

This pre-dinner grace was composed by BSAC Vice President Kendall McDonald for the club's 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Banquet in the presence of its President HRH Prince Charles, at the Guild Hall, London 1974:

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*Almighty God, protect these Thy servants who go about their  
business in the deep of the sea.*

*Lead them back safely to Thy sunlight.*

*Keep the ills of the depths from them.*


*And let them having seen the secrets of Thine oceans,  
seek to conserve such wonders for those who will follow after.*

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#### Summary of BSAC qualifications awarded in 2010:

Ocean Diver	Sports Diver		Dive Leader
Steven Smith	Bryony Robinson	Xiangyu Qin	Karin Muller
Ben Richards	Alex Hoffman	Colin McSwiggen	Rowena Crawford
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Chris Rafaluk	Imogen Olgilvie	Chris Rafaluk	

#### After dinner agenda:

 Address from the Diving Officer.

 Presentation of the 'Student of the Year' award.

*This trophy is awarded to the most outstanding student of the previous year's intake, chosen by the Diving Officer and Training Officer. Merit comes in the form of diving ability and integration into the club; such as aspiring to a committee position, becoming a compressor operator, planning trips or just being generally helpful.*

 Presentation of Silver and Gold diving awards.

*As last year, 'silver' and 'gold' awards for those managing to log 25 and 50 CUUEG branch dives, respectively in 2010.*

 Address from the dinner organiser, and thanking the staff.

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# Cambridge University Underwater Exploration Group Annual Dinner 2011

## Diving Officer's Report:

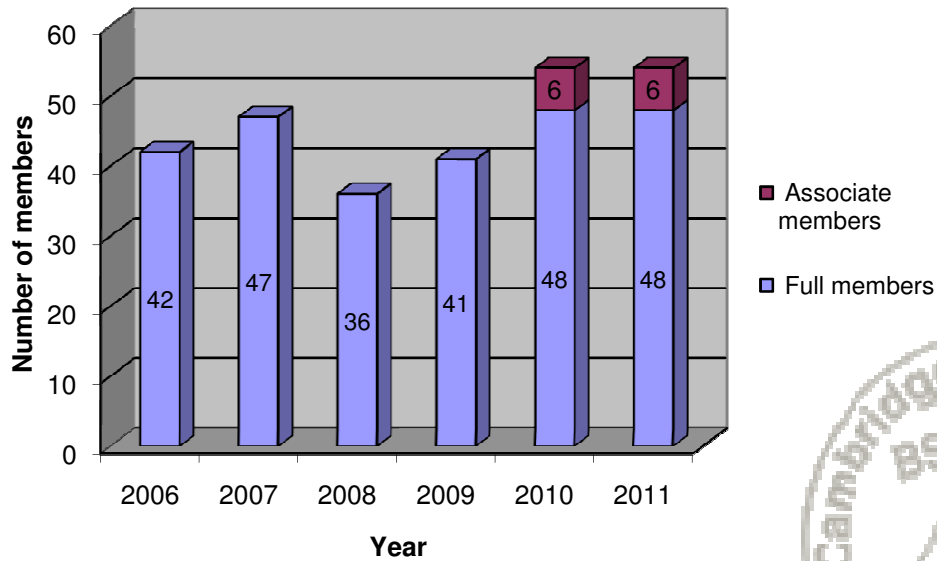
Here we are again! Thank you for attending the CUUEG 2011 Annual Dinner. I wish you all a very pleasant evening getting to know your past, present and future dive buddies a little more intimately! I have put together another brief report to outline the club's current trends with respect to membership and diving, while pledging to not once refer to either of those tired scapegoats: namely the British weather and the global financial crisis!

We always welcome honest feedback regarding the running of our club – and worry a little that many members are afraid to give it. We are already in the process of responding to valuable feedback in two areas: a revamp in the layout of the branch website, and an improvement in the communication between the committee and the general membership. We are also seeking to improve the committee handover procedure from one year to the next, so that we do not have to 'run as fast as we can just to stay where we are'!

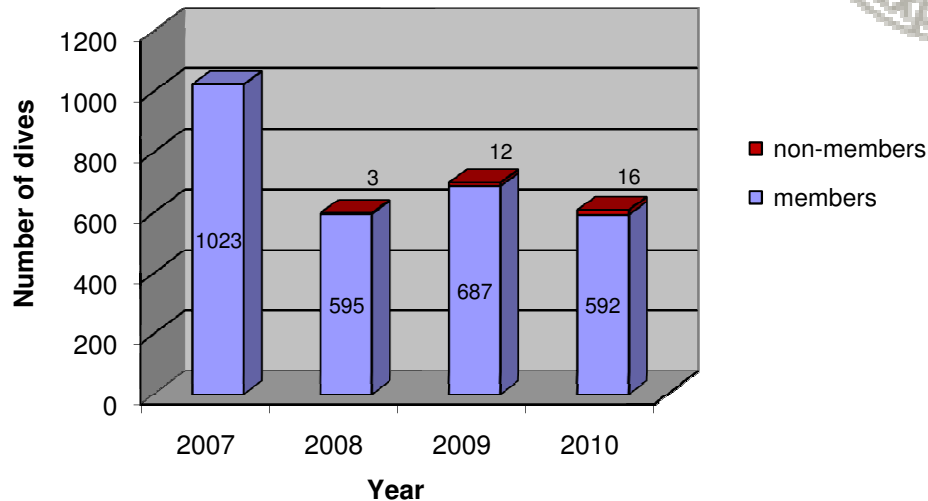
Once again, a big 'thank you' to all of those branch members that put time to make possible all of the diving and training activities that we offer. I also hope that some of you will be inspired to get more involved in branch activities, whether that be instructing, joining the committee, or organising branch dives or social events. Most of all, I wish you all: Fun, Frequent, and Safe diving throughout 2011.

Ian Gregory (Diving Officer 2010/11)

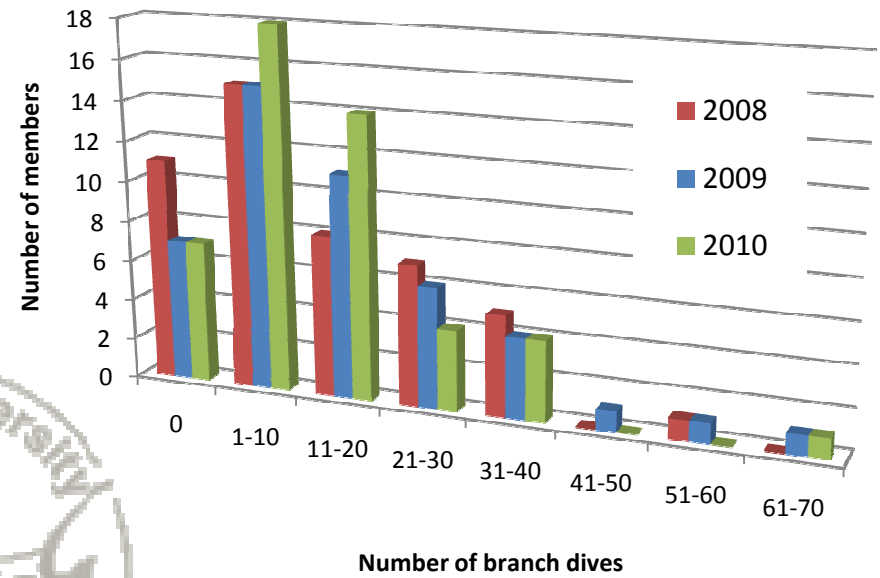
### CUUEG Membership



### CUUEG Branch Dives



### Members Diving Frequency



First, I should say a big 'thank you' to the **Trip Organisers** and **Dive Managers** who made all the branch dives in 2010 possible. With one or two notable exceptions (you know who you are!) the dive logs were returned to me promptly and form a comprehensive record of our branch activities over the years. The number of branch dives completed in the calendar year 2010 was 608, including those by guests and non CUUEG members – a little down on 2009. No incidents were recorded, maintaining our excellent safety record.

**Current membership stands at 54** (48 full members and 6 associate members). This is actually exactly the same as last year – but they are not all the same people. In fact only 25 of last year's members renewed this year, with 29 new members joining. We recruited 19 new BSAC members between 1<sup>st</sup> September and 30<sup>th</sup> November. This earned us £95 to spend on instructing courses through a new scheme introduced by BSAC this year to encourage more instructor training. So if you have a qualification of Sports Diver (or equivalent) or higher, and you would like to become an instructor, let us know, and you could benefit from discounted rates on your course! This interest from new members is fantastic, however the downside is that it also means that we had 29 members in 2010 who didn't renew for this year. Clearly an annual membership turnover of almost 54% presents some real continuity challenges within the branch.