

**MINUTES OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS CLUB MEETING
HELD ON 15th February 1993
at BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB**

Meeting opened by Ron Mines at 8.15 pm.

APOLOGIES: Joe Ingegneri, Michael Latimer, Peter Booth, Sue Cambourne and Ilona Kandilas (as usual).

VISITORS: There were many visitors, a number of which were attracted by the showing of Peter Norris's films. These included M Diehm, A Wilson, S McCarthy, B Scott, D Diehm, Peter Woodbury, Keith Edwards, Steve Grow, Suzanne Evans. Pat Harworth heard about us from the Dive Log advert, and Scott Leimroth, recently certified, is a friend of Karin's.

MINUTES FROM MEETING 18th January 1992:

Read.
Accepted by Michael McFadyen
Seconded by Rick Latimer.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE:

Fun Dive Folics, information from Australian Underwater Federation), "No Douts" (UTS), information about sea safety from Australian Maritime Safety Authority, Neptune Dive Centre, and Ulladulla Dive Club.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:

Final statement for insurance GIO, letter to Underwater Visual Association.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Read.
Accepted by Karin Smith
Seconded by Rick Latimer

PHOTOGRAPHIC OFFICERS REPORT:

Entries for the George Roberts Photographic Competition have closed as of this meeting. There didn't seem to be many entrants.

Follow up on the alleged unauthorised use of AV photographs in a magazine called "Powerboat" by Brian, resulted in speaking to Cathie Holloway. It was felt that sufficient credit was given for the photographs used, and the original understanding was that the photographs were to be used for promotion for the AV. The outcome was that prior to the use of any photographs in a publication,

the article has to be viewed and approved by the President and Photographic Officer.

Brian has sent a letter of support to the Underwater Visuals Producers Association of Australia, from the club.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Information above a proposed garage sale included in newsletter. A few people were interested in providing items for sale.

A group booking is being organised for the "Rocky Horror Show" on the 25th March. Cost is \$36.30 due on the 20th February. Limited numbers. Please see George or Sue.

Jervis Bay weekend being organised.

Date for Mexican Restaurant transferred to Saturday 20th Feb. See George.

Joe needs numbers for the Mulloway/Seal Rocks dive trip, see Social Events calender for information. Deposits required ASAP.

Details of a wreck course are being followed up by George with Steve Cross.

DIVE REPORTS

Ron and Brian taunted us with details of their pending trip to Lord Howe Island.

George and Rick dived the Annie Miller with 50ft vis and warm water. Rick commented that the wreck has changed dramatically. The bow has broken up and sunk. There were plenty of fish. The conditions were lumpy.

John Beddie and Michael McFadgen dived the Trio, with a 20 minute bottom time, they had a good look over the wreck and the yacht in the hull. The wreck is located off Newport with approx 150 ft to the sand.

Martin reported on the club dive to the Dee Wide Wide reef. There were 7 boats in all; many being checked out by the MSB at Rosebay wharf. Fab showed us the marks to a spot which had lots of swim throughs, an old bath, and a huge Admiralty type anchor. The water was clear, with a large King fish following Martin for some of the dive. We adjourned to Watsons Bay for a seafood lunch afterwards. Ron and Co went off to scrap up some mud in the search for bottles, finding a prized bottle of gerkins.

GENERAL BUSINESS

CLUB STICKERS.

These are available for \$1.00 each. See Lynn for supplies.

INCORPORATION OF SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS CLUB.

Model rules for the club are finished. Copies will be available for review and comment at the next club meeting. Public Liability insurance commences from April 1993. Incorporation documents are expected to be sent in April.

RAFFLE.

The raffle prize of a trip on Max western's Sea Tamer II was won by Lynn Keller. Thanks to Max for the prize.

Contact number for bookings is **567 - 2658** or **018 - 280 - 791** for the B°AT PHONE.

Peter Norris won the bottle of scotch.

TARONGA ZOO.

This years sponsorship may be deferred due to a tight budget.

FILMS

Peter Norris showed seven films based on underwater scenes and activities.

Some included documentary type films on Jervis Bay, Foster/Tuncurry, an instrumental dive with tortoises, and a very amusing comedy sketch.

Many thanks to Peter for showing us his films, they were excellent, showing a lot of talent and creativity. Thanks again.

VOLUNTEERS !! (That arcane word again!)

Volunteers are needed for:-

- TICKET SALES for the AV. - Chris Wright are volunteered, more help needed. See Ron if interested or at least would like to help.
- Stand-in Treasurer for the month of July and August, includes preparing end of year statement. Please see Lynn.
- Stand-in Secretary/Publicity Officer for August newsletter, involves taking minutes for July and August (Annual General Meeting) meetings, preparing, photocopying and mailing August newsletter. Please see Sue.

MEETING CLOSED 11.00pm