

SPD MEETING 21st JUNE, 2004

Apologies: Phil T, Glen P, Don and Duane.

Incoming Correspondence: Bank statement, URG Bulletin, Ryde Underwater newsletter, Tourist Directory letter, Bank Statement.

Outgoing Correspondence: Wet Rag

Minutes Accepted – Both April and May minutes – Accepted by Phil, seconded by Nick.

Treasurer Report - Cheques drawn for Club Public Liability Insurance, Domain Name registration, Bank fees \$4.00 per month. Sue to check credit union re their charges. Mark to do end of year financial reports.

Photographic Officer – George Roberts Competition will be run over 3 months, certificates for each month and a prize for the overall best score. Committee to hash over terms and conditions, may broaden categories. Suggested September, October and November.

Next A.V. Night and competition will be held in 2005.

Newsletter Editor - Still wanting members to submit articles etc.

DIVE REPORTS

Peter F – Marley Sponge Gardens – 12-15 mtrs viz 20 degrees, slight current, very pleasant.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Dive Log – apparently they are chasing our payment, although no invoice has been received. Can we justify the expenditure??

Sydney Diver City – Don has sold his boat which has been taken up North. Don is/ has been very sick. Will hold off sponsorship details until next month

Wilderness Ski and Sea – Bernie attended premises and spoke to Darren, apparently earlier when Amanda spoke with him we were supposed to get back to him – but he didn't receive anything. He is still happy to talk to us about it. This has been checked with Don and he is OK with it, Bernie will check with Lyn to see if there's any problems there. Wilderness is a retail shop, not a social club.

Discussions - To take this onboard we would need to be more active. We need to see what he is offering and then discuss what we want or are willing to accept. Club also needs to work out where it's heading, needs a business plan with a decision on how to grow over the next couple of years – need to work out how to stop the in-house fighting although this was mainly over expenditure so we need to put some rules in place. Club is moving forward. Suggested we get back to Darren for a raffle prize.

Web Site – Peter to chase Phil Taylor re the web site.

Scanner – Amanda has – Bernie will contact Amanda re club gear. Dave Burns has the Club's BBQ.

Sea-Tamer II – Charlie Eccleston 0418 280 791/ 9525 1349. charlie@seatamerdive.com
Calendar and bookings – www.seatamerdive.com

Re Noel – We need to protect the Club against any outside interference, cannot trust that the Club will not be damaged in some way.

Phil Dale put a motion forward

To place an add in Dive Log and any other associated magazine we feel relevant to say that he is no longer associated with SPDC – ie as a disclaimer.

Seconded by Peter Flockart - No members against motion. No concerns were raised.

Club also to advertise next AV as coming in 2005.

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FOC's – were another problem that was happening and causing in house problems. When events were full, the Organiser reaped all the profits - It was stumbled over that when there was a problem SPD was expected to bail him out in the form of forking out for the deposit. This cost the Club money.

Discussions re making guidelines to protect the club – members need to know that someone is getting an FOC, but bad organisation should not cost the club money. Suggested that a percentage of the FOC go to the Organisator and some form of benefit back to the attendee's.

Committee will put some guidelines together and get back to members to vote on.

AV 2005 – Peter will draft a letter to our Sponsors for the 2005 competition.

Sub-Committee – To investigate previous inappropriate club expenditure – no reflection on current President/ committee. Need to check into expenditure, accumulate the facts and report back to the committee.

Nick and Phil are happy to help out.

Storage Shed – Peter and Bernie to check out Club goodies this weekend. Nick offered to look after club gear when he moves.

Dinner Night – 30th June, 2004 Bankstown Trotting Club All welcome

Club Dive Day and Hot Soup Bernie to check tide chart, suggested Sunday 18th July?? Will get back to members and let them know.

Bernie's work have a boat and he is trying to get them to sponsor club. Is a small goods factory.

Scuba Expo - 15th-18th July, 2004 at the Sydney Entertainment Centre

No RAFFLE

SPD MEETING 19th JULY, 2004

Apologies: Glen P and John O.

Incoming Correspondence: Bank statement, Term Deposit Financial Notice, Big M Self Storage invoice, URG Bulletin, Ryde Underwater newsletter, Sport Diving magazine and invoice Rosebourne Gardens motel details (Woolgoolga)

Treasurer Report - End of year financial reports all done.

Scans Rep - Last meeting was 22nd June – minutes will appear in the next newsletter. Combined Club's Weekend Away – 12th – 14th November, 2004 at Ulladulla.

Photographic Officer – Will have the competition rules for the George Roberts next month. September, October and November. Members present at each relevant meeting will judge the slides with the Photographic Officer having the ruling vote if warranted. Will also try and critique entries afterwards. Slides and Prints. Certificates each meeting with a prize for the overall best. Maximum 5 shots. Temperate water shots only – (Byron to Adelaide)

Newsletter Editor - Apologies, will put July and August newsletters together.

DIVE REPORTS

Warren – Tonga - weather bad – spent 5 days bumming around – dived Caves, plenty of natural light over huge areas, Cathedral Dive 28 mtrs plus, in the Bay water was crystal clear, plenty of fish. Friendly locals.

Phil, Nick and Glen (who had to have his hands tied) Steps Kurnell – 10-15 mtr viz, 16-18 degrees, saw biggest cuttlefish ever 1.5 mtrs, great dive, flat seas

Peter F – Tuggerah – flat seas, reasonably good viz, 15 degrees on bottom, big cuttlefish, wobbies, had to part fish to descent and ascend.

Middle Ground flatish, dirty, big swell and surge on bottom. A big seal came to play, lots wobbies, quite a few pregnant Port Jacksons.