



1972

- SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS -

NEWSLETTER

June-July-August.

MEETINGS: 3rd Monday each month
Kingsgrove R.S.L. Club, Broklehurst
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B.G. W.

Well here we have it. The New South Pacific Divers Newsletter which will be produced and sent by mail to all Financial Members of the Club every three months (or more regularly depending on the feelings of the members.)

It will contain a list of Club dives - dates, locations, times, etc., information to Members on Club social functions. Articles from Members on any aspect of diving, reports on dive trips and the like and any information of general interest either from the Editors or Members which we will welcome for publication.

We hope that the Newsletter is well received by everyone and we welcome any comments and suggestions for improvements or inclusions.

This First Edition will be sent to all Members and visitors whose names and addresses appeared in the attendance book at the last May Meeting.

The Editors -

Bob Smith and Richard Taylor.

Cover Pictures -

Richard Taylor and
Bob Smith.

- CLUB OUTINGS -

Sunday - 4th June Cathedral Rocks. Meet at Cemetery at 8.00 A.M.

Sat. & Sunday - Huskisson. Trawler hired for 2 days.
17th & 18th June 8.30 A.M.

Monday - ~~19th~~ June CLUB MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL JULY.

Saturday - 24th June Night dive - Shiprock. Meet at 6.00 P.M.

Sat. & Sunday - Tuglow Caves. Photographic trip.
8th & 9th July Contact Bob Smith early.

Monday - 17th July ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Friday - 21st July Theatre Party to see "The French Connection".
Money will secure seats at July Meeting.
See Brenda Taylor.

sunday - 23rd July Dive at Skillion, Terrigal. Meet at 8.30A.M.
(Bring your vest Fran!!!)

Saturday - 12th Aug. Afternoon and night dive on Birchgrove Park.
Depart Watsons Bay Wharf on "Sea Dreams"
at 2.00 P.M. Two dives, one at 4.00P.M.
and one at 7.00P.M. Everyone invited
who considers themselves competent on the
night dive.

Wednesday - 16th August Ice Skating at Prince Alfred Park. 7.30P.M.

Monday - 21st Aug. Club Meeting. Slides by Lindsay Ditchburn.

Wednesday - 23rd August Night dive at Camp Cove. 8.00P.M.

Sat. & Sunday - Jervis Bay. Trawler leaves at 8.30A.M.
26th & 27th Aug.

ARTIFICIAL REEF & WATER ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Report on Meeting held on 24th May, 1972

Delegates from S.P.D. - Richard Taylor & Bob Smith

Meeting began at 8.00P.M. at Sutherland Council Chambers.
16 persons present representing:-

S.C.U.B.A. Divers Association
Goodyear Tyres
Underwater Research Group
St. George & Sutherland Anglers Association
Sutherland Council
Fisheries Department
South Pacific Divers.

An informal meeting was held to discuss the method of installing the Artificial Reef at Port Hacking between Carruthers Bay and Lilly Pilly Point in 40 feet of water. The Reef will be constructed of car tyres in triangular bundles of 100 totalling 600,000 tyres in an area of 200 yards x 600 yards. The tyres are to be weighed down by a number of concrete blocks. The Committee has applied to the various Departments for permission to lay the reef in this area and Dr. Bruce Malcolm (Fisheries Department) assured the Meeting that it will be passed within the next eight weeks. Another Meeting will be called when permission is obtained. The bundling of the tyres will be done within an area at Lilly Pilly Pt. where a cyclone fence and large work shed will be erected by the Council for the duration of the construction which is expected to take between 12 and 18 months. This time will probably be reduced as the Fisheries Department is intending to put a permanent staff on for this Artificial Reef Project which will be the largest of its type in the World. Dr. Bruce Malcolm and two of his colleagues showed the Committee photographs and slides of smaller versions of the proposed reef where it was quite apparent that fish had migrated to this area almost immediately and within a few months the tyres had become quite encrusted with growth and fish species had increased to a large number.

Further information will be published as it comes to hand.

N O T I C E

CLUB MEETING FOR JUNE 19th WAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO R.S.L. CLUB NOT BEING AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE CLUB'S HISTORY. NEXT MEETING, JULY 17th IS THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, ETC. ALL MEMBERS AND VISITORS PLEASE ATTEND.

CLEAN UP DAY

The Scuba Divers Association of Australia will be arranging a clean up day simultaneously in Sydney Newcastle and Wollongong. Watsons Bay Wharf (and another venue) are the target for divers in Sydney and will be covered by television and news media. We would like to see a big roll up of members for this worthwhile project.

S T O P P R E S S ! ! !

FORMAL CHALLENGE TO NEWCASTLE U.R.G.

South Pacific Divers hereby challenge Newcastle Underwater Research Group to a ninety minute rugby league match. If N.U.R.G. are brave enough to accept the challenge, a place and time will be appointed pronto.

Proposed referee - Charlie Costeau (World noted referee??)

If challenge accepted a barbeque will follow and a dive will be arranged for the following day.

S.P.D. Amateur Footy Club.

