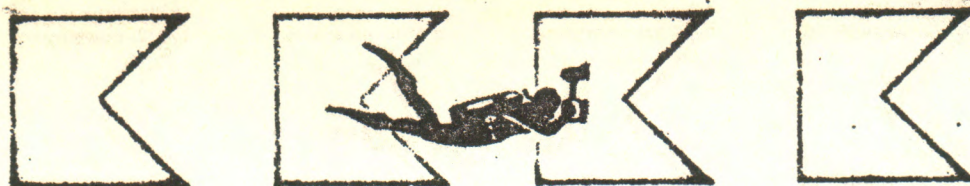




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SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS CLUB
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CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB, GREENFIELD
PARADE, BANKSTOWN. ON THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH 8 PM.

WHAT KIND ARE YOU?

Someone said the membership of an organisation is made up of
four bones:

The Wishbones, who spend all their time wishing somebody else
would do the work;

The Jawbones, who do all the talking, but little of anything else;

The Knucklebones, who knock everything that someone tries to do;

The Backbones, who get under the load and do all the work.

WHAT KIND OF MEMBER ARE YOU?

BOAT OWNERS

Pat Manly	728-6808	Rick Latimer	726-7818
Penny Sullivan	523-6302	Mark Livermore	686-1315
Martin Kandilas	726-3570	Peter Stratford	798-5757
John Blasczak	709-5535	Terry Mansfield	628-8172
Kim Kohen	77-7597	Rick Bewicke	621-5748
Jim Allan	712-1192		

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CLUB FEES

Club Fees are now due. Extension till 30th September, 1983 then unfinancial members will not be entitled to vote at club meetings.

Pay up or button-up. Only \$7 single, \$10 per double.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

from Penelope Sullivan

As we start our new club year I would like to congratulate and thank the outgoing committee members for a job well done.

It's not always easy for non-committee club members to realise just how much time and effort is donated by the committee throughout the year. I'm sure all members join with me in saying thank you to Mark, Audrey, Martin, Terry, Jane, Annette and Karin.

We held a joint committee meeting to complete the changeover of the committees and all loose ends were finalised. It was then time for the new committee to start work.

It turned out to be quite a lengthy night but a lot was accomplished. Everyone is very enthusiastic and looking forward to the next 12 months.

First priority of course is diving. It was agreed that programmed club dives be held on the weekend following the club meeting. All club dives will be detailed in the club Newsletter each month and a dive co-ordinator will be nominated at the club meeting prior to the dive.

More emphasis will be placed on full day diving programs with non-diving partners and family encouraged to join in. Dive locations which cater for all styles of diving will be chosen wherever possible to enable everyone to be included on the day.

Our Photographic Officer Pat Manly has lots of great innovations to introduce for our underwater photographers and would-be photographers, so keep an eye out in the newsletter for his report.

Publicity Officer Lyn Manly will be compiling the club magazine and monthly newsletter (Lyn explains the two further on in the Magazine) and has some great ideas. Help her out if you can.....any items of interest you may have please pass on.

Annette Bewicke in her role of Social Officer is already planning several social activities and especially the Christmas Party. More details on these in the monthly newsletters.

As for Kelly, Martin and myself we are all keeping busy with general club matters and planning for the future. We hope you are looking forward to the next 12 months as much as we are.....Penelope.



Neville Coleman presents the AUSTRALASIAN UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 1984, Plague to Telita Halstead on behalf of her father Bob Halstead of New Guinea who took out first place.

Pat Manly of South Pacific Divers Club also congratulates Telita sending his best wishes to Bob in New Guinea. Congratulations Pat on gaining second place. This is not the first competition in which Pat has run a second to Bob's first. In 1982 Oceans Competition Pat won a silver medal and Bob the Gold.

Our Congratulations to Bob Halstead on his win. Bob and his wife Dinah will have their first holiday in four years when they travel to the Cook Islands as part of his prize.

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1984 AUSTRALASIAN UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER OF YEAR - FILM NIGHT AND PRESENTATION WILL BE HELD AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB 20TH JULY, 1984.

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E B B T I D E (formerly called TITTLE TATTLE)

Congratulations Di and Phil North.....a baby son.

Pat Manly.....new boat.....proper boat....non-rubberised.

Condolenses to Kim Cohen.....new owner of the Manly Rubber Duck.

Congratulations to Martin Kandilas....article to appear in UNDERWATER.

Congratulations...Neil Vincent & Lyn Mallyengaged.

A little Norm in the New Year...congrats to Norm and Corey Rogers.

Write to Dick & Brenda Taylor, c/- Yeppoon Post Office, Yeppoon.Be quick

Jim & Kelly Smith...doing a Taylor.....building a yacht.

Congrats to Martin K. on the find of the year...bell off the Tuggerah.

Further congrats to Martin K.....more gold sovereigns.

MAYBE WE SHOULD CALL THIS SECTION "SECK TIDE"

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS HELD 18.7.83 AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB.

Meeting Opened:

at 8.00 p.m. by Mark Livermore, President.

Mark pointed out that this was the Annual General Meeting but owing to the fact that the Photographic Competition was held 15.7.83 and there may be a few points to be cleared up it was decided that we would have an ordinary meeting first before the Annual General.

Visitors:

Neville Coleman, Richard Hillis, and Dave.

Apologies:

Bob Smith, Bill Marden, David Morris, Jenny Morris, Rick James, Dawn Southwick, Martin Fodschi.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

were read, Moved they be accepted Penny Sullivan seconded Kym Kohen.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Letter sent to Pacific brought results in the form of film and trophy for the Presentation.

All who attended the First Aid Course are now certified. First Aiders that is.

Correspondence:

Incoming: Letter from Richard and Brenda Taylor read out by Mark.

Treasurer's Report:

Total of \$4,400 in the Building Society and Bank. Moved they be accepted Lyn Manly, seconded by Pat Manly.

Report on Club Dives:

Peter Stratford reported on Club Dive at Baron's Hul, 10 ft. swell but good viz. Peter made comment that he was the only one to turn up at Club dive as has been the case for the last couple.

Neville told us about his dive at Terrigal as nobody else seemed to want to tell us about their diving in the last month. Neville said it was good viz. Did I hear him say 2 ft.?

General:

Penny, having a lot of Public Contact in her position, said that in general the following comments had been made. People wanted more films. Lack of commentary in slide presentation. Couldn't hear what was going on. Presentation was anti-climatic. Most expressed the view the social part should be held in the centre of the evening not at the end. Most liked the films, "See" and "Moments."

Kym Kohen also made the comment that the A.V. was anti-climatic.

Most people didn't like the idea that the prize winners were being presented whilst the slides were being shown.

Martin Kandilas pointed out to the members present that the Prize Winning and High Scoring Slides were not shown as the committee had organised. He also pointed out that the committee had put a lot of work into the night and a lot of expense on behalf of the club to ensure that the night would be successful. Audrey Mansfield agreed with Martin's comments and pointed out that we would have to reorganise this part of the night and do it on our own in future competitions.

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Minutes contd.

Discussion followed in general about the Photographic Competition and Presentation.

Penny Sullivan put forward the motion that the Annual General Meeting should not be held in the same month as the Presentation Night but be put over to the following month. Motion was seconded by Pat Manly.

Rick Latimer put forward that this was up to the committee to decide. After a vote the motion was carried.

Neville Coleman offered to do an AV for next year's competition. He also offered to donate a page of UNDERWATER magazine to do a commentary on this year's comp. If the Club would pay for the printing of the slides. Mark thanked him on behalf of the club and accepted his donation of a page and it was agreed that the club would pay for black and white reprints for the magazine.

Mark Livermore then mentioned that we had a lot of proxy votes in and asked Neville Coleman to be Returning Officer for the elections. Neville accepted.

John Bleziak commented that he thought the Club was getting too political and that we should go back to being the nice social and frindly club we once were.

Jimmy Allan also brought forward the point that he thought we had just voted to have the Annual General Meeting next month to allow the present committee to tie up loose ends to do with the Presentation and Competition. A discussion followed as to whether or not the previous vote was for next year or the present. Mark Livermore decided to call elections, and called on the present committee to vacate their chairs.

Kym suggested that we buy our own projectors for an AV and there was also a suggestion for 2 categories Novice and Open.

Lyn Manly thanked the outgoing committee on behalf of all club members.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed.

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PUBLICITY OFFICER'S REPORT

It was decided by the committee to produce at least 3 possibly 4 large club magazines in the coming year AND a monthly or bi-monthly newsletter (News Bulletin) to keep members in touch with what's going on. Dives can be planned at the last minute, (if we hear that good viz is in), and members can be informed via the Bulletin. If you require any information to reach fellow members let me know and I can publish it in the Bulletin.

A couple of members have been overseas in the last few months - club members would love to hear all about it VIA THE MAGAZINE. How about it!

Thank you to all those who helped me to get this first Magazine out.

My apologies for the quality, our machines are not functioning properly at the moment.....but I felt that the Magazine should go out immediately despite the quality. I think you will find it quite legible.

LYN MANLY

Publicity Officer

JERVIS BAY PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Membership \$5 Help protect one of New South Wales' best dive areas. As a result of a meeting between Protection Committee members, with Mr. John Hatton, Mr. Jack Hallam, also the Director of Fisheries and his biologists, the Jervis Bay Protection Committee has been invited to liaise with Fisheries Dept. and to submit a management proposal for a Marine Park.

The proposed Marine Park will take up only a very small section of the Bay, from near Cabbage Tree Creek to just short of Long Nose Pt. to a depth of 30 ft. Much predation has occurred in the Honeymoon Bay area (from humans) and the backwaters are fish breeding grounds.

Congratulations.....your hard work is now paying off!

CLUB CALENDAR

AUGUST 15th 1983	Club Meeting Guest: New club member Kevin Deacon and his wife Chris will screen a selection of their slides. They have travelled extensively and should have some magnificent material to show us.
AUGUST 21st Sunday	MEET ROSE BAY BOAT RAMP 8.30 am Dive Day site of your choice ANNIE MILLER, LONG REEF, DUNBAR. Mark Livermore heard stories of grey nurse once again at Long Reef.
SEPTEMBER 19th	Club Meeting Members slides.
SEPTEMBER 25th Sunday	Meet Shellharbour (opp. Hotel) 8.30 am Dive Day BASS POINT The Humps, Churchgrounds, The Cave, North Reef Sponge Garden.
OCTOBER 17th	Club Meeting GUEST: To be advised in Monthly Bulletin
OCTOBER 22nd and 23rd Sat. & Sunday	CLUB WEEKEND AWAY ULLUDULLA Accommodation: not yet finalised more details in Monthly Bulletin Ulludulla has some fantastic dive locations - and is great for the family too! Lighthouse Reef is spectacular.
NOVEMBER 21st	Club Meeting Members slides.
NOVEMBER 27th Sunday	Small boats, 2 dives out from Port Hacking, then small boats can tie off (between dives) PARTY PONTOON AT JIBBON BEACH - family day Christmas Party for children and BBQ day. More details in Monthly Bulletin.
CO-ORDINATOR FOR EACH DIVE DAY WILL BE NOMINATED AT THE CLUB MEETING PRECEDING DIVE SUNDAY OR WEEKEND.	
DECEMBER 19th	Club Meeting GUEST
JANUARY 16th, 1984	Club Meeting Members slides
FEBRUARY 20th	Club Meeting GUEST
MARCH 19th	Club Meeting Members slides
APRIL 16th	Club Meeting GUEST
MAY 21st	Club Meeting Members slides
JUNE 18th	GUEST Club Meeting
JULY 16th	Club Meeting Members slides.
REFER PHOTOGRAPHIC OFFICER'S REPORT FOR PROGRAM OF IN-CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION.	

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE LAST YEAR

INCOME

Memberships	\$	386.00
Sale of Sweatshirts		144.00
Sale of car stickers		23.00
Christmas Party		130.00
Photo Comp / Film Night		3392.00
Interest from Building Society Ac.		334.71
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TOTAL INCOME 82/83		4409.71
BALANCE BR. FORWARD FROM 81-82		4559.33
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TOTAL		8969.04

EXPENDITURE

Postage and Stationery	129.24
Christmas Party	1137.00
Club BBQ's	125.04
Photo comp / Film Night	2064.16
Car Stickers	592.20
P.O. Box Rental	18.00
Donation - 2MMM Bushfire appeal	100.00
Sundry Expenses	26.25
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE 82-83	4191.89
Excess income over expenditure	217.82
BALANCE BR. FORWARD 81-82	4559.33
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TOTAL	8969.04

Martin Kandilas
30.7.83

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AUGUST MEETING

Club member Kevin Deacon will screen slides. Pat Manly will have some old copies of Fathom Magazine to hand around for a look see at the South Pacific Divers Club - Nikon Photo Comps - early 1970's - also called Australasian U/W Photographer of the Year.

Pat Manly (Photographic Officer) will also show those interested - aluminium mounts which can be purchased to crop slides. Pat will also take orders...they are very reasonably priced.

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MURRAY HEIGHES STUDIOS 39 AMALFI STREET, LIVERPOOL. 602-2978.
SLIDE DEVELOPING, DUPING, CIBACHROME PRINTS. ETC.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC OFFICER'S REPORT

Welcome to the new club year 83-84 season. Only two members of our club entered the A'sian U/W Photo. of the Year 1983 Competition. I aim to change that this year. We have the photographic gear.....let's use it. Anyone can produce good photographs, with determination and a little artistic creativity. The secret is to get out and shoot heaps of film.

During the year I hope to run several photographic workshops, where any photographers may come along (probably to my house) where:

- . they may bring their gear, if they are having any problems with malfunctioning equipment or just need to know some basic information regarding their gear.
- . Slides viewed - general critical comments - with the aim to overcome: a. technical problems b. composition etc.
- . Specific (informal) lectures on composition, cropping, lighting, etc.

It was decided at the committee meeting to continue to run the Novice (in the club only) competition again this year but with some changes. First of all, the Open Trophy will also be held within the club during the year. I feel we have enough Open Class Photographers to compete in this. So, we will have the two sections running this year, with one catch. The competition will be run over the entire year in THREE DIVISIONS. The points will be progressive from 1st, 2nd, 3rd Division to a total at the end of the year. In other words miss out entering one division and you will drop behind. Be consistent in entering and you have a chance to win.

1ST DIVISION	August September	Closing date October Club Meeting
		Results announced November Meeting
2ND DIVISION	November December	January Meeting closing date
		Results announced February Meeting
3RD DIVISION	February March	Closing date April Club Meeting

PRESENTATION OF NOVICE AND OPEN TROPHY AT CLUB MEETING 21ST MAY, 1984.

I would like to present, along with the trophies, replica keepsakes, and hopefully some good prizes. More details on these in the Monthly Bulletins.

ANY SLIDES ENTERED IN THIS CLUB COMP. M A Y B E E N T E R E D I N
THE "AUSTRALASIAN UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR 1984".

Only financial club members may enter the Novice or Open Trophy. Please let me have your slides by the due dates. For those members who cannot make it along to a particular club meeting when slides are due you can either post them to me or drop in to my house.

At the August Club Meeting, well-known Sydney diver Kevin Deacon and his wife Chris, will screen some of their vast selection of slides. This is the sort of slide show where you can learn, by just watching and listening, as Kevin runs through his selection. Penny is lining up some more well-known personalities as guests at our club meetings in the coming year.

We have some good dives programmed in the next couple of months, so let's get out and shoot some pictures so that next year all our photographers will enter the big comp.

MAY YOUR CAMERA NEVER LEAK
AND YOUR FLASH ALWAYS FIRE

Pat Manly
Photographic Officer

WANTED: by the Photographic Officer - piccys from Jervis Bay, land scenes, club outings, u/w shots, members faces etc. for club project. Details next meeting.

PHOTOGRAPHYHINTS

TAKEN FROM KODAK CUSTOMER SERVICE PAMPHLET.....COMPOSITION

Photographic composition is simply the selection and arrangement of subjects within the picture area.

Some arrangements are made by placing figures or objects in certain positions. Others are made by choosing a point of view. You may move your camera a few inches or a few feet and change the composition decidedly. Some chance shots may turn out to have good composition, but most good pictures are created. How do you create a picture? First you learn the rules for good composition given in this pamphlet. After you learn these rules, you'll realise that most pictures with good composition take careful planning and sometimes patient waiting. But it's not as hard as it may sound. You'll find that the rules of composition will become part of your thinking when you are looking for pictures, and soon they will become second nature to you.

Have a strong center of interest:

Have one strong center of interest. You may want to include a secondary subject, but make sure that it doesn't detract from your main subject.

Avoid putting your center of interest in the center of your picture. If the main subject is in the middle of the picture, it looks static and uninteresting. For pleasing composition, place your center of interest according to the "rule of thirds": divide your picture area into thirds, both vertically and horizontally; then place your center of interest at one of the four places where the lines intersect.

Know the angles

When you find a subject, don't just walk up to it and snap the shutter. Look at it from all angles; then select the best angle to shoot from.

Move in close

When you look through your viewfinder, move toward your subject until you have eliminated everything that does not add to your picture. Even though you can crop your picture later if you plan to enlarge it, it's always better to crop carefully when taking the picture.

Watch the background

The background can make or break a picture. It can add to the composition and help set the mood of a picture, but it can also be very distracting if it is cluttered. Before you snap the shutter, stop for a minute and look to the background. Remember to look beyond your subject.....your camera will.

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PHOTOCOPIES OF THIS PAMPHLET WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE NEXT CLUB MEETING. It is well worth a read. Pat Manly.

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CAIRNS FUN IN THE SUN

U/W PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

REFER SKINDIVING IN AUSTRALIA MAGAZINE or see me (Pat Manly).

Most outstanding entry in the competition: 5 day Lizard Is. / 5 day Reef Explorer holiday package for 2. Then 1st and 2nd prizes in 2 categories. Closing date 12 noon 12th September, 1983.

- Cat. 1 Beauty of the Reef
Cat. 2 Diver on the Reef.

Entry form and rules in Skindiving in Aust. magazine. Check it out. Excellent prizes. YOU'VE GOTTA BE IN IT, TO WIN IT.

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Refer last page in this magazine for entry form in club comp. and please read conditions of entry. Pat Manly.

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