

Minutes of the meeting of South Pacific Divers Club at  
Bankstown Sports Club  
Monday 18th January 1999

Meeting opened 8.15pm members and guests welcomed by Club President, Peter Foster.

Apologies: John and Sarah Harlen, Glen Percy

Secretary: Debbie Davis

Acceptance of Previous Club Minutes

The previous club minutes were accepted by: Peter Mason

Seconded by: Gordon McDonald

Incoming/Outgoing correspondence: Newsletter from URG, Dept. of Fair Trading, Dive Log receipt, Bank Statement, One Tel Account, RSL War Veterans Home Lottery, Membership - Martin Atkins, Mark Risdale.

Treasurer's Report: Graham Oates

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| Income | \$75.00 | Expenses | \$397.35 |
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Break down of income

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| Membership fee | \$75.00 |
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Breakdown of expenses

Postage \$139.30

Club Phone Charges \$58.00

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| Social Function | \$110.00 |
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| Cheque A/C | \$240.11 |
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| Stationery | \$9.05 |
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| Investment A/C | \$8143.67 |
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| AUPY Expenses | \$81.00 |
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| Petty Cash | \$118.25 |
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Treasurer's report accepted by Peter Mason seconded Darren Wright

Dive Organisers Report: John Harlan No Report

Social Organisers Report: Position not filled No report

Photographic Officers Report: Peter Flockart : No Report

Publicity Officers Report: Position not filled No report

Equipment Officers Report: Glen Percy all equipment present and ready for use.

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Raffle Drawn:

1st Prize: Heinz Bendringer - Hydro Test & fill from Aqua-Sports Yagoona

2nd prize: Mark Spencer-Boat Dive from Max Western "SEA TAMER II"

3rd prize: Russell Stoker- T shirt from Aquatic Explorers

Members Dive Reports:

Peter Flockart. Marley sponge gardens, 18deg water temp, 10-20m vis, plenty of fish, good dive.

Sam & Graham. Ulladulla, Malua Island -25 Grey Nurse sharks, a good dive.

Leo B. 4 dives with John Beddy & Russell on boat-red Indian fish, Weedy sea dragon.

Peter Foster. dived with Bob May at JB, Tiger Shark within the bay.  
 Southern Cross dives store broken into-computers, regs & vests were stolen.

General Business:

Changes to Constitution

No 26 - no objections.

No 3A(2) - include "siblings" proposed Gordon Mc 2nd Peter Flockart.

Carried.

No 3C(3) - "any general meeting" proposed Gaynor Mason 2nd Gordon McDonald.  
 carried.

No 3G - no objections. carried.

No 7A,7B,7C - no objections, proposed Peter Mason 2nd Peter Flockart.

Carried.

No 9D - proposed Peter Mason 2nd Gaynor Mason. carried.

No12A(2) - proposed Peter Mason 2nd Gordon Mc. carried.

No12B(2) - " " " " " "

No14D " " " " Peter Flockart.

Carried.

No14G " " " " Gordon Mc

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No15G " " " " Gaynor Mason.

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No15I " " " " Gordon Mc

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No16C " " " " Peter Flockart

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No17 " " " " Gaynor Mason

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No21A " " " " "

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No21K " Gordon Mc " " "

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No22A " Peter Mason " Gordon Mc "

No27C " " " " "

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No28B " " " " Peter Flockart

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No29B(1) " " " " "

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No29B(2) " " " " "

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No30A " " " " Gaynor Mason



Leo B. stated some previous rules were omitted from constitution-submit to Dept of Fair Trading the final copy of Constitution. Peter Mason all changed proposals voted on tonight and OK. All rules should be included before final copy is submitted to Dept of Fair Trading - also rule changes from previous meetings - Pete Foster to check previous minutes.

Debbie Davis proposed Peter Mason to look after rules of incorporation position accepted by Peter Mason seconded by Mark Spencer and Barbara Sweetman.

### **Voting for the 1999 committee**

Returning Officer Darren Wright

Peter Foster nominated president by Peter Mason 2nd Gaynor Mason (declined)

Leo B nominated president by Debbie Davis (declined)

Mark Spencer nominated secretary 2nd Gordon McDonald (accepted)

Graham Oates nominated treasurer by himself 2nd Gordon McDonald (accepted)

Peter Mason nominated dive organiser accepted Peter Foster 2nd Gaynor Mason.

Jackie Owen nominated dive organiser by Peter Foster accepted by majority.

Glen Percy nominated equipment officer by Peter Foster accepted Peter Flockart

### **2nd majority.**

Leo B nominated publicity officer by Debbie Davis (accepted) voted majority.

Peter Flockart nominated photographic officer by Peter Foster accepted majority voted.

Social organiser - position not filled held over till next meeting.

Newsletter editor - position not filled Peter Flockart to fill position till editor is nominated.

### **New Committee**

President. Peter Foster

Secretary: Mark Spencer (Debbie Davis proxy)

Treasurer: Graham Oates

Publicity Officer: Leo B

Equipment Officer: Glen Percy

Photographic Officer: Peter Flockart

Dive Organiser: Peter Mason, Jackie Owen

Social Organiser: Vacant

Newsletter Editor: Vacant

Scans Representative \_ Gordon McDonald.

Peter Foster - returned to chair thanked old committee and welcomed new committee.

Meeting Closed 10.05pm

## **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CLUB'S RULES OF INCORPORATION**

The following amendments to the Club's Rules of Incorporation have been proposed by some members of the Club. It is intended that they be considered and voted on at the June meeting.

### **Rule 22(a)**

*Amend to read:*

- 22 (a) 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.

*Reason:*

At the present time the AGM must be held before the end of September. With a move to holding the AUPY Presentation night later in the year, it would mean that the committee who have done all the work organising the competition and night would (possibly) be removed only days before the event. This would cause numerous problems.

### **Rule 6**

*Delete and insert following:*

- 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.

*Reason:*

Current wording is not consistent with Section 16 of the Associations Incorporation Act 1984.

### **Rule 13 (a) and 13 (b)**

*Insert the following additional clauses and renumber as necessary:*

- 13 (a) (vi) The member becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Companies (NSW) Code.
- 13 (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.
- 13 (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 13 (b)*

*Reason:*

Current wording is not consistent with the Associations Incorporation Act 1984.