

Apologies: Bernie, Evelyn, Viv, Glen, Craig, Geoffrey and Nick.

Incoming Correspondence: Ryde Underwater newsletter, URG newsletter, Bank Statement, PO Box renewal, Dive Log Invoice, BOC Invoice, Doubtless & Diving newsletter, Asia Dive Expo info.

Outgoing Correspondence: Letter to the Australian Underwater Federation re Liability insurance cover.

Minutes of Last Meeting Acceptance: Accepted By: Grey Seconded by: Mim

Photographic Officers Position A.V. Night coming along nicely. Definitely needs someone to take up the position for next year. George Roberts comp for next month – entries are due tonight.

Equipment Officer: Not here. Believe equipment is safe and well at Aqua Sports.

Website: Front page has changed. SPD emblem then goes to history. Members input is welcome. Email to Noel for inclusion.

Social Organiser: Sat 20th April – Ice Skating/ Indian Restaurant. 25th May Go Karting/ Chinese Restaurant – requires a minimum of 16 drivers. \$41.00 per head. More than 16 drivers will be cheaper. 90 minutes of track time. Need 50% deposit paid by 10th May. Still in works horse riding, white water rafting and a Drive Inn movie.

Dive Reports:

Noel – Double Dive with Diver City – Sharks 12 grey nurses, viz 6-7 mtrs. Back to the Shop for lunch then off to Henry's Head – red Indian fish, ghost pike fish

Peter Flockart – Shiprock morning dive 15-16 mtr viz, 22 degrees, lots of fish life
Afternoon wharf dive found 2 mobile phones (used) couple knives, maglight torch (still works) Last weekend Bateman's Bay 6 dives 22-23 degrees, reef beautiful sponges, volcanic rock. \$66.00 double dive - great operation. Ulladulla a new dive shop has opened. Has a RIB 10 divers \$50.00 double dive.

Simon – Club Dive - sunny day, seas flat, 5-6 mtr viz. 3 boat load of divers. Loi cooked the BBQ.

Noel – Saturday Max (Sea Tamer II) Middleground 20 fishing boats, Max pulled up in the middle, 25 mtr viz, fish everywhere, kingies.

Des – Kiama – east shore dive, sea spiders

Phil – Camp Cove night dive.

Matt – Bottle hunting Henry's Head 750ml bottle big stone in neck.

Mim and John – Max (Sea Tamer II) Marley Gardens – Huge cuttlefish covered in pointy bumps, followed them around. Had a tug-o-war between it's tentacles and the camera.

GENERAL BUSINESS

April dives will be cancelled if not full. Will try and change to Sunday 14th April.

Public Liability – only option is through the Australian Underwater Federation who run a pool insurance. A letter was read out to the meeting and all members present were in favour to send off the letter.

Oxy Viva – is it ready for use? In test? Suggested oxygen therapy a better move as old system may not comply with the Australian standards. Motion moved by Des, 2nd by Grey – for Noel to take it away and get it fully checked, bringing back to the next meeting a written recommendation. Noel will also check to see if the Club needs a first aid kit.

Magnetometer - Phil raised a motion to sell the magnetometer. 2nd by Simon. 14 for the sale, 1 against, 4 members abstained.

Grey to check to see what it's worth; likelihood to sell it. Will bring details to next meeting.

BBQ needs a new hose and regulator. Simon passed a motion to purchase what needs replacing. 2nd by Phil. Matt has the BBQ and will rectify.

Treasurers Report: Was read out for January and February. Accepted by Peter. 2nd by Phil.

TRIP – South West Rocks weekend April \$210.00 dives and accommodation. 4 boat dives

RAFFLE

1st prize -Aqua Sports 5 fill card Mark Pinna and Mim & John

2nd prize - Sea Tamer II Max Western Simon

3rd prize - 2 x Air fills – Shiprock Dive Simon

GEORGE ROBERTS

1st prize ICE frameless mask

Loi

2nd prize Dive Solutions torch

Simon (snoopy diver consultation prize)

3rd prize Aqua Lung T Shirt

Matt

Night was concluded with a slide show of South West Rocks, Thank you Noel. And thanks to Grey for his assortment of slides.