ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS AUGUST 15TH 1988 HELD AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB

Meeting opened by the President Jim Smith at 8.05pm

Apologies: Alona Kandilas, Noel Taylor

Minutes: Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.

Correspondence: Nil

Treasurer's Report: Yearly account enclosed with newsletter.

Social Organiser: Tour of HMAS Penguin coming up.

<u>Dive Organiser:</u> Future dives and weekends to be organised after the election.

General Business:

* The Bob Smith memorial plaque is to be placed at Jervis Bay as soon as possible.

* Vote of thanks to the outgoing committee from the club.

* No further business and so the Committee was dissolved.

ELECTION 1988-89

Martin Kandilas chaired the election of the new committee. All members nominated (previously listed in last month's newsletter) were elected to the Committee. They are as follows:

President- Jim Smith

Secretary- John Mcdermott

Treasurer- Kathy Mcdermott

Social Secretary- Penny Smith

Dive Organiser- Noel Taylor

Photographic Officer- Graham Wakeling

Publicity Officer- Neil Koos

New committee installed and meeting continues:

Dive Reports:

Neil Koos, Graham Wakeling, Noel Taylor and Neil Vincent dived the Tuggerah. Reported good conditions however viz was about 5 metres and the net is still in place.

They were particularly impressed with the charter boat, Krazy Kat. Good operators, all the required safety equipment and they drove sensibly which is a rarity for shark cat owners. Rates are \$15 for local dives and \$20 for deepies.

Graham Wakeling is still regularly diving Shiprock and loving it. If anyone is interested I'm sure Graham will be pleased to have a buddy, see him at the next meeting.

Jim Smith, Wendy teasel, John and Kathy Mcdermott and Neil and Lyn Vincent went sailing on Lake Macquarie for a weekend. A good time was enjoyed by all especially after being shown the finer points of sailing by El Presidente himself. Apollo yacht charters provide everything and if a weekend of sailing has ever crossed your mind do it, it is highly recommended. See Jim Smith for more info

Robert Nickling, phone 645-2315 wants to go diving, He has a Haines Hunter and needs dive buddies. Please give him a call if you are going or want to go diving.

More General Business:

Larry and Sue King have an addition to their family, no not a new boat but a baby girl. Congratulations to you all.

The cost to fix the club's projector is \$67.00 and it was agreed to go ahead and have it fixed.

Raffles will be re-introduced at club meetings. Suggestions are open for prizes. Please see the committee.

Xmas Party. Penny Smith is looking into the possible alternatives for our Xmas party. Suggested so far is Bristol Point weekend with party on Saturday night and the possible hire of a ferry on the harbour or Port Hacking.

Bob Smith plaque. A J.B. weekend will be organised around October and the plaque will be located at Triangle Rock at Pt Perpendicular.

Parachuting course- There has been an interest expressed by club members to have another parachuting weekend. If you think you would like to have a go give your name to John Mcdermott. Cost will vary depending on numbers but will range from \$150 to \$180. Try it once you certainly won't forget it.

Please remember this is your club for your benefit. If you have any suggestions as to fund raising, social nights, dive weekends or simply dive days please tell the committee. How else will we know what you want to do.

FOR SALE-

Regulator-2nd stage only Mares MR-III. Excellent condition. Here is that octopus you have been thinking about. \$150.00 Contact John Mcdermott phone 726-0982 (H).

SOUTH PACIFIC NOTES

Well the new committee has been elected for 1988-89 and is basically unchanged from last years. Again the A.V will be the main priority for the club but not at the expense of letting the original aim of the club which was to promote diving suffer. Already there is a list of upcoming dives which is included in this newsletter and more will be programmed as the weather gets a little warmer and more pleasurable for those people without a 7mm wetsuit.

It will be noticed that the Birchgrove/Valiant dive is going ahead hopefully with better weather conditions than the last time it was planned and then cancelled at the last moment. Remember it is the 18th of September, 9am at Bayview boat ramp. Ring Penny Smith on the Saturday so we can confirm details of available boats and divers.

Thanks to Wendy Teasel for the shell drawings in this month's newsletter. All contributions greatly appreciated.

See you at the next meeting on Monday the 19th of September.

THE COMMITTEE

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If you need to post anything to the club our address is as follows: SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS PO BOX 823 BANKSTOWN 2200

CLUB MEETINGS ARE THE THIRD MONDAY IN EVERY MONTH AND THE MEETING IS HELD AT THE BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB IN THE FUNCTION

ROOM AT 8.00PM ALL MEMBERS AND VISITORS WELCOME. COME EARLY

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