leading Cadet Hannah Gibson whom came 3rd in the Squad Commander Competition, the squad achieved 5th place which was a great result for such a young squad.

The cadets' pride in themselves can be measured by their immaculate uniforms and their respectable 2nd place in the best dressed squad competition.

A big thank you goes out to all those who assisted with preparation before and looking after the team on the day!



SUMO SUCCESS!

On Sat 13th March 2010, Hastings Cadets showed who was best in an Active Hastings Sumo Assault course competition, where competitors had to complete an assault course dressed in a rather large sumo suit. 3 cadets and 2 members of staff were in attendance and after a rather disappointing turn out on the part of the other organisations involved, the team event turned into an individual event where the 5 in attendance battled it out for victory!

The winner of the day was Able Cadet Theodore Harrison who was the fastest on the day.

Keep your eyes open for more Active Hastings Events within the town!



DIVISIONS AWARDS

Well Done to Cadet Pascoe, Marine Cadet Knight and Marine Cadet Najair on their advancements and enrolments.

Congratulations to Able Cadet Sharna Whitlock on advancement to Able Cadet.

Well done to Able Cadet Theodore Harrison on attaining Marine Engineering 1st Class (M) & (L).

TRAINING OFFICER'S NEWS

The 2010/2011 Sea Cadet National Training Programme has been released and is available on www.scheadquarters.com or by looking on the Courses notice board on the Orlop Deck.

If you would like to attend a course, please see the Training Officer (PO Lee Whitear) or email him at uto@tshastings.co.uk

School Holiday Periods will be especially busy so early booking is recommended!

ROYAL NAVAL PARADE 2010

All Sea Cadet units are subject to a yearly inspection, to ensure high standards are attained and cadets are achieving in a safe and correct environment. Part of this is a large **Royal Navy Parade** where the Area Officer (a retired Royal Navy Officer) inspects the unit formally, part of this parade is an Evolution or 'Show' because this is marked we need to practice in order to gain top marks.

The event is mandatory and **every** cadet must attend on Tuesday 1st June 2010.

Please keep an eye out regarding dates and further information for practice events for this very important part of our calendar!

UNIT WEBSITE!

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

www.tshastings.co.uk

THE MONTH IN PHOTO'S



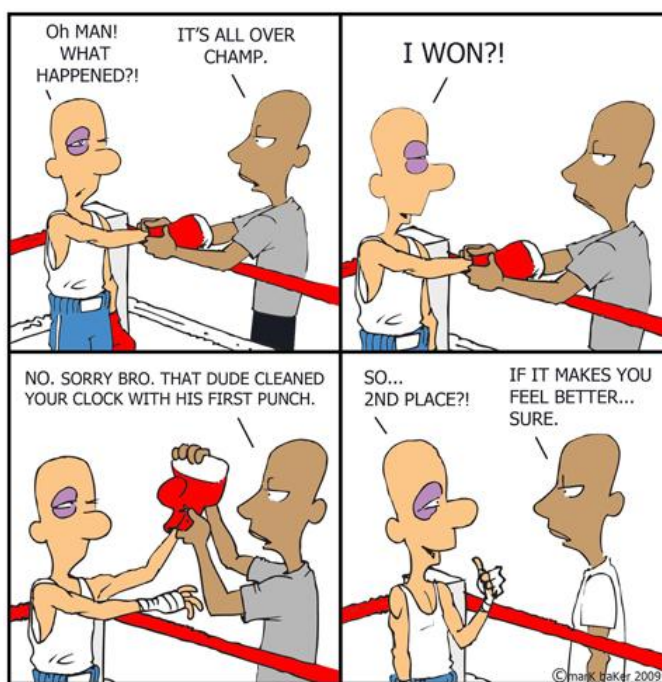
Junior Section News

On the 12th March 9 JSC's and 2 Staff went to Eastbourne Unit for the Sussex district Junior Sea Cadet weekend, this included cadets from all over Sussex from Rye all the way round to Hove the were join from other units such as Rye, Hove and Eastbourne, it was an exciting weekend for both staff and cadets with activities including Air rifle shooting, sports, a lifeboat station visit, swimming and many more activities. The cadets really enjoyed the many activities available. Many cadets walked away from with loads of completed modules which allowed many of the cadets to subsequently attain the red module badge.

Dates for your Diary (April 2010)

Date	Events	Location
12	Hastings Unit Authority to train inspection	Hastings SCC
24	HMS Albion Day Visit	HMS Albion
TBC	Cadet 150 Kit Car Event	TBC

Fun and Games



(comic — www.pvintorphy.com/)

Caption Competition!

Best Suggestion will be featured next month — Suggestions to newsletter@tshastings.co.uk

