

**MINUTES OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS CLUB MEETING**  
**HELD ON 21st July 1992**  
**at BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB**

Meeting opened by Peter Jermyn at 8.15pm.

**APOLOGIES:** Ilona Kandilas, Peter O'Grady.

**VISITORS:** Kerry, Danial Fettes, Wayne Avnell and Dennis Kandilas (who discovered that he was actually a distant relative of Martin's)

**Minutes from Last Meeting:**

Read.

Accepted by Micheal McFadden

Seconded by Anne

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE:**

UnderWater Research Group "URG Bulletin", Ryde Underwater Club "Surface Interval" UTS "NoDouts", Brisbane Waters Aqualung Club and University of NSW.

**OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:**

None, aside from AV correspondence.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Read.

Accepted: Rick Latimer

Seconded: Lynn Keller

**PHOTOGRAPHIC OFFICERS REPORT:**

AV mostly organised, with a few late nights.

Help required Saturday morning of the AV (25th July) to carry gear up into the Auditorium from approximately 10.00am - 12.00pm. Several people volunteered.

**SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

SPD's display at SCUBA EXPO looked good. The event appeared successful.

The Senior First Aid course was completed. Congratulations to all who passed. The Advanced course involves a couple of further modules to be completed. These nights have already been arranged with the appropriate people. **Many thanks** to Peter Jermyn who conducted the courses, his enthusiasm and extra effort was appreciated.

The First Aid course for Divers is planned for Sept-Oct. See Peter for details.

The Deep Diver Course was also completed by 8 divers. They had a great dive on the Annie M, despite the less than perfect sea conditions. **Many Thanks** to the boat

owners and of course Steve Cross, who always makes learning interesting and enjoyable.

## **DIVE REPORTS:**

Graham Wakling dived Jervis Bay last weekend, and had some terrific dives near Bowen Island, on the whip anemone gardens (32m) with 4-5m vis. On Sunday he did two dives out the front of Bowen, plenty of marine life including grophers, and macro life on the sea whips. The water was about 16°C.

John Beddie dived Bass Point as a Friday night dive, there were plenty of fish around. On Saturday he dived the Bombo with Peter Booth. Conditions were 20m vis on a high tide with a NE swell and a little rain. They also dived the Shark Gutters off Bass Point seeing 3 Grey Nurses about 150m off shore. He has dived this spot twice in the last week, seeing Grey there each time.

Lynn Keller reported on the Annie M Miller wreck dive which was part of the Deep Diver course. With three boats the conditions were terrible, very windy and only 20-30 foot visibility. May be this was the reason for Martin's 15 attempts (quote Lynn) or 4 attempts (quote Martin) to anchor his boat over the wreck. The dive was enjoyable, with lunch at Watsons Bay.

A reliable source witnessed Robert Rubessa attempts at launching his boat prior to this dive during the Deep divers course. After trying to back his boat down the steps at Rosebay, he had a second go to make sure. Was it that he didn't want to get his feet (or the boat) wet??.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS.**

### GOOD BUDDY AWARD.

Peter Jermyn announced St John's Ambulance Good Buddy Award. The aim of this award is to encourage safety in diving and to acknowledge acts of bravery, rescues or aid given to others in the pursuit of diving.

The award is a comprehensive First Aid Kit for divers. Nomination entries are to be submitted to St Johns Ambulance, these will be reviewed and the award will be presented to the winning individual at each annual AV night (starting 1993). this competition will be limited to Australia.

MOTION: To include this award in the activities of SPD.  
Accepted: Brian Collwell  
Carried unanimously.

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### CORRESPONDENCE TO SPORT DIVER/DIVE LOG

Micheal McFadden said that during conversation with Barry A, it was mentioned that he had not received a formal reply to his approach some time ago, for involvement in the AV. The reasons for this will be investigated and rectified.

A motion was presented by Rick

MOTION: Club to write to Barry outlining:-  
(a) Previous situation concerning reply, apology if necessary.  
(b) Outline the clubs' projections for the future, Re: AV  
(c) Options available for Barry with respect to our other commitments with Scuba Diver Magazine.

MOTION passed by Rick Latimer  
Seconded by Micheal McFadden.  
Carried unanimously.

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### AV TICKETS

As everyone is aware of the recent sad loss of Lyn Manly. Brain Colwell asked about the possibility of 4 complimentary tickets for Pat and family members to the AV.

MOTION: Four complementary tickets to the Manly family  
Passed Unanimously

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### THANKS TO CORPORATE THEATRE

Rick suggested that the club acknowledge the huge effort volunteered by Corporate Theatre towards the AV.

MOTION: The club purchase an appropriate gift engraved with thanks to Corporate Theatre from SPD club.  
Passed Unanimously

Karin Smith was asked to purchase the gift. She accepted.

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### CONGRATULATIONS.

Congratulations are in order to John Fowden, who recently won the Department of Planning Wreck Photographic Competition with his photo of the Bombo. His photo will grace the Dept's poster.

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### ITS THAT TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN!!

.....where we ask for volunteers for Committee positions.

These are President, Treasurer, Secretary, Publicity Officer, Social Secretary, Photographic Officer and Dive Organiser. Any interested persons?  
Nominations will be accepted at the next club meeting.

