

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

Club Meeting 17/3/69:

Once again a good roll up of both members and visitors. Discussion on a number of topics, including Ron and John's "eventful" trip to Middleton Reef. Also some log books arrived for distribution. These books are very comprehensive, particularly in the latter portion of the book, but I think that filling out all the details after every dive could be a bit tedious. As yet I don't know who is attending the Scuba Convention at Coffs Harbour to be examined as a B class diver and thus the club's field officer.

The club received a letter with the results of the "Blue Olympics" swims held in Europe, where Russia won all but one event. One surprising thing is that over long distances (1500 metres) there was very little difference in the times taken by swimmers with and without fins. However, in short sprints, swimmers with fins chopped some 7 seconds off previous records over 100 and 200 metres with swimmers not using fins.

Past Activities:

1. Trip to Tuglow Caves led by our experienced bat hunters, Bob and Denis. Dives were made in an underground river to depths of 85 feet. Another trip in the future will tell if the river flows into an unexplored submerged cavern. Movies shot by Denis appeared on ATN 7 the following week.

2. Dive to Kiama.

3. Social diving day to Terrigal, with a good roll up of divers and an equally good roll up of rough seas and dirty water. Dives were made off the Haven and the wreck.

4. Trawler dive in the Harbour, where members dived on the "Edward Lombe" and "Dunbar". Just about everyone found a trinket of some sort and Denis even found his wedding present for Robyn—an extra beaut rusty old iron. A good day was had by all—except one, as poor old Lindsay was seasick!

There seems to be some sort of rumour going around about Peter and Amanda. Can anyone enlighten me on that?

Another prospective club member was introduced to the world the other week, being Trevor and Fay Millard's new son. The club extends its congratulations to all three.

Future Dives:

1. 23rd March, 1969: Huskisson area.

2. Easter: Divers will be heading in all directions to their favourite spots, with most of them off to Montague, where some of our more "brave" members are going to try to bash up some sharks—that right, Mr. Laws?

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● South Pacific Divers at the Kiama Blowhole—favourite "drop in" spot!



● South Pacific Divers club member Jon Jonsons at Piccaninny Ponds last December with an extremely well built home-made underwater housing for his Mamiya C33 camera. All moving parts on the camera are driven by batteries mounted in two tubes externally on the housing body. Taken with Ektachrome X120 64 ASA colour film, available light, F stop 16 at 125 second. Distance 3 feet.



● S.P.D. members inside one of the caverns in Tuglow Caves.

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