

MINUTES OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS MEETING  
HELD ON 15/4/91 AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB  
MEETING OPENED 8.15 P.M. BY MARTIN KANDILAS.

APOLOGIES: Ilona Kandilas, Wayne & Evonne King, Lyn Keller,  
Peter O'Grady, Karin Smith.

VISITORS: Lyn & Pat Manly, Anthony Gibson, David Bassett, David  
Wilkinson, Stephen Legzdin

Minutes of last meeting read.

Accepted: Rick Latimer  
Seconded: Peter Booth

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES -

INCOMING

CORRESPONDENCE: Ryde Underwater Club, Oz Play, Fun Divers,  
Taleo Tambu Yacht Charters

OUTGOING

CORRESPONDENCE: Sth. Sea Shipping Ltd.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Read.

Accepted by Lyn Vincent                      seconded Bernie Kraul

PHOTOGRAPHIC OFFICERS REPORT

Brian reminded members of the big comp date of 13/7/91. Peter  
McDougall is to be the 3rd judge. Ron Taylor and Rick  
Swansborough are the other judges. George Moore gave the comp a  
plug on the radio recently.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

As newsletter.

DIVE REPORTS

Lyn & Neil Vincent dived Mt. Gambier. 2" wind chop. Crystal  
clear water. Dived 4 caves never dived before. Had trouble  
finding way out of 1 cave. Usually takes 30 mins, took 90  
minutes to find their way out. Vis was zero from the silt.  
The tunnel out was 19-20" high, tanks were hitting top of cave.  
Found way out after 3 attempts. Just as well they wore twins on  
every dive. Dived 2 new caves, Pines & Fossil. In the Pines  
cave at 60' could see the pine trees around outside of lake.  
Fossil cave can still find bones, but very silty. Great diving.

Lyn & Neil also dived the 90' sub outside Port Phillip Bay. 50-  
60' vis. And dived Lonsdale Steps in Port Phillip Bay, which  
they say is 10 times better than Halifax Park. 30' vis, blue  
devils, nudibranchs, crays. Now love Melbourne diving.

Bernie Kraul dived Ulladulla kelp beds. Kelp to 100'. Found a lot of cuttlefish. Good vis 90-100'. Very calm. Found the spine of a whale at the Lighthouse wall.

Sue O'Grady had a good dive at Osborne Shoals.

Rick Latimer dived Birchgrove Park. 30-40' vis. Still some goodies on the wreck.

John McDermott speared a mowie instead of rocks but had to fight with a killer cuttlefish which wanted it as well.

Ron Mines had his first dive at Stoney Creek. Sa its the best dive in NSW. Strong current. 100' vis. Also dived the Arch saw a 5' grey nurse at the anchor, good vis. Three very large kingies swam around the whole dive. Plaque is still under the arch and doesn't appear it will move any further.

Pennie & Doug Smith spent 2 weeks at Jervis Bay. Dived Wreck Bay, Docks, Bowen Island and Currarong.

Martin Kandalis, Sue & Lyn and Pennie had a night dive at the Balcony - sponge garden at 60'.

Martin dived the Tuggerah. Brilliant vis, whilst doing deco a dolphin swam up to within 4' of him.

Brian Colwell whilst spearing in J.B. saw an enormous shape out of the corner of his eye, which turned out to be a dolphin. Then had a fascinating experience watching a fairy penguin herding garfish within just a few feet from him.

### GENERAL BUSINESS

Ron Mines announced that Steve Cross's equipment course will run for 16 hrs either over 2 days or nights, to be decided. Need a venue. The entire course costs \$380.00 so the more that do the course the less it costs. Plus certification - \$16.00.

Recruitment drive - Are we going to try to recruit more club members at the A.V. night or not?

9.25 p.m. Meeting Closed.