

Meeting of South Pacific Divers
was held on the 18th May
Meeting began at 8.25 PM.

Apologies from Ron Smith & Bob Smith
Minutes of the previous meeting were read and
received. Moved they be accepted by Rick
Latimer seconded by John Jansons

Correspondence

Received from John & Libby Prozeleer
the sum of \$6 for their joining fee of the
Club.

U.S.F.I.F. meeting of the Spearfishing Division
at 2.00 PM. on the 30th May at Neptune Hall
23 Jones Street Charlestown, Newcastle.

Letter from Scuba Divers Association informing
the Club of Affiliation prices for the Club &
Club divers.

The fees for Club Affiliation are \$5 per annum
For Club Members in an affiliated Club
\$1 per annum.

Outgoing Correspondence

Letter sent to John Sutton accepting
his resignation over the Club Deep Diver.

Social Secretary's Report

12 members present last month at "Hair".
Just a fair turn-up.

Publicity Officer

Report on deep dive in next month's
magazine, also write up about Nemrod boat.
And an article by Dennis Robinson will
appear in Man magazine in August.

Des reported on rubber boat with George Gibbins' $6\frac{1}{2}$ H.P. outboards. It is only satisfactory for two divers with gear as the outboard is too high and does not remain in the water.

Dennis reported on an incident at the "Dunbar" on the 29th of April when John Gillies crew were diving at a depth of 20 ft on their hooka. Don Meads passed out completely and was pulled into their boat. Our members went over to the other boat and as Dennis pulled up the anchor his hood and coat were removed and mouth to mouth resuscitation was administered then ^{was} taken to the Naval Base and on his way he came too with a shocking carbon dioxide headache.

The cause of the blackout was excessive work on the bottom removing ballast blocks which caused a carbon dioxide build up, also too many divers were on the hooka and the hooka was only pumping 40 lbs per square inch instead of 80.

Dennis warned not to exert yourself whilst diving.

Dennis Robinson and Richard Taylor visited the Duruci whilst in the harbour and spent three or four hours on board talking with members of the crew who were interested in diving.

Club Outings

Frazer live on the 24th May to the Peaks on the Cawarra.

31st May Catherine Still Bay caves. Meet at Frazer Park turn off.

Long weekend caving at Winebarn and diving if wanted.

General Business

John Denmeade said that he would like to see ~~a~~ deep dives as a blue ribbon annual event, rather than have divers attempting deep dives without Club organisation. Rich Latimer moved that the Club affiliate with the Ocuba Divers Association. Seconded John Sumner. Carried by majority vote.

Dennis read out an article on the death of a diver from the bends who was working for Ocean Systems. He died in a decompression chamber.

John Sumner and Ted Louis visited Heron Island to accompany Mr Sprucean for protection during his diving holiday. John was asked if Mr Sprucean was a good diver. John said that he seemed very confident, all dives were down to 90 ft. They prepared the Islands on a boat called the Coral Cater. On John's departure he was presented with gold cuff links.

Photo Competition. Tom Byron received a letter from the Ocuba Divers Association offering a perpetual trophy to the value of \$60 for the photo competition. Tom suggested we send a letter of thanks, seconded by John Sumner.

Next meeting to be held on Monday following the long weekend.

Meeting Closed 10.50 P.M.