SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

c/- 116 Alice Street, Sans Souci

March Meeting

Well, it looks like all members present at the meeting were quite pleased with our future meeting place, the new R.S.L. at Kingsgrove. It is quite a contrast to the old hall with all the Club's amenities available to us. Things are really looking up.

On behalf of the Club I would like to welcome visitors and new members also the return of John Luton and Dick Glisson. It wouldn't be a certain new face that has made you all

keen, would it Dick?

The Club dive on the first weekend in March was held at Currarong with a real good roll-up. Dives were made on the wreck of the "Merimbula" and a dive was made to find the contents of some 40 kegs which were found by Alan (Red Baron) Moule at the last Club dive in February. The contents turned out to be solid concrete, so our dreams of scotch, etc., were all dashed. At least someone got something out of it all as Des Hennesy managed to take some good slides with his new camera. Also at the scene was young Tom with his Rollei and his understudy, Jon Jansen, with all his gadgets hanging from his body. He looks like an underwater carousel when he's on the bottom.

Club Outing The Club outing was held at Shiprock Point for all members and beginners. There was quite a number there, in fact I think everyone was there but yours truly. The camera shutters were going flat out as there were some quite good shots to be had.

A special mention should be made of Rev. Charles for his dashing back and fourth from the church to the Club dive.

Well, it's good to see the Old Lindsay back in the water, we finally managed to get him out of that darkroom and away from the B.C. for a

Future dives to be made at Seal Rocks headed by the one and only L. Ditchburn, and Tom Byron has offered to take a few bods out to the wreck of the "Birchgrove Park" in the near future.

Let's see all members and all interested visitors at the next meeting. They are held at the new Kingsgrove R.S.L. on the third Monday of each

All business to the Secretary, Alan Moule, 30 Wolli Street, Kingsgrove, 2208. Phone 50-4859.

BOB SMITH

NORTH SHORE

"SEA HAWKS"

c/- Graham Barratt, 41 Shepherd Street, Chippendale

Good water at last for March, smooth seas, clear water and fine weather at both our outings. Very large sign-ons (49 and 50) at the Alliman and Club competitions ensued. The Long Reef venue saw our highest Club aggregate for some time (1889 points), and this in spite of some members being too late to

Trevor Collins, still an intermediate, headed the seniors with 317, and John Waldron the juniors with 218. Ted Stilton's 56lb. Jewie took the

Most Meritorious and Denver Lawson shot a nice 5lb. 4oz. Flathead.

My composure was shattered at the sight of a 10-12ft. Blue Pointer gulping a 45lb. Jewie off the end of my spear and then racing at me with mouth open. Bob Williams was just lining it up for a last chance shot when my knocking knees scared it off. Five feet away and head on is too close for comfort!

A small plea — WOULD the person who BORROWED the black sand roller from Ted Stilton's boat, AV 83N, please return it next Alliman.

Club competition at Barrenjoey gave perfect conditions again and many good catches were weighed in. A 6lb. Mangrove Jack by Bob O'Brien attracted the most attention. John Gillies headed T.C. with 342 and John Waldron made it both competitions this month to top the juniors with 194. A beach barbecue followed — some people remaining very late - their refreshments held out longer than everyone else's.

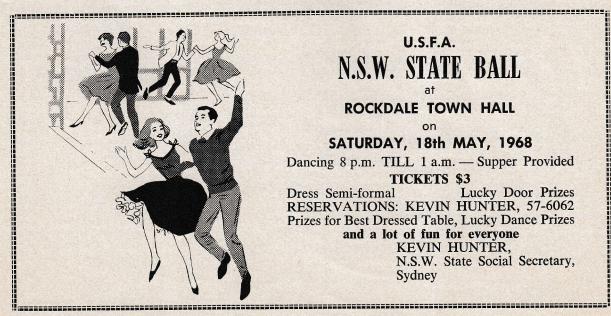
Seven members, with their wives and kids, camped at Terrigal for a weekend, putting a Scout group through their last weekend of instruction for an underwater badge. The 21 Scouts, aged from 14 up, all passed the course, including ditch and recovery of lungs, 5 minutes at 50 feet, half a mile swimming without gear,

The clear water we have had is tempting some of the Club oldies to revive the Scuba section of the Club

again.

Hoping Shoal Bay conditions are as good.

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and a lot of fun for everyone KEVIN HUNTER,

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