

AROUND THE CLUBS

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

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July Activities:

July 5th.

Spearfishing competition cancelled due to poor water visibility. This is the second comp. to be cancelled in a month because of visibility.

July 20th.

Club Meeting. All officers, with the exception of Alan Moule (Treasurer), stood for re-election and were re-elected, with Peter Harper the new Treasurer. Slides were shown by Bruce Richards after the meeting.

July 26th.

Trawler Day — cancelled due to poor attendance. Sea-sickness and poor visibility are the main causes of non-attendance. So, 30 members went down to Bass Point. It's a very busy place. First, a large school of Dolphins was seen going down the coast and came within 30 ft. to 40 ft. of the shore. Shortly after this 1 dolphin and 2 whales broke surface going north and these came within 20 ft. of the shore at one point. The main reason for this rock-hugging is that a deep channel runs across the front of Bass Point. Later on Brian Wittingslow almost tripped over a small seal, but it managed to elude him and raced into the water. Who was the nut swimming around in a pair of trunks (at this time of year) sporting a fish-belly-white tan.

A barbecue finished the day.
July 29th.

Theatre Party at the Forum was a good night. Door prizes were won by Brian Wittingslow and Ron Taylor. After the picture 14 bods trouped up to a local Night Club to finish the night.

August Activities:

August 8th.

Golf Day, Beverley Park, Kogarah.

August 9th.

Kiama Blow Hole.

August 17th.

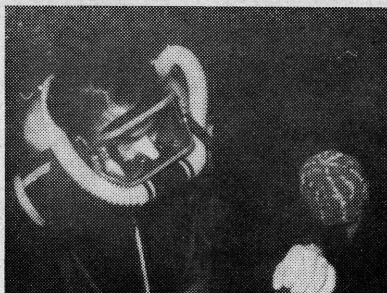
Club Meeting.

August 23rd.

Trawler Day.

Photo Comp. All entries to be in by September 15th.

Contrary to remarks over the last twelve months, this is not "Ivy Allens" Mermaid Murmurs. Gossip is not found in this column. By the way, Bob and Margaret Warton now have the first addition to their family, a son. Congratulations. Traitors' Corner, there seem to be a number of engagements in the club but listing them could lead to a law suit (Defamation). Anyway, congratulations to all. Give me your names and I'll put them in the notes.



• John Murray (S.P.D.).

While using standard dress in Dolans Bay, Bob Scott came across a pair of Sea Horses, but due to lack of salt water aquariums they were returned to the water.

Items of interest. January and June editions of the National Geographic Magazine hold some very good articles of diving and photographs.

Would any Sydney club like to have a slide night by members of this club, or if any club would like to give us a slide night, please contact Bob Scott at 30 Burgess Street, Kogarah, 58-6033, or myself at 36 Mount St., Arncliffe.

Thought for the month:

A snorkel attached to your mask is worth two in your harness.

John Allen, alias Hard Hat.

PORT HACKING

THE "PENGUINS".

C/- 20 Roleinson Street, Cronulla.

The new financial year started with an "Alliman" for us at "Gunnamatta Park", with a sign-on of 9 brave lads who risked the cold dirty water. Johnny (Saviour) Winward was the only one to weigh-in, with a luderick (14 lbs., 30 points), to give us second place in our heat. I can see the Dolphins turning green already!

The club meeting held a new election for officers, as follows:—

President: Carl Jaques.

Vice-Presidents: Greg Mokeef, Les Stanley.

Treasurer: Wal Griffiths.

Secretary: Ross Page (523-2995).

Minutes' Secretary: Gai Girdlestone.

Sports' Secretary: Rod Stanley.

Sports' Assistant Secretary: Frank Leuver.

Club Captain: Ron O'Brien.

Assistant Club Captain: Richard Girdlestone.

Safety Officer: Ray Swarze.

S.C.U.B.A.: Johnny Winwood.

Publicity Officer: Robin Montcalm.

Social Secretary: Bob ?.

Jack Evans, who declined from club captaincy, was made a life member together with Dawn, who shares the honour.

Congratulations to Bernard Thompson who ran second in the Junior Championships at Burraneer Bay on 28th June. He scored 117 points, and not far behind was David Cavanagh with 81 points.

The club comp. at "Wattamolla" was held in big seas and semi-clear water. A sign-on of 12 members and one boat fished with poor results. 1st, Ronny (Ultimate) O'Brien, 128 points, 2nd, Johnny Winwood, 34 points. Most Meritorious, 4 lbs. 4 ozs. salmon, 44 points. The story goes something like this: "Ultimate" O'Brien was swimming along with that evil glint in his eye, when up pops a salmon. He sees Ronny with a silly grin and eyes like billiard balls, so he investigates this strange quarry and suddenly he feels a thud and finds himself attached to this strange specimen, who is now frothing at the mouth (Hyde complex) and doing a victory stomp on the bottom.

Club meetings every 3rd Wednesday at clubrooms, 241 Kingsway, Caringbah. New members welcome.



• Richard Girdlestone (Pt. H.) holding a young yellowtail kingfish that is wearing John Black's (S.S.D.) spear 'ole!

Club camp and comp. at Curra-rong, Saturday and Sunday, 22nd and 23rd August. Fishing times are:— Sunday, 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. (v's Sans Souci), so be early, fellas.

P.S.

Q.: What is black in colour, with four extremities and eyes like billiard balls, that swims around going duh! duh! duh!

A.: A dumb spearo.