

## AROUND THE CLUBS:—

### BUNDABERG SPEARFISHING CLUB

P.O. Box 161, Bundaberg

Off-shore winds continued to batter this section of the Sunshine State during the month and restricted almost all our diving to the crystal waters of bath tubs, swimming pools, etc.

We were visited by those two famous vegetarians Clark Espie of Blackrock, Vic., and Brian Kennington, whose address seems to be where ever there is clear water, pineapple juice and women. It's a pity the boys did not get a chance to meet all the club while they were in town.

They talked one of the locals, Ashley (Crash) Gilbert, into a dive at Double Rock, where we manage to take a few groper (Queensland type) when the water is CLEAR. Visibility six feet, size of bronzie... "Almost as big as the whale shark I saw at Montague," said a calm, cool and collected Kennington.

Now they know why we don't dive at Bundy when the water is dirty, especially in summer.

A crew of seven, including the two vegetarians, managed a trip to the Barrier Reef, where we planned to fish fabulous Fairfax Island. A northerly blew up and we fished Lady Musgrave Island lagoon instead.

The Southerners were quite impressed, and although armed to the teeth with 16mm. underwater movies and still cameras, they spent most of the day slaughtering fish. Saw some

big manta rays, but it was too late in the afternoon for film.

The last thing we saw of Espie and Kennington was a Kombi Van and Quintrex trailer struggling away from a midnight farewell party followed by a motorcycle cop.

They were heading for Mackay and the Swain Reefs, but we couldn't work out just how far the cop intended to go.

Well, boys, sorry to devote the whole club news to a couple of no-hopers like Espie and Kennington, but what else happened last month worth mentioning?

Remember, you too can be strong, healthy, etc., like Espie, Kennington and Popeye, if you eat up all your greens.

— YOT.

### SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

Sec.: Bob Scott, 30 Burgess St.,  
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#### OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

Long weekend: Denis, Sylvia, Peter Joan, John Luton, and Peter Newton dived at Montague Island. Highlight of this trip was that they dived with the seals.

Bruce and clique spent the weekend at Jervis Bay. Thanks for the accommodation, Bruce. Dave Allen and Colin Linklater scouted out a new diving place (freshwater).

#### OCT. 19th, CLUB MEETING

Results of photographic competition "Above Water Colour Slides":

1. Val Heighes.
2. John Allen.

H/C. Bruce Richards.

"Underwater Colour Slides":

1. Bruce Richards.
2. Bruce Richards.

V/H/C. Bruce Richards, Bob Scott, Alan Moule.

Bruce Richards must be a new member. Cannot place the name to the face.

October 25: Club dive to Bent's Basin, Wallacia, about 36 miles from Sydney, near Warragamba Dam. The deepest dive of the day was to 80 ft.; it is not known if it gets any deeper. Visibility is extremely good for fresh water — maximum 15 ft. The temperature is about 40°F. Other dives are contemplated.

#### NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Nov. 1 — Bellambi.

Nov. 7 and 8 — Spearing comp. at Jervis Bay.

Nov. 16 — Club Meeting.

Nov. 21 — Night Dive at Bent's Basin.



• Graham Dyson jumps from the lip of the Kiama Blowhole (25 ft. to the water).

Bob Scott and John Luton should now be at Heron Island with plenty of film and flashbulbs. Alan Moule goes there in December. For those who can't afford this, there is a poor man's holiday at Piccaninny Ponds, S.A. Some eight members hope to visit there during the summer. Bruce, Dave and yours truly hope to make this our third trip.

Two new members, one from North Shore (Bob Delander) and the other (Barry Lines) from South Australia, are now diving with the club.

During October, certain members on their Friday night out noticed a fire in a room of a building — called the brigade and started to put out the fire—noticed two underwater photographers kept carrying Bruce Richards back into the building.

Have already sold one copy of "Theories on How to Avoid Nitrogen Narcosis" at Depths down to 30 ft." to Kurt Reichstater. I hear he wants to go past 30 ft.

Wanted — Single attractive girls to pose for photos. Qualifications — sexy. Apply only J. Allen.

— John Allen.



• Glen Hartwig with his Aust. Record 18lb. batfish.