

## SPD MEETING 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2004

Apologies: Phil D, Evelyn and Duane

Incoming Correspondence: Bank statement, Reminder Big M Self Storage, URG Bulletin, Ryde Underwater newsletter, Hosting Info Aust reminder, SCANS membership, Details on accommodation re SCANS Weekend Ulladulla, email re Logo Update, AUF request for committee details re insurance.

Outgoing Correspondence: Newsletter.

Minutes: June and July – accepted by Peter, seconded by Mark.

Treasurer Report - Hosting Info Aust – are the same as Wincafe, still have not received our cheque so I will monitor that. Big M and SCANS both paid. Have compiled a list of fixed costs for the year which totals \$2,30.00. End of year financial reports all done will have to send off. Still have a problem with the BOC oxygen bottle – Martin advises he has a oxygen valve which will fit onto a divers tank which would need to have been scrubbed then filled – Club is welcome to this valve.

Photographic Officer – Rules for the George Roberts are in the newsletter, runs - September, October and November. Members present at each relevant meeting will judge the slides with the Photographic Officer having the ruling vote if warranted. Dive Log is full of interesting articles and trips. Dive Pacific has an interesting article on safety.

Newsletter Editor - Hope you like the newsletter, new articles as always are appreciated.

### DIVE REPORTS

Rob, Mark and Peter – Ocean Trek (photographic course with Sydney Diver City) Very cold without a dry suit. Mark did an imitation of a human vibrator until he warmed up (therefore a dry suit has moved up on his list of 'must haves') Saw lots of wobbies, nudis, fish. 5 dives. Matt tried to warm up in a dive tub hot bath.

Secret Divers Business – little viz, bottom cold. Wet suit divers lasted 30-40 mins in 13 degree waters, Weedy Valley 24 mtrs rock/ 26 mtrs to sand. Viz better. Day dive and night dive at Nursery.

Drank a strange variety of drinks Russian Cocaine/ Jam Donut (with a kick).

Sun – Scallop Beds 10-12 degrees, 1 mtr viz, Spider Cave seals in water, too rough to get into cave. Water was clearer outside bay. Beautiful weather above water – blue sky and sun.

Peter – Swansea Bridge (with ST George Underwater) 15 degrees, 5-10 mtr viz, sponges, fish, ocky. Lots of broken shells on the bottom from the bridge works. They are rebuilding the bridge and underwater the thumping noise of the works was almost deafening.

Went 4WD along Stockton Bridge, camping in the sand dunes. Wind still up next day - no more dives, therefore plenty of recovery time from party the night before.

### GENERAL BUSINESS

Ryde Underwater –Treasure Hut/ Dive/ BBQ – will use this as a club outing. 19<sup>th</sup> September at Long Bay. Be there at 10.00, Briefing at 10.15, will commence at 10.30 am. \$20.00 with lunch, \$15.00 without lunch.

SCANS Combined Club Weekend – 13 & 14<sup>th</sup> November at Ulladulla. Accommodation is limited. Let Peter know asap if you are interested. Free BBQ Saturday night. Boat dives available, should be a good weekend.

Bank Account – Committee suggests the bank account be changed to the Bankstown City Credit Union as we can get 4.75% on our money on call, therefore we should start making some interest on our balance.

Christmas Raffle- Peter will donate 6 bottles of wine and Bernie will work on a meat/ hamper to help out the bank balance. \$2.00 per ticket, will be drawn at Christmas. Will start selling tickets next meeting.

Scrapped Ferry – Kooleen is almost ready for sinking off the Northern Beaches.

Web Site – a friend of Bernie's, Michael the computer wizard will have a look at our web site as we now, finally (we believe) have all the details we need to access the site. Michael will also look at future AV night slide shows. Martin suggested once in, we should change all the passwords etc.

Cub BBQ – is still with Dave Burns, Peter will see him.

Club SCANNER – Martin wants to borrow, Bernie will chase.