

Summary of changes to TCIA requalification procedures mandated at 2009 AGM.

1. Only electronic payments will be accepted. The TCIA account is at Westpac Rosny BSB 737014 AccNo 574167. Quote your payment reference to Alex Wilson (TCIA Membership Secretary and TCIA Treasurer).
2. Two yearly TCIA Membership is \$65 from 2010 due to Website expenses.
3. Log Books and scans of First Aid Certificates should be sent to alexwilson@bigpond.com on 1 April of the year of expiry. If the member has not completed renewal by 30 September of the year of expiry he/she will no longer be a member and have to resit a full TCIA Assessment. From 1 July of the year of expiry the member's qualification will be lapsed and so the member may well be working outside of Education Guidelines (or similar).
4. In addition to the Logbook recertification every Instructor will need to prove competency at the relevant level every four years, either by attending a new TCIA Workshop Weekend or by a workplace assessment. If an Instructor does not attend three Workshops in succession, then the Instructor will need to organise an on the job assessment via alexwilson@bigpond.com by 1 April of the fourth year. This can be done by submitting a timetable of days suitable to the Membership Secretary.

Failure to show competence at the Instructors level of Qualification at any of the three Weekend Workshops, and then at the Workplace Assessment would lead to loss of TCIA Qualification.

The 2010 Workshop Weekend will be held at Rocky Tom Hobart on 6-7 November. BAI need only attend the Saturday. TRA will attend Sunday and MPG's both days.

The 2011 Workshop Weekend will be held at Bradys Lookout then Trackside Launceston on 5-6 November.

The 2012 Workshop Weekend will be held at Sisters Beach on 3-4 November.

Attendees to chosen workshops will need to be notified to alexwilson@bigpond.com at least one month before the workshop or it will be deemed he/she failed to attend the workshop.

If enough members cannot attend on these dates or venues then the Membership Secretary will attempt to change the date and place to a more favourable one.

As of January 2010 Nick has updated the TCIA Manual and Alex has seen and accepted the changes. Nick will give an electronic copy to Bruce so that any new prints of the TCIA Manual will be the updated version.

The main changes are:

Tail length for knots increased from 2 inches, to 10 X diameter of rope, or 10cm for tape.

Improvised chest harness photos amended to show correct knot.

Diagrams of SERENE anchor systems amended as they did not all show Redundancy.

Self protection to the edge using a Munter Knot removed as it is unsafe.

Photos amended to show carabiner clipped to belay loop only, not to waist and leg loops.

New page on Assessing Anchors.

Anyone keen to attend the 2010 AGM and maybe even become President! should email me with suitable dates for themselves (anytime in November, could be done at Workshop Weekend) and venue, nickhancockphotography@hotmail.com and I will try to meet a balance that suits the most people.

Nick Hancock TCIA Secretary 13-02-2010