
Minutes of the meeting of South Pacific Divers Club Bankstown Sports Club, Monday 15 July 1996

Meeting opened 8.10pm and members and guests welcomed by Club President, Leo Bergagnin.

Apologies: Suzanne Evans, Rebecca Davies, Ilona Kandilas, Rod Muir, Mark Dietz, Gordon McDonald, Scott Leimroth and Geoff Cook.

Previous minutes were read out by Carina Gregory as some members present had not received their newsletter. John Beddie corrected the dive reports for himself and Mark Dietz. Mark did a dive on the Haulcane and John's dive was on the Himma.

Acceptance of previous Club minutes (with the above amendments) by John Beddie and seconded by Eddy Labour.

Incoming/outgoing correspondence

Other Clubs newsletters; membership applications for DAN and a letter from NSW Fisheries regarding a Review of Spearfishing Regulations.

Treasurers Report: Barbara Sweetman

Expenses for the month of June: \$387 in / \$408.72 out

Balance of Cheque Account: \$4465.82

Balance of Investment Account: \$11228.67

Treasurers Report accepted by Debbie Egginton and seconded by Martin Kandilas.

Photographic Officers Report: Peter Flockart

Peter said that the sub-committee is working on sponsors for the AUPY. The stand at Scuba Expo is being organised and as part of this a video is being produced in dedication to Rick Latimer.

Publicity Officers Report: Paul Howlett

Paul said that the Club has been getting maximum coverage in *Dive Log*.

Social/Dive Organisers Report: Joe Ingegneri (standing in for David Bilbow/Scott Leimroth)

Joe mentioned that he is interested in getting a group together for a regular Skirmish match, every six months or so. See Joe if interested.

July

19/20/21

Jervis Bay Weekend staying at 42 Currambine Street, Huskisson; \$10 deposit required.

August

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Breakfast dive leaving Dolans Bay boat ramp at 8am smart; \$10 deposit required.

31/1 Sept. Norah Head weekend; diving with Sea Breeze dive; accomod. is \$15/night; boat and shore dives available; \$10 deposit required.

Michael McFadyen mentioned that Atlantis Divers are running dives out to the Birchgrove Park on Saturday 3rd August: the 40th Anniversary of its sinking. If anyone is interested they should ring Atlantis Divers. Are any Club members taking boats??

Members Dive Reports

Eddy Labour did a dive at Six Fathom, vis was not real good as water was milky.

Bob May dived with about 30/40 seals at Jervis Bay; the water was very cold and vis was about 15 metres. He also did a dive at Bowen Island with *Martin Atkins*. Also dived at St. Georges Head 15 fathom reef, lots of soft coral however there were very few fish.

Adrienne Hill went on the Club dive to Bass Point on 7 July; dived the Arch, vis was about 15/20m, lots of fish; Had a BBQ at Bushrangers Bay.

John Beddie did a night dive with 7 other divers on the Bombo, a good dive. He also did a dive on to Kelloe and the water was dirty and there was a current. He said that the dive on the Kelloe was "a day better forgot".

Martin Kandilas recently dived the Myola. He said there was no brass to be seen, vis was about 15 metres and it was a bit cool.

Joe Ingegneri mentioned that he has been face to face with another moray eel (refer to June Club minutes to understand).

John Saford went to Vanuatu with Southern Cross Divers. Dived in Port Vila and at Santo including Bokissa Island, the Henry Bonard, 9-10 dives on the President Coolidge; went to Champagne Beach - Blue Holes. While in Santo he dived with Kevin and Mayumi Green.

B R E A K

Raffle prizes and winners

1st Prize: Aircard donated by Aquatic Explorers, Cronulla
Won by: Mervyn Maher

2nd Prize: Dinner for 2 at Bev's Restaurant, Chippendale
Won by: Martin Kandilas

3rd Prize: Boat dive on Max Western's *Sea Tamer II*
Won by: Scott Egginton

4th Prize: 2 airfills compliments of Shiprock Dive, Lilli Pilli
Won by: Adrienne Hill

General Business

Peter Flockart mentioned that he has copies of the **Supplier Workshop** Program for Scuba Expo. He also has films/disposable cameras and copies of the *Myola* book for sale.

Adrienne Hill has information on BSAC. She said that she can photocopy and send out the information if anyone wants it.

Joe Ingegneri asked if anyone is interested in getting a team together for Skirmish.

Paul Howlett said that the Club is trying to get a group together to search for wrecks with the magnetometer.

It was mentioned that there will be a free film night at Aquatic Explorers, Cronulla this Friday 19 July. Glenn Townsend is showing his video of Vanuatu and diving the President Coolidge and also diving around Sydney. All welcome.

The Club is having a stand at Scuba Expo in dedication to Rick Latimer. The stand has been donated by Dive Australia. The Club has tickets for entry into Scuba Expo for \$5, a saving of \$5. The Club also needs help at the stand.

Leo Bergagnin put forward a proposal for Club jackets. He had two samples of jackets to show members. Price will range between approx. \$50 - \$70. Need deposit tonight if interested.

Leo also mentioned that the Bankstown Sports Club has asked for men to wear collared shirts.

Meeting closed 9.30pm