

SOUTH PACIFIC DIVERS CLUB MEETING AT BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB 19 JUNE 1995.

Meeting opened and members and guests welcomed by Leo Bergagnin, Club President.
Apologies: Rick Latimer, Ilona Kandilas, John Beddie.

Previous Minutes delivered to all members with current "Wet Rag". Accepted by: Russell Stoker, Seconded by Craig Harwood.

Incoming/Outgoing Correspondence: Other clubs' newsletters, Competitions' sponsors confirmation/decline letters, Heron Island Dive Festival brochures. "Diver suicide" article.

Treasurer's Report:

Barbara Sweetman will handle the Treasurer's bookwork whilst John Fardoulis is away. Leo Bergagnin read Barbara's resume and there were no objections from members present. Barbara submitted a financial report, from 30th September 1994 to 31st May 1995, which was distributed to members in attendance:

Expenses \$6849.19, Income \$6291.00.

Investment Account as at 1st June 1995 \$6801.46.

Cheque Account as at 31st May 1995 \$12321.43.

Michael McFadyen questioned postage/stationery as high, Barbara gave a breakdown of these accounts as well as the Xmas Party expenses.

Report accepted by Geoff Cook, seconded by Martin Kandilas.

Photographic Officer's Report: Peter Flockart;

1995 AUPY competition has 120 entrants. 7 judges have finalised all winning entries over a 2 day weekend with thanks to those committee members for their help and organisation.

Leo Bergagnin announced our new Social Secretary to replace Barbara Sweetman's absence is Nila Surjan.

Social Organiser's Report: Carina Gregory;

Skirmish on 16 July, deposit \$25.00 needed tonight deadline.

RUC don't seem keen for the challenge so 10 a side for SPDC.

AUPY Presentation Night; 50 tickets on reserve for SPDC.

20 August Hunter Valley Wine Tasting trip. Rent-a-bus need 20 people at \$20.00 per head.

Dive Organiser's Report: Geoff Cook;

23 July Annual Yuletide Hightide Prawn & Chardonnay Meet for breakfast at Watsons Bay beach at 11am.

Deposits for organised events must be paid in advance at Club meetings prior to set date.

John Beddie is looking for a crew for lots of diving in the coming school holidays.

Dive Organiser's Report: Scott Leimroth;

This coming weekend Club member Martin Atkins from Jervis Bay sends invitation for diving.

8/9 July John Saford & Chris Vautin prepare for trip to Eden - free accommodation throughout June/July.

12/13 August Jervis Bay Multi Club dive weekend.

September; Rick Latimer invites for trip to Solomon Islands.

Member's Dive Reports:

Michael McFadyen & Eddie Labour dived Nth Maroubra; 50ft vis.

Michael was at The Gullies with Max Western and heard Whales.

Peter Flockart dived Marley Point and "The Tuggerah" with Max Western and had 24m vis.

Geoff Cook dived "The Undola"; whole front exposed at present.

Geoff dived "The Catterthun" and had 10 Bronze Whalers making quick passes at the deco stop. Scott says up to 30 last count.

Another dive on "The Catterthun" saw the anchor come free and boat take off. Rick was rescued with his safety sausage.

Joe Ingegneri "Official Sleazemaster" at Shelley Beach and Camp Cove.

Martin Kandilas dived "The Titan" crane at Port Macquarie in 130 ft and heard Whales singing.

Martin also saw a Dolphin pod of 200+ at Camden Haven River.

Geoff Cook handed out certificates for "Shark Magnet Live Bait on a Rope Award" and "Blue Water Deco Club Award".

John Szwecow used his prize from The George Roberts Comp. of a weeks diving at Seal Rocks and saw lots of Grey Nurse Sharks.

Brian Colwell took his trip to Bicheno, Tasmania; water temp a cool 14-16 degrees. Each site only 3-5 minutes by boat, 40-50ft vis. Saw Dolphins, huge Crayfish, Banded Morwong "on steroids" and the Kelp Forests are the best they've ever been.

Rules of Incorporation:

1. Proposal is for amendment of rule 22(a) to read:

An annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held each year within three(3) months of the end of the membership year of the Association.

Gordon McDonald moved the motion for change and Martin Kandilas seconded it.

All members agree with the change, no one against the motion.

2. Proposal for change of rule 6(a) & 6(b) to read:

6(a) Subject to the Associations Incorporation Act 1984 and the rules of the Association, a member or officer of the Association shall not by reason only of being such a member or officer be liable to contribute towards the payments of the debts or liabilities if the Association or the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up of the Association.

6(b) Subject to the Associations Incorporation Act 1984, membership of the Association does not confer upon members of the Association any right, title or interest, whether legal or equitable, in the property of the Association.

Michael McFadyen moved the motion for change, Craig Harwood seconded it.

All members agree with the change, no one against the motion.

3. Proposal for insertion of additional clauses to Rule 12(a) & 12(b) as follows:

12(a)(v1) The member becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Companies (NSW) Code.

12(a)(vI) The member becomes of unsound mind or a person whose person or estate is liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health.

12(a)(vI) The member is absent without the consent of the committee from all meetings of the committee held during a period of 6 months.

Repeat for Rule(b).

Joe Ingegneri moved the motion for change, Ross Hipwell seconded it.

All members agree with the change, no one against the motion.

General Business:

Safety Sausages are on sale for a bargain price of \$20.00 ea.

Joe Ingegneri compliments the "Wet Rag" newsletter.

Martin Kandilas (on Rick Latimer's behalf) states that payment for tickets to AUPY Presentation by Club members should be extended.

Scott Leimroth suggests a "Magnetometer" be supplemented by Club funds, as well as revising the proposal to buy O2 equipment + regs and the supplement of First Aid courses.

Leo Bergagnin suggests proposal of a vote at next Club Meeting.

Raffle:

7th prize of 2 Airfills donated by Leo & Lesley Hillier of **Shiprock Dive**. Won by: Heather Jones

6th prize of \$20.00 voucher from **Chippendale Cellars**. Won by: Shirley McDonald.

5th prize of boat dive on Sea Tamer II donated by **Max Western**. Won by: Russell Stoker.

4th Prize of Dinner for 2 at **Salera's Restaurant**, Newtown. Won by: Adrian Hill.

3rd prize of Dinner for 2 at **Bev's Restaurant**, Chippendale. Won by: Gordon McDonald.

2nd prize of Dinner for 2 at the **Thurless Castle**, Chippendale. Won by: Suzanne Evans.

1st Prize of Weekend at Soldier's Point donated by **Deanes Management**. Won by: Mark Spencer.

Guest Speaker: Tonight Michael Aw took us on a journey with a slide show of his wonderful diving adventures in Malaysia and Indonesia. We were all very impressed with your great work. Thankyou Michael.