VICTORIAN SUB AQUA GROUP

NEWSLETTER.

September, 1961.

MEETINGS:

The next General Meeting will be held at 8.00 p.m. in Room 2, Savoy Theatre, Russell St., on Friday, 15th September, 1961. General business will be concluded early as a film, "The Blue Continent" will be shown.

We have all been eager to see this film as it is one of the best underwater films made to date. Even though some of us may have seen it before this is the type of film that can be seen many times.

Dr. Hiscock of the Monash University will be present and he has a very interesting proposition for the Club.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Down comes the axe very soon !!!!!!

TRAINING:

Attendance at the training nights at the University Pool has really been good lately. Full credit must go to the diving committee for its efforts up there.

The next training nights are as follow:-September, 22nd; October 13th and 27th; November 10th and 24th. The Committee has decided that free training will now only be open to people who have joined the Group. This has been brought in to discourage those people who are just making use of the Group's free training and have no intention of joining. However, if a person wishes to do our training course and for some reason does not wish to join our Group, he will have to pay £5.0.0 for the lessons.

Members will still be permitted to bring a friend up to the University Pool but will be restricted to one shallow end of the Pool.

LECTURES:

The lecture given at the "Marine Study Group's meeting last month was about plant and fish life in the Bay. Although fairly technical, it was an extremely interesting lecture and I am sure we all learned something from it.

The next lecture will be held at the National Museum Theatrette, Monday 25th September. The subject is "Marine Stingers"

OUTINGS:

The outing to Lake Bullen Merri was cancelled owing to lack of support.

However the following one to Mornington made up for it as the Group turned up in force. It was good to see the reduced number of spearguns on this trip. At last we are finding other interests than spearfishing!!! Or perhaps it was that there weren't any fish there anyway!!!

Oysters were the main source of interest (financial and otherwise), and one member was last seen staggering across the bottom with a huge bag full of them. How were they, John???

The next cuting has been altered by popular request to Canadian Bay. The date is the 17th September. The turn off to the picnic area is 50 yds past the group of new shops on the main highway about 2 miles out of Frankston. We will meet at the picnic area at 10.00 a.m. and bring some chops for a barbecue lunch.

It is requested that members do not spearfish while using scuba equipment. Apart from being contrary to the aims of the Group you have a greater chance of spearing a fish in shallow water, breathing on a snorkel.

The following outing is on Saturday, 7th otober at Mount Martha. We will meet at the Mt. Martha boat shed at 10.00 a.m. and hire a few boats for the day. Those who were on the previous outing to Mt. Martha will remember how interesting this spot is.

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