

Grenville House O.E.C 2009

STAFF DEVELOPMENTS AND CHANGES

It is unbelievable that Pat and Roy have been retired for a year. Equally astonishing is the fact that Athina and Tricia are about to complete their first year at the Centre with both having settled in nicely.

More staff changes have seen Ben Reynolds moving on to a post in the Outdoor department at South Devon College where by all accounts he has transformed from a 'Land Lubber' to a 'Salty Sea Dog' (Not related to the Sea Badger.) He was even heard calling the toilets —'Heads''. Another consequence of Bens' departure has been the promotion of Thom Cole to Duty Manager responsible for maintenance.

Another disappointing loss to the team was Phillip 'Spelios' Vreony who had to accelerate plans for his Cyprus Project. It is hoped we will see him back at the Centre again some time in the future.....

Lee Darch has also moved on having been replaced by Rhiannon Pritchard adding a greatly needed female face to the full time Instructor team.

As a result of his development over the past 6 months Ryan Hardman is now part of the full time team.

And Finally — We have seen the much welcomed return of Malcolm Mercado to the team on a full time basis who recently added a new son 'Costa' to the world.

What went down in 2009?

- ◆ A brand new website.
- ◆ The Kayak fleet was increased.
- ◆ Some larger bikes were added to The Mountain Bike fleet.
- ◆ The Minibus and trailer have their own dedicated parking spaces.
- ◆ Refurbishment of the resident girls changing room.
- ◆ A complete replacement of the Workshop Floor led to an unplanned refurbishment of the Kayak store.
- ◆ An Office Computer network brought the Centres' administration into the 21st Century.

Plus the usual routine improvements to the Centre facilities and activity equipment.

2010 and all that jazz

- * Improved drying room facilities.
- * Refurbishment of resident boys changing room.
- * New carpet in Dormitories 1 and 3.
- * New non-slip flooring in the larder.
- * Increased hot-water storage.
- * Improved access throughout the ground floor.
- * A whole range of improvements to the activity equipment.

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Once again from all at Grenville House OEC — thank you for your continued support.
Have a very Merry Christmas and a 'Safe and Healthy' New Year.
We look forward to seeing you in 2010.