

# Nessie or not Nessie ?

## Minutes of the meeting – Part two

**Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> January 2007

**Chairman:** Emmanuelle

**Present:** Jérémie, Yves, Grégoire, Anne, Cyril

After having introduced briefly everyone, we began the meeting by a description of what is or would be Nessie. The inhabitant told us what the monster looks like, and the Tourist confirmed, according to the pictures he saw. The paleontologist said it would be possible that a dinosaur still exists nowadays.

Then we raised the question of the proves of its existence. On this point, the paleontologist replied that the loch would be big enough to hide a monster, but there would not be enough food to allow it to live in it. The Naval officer agreed and explained us how people had made a mistake while using sonars, so they thought having discovered a monster in the Loch, even if there is no Nessie. The inhabitant replied that he saw himself Nessie and talked to her (and that Nessie wanted to have sex with him, sisi!)! And the tourist added he saw picture of it. The special effect specialist answered them that the pictures was fakes: for example, the water should move around the monster, but on the pictures it doesn't. He added that people want to believe in the story so everything turn to a proof to them.

Then we move on to the commercial aspect of the story. The tourist thought that if people come to see the so famous Loch Ness and believe in the monster, it is because there are no proves of its non existence. Because there is still a doubt the mystery goes one and attract people. The special effects specialist agreed to say the legend had not a commercial aim but that people want to believe in Nessie.

Finally, the scientists agreed on the fact that all the proves of Nessie's existence are fakes, and the tourist and the inhabitant concluded by saying that we can't compare Santa Claus and Nessie, because everybody, except children, knows that Santa Claus doesn't exist, whereas there is still a doubt on the existence of Nessie.