



New South Wales

NORTH SHORE

"SEA HAWKS"

My humble apologies for missing Club notes, I'll endeavour to catch up on some news.

Firstly, some thank you notes for Christmas hospitality over the holidays — Bev and Lee Kain would like to say thanks to those in South Australia (and Mt. Gambier) who made their trip south so enjoyable; Bruce Chapman expresses his thanks to the Neptunes and Fred Studden in particular for looking after him on his northern jaunt.

Secondly, congratulations are due to John and Denise Gillies, to Trevor and Diane Collins and to Ian and Jill Munro, whose marriages have all gone unannounced due to my tardiness in note writing.

On the diving side of things most members had an uneventful time over January, with the exception of John Gillies and John Waldron who made the State team to Busselton, manager and junior respectively.

The Port Jackson Championships didn't see much of a showing from the

Sea Hawks with Bob O'Brien taking out the only trophy for N.S. — a Red Morwong. Don Mears lost the toss for the largest Mulloway.

Our Club competition, combined with the three-way competition at Toowoona Bay saw 34 N.S. members sign on, pass a gear check by our Safety Officers and spear a few fish, with J.G. and T.C. proving marriage hasn't slowed them down by getting the two top N.S. scores. The juniors did well even though the seniors flopped and John Waldron took out Most Meritorious and Largest Fish; Steve Spratt Largest Red Morwong and Bruce Chapman Largest Silver Trumpeter. Ken Wardrope, our sometimes-working P.M.G. man, caught a Club record Sweep of 1lb. 9oz.

A select group of soft headed, hard tumbled idiots made the mistake of helping to shift the Davis' furniture once again — to its permanent address this time. Funny thing — the furniture gets broken long after the move has been finished — in fact, many long beers after.

I'm not the only one to forget duties in the Club apparently, because our Squash night in February got lost. Never mind, there's a beach barbecue on after our March competition to make up for it.

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SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

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January

The meeting was held as usual and the Club would like to welcome the new faces and the return of some old ones.

Club Outing

Due to the bad weather and general conditions of the sea, the Club dive was held at Bents Basin. The keener members made the dive lead by the Lizard even though the visibility at the bottom was around 1ft. (with a torch).

The long weekend found the Club split up. Some members went to Seal Rocks where "Big Ears" was reported to have speared a 5in. Blackfish which, he told us later, weighed 5lb. You had better use scales and not the other method next time, Lins.

Other members, Ron, Denis, Des, Alan and Bob spent the weekend at Jervis Bay where a wreck was visited and a large number of kegs found. Contents are not yet known, but another trip in the near future should reveal this.

February outing was held at Shellharbour, where all members participated in the annual treasure hunt. Lloyd, alias Moggy Man, won a spear-gun. Congratulations, Lloyd. He was lucky to get a lift home, though, as Alan the Arm figured that Lloyd with a spear-gun was undesirable cargo. Peter Newton won the grand prize of one lead weight. Looks like you had better stick to sky-diving, Pete, the drop zone is much easier to find.

Rumour has it that John Allen is "tied down". Can anyone anywhere throw some light on this? Come on, John, let's in on the news—we'll forgive you in time. We all realise that diving activities in Victoria offer no other alternative.

Future Activities

Dives at Seal Rocks, Currarong, Lobster Bay and Stoney Creek. But the highlight of the coming month will probably be the Lizard's demmo of a helicopter.

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