

NEWSLETTER

of the

VICTORIAN SUB AQUA GROUP.

December, 1960.

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NEXT MEETING:

to be held at 8.00 p.m. at Room 2, Savoy Theatre, City, on Friday 16th December.

With a little bit of luck this will be a Film Night so roll along prepared for another interesting evening.

Members with library books out are reminded to return them at this meeting; library books are available free of charge from John Driscoll but we do insist that they are returned at the following meeting.

Please fill in and return your Outing Questionnaire to Mr. F. Coustley at 5 Finch St., Bennettswood right now.

OUTINGS:

Pollo Bay: A rough time was had by all.....

Airey's Inlet: Sunday 18th Dec., Seven miles past Anglesea and 75 miles from Melbourne. Low tide about 4.00 p.m.; arrange transport at the meeting. With fine weather this should make a good ocean dive and picnic.

CHRISTMAS:

If you want to go diving over the holiday period we suggest you discuss details at the meeting. One suggestion put

forward is that a camping site be chosen somewhere down on the Peninsula so that members who can't get away for long can drop down and have a dive with the boys without having to travel too far. Further details could be discussed at the meeting.

King Island:

Bookings for the King Is. trip next Easter are filling fast. Make sure you don't miss out on an unforgettable trip. Book with Frank Coustley NOW.

TRAINING:

No more training will be held this year, but after the holidays, training in the sea will be resumed - probably at Brighton.

These training periods are mainly for novice divers to give them experience in the fundamentals of diving techniques, and to put members through their proficiency tests. New members will find details of these voluntary but recommended tests in their club handbook, yet to be issued.

BARBEQUE:

All who helped with the Barbeque certainly deserve congratulations, and none more than the Clarkes, who generously made their home available for the occasion.

The evening was perfect, there was food to spare, the drinks were laid on and so was the hi-fi for those who cared to dance. All in all - a really good turn.

DIVING EXHIBITION:

Once again the Group comes into public view - this time giving demonstrations in the de-luxe, heated pool in the Heart's Desire House on show at the corner of Collins and Exhibition Sts. in the heart of the City. The Appeal is to run for six months and we intend giving demonstrations every third week. (In the evenings only during the week and all day over the week-end).

Endurance Tests:

For added interest we are encouraging members to try for the underwater endurance record (with apparatus) at present standing at 101 hours 13 mins. as reported in the September issue of "Skin Diver".

During the week preceding Christmas, i.e. starting Saturday, 17th qualifying trials will be held where a member must remain underwater for eight hours to be eligible to use the pool for his actual attempt which will probably be held in January.

Divers will be given every assistance but will be expected to decide on their own methods and arrange their own air supply; a hookah unit will probably be available.

If you are interested in becoming internationally (in) famous, give Bill Kunert a ring at XF 6093 for further details and to arrange a suitable time for your qualifying trial.

TRACK SUITS:

These are now available in two styles, cotton and brushed nylon., from 75/-d. each. Place your order with Frank at the meeting or over the phone at 28-3910. The matching pocket badges are also available.

NEW MEMBERS:

If you are a new member and are in a quandary about equipment, etc., we suggest you approach one of the Committee members either at the meeting or on the phone and he will be only too happy to discuss things with you and advise on apparatus to suit your own particular requirements.

A folder containing all the latest commercial literature is also available for this purpose and can be browsed through at any meeting or other time arranged by ringing me (Peter Matthews) at 52-465

CHRISTMAS CHEER AND ALL THAT:

The Committee wish all a most enjoyable holiday wherever you may be heading and here's hoping for clear calm waters in the coming year.

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