

SOUTH COAST BARRACUDAS

Nothing much to report on except that the Barracudas won the last Taylor Shield by a very narrow margin.

The club positions so far are as follows, with only two more competitions left in the 69-70 season.

Seniors	Pts.	Species
1. G. McCauley	5507	36
2. J. Harrington	4521	30
3. S. Iles	4282	29
4. P. Jones	3517	34

Intermediate	Pts.	Species
1. H. Nivala	3651	32
2. R. Baker	3174	29

Junior	Pts.	Species
1. S. Stefanowicz	3489	30
2. A. Eriksson	3306	28
3. D. Zwolac	2949	29

Ladies	Pts.	Species
C. Orr	940	15

MOST MERITORIOUS FISH

Senior	Points
G. McCauley, Sea Sweep	6 lb. 10 oz. 76

Junior	Points
D. Zwolac, Luderick	3 lb. 13 oz. 71

Intermediate	Points
H. Nivala, Bonito	5 lb. 6 oz. 53

The next Taylor Shield held at Bass Point should prove an interesting one with scores close all round.

A club competition was held at Kiama on 17-5-70 in sub-zero temperatures and a 60 m.p.h. westerly. Scores were fairly reasonable allowing for the conditions.

A. ERIKSSON, P.O.

PORT HACKING PENGUINS

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Eight Penguins signed-on at Shoal Bay for the Pacific Coast Championships.

Conditions were good for Friday and Saturday enabling fishing at Broughton Island on Saturday. Fish were very plentiful up there and big scores were recorded on each of the three days. A Jewie was weighed-in over 50 lb. The Sunday Comp. was marred not only by bad weather but also by the combined action of a certain organiser and the Maritime Services Board in holding a lightning boat rego. and licence check. Good work, fellas. If you're lucky, half the divers will return next year. Bob Grounds came 10th and also won a prize for the biggest Leatherjacket. No one else did any good.

The Taylor Shield at Kiama was pretty well attended. Twelve Penguins signed-on and weighed-in. Water conditions weren't the best with a fairly heavy ground swell and poor vis. Penguins' top scorer was Norm Lejibic with 202 points and Greg Mokeeff won most meritorious with a 5 lb. 0 oz. Tasi.

I think I can safely say that all Penguins and friends had a great time at the U.S.F.A. Ball.

"FIZZ"

few more members may do as well if they follow his example. John also has a good pair of ventilated wetsuit pants if anyone is interested.

Mick Bray has a wetsuit for sale, seems he's lost too much weight in the first few months of the army.

Laurie Hinds looks like going into A grade next year. Keep up the good work.

Prospective members wishing to join a strong club please come along to our meetings, the second Wednesday each month, Coronation Hall, Barden Street, Arncliffe.

LLOYD LARGE, P.O.

P.S. A Very hearty congratulations to Metropolitan Makos on winning the Alliman Shield this year. Now you have to try and hold it!

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS

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Club Meeting, 20th April:

Firstly, representatives from Nemrod and Michaelis Bayley brought along a new inflatable rubber boat and new life vest for a demmo. The boat will take up to four fully rigged divers and we are going to give it a test next week. The life vest is really great and can be used as emergency air supply, although Rick Latimer flattened the cylinder before we had a look at it. Anyway, thanks to Mr. Kershaw, Ray and Ivan.

Last Month's Activities:

22nd March was our big day with a deep dive done by the club, with 2 guys getting to 340 ft., about 12 to 250 ft., and 10 or so down to 200.

Dives also on the Birchgrove with Tom and his crew trying to get inside the wheelhouse. The only excitement was that Lindsay was attacked by a huge man-eating cuttlefish. In an "emergency" like this, one can always rely on good ole Rick L. for help for as soon as he saw it he backed up the anchor chain and watched Lindsay get "eaten". Talking of Lindsay, he was at the shop on Friday and at the meeting last night — without bird, but rumour has it that he is now getting married.

A send-off party was held for Kim at Dick's place — a good night, although some people managed to "fall" into the pool.

Sunday last, there was a dive on the "Dunbar" which was very poorly attended. Which brings me to a point. It was amazing to see 60 or so enthusiastic divers who want to dive and

ST. GEORGE SEA DRAGONS

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Last month saw this Club fishing as a Club and I think the Alliman results speak for themselves. Competition in the Club is very keen at the moment. I hope to see this continue, as it can only benefit every diver in the Club.

Our ex-President took me on a guided hunting trip before he left. One thing I learnt is not to wear army boots next time I am invited away. Have you ever tried to spotlight and shoot with only two people? It's really funny!

Roger Shepard kindly consented to show his movies at the Club meeting again. Everyone who saw them undoubtedly enjoyed them.

John Banks has been doing very well in the comps. lately. Seems he is doing a bit of training at night. A



• Two beautiful Spanish Mackerel speared at Byron Bay by D. Wright, "Barracudas"

could not even raise the effort to suggest diving spots or even vote on them. Come on you guys, practise some "Extractus Digitus" and show a bit of interest in the club and its dives. In future, the executive will draw up a three-month schedule of dives.



• Robbo and his camera always seem to be last. (Barry Lines pix.)

Good to see Bob Scott down for a while buying u/w oxy gear to cut up a battleship in Rabaul Harbour.

We have great privilege to have that world-renowned diver, ex S.P.D. and reformed spearo, Lloyd Large, coming back to us — as long as he leaves his speargun behind and keeps his voice to a dull roar in the meeting. Incidentally, Lloyd is now the Australian Fin Swimming Champion.

Club T-shirts are available in all colours for \$2.50, so get in and get one, I even hear that old Tom has bought one.

Next month's dives are to the Dunghar and to Pt. Perpendicular.

DES HENNESSY

THE UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB OF SYDNEY

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During the last month the U.P.C. had two successful dives with one other (Mona Vale) cancelled because of bad weather.

The Terrigal dive was held on a bright sunny day and attended by six divers. The divers swam over a rocky

bottom with colourful sponges, seaweeds and gorgonia. A few moments later a massive head followed by a corresponding body appeared around a rock. To the diver's amazement, especially Graham's, it was an enormous groper.

The Fairy Bower dive, held at night, was attended by 24 people, which included eight divers. Several leatherjackets and morwong were sighted in 15 feet visibility water. The evening finished on a high note with a barbecue and plenty of beer.

The Club meets at Manly Vale Civic Centre, corner of Condamine Street and Innes Road, Manly, at 8 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Visitors are always welcome. The Club dives regularly every fortnight.

Yours in diving.

PETER DUNSTAN

METROPOLITAN SKINDIVING CLUB "MAKOS"

C/- Miss D. Farr
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Shoal Bay, as usual, was a great weekend.

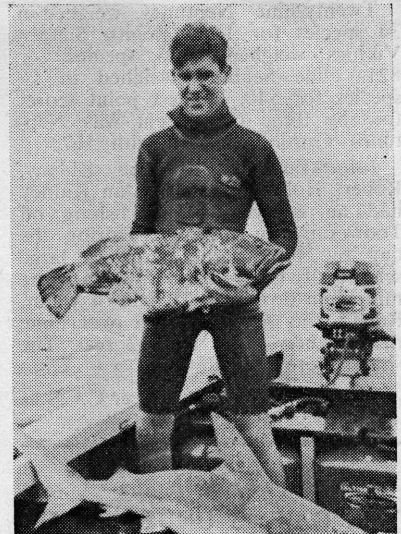
The viso. was not quite as good as in past years, but there were plenty of fish, and many unusual species to be taken. A considerable mix-up about finishing times on the Saturday, and as a result only one of our four boats was back in time to weigh-in.

The Premier Club Competition was held on the Sunday. Unfortunately a lot of members did not realise this and as they were not in the running, due to their failure to weigh-in on the previous day, put very little effort into fishing. As a result the Neptunes beat us by thirty points. Better luck next time. It was good to see that even after the abuse and yelling that went on everyone still ended up friends.

The best catch of the weekend was obviously Warwick Dand's fifty pound Jew, which he shot while rock-hopping. Maybe people will not say "Oh, it's only Warwick," as they usually do, any more. He assures me that he is going to get another one next time.

Alan Shinfield and Paul Chisholm missed Shoal Bay, and went to Port Macquarie. They were very unfortunate in not being able to find clear water anywhere, even though they tried Forster and Seal Rocks as well. This was not the case a couple of weeks before when they went down to Montagu. They found eighty foot viso. and fish everywhere.

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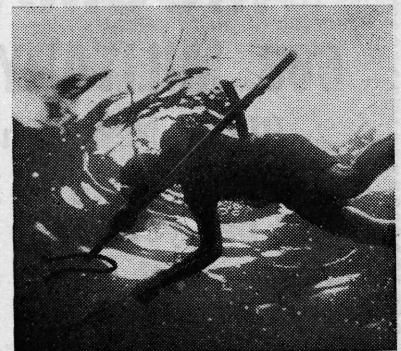


• Paul Chisholm displays his 15 lb. Black Cod and a small Whaler Shark.

CENTRAL COAST SEALIONS

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Sealions fifth spearfishing competition was conducted at Swansea Hd., 26-4-70. The event was held in conjunction with a three-club competition between Newcastle Neptunes, Newcastle Vikings and Sealions. Sealions top scorer was Barry Dawson with 266 points. Alan Kidney was runner-up with 248. Kidney weighed in a 1 lb. 3 oz. Blue Devil which is a new club record! Most Meritorious Fish was a 4 lb. 2 oz. Red Morwong worth 51 points, weighed in by John Ullrich. Max Hazlett top scored in B Grade. No C Graders attended.



• Robert Holdsworth reloading his gun during a recent competition — Photo Alan Kidney.