Basic Navigation for Sea Kayakers Port Stephens 2011

FEEDBACK

From Ron Newman

Hi Adrian

just a quick email to thank both you and Russell for organising and running what I thought was both an informative and V enjoyable weekend. I know that the Flinders team got a hell of a lot out of it- as did everyone else. In fact Liz who could not even take a bearing at the beginning of the weekend is now fired up to practice her plotting from maps/charts. Thought the structure was excellent-the theory day on Saturday was great-although took some time to come to grips with adding subtracting 12 deg-but we all got there in the end. Sunday was perfect-just long enough to put our re discovered skills to the test.

I realised why I botched the last task-we moved from the original position to take bearings from behind-something I will not do in future.

Thanks again Adrian-would be good to do a paddle with you sometime-I am sure I would learn something else!!...

From Roger White

Hi Adrian,

Thanks again for a great weekend. So much info with passion I couldn't help but learn a lot of it.

... Tina was writing down how to take bearings from the chart to sea and back. When it's typed up, it would be great I you could check it over...

It pays to look backwards, then. I did take a while to do my bearings and we did drift off, but I wouldn't have guessed at over 200 mts. Still a great weekend.

From Tina Wilmore

... The week end was of great benefit, plenty of new stuff and revisiting basic compass use.

I acknowledge and appreciate the effort put into this course. I did my cert IV in TAA last year so understand what goes into a training session. Hats off to everyone.

I can see Roger and I will have some fun with plotting a course around our local waters to keep our skills up.

From Angus Whitely

Hi Adrian and Russ,

I'd like to add my own thanks to you both for the weekend and all the preparation it must have involved. It was such an excellent package and I found it very hard to concentrate on work on Monday. You definitely spurred me to learn more and put the new knowledge into practice as soon as possible...