



● *That fish again! R. Hart surfacing his 38lb. Coral Trout.*

though, to see the spectacle of Ross Raines trying to scale the side of a sheer rock to get away from the sharks. That was one place we were all glad to get away from.

More next month. Hope the weather holds.

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SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

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This month has been quite an active month for the Club with a few new faces appearing. The conditions for diving have been good and we have been taking advantage of this.

The main dive for the month was at Easter when members spent the four days diving at Jervis Bay and Montague Island. Two dives were made at Bowen Island where the visibility was great. Pete Newton, Lindsay, Ron and Al busied themselves with their cameras, with the excellent results seen at the last meeting, along with slides taken at Montague Island, where the seals and "bities" were out in force in water visibility in excess of 100ft.

The highlight of the dive was the antics of our beloved hero, Ron "Wings" Smith, trying to thump bities with a faulty smoke. He had five shots and not one fired, although they were groggy after the braining

they received. Not to be discouraged he then threw a "maddie" and laid into them with his knife.

Bad luck about Peter Newton. He broke a couple of ribs when he was thrown out of Harper's boat on one of his tow-truck take-offs.

Good to see Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen back in town. There's one guy that used to be a fair diver — before he was married, that is. He is now just a Victorian "whaffo" diver.

Rumour has it that Lindsay has his near new Rolliemarin up for sale, he is asking \$140 for it. Sounds cheap. Why \$140 Lins?

Notice to all new members: Beware of "Wings" Smith (Ron), he'll steal your fish and crays right out of your bag before you get ashore.

Meetings: Third Monday of each month at Kingsgrove R.S.L.

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It had to happen — St. George must have bribed the Editor so that he substituted "St. George" for "Sans Souci" after Peter O'Connor's name in the Top Ten list in April's edition. We still had a few there, with John Black making a comeback on his return from Malacoota, Barry Haywood at No. 4, and Alan Badger at the top of the list.

Alan followed this up with 435 points at Shellharbour last Club competition. He speared a 48lb. Jew and 4lb. 12oz. Blue Morwong. Bob Searle came good with a 2lb. 12oz. John Dory.

Sad news about Easter — the only bright spot was Steve Blackmore picking up a trophy at Ulladulla. Down south Bob Audsley lost his suit, while up north we had five outboards pack up — first mine, then both Peter O'Connors and Barry Heywoods and, on the day after the competition, Jack Jones accounted for two — John Lists and Bob Searles. To top it off, only "Quickdraw" ended up in the Top Ten.

Don't be surprised to see 100lb. Cod and big Snapper next time we have a competition down south — Rick Trippe and Terry Wong have found a good gutter.

Let's see a good roll-up for the June Alliman — we've got to beat the Dragons and qualify for the premier club competition.

QUICKDRAW

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It is now 3 p.m. on 24th April — normally my thoughts are on 25th April, which means a march, a reunion, and a feeling of far-from-well-being on 26th. Anyway, I have just received my April magazine and having a quick glance at the Alliman page. I see that this copy has to be in Box 1192 tomorrow, Anzac Day! So I've knocked off work to scratch some notes in a hurry!*

Sports-wise: The Alliman at La Perouse saw us go down to the Dragons, but in scoring 800-odd points we were not disgraced. It was good to have Brian Bailey back, even if only for a short time. Our top scorers at "Larpa" were Jim Coulter, Brian Bailey and Rod Williamson, but I think not necessarily in that order.

Next came the Club competition at Newport on 21st, resulting in another win for Jim Coulter. Brian Bailey, suffering from a fractured elbow, fished one-handed to score approximately 180. Jim Coulter, Barry Morrison, Rod Williamson and John Capper were all able to beat the current Australian Champion but, as John Capper said, "Only because he fished one-handed, and his left hand at that."

After the competition we returned to Ruby and Bob George's home at Seaforth, where we were at last able to officially congratulate and welcome back the "Champ.", Brian Bailey. President Whaler, John Capper, proposed a suitable toast, which was drunk with enthusiasm — and we all settled back for "Blab's" response — and guess what? He was near speechless, which was something we thought impossible.

At the same function we were able to toast Mrs. Joan Capper and her new SON. Yes, Joan was first away in the Mother-of-the-Year Stakes and we congratulate both John and Joan and, at the same time, encourage Marlene Barnes, who is serenely and quietly knitting.

Final Note: Rod Williamson came fourth in the South Coast competition at Easter and Jim Coulter teamed with a Marlin diver to win the pairs. Think these two also won a couple of fish trophies such as the Largest Banded Morwong, so it's congratulations to Jim and Rod. Cheers!

"OLD MONSTRO"

*Just made it, too!! Sorry about that . . . I mean the earlier deadline, of course! — EDITOR.