

WET RAG



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS' CLUB (established 1962)

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JANUARY 1999

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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NEW COMMITTEE

COME AND CAST YOUR VOTE

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Presidents Special Tidings

Well its Annual General Meeting time once again and I hope members will take the time to come along to this, most important of meetings. By coming and voting at the meeting you the member can have the final say on how the new committee will be made up.

I can only speak for myself, when I say that my time as the club's president was very enjoyable. Yes I did enjoy it. I can only repeat what was said last month and ask other club members to stand for positions on the incoming committee.

So in my final message for my term I wish to thank the club members for supporting the committee for last year and I wish you all a safe New Year.

Peter Foster.

Very Very Final thought

I cannot give you the formula for success but I can give you the formula for failure – which is:

TRY TO PLEASE EVERYBODY.

Herbert Bayard Swope.

Photographic Officer's Report

I would like to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year.

DIVE REPORTS

None submitted due to Holidays.

ARTICLE OF INTEREST

The **January meeting** – 18th January- will be the **AGM and the election of a new committee**. If you are interested in becoming committee member and are not sure what the individual members' functions are, phone them before the January meeting.

For those who like to explore if you ever get to New Zealand they have plenty of wrecks both for the photographer and the wreck rat. (see map on page 6) It is out of an old Moray catalogue that I found while cleaning up.

Peter Flockart.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS The following members are on the committee for the 1998 year.

Position	Name	Home No:	Work No:
President:	Peter Foster	9564 2654	Mobile: 0418 435 774
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Equipment Officer:	Glen Percy – Call Aquasports Dive Store Yagoona.		
Newsletter Editor:	*** Position Vacant***		

BOAT OWNERS CONTACT LIST

The following members of the Club are boat owners. They generally go out diving most weekends and often need extra divers to make up numbers. Why not give them a call.

Name	Home No:	Work No:
Sue Armstrong	02 44 437 606	9385 2248
Martin Atkins (lives in Jervis Bay area)		044 43 4631
		042 74 0210
Martin Kandilas	9725 7808	9725 7808

If you are a boat owner and would like to be added to this list contact the committee.

CLUB SPONSORS Remember to support the Club Sponsors:

The South Pacific Divers' Club is honoured to be sponsored by the following

Name	Contact:	Phone No:
Aquatic Explorers	Steve or Lee at 3/82-84 Captain Cook Drive, Caringbah	9531 1518
Aqua Sports	Glen Percy at 430 Hume Highway Yagoona	9708 2826
Beverley's Restaurant	Peter or Bev at 1 – 9 Meagher St Chippendale	9310 4878
Dive Quest	Chris or Gary at Mullaway	066 54 1930
Sea Tamer II Charter	Max Western 9524 1818 or 018 280 791	
Shiprock Dive	Leo or Lesley at Lilli Pilli	9526 2664
Southern Cross Divers	Barry at The Spit Marina	9969 5072
Southern Cross Divers	Geoff at Stanmore	9568 1517
South West Rocks Dive	Noel or Belinda	02 6566 6474
Twofold Dive Charters	Peter or Lorna at Eden	02 6496 3384

DON'T FORGET THE CLUB PHONE NUMBER 0411 343 200

CLUB GEAR

The Club has a variety of gear for sale, hire or loan. This includes T-shirts, Stickers, BumBags, Shirts, Sweaters, Caps, The Magnetometer, Two sets of Oxygen equipment, BBQ, and much much more. Inquiries should be directed to the Equipment officer.

Please ring the dive and social organisers or the club Phone on 0411 343 200 on the Tuesday or Wednesday before the event to confirm details etc.

UPCOMING DIVING ACTIVITIES

Contact Numbers: John Harlen 9521 7210

January

Long weekend trip on the MV Indulgence. This trip will cost \$ 385.00 for three days or \$ 495.00 for four days and may be booked by calling either Peter Foster or John Harlen.

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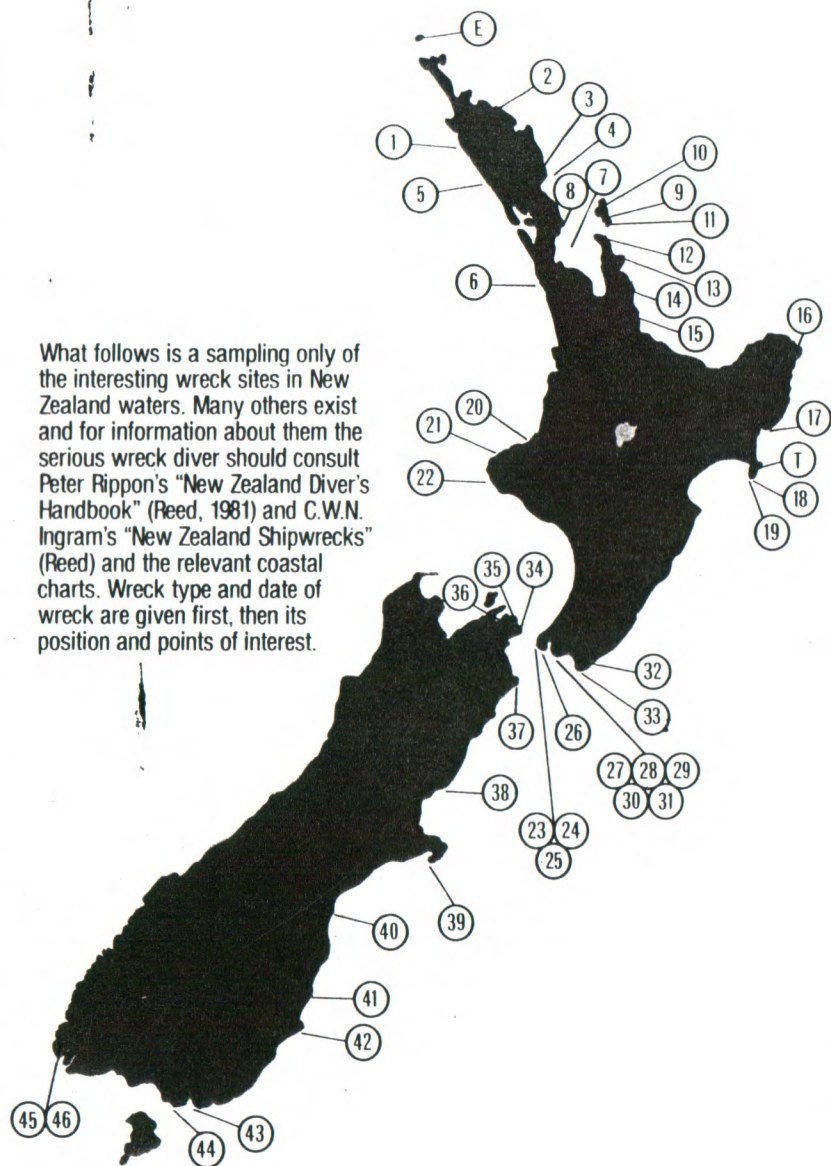
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• WRECK SITES OF INTEREST IN NEW ZEALAND •

What follows is a sampling only of the interesting wreck sites in New Zealand waters. Many others exist and for information about them the serious wreck diver should consult Peter Rippon's "New Zealand Diver's Handbook" (Reed, 1981) and C.W.N. Ingram's "New Zealand Shipwrecks" (Reed) and the relevant coastal charts. Wreck type and date of wreck are given first, then its position and points of interest.



- 1 HMS Osprey, brig, 1846. 29km N. of Hokianga. 12 cannons.
- 2 Boyd, wood, 1809. SW end of island off Whangaroa wharf. See Wade Doaks BURNING OF THE BOYD.
- 3 Awarua, iron paddle steamer, 1907. Fanny Kelly Reef, Ocean Beach, Whangarei.
- 4 Muritai, iron screw steamer, 1908. NW end Lady Alice Island. Bric-a-brac.
- 5 L'Alcmene, French corvette, 1851. Bayleys Gorge between Hokianga and Kaipara Harbour. Some cannons.
- 6 HMS Orpheus, steam corvette, 1863. Manukau bar. 21 cannons.
- 7 Royal Tar, wood, 1901. Shearer Rock, Hauraki Gulf. Bric-a-brac.
- 8 Herald, scow, 1928. Flat Rock, Kawau Island. Not found yet.
- 9 Osprey, schooner, 1864. and Miranda, cutter, 1877. Blind Bay, Great Barrier Island.
- 10 Wairarapa, steel screw steamer, 1894. E. side Miners Head, Great Barrier Island. Plenty of bric-a-brac.
- 11 Wiltshire, steel screw steamer, 1922. N. of Rosalie Bay, Great Barrier Island. Bow peak still intact.
- 12 Thomas Bryan, steel screw steamer, 1928. Near Port Charles, Coromandel Peninsula.
- 13 HMS Buffalo, wood, 1840. Buffalo Beach, W Coromandel Peninsula. Some cannons.
- 14 Manaia, steel screw steamer, 1926. Slipper Island.
- 15 Taranaki, iron steamer, 1878. N. side Karewa Island.
- 16 Port Elliott, steel steamer, 1924. Horoera Point, NW of East Cape. Carried cargo of cars.
- 17 Star of Canada, steel screw steamer, 1912. Kaiti Beach, Gisborne. Holds and cabins still remain.
- 18 Tongariro, steel steamer, 1916. Bull Rocks, Mahia Peninsula. Dangerous area.
- 19 Alexander Newton, wood, 1894. Portland Island, Mahia Peninsula. Cargo of telegraph poles still there.
- 20 Alexandra, iron steamer, 1865. Off White Cliffs, S. of Pukearuhe Reef, New Plymouth.
- 21 Tasmanian Maid, iron steamer, 1868. 180 metres offshore from Tasman Hotel, New Plymouth.
- 22 Lord Worsley, steamer, 1862. Off Opunake.
- 23 Woollahra, iron barque, 1907. N. of Karori Rock lighthouse, Wellington.
- 24 Penguin, iron steamer, 1909. Near Thoms Rock, Cape Terawhiti, Wellington.
- 25 Nambucca, wooden steamer, 1905. W. of Sinclair Head. Wellington. Boiler and machinery still survive.
- 26 Wellington, wood, 1874. Cyrus, wood, 1874 and Progress, iron steamer, 1931. Owihoro Bay, Wellington.
- 27 San Bartolo, fishing bost, 1965. Off Pinnacles, Fort Dorset, Wellington.
- 28 Tui, iron steamer, 1866. N. Barrett's Reef, Wellington. Semi-intact.
- 29 Earl of Southesk, wooden barque, 1874. S. end Barrett's Reef, Wellington.
- 30 HMNZS South Sea, steel minesweeper 1942. Main shipping lane, Wellington.
- 31 Devon, steel steamer, 1913. 180m N. of Pencarrow Head, Wellington.
- 32 Zuleika, iron ship, 1897. E. side Palliser Bay, near Wellington. 1,000 tonnes of cargo in vicinity.
- 33 Ben Avon, steel barque, 1903. 180m W. of Cape Palliser Lighthouse. Ship's anchor on beach identifies spot. Cargo remains.
- 34 Lastingham, iron ship, 1884. W. side Cape Jackson, Marlborough Sounds. Cargo of railway stock.
- 35 Rangitoto, iron steamer, 1873. E. side of Cape Jackson, Marlborough Sounds. Engine, boiler and cargo remains.
- 36 Gazelle, iron barque, 1894. Under cliff between Okuri Bay and Waikawa Bay in Current Basin, Marlborough Sounds. Stern interesting.
- 37 Southminster, wood, 1878. 1,600m N. Long Point near Cape Campbell, South Island East coast.
- 38 Kaiwarra, steel steamer, 1942. Black Birch Creek, N. of Motunau Lighthouse, North Canterbury.
- 39 Holmbank, steel motor vessel, 1963. Peraki Bay, Banks Peninsula.
- 40 Elginshire, steel steamer, 1892. Near rubbish dump, Timaru. Boilers show at low tide.
- 41 Ahuriri, iron steamer, 1871. S. of Danger Reef, Otago. Much wreckage.
- 42 Tyrone, steel steamer, 1913. Wahine Point, Otago. Much wreckage and bric-a-brac.
- 43 Tararua, iron steamer, 1881. Waipapa Point, N. of Bluff, Southland.
- 44 Waikouaiti, steel steamer, 1939. W. end Dog Island, Bluff. Over 5,000 tonnes of cargo.
- 45 Endeavour, wood, 1795. Dusky Sound. New Zealand's oldest wreck.
- 46 Waikare, steel screw steamer, 1910. On rock between Indian Island and Passage Inlet, Dusky Sound.
- E Site of "Elingamite" wreck (see Kelly Tarlton wreckdiving story).
- T Site of "Tasmania" and Rothschild Jewels (see Kelly Tarlton story).

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