



## Report on the annual BJSC Prize Giving Feb 2nd 2019

(Postponed from 2018)

The Prize Giving was a great success, and we hope that everyone who attended enjoyed the evening. It seemed so. We held the event at the Brixham Conservative Club, and we must thank them for all their help and assistance.

Some volunteers attended in the afternoon to set up the tables and to consult with the cook. Then others arrived at 1800 to further assist with setting up. The tables looked very attractive, with balloons and little "freebies" dotted about. About 1830 the food was being laid out, and it was absolutely wonderful, a vast selection of "extras" and supplementary goodies. We can only repeat our thanks to the French and Pearce families for all their efforts. Further cakes were added as other kind volunteers brought their own contributions.

The main guests started arriving at 1850 and were given their 2019 application envelopes and bought their tickets from Haps and Jordan who were "manning" the entrance!

Tom and Eve laid out a "Tombola" stall, on which they showed off some very well presented prizes

By 1920 we realised that we were running a little late with the cooked food preparation, but nobody seemed to worry. We started serving the cooked food at 1930 and a self-service queue formed, all went very efficiently and everyone seemed to have large platefuls to sustain them.

Our invited guests arrived at 1945 and were advised of the slight delay.

At about 2020 Tim stood up and introduced Councillor Vic Ellery, who had given us the honour of presenting our awards. Jordan French kindly offered to assist with the presentations and made a brilliant job of the announcements. Councillor Ellery gave a brief speech reassuring us of our future and his support. All went as well as could be expected with a "strange" microphone being used.

Some of the award recipients had previously advised us that they were unable to attend so they will be given their award at a later date. Trophies and dry bags along with a medallion were presented to all the winners. The awards were as follows.

**Best overall** : Barney Turner and Isabelle Smith

**Best newcomer** : James Bright

**Most improved 2nd year** : Jordan Pillar-Thorn

**Most improved 3rd year** : Eve Campbell & Harvey Savage

**Perseverance Shield** : Jess Pearce & Harry Hollyoak

**Most helpful member** : Joshua Crisp

**Distinction Shield** : Simon French

Tim then presented Gina and Paula with some flowers and wine as a small thank you for their efforts, he also presented Perky Perkins with some wine by way of a thanking him for repairing our Wayfarer dinghies.

After the awards ceremony, Dave Bartlett (Harbour Master) kindly passed out the RYA Log books, again with the able assistance of Jordan French.

Tim was then surprised by an announcement and presentation from Jordan, a gift bag and a very "fetching" baseball type cap, with "Ancient Mariner" inscribed on it! (Much to Tim's delight!)



We followed the presentations with Neil taking over to run the raffle. We had been donated some very nice and substantial prizes from many local businesses and organisations as well as individuals. Really too many to list but some of the generous donors are shown below.

Doris of Brixham	Darthaven Marina	Biscuits
Morrisons	Gill shirt	ibounce tickets
Living Coast	Tin sweets	Cash
AMT Bowling tickets	Bottle wine (CF Bowles)	

After the general raffle, Neil announced that we had also been donated a table for four at Rockfish. This was auctioned and after some very lively offers this was finally sold for £70, all going into club funds.

Overall the evening was a great success and seemingly enjoyed by everyone who attended. On behalf of the committee can we say thank you to everyone for taking the time to support the club in this way.

Please remember that we will be holding a fund raising tea and coffee event at Brixham College on March 9th starting at 1030. More news to follow, but this may include a bric-a-brac stall and a book stall.

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After all the expenses have been taken into account (awards, food, etc.) we made over £200 towards club funds. So a very successful evening and we can only thank everyone who has supported us. It must be said that several tickets were unsold to guests who had indicated that they would attend, but were unable to do so on the night but failed to let us know. We would have increased the overall profit by a substantial amount had everyone attended.

Takings on the night		
Tickets on night	£340.00	(Expected £480)
Previous sales	£95.00	
Raffle	£162.00	
Donation box	£4.10	
Meal auction	£70.00	
Tombola	£23.50	
<b>Total takings</b>	<b>£694.60</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>	£493.86	
<b>Overall profit</b>	<b>£200.74</b>	

Unfortunately we made less profit than we thought. The reason being that a number of people, who had previously asked for tickets, did not attend (It appears that some may have attended but inadvertently not paid.). We had catered for these people and used the expected finances to enhance the event, based on the expected attendance numbers. We actually sold 87 tickets but had catered for 115.

Nevertheless we have made £200 for the club thanks mainly to the efforts of Paula and Simon and Gina and Neil, with further help from Tom and Eve and Jordan and Haps. Without them we could not have had such a successful evening.

**We thank you all for attending and supporting our club**