



Monday 18th January 2010 Meeting Minutes

Open Time: 8.05pm Garrison Room

Welcome Life Members, Peter Harper and Joan Harper
Committee Members, President Geoff Cook Vice President Jason Farlow
Members,

Visitors, John Sumner

Apologies: Mark Pinna

Treasurers Report: Treasurers Report was not given as Mark Pinna has been called away at late notice. A current statement and report will be posted on forum later this week.

Correspondence

- Please ensure that you have signed the attendance book regardless of whether you are a member or visitor.
- Invitation by Matt Pinter for 6 day live aboard on the MV Kalinda from the 22nd to 27th April for \$1500 diving the Yongala.

General Business

- Membership reminders are to be sent this month to un-financial members.
- Mitchell Cook has a good deal to go paint ball skirmishing if there is interest then we will organise a social day in February. See Social Area in Forum
- Robyn Hewitt (Former SPDC Member) and Chicka have returned over Christmas to Sydney to recharge batteries at the end of a 27,000km, 190 day, off the beaten track trip through the wilds of Western Australian NW and SW coast. Caught up with former members Craig and Sue Collard who now live in Perth and work in mines. Both Robyn and Chicka are off again later this week for their next 5 month adventure.
- Weekend search for new wreck site off Lion Island heralded good results with a site now marked for test dive. Sydney Project's Magnetometre is a box of scrap and now-where near as good as the Mag formerly owned by SPDC.
- Executive cull of Club Records went well with Peter Harper Geoff Cook and Noel Taylor in charge. Records are in good order now with emphasis directed at AUPY, Financials, Wet Rags, Photographic history, Club Historical Records.
- Noel is going to copy all videos to digital format. There must be some good stuff there amongst it.
- U Matic ¾ Video is expensive to copy. Is an old format but there are 4 tapes that have caving and something else... Arrangements have to be made to view tapes and ascertain whether they need to be copies for records or trashed. Cost to copy is \$65 for 100 mins plus \$55 an hour. Peter Harper and John Sumner are going to look into other avenues. John has taken copy of Walluna Caves to make inquiries..

- MV Fairwind wreck story is coming together. More dives planned on new wreck in February. Story will be released in full soon afterwards. Damien tracked down the former ship's engineer that worked on the ship for two years up until a month before the ship sank. He is alive and well and living at Peakhurst and in fact was a diver. He is very interested in the unfolding story of his ship.
- Discussion at length at the over present position of some shops that have imposed ban on filling alloy scuba tanks. General opinion was that pre 1990 alloy cylinders have a recognised issue with cracks and possibility of explosion. But all known information was that alloy cylinders that were manufactured after 1990 in Australia of the 6061 alloy were of superior alloy and have no incidence of failure world wide and if in current hydro test should be considered safe.. This issue has been played out on diveoz but should become an issued that should be followed up through the S.C.A.N. committee.
- 2010 George Roberts Memorial Photographic Competition was opened and first round of entries are open . Cut off date of submission if February 21st 2010.
- Open Trophy has been collected from Damien Siviero. Joan will bring in the Novice Trophy.
- Permanent Trophies for Winners of 2009 are to be ordered this month.
- There are several membership applications and cheques to be picked up from P.O. Box.
- Dive Organisation has been taken over by Geoff Cook who has organised dives for the next two months.
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Comming Club Dives

These will be posted on the forum. And people that are interested should indicate their intention to attend. Dives will be filled in order of those indications as positions will be limited on some dives.

Saturday 30/1/2010	Hilda	8.30am	Meet Dolans Bay.
Sunday 7/2/2010	Wollongong Bombo or Toothbrush Club Boats.	9am	Wollongong Harbour
Saturday 13/2/2010	Night Dive Angels Garden	7.15pm	Cooks River Boat Ramp
Sunday 28/2/2010	Annie M Miller BBQ Afterwards	8.30am	Rose Bay Ramp.
Sunday 7/3/2010	Port Hacking Tuggerah	8.30am	Meet Dolans Bay
April 22- April 27 2010	Live Aboard Trip on M V Kalinda on the S S Yongola and others. Contact Matt Pinta.		

Meeting Closed. 10pm.