SPD MEETING 21ST MARCH, 2005

Apologies - Phil, Glen, Evelyn, Nick, Peter & Warren

Incoming Correspondence – Bank statement, Ryde Underwater newsletter, Doubtless & Diving newsletter, Australia Post invoice for PO Box rental.

Minutes - Accepted by Robert seconded by Matt

Treasurer - Still looking into ING, will also have to check on a base account with no fees. Sue to check into St George

Photographic Officer - away.

Newsletter – Will have to get one out before the next meeting. Constitution change can be put in newsletter as acceptable advice to members.

If members provide input to the newsletter – that would guarantee a regular newsletter.

DIVE REPORTS - nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

Oztek Underwater Conference. Matt & Mark attended. Very interesting speakers – Neil Vincent, Neil Bishop (UK) Gordon Smith (re-breathers) etc etc etc. Photographic competition had approximately 50 entries, a few technical problems with the show meant that not all slides were shown. \$240.00 well spent. Lots of people attended, all conferences were full.

Re Constitutional change – suggested will use same wording as existing, with the changes to the date. To be voted on in May.

Members. Want to make your voice heard, turn up at a meeting – or put it in writing, or telephone the President.

BOC/ oxygen bottle. Thanks to Duane it has all been sorted. We again have an oxygen bottle.

Big M Storage – existing invoice runs out on the 13th April. Bernie to contact Glen re storage and to confirm the move.

Old treasury report – Sue to contact Lyn to see where the copy of previous reports are. We also need to chase the other years.

Dive Leaders - suggested anyone going for a dive, email details to other members so we can get together diving again.

Public Liability – contact AUF and advise them that our members numbers have dropped dramatically, which will need to be reflected in next years premium.

Membership fee's – suggested we put price up. Other Clubs are more expensive.

- suggested we leave prices as is and build the club up. The rubbish has been all but sorted;
- freeze the thought for now and re visit at the end of the year
- do it now while member numbers are low

To cover basic annual expenses – we need 37 members at \$30.00 to break even.

Suggested single membership \$40.00 and family membership \$60.00. We can show members the need for the increase – to cover basic costs.

Suggested – we go away, think about it and discuss it again at the next meeting.

Sponsorship – we cannot offer value for money at this time.