

Monday 18 May 2009 Meeting Minutes

Open Time: 8.10pm. Delayed Opening by Room not allocated by Club.

Welcome Life Members, Committee Members, Members and Visitors.

Present President Geoff Cook, Treasurer Mark Pinna, Life Members Peter and Joan Harper, Tom Byron, Members Mitchell Cook, Simon Gaylor, Matthew Pinter, David Beck, Alanna Doblinger, Mervyn Maher, Damien Siviero, Garry Ryder

Visitors Emma Birdsey, Brian Colwell and Jason Scotwelsh

Apologies: Jason and Nick Farlow, David Chillari. Rob Doust.

<u>Meeting Outline:</u> A short standard meeting unless there is anything major arising in General Business followed by a screening of the photographs entered in the April Round of George Roberts Memorial Photographic Competition.

Minutes There were no minutes taken at the last meeting.

<u>Treasurers Report</u>: Approx \$8470.28 in account. Expected change in balance this coming month with the purchase of the four trophies for the George Roberts Memorial Underwater Photographic Competition in addition to the perpetual trophies for the winners of the Novice/Open sections and Best Images

Correspondence

- o Please ensure that you have signed the attendance book regardless of whether you are a member or visitor.
- No Correspondence from S.C.A.N.
- Letter from Martin Kandalis regarding disqualification in Round one of George Roberts Memorial.
- o No New applications this month.

General Business

- George Roberts Memorial Underwater Photographic Competition for April 2009 was entered by 4 members in the Open Category and 7 members in the Novice Section. Judging of the photos was by Max Gleeson, former Photographic Officer Brian Colwell, Photo Journalist and Photographer Jenni Johnstone of Jindabyne and Geoff Cook
- o Scott Leimroth will resumed role of Editor of the Wet Rag. Gathering information for a new edition soon.
- o Former Club member Noel Taylor is admitted to RNS Hospital after a Motor Cycle Collision. Soon to have a bionic knee.

- o Bankstown Sports Club Memberships are \$12 and offer \$60 of vouchers at Birthday and Christmas. A good deal and pays for meals before meetings..!
- Contact to be made with Bankstown Sports Club regarding room allocation stuff ups for the 2nd month in a row.
- o Inquires needed to be made as to whether SPDC is still able to sell DAN travel insurance as Warwick needs coverage on 26/6/09 trip to Coolidge.
- O More people need to step up and organise a dive or two. Obviously there is heaps of diving every weekend but this there are people missing out on the opportunity. More communication on the forum or by email notifying members of proposed dives.

Up Coming Dives

Dive Reports

Warwick Obrien dived with Tom and Lee down at Jevis Bay. Excellent Conditions with great viz. Jason Scotwelsh dived on the weekend at the Arch at Bass Point with Leeroy. In and out over the rocks, great water conditions and viz.

Matt Pinter had been diving during the week with the University Dive Club and involved in seahorse rescue during a shark net change. Process of capture and relocation on new netting is still a little hazardous to the seahorses. Did 30 hours of videowork and should be a good bit of footage when finished editing.

Tom Byron dived Drum and Drum Sticks and a new shark gutter. Plenty of sharks and juveniles from 1 metre to a couple of metres in length.

Simon dived Jevis Bay. Water warm and clear. Going back this weekend and camping in the boats moored at Murray's Beach.

Nipper dived the Myola last week. 30+ metres of viz Dived with Damo on the Frenchman's Boat. Big current on deco. Did 40minutes on bottom. Damo took great photos which were displayed on screen. Tried to dive the Woniora without success because of the current. Redeployed to the Kelloe and again couldn't anchor. Then moved to the Annie M Miller.. Current still sucked and couldn't safely anchor and called it a day. Basically like Gilligan's 3 hour cruise and just as pointless....... Mitchell Cook did the Club double boat dive at Wollongong. Dived the Bombo in good seas. Viz was a little ordinary. But 8 members. 2nd dive on the North side of Toothbrush Island. Plenty to see and a great day out. Great organised day by Leeroy.

Damien Siviero. Lots of diving with Nipper. Tried to dive the Encounter on the weekend but unable to anchor in. Heading off to the US in few weeks to dive the Oriskini Artificial Reef and some cave diving in Florida.

Mark Pinna double dived with the club at Wollongong. Soon afterwards this caused a shift in the magnetic poles of the earth and water went down drains anticlockwise. He intends to dive again in the next 15 years at least once or twice.

Display of photos of the April Final Round of the George Roberts Memorial

Novice Results April 2009

| 1 st | Joan Harper | 6 Points |
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| 2^{nd} | Peter Harper | 5 Points |
| 3^{rd} | Simon Gaylor | 4 Points |
| 4 th | Bob Tomlinson | 3 Points |
| 5 th | Rob Doust | 3 Points |
| 6^{th} | Leeroy Ford | 3 Points |

Open Results April 2009

| 1^{st} | Damien Siviero | 6 Points |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| 2^{nd} | Neil Vincent | 5 Points |
| 3^{rd} | Theo Starr | 4 Points |
| 4^{th} | David Chillari | 3 Points |

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2009 George Roberts Memorial Photographic Open Aggregate Winner

Damien Siviero

2009 George Roberts Memorial Photographic Open Highest Scoring Image

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2009 George Roberts Memorial Photographic Novice Aggregate Winner

Joan Harper

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Todd Murdock

Meeting Close. 9.50pm.