

Meeting of South Pacific Divers
was held on the 19th July
Meeting began at 8.40 PM.

21 Members present, 7 Visitors
Apologies from Bob Bratt, John Dummer,
Les Petrie, Terry Mansfield, Erick Drew.
Minutes of the previous meeting were read
and received, Moved they be accepted by
Rick Latimer 2nd Paul McNamara.

Correspondence

Bob Smith received raffle tickets from
the Newcastle Underwater Research Group
the tickets are worth \$20 each which can be
paid at \$2 or \$3 a week. The prize is a 14'
boat, trailer & motor.

Letter sent to Chief, Sect Dep Canberra
opposing the proposal of an air-strip on
Heron Island.

Treasurer's Report

Books balanced. Received \$491.73
from balanced entries of Photo Comp, stickers
& yearly fees. \$491.73 was spent on the Comp.

Treasurer's report accepted by the Club.

Rick Latimer 2nd Michael Calacor

General Business

Filipino Festival report by Bob Smith of
meeting held by S.D.A. which Club officials
attended. It was proposed that we hold the
Festival in conjunction with the S.D.A. It will
run for a day and night. There will be a display
of diving equipment & lectures on the physics
of diving, also to finalise the night by the
judging of the Photo entries.

Michael Calacor opposed the idea but after much discussion it was dropped till more information was gathered by Tom Byron.

Bob reported on the progress of the Artificial reef & on the field day which we attended.

Four boats were present and four different locations were inspected. The South West Arm was decided on as being the most favourable. Until the bottom has been inspected they will not make a decision. We received a letter from the Council thanking us for the information which we sent them on artificial reefs.

At the meeting which was held after the field day we put forward a suggestion that we would like to see Shiprock made into an underwater sanctuary. Bruce Malcolm, from the Fisheries Department, suggested we send a letter to the Artificial Reef Committee who in turn would send it on to the Fisheries.

Rich Lattimer moved we send the letter, seconded Tom Byron.

Moved that S.P.D. transfers be bought from John Sumner because of reports of Club Members using spear guns with scuba gear.

Wendy Lusc & Des Hennessey congratulated on their Engagement.

Committee Elections were held

Elected were Bob Smith President
Bob Pratt Secretary
Des Hennessey Treasurer

Wendy Lusc & Brenda Doyle Social Sect
Richard Taylor Minutes Sect
Tom Byron Editorial Officer

Michael Calapon moved fees be raised \$1.2nd
by Rich Lattimer, All in favour, except Richard
Layton who would like to see money raised in
other ways.

Meeting Closed at 10 o'clock