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Victorian Sub-Aqua Group.

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NEWSLETTER

MEMBERS MEETING:

The next members meeting will be held at Scots Church Hall, 99 Russell Street, Melbourne on Friday 23rd May, 1965, at 8 p.m.

The folks who volunteered to bring supper are :-  
Rob. Bricker, Bill Gray, Margo Robertson,  
Annette Reynolds.

PAST OUTINGS Easter Trip - Green Cape.

This trip was, from the beginning, most unusual - especially for those members who travelled from Melbourne after 8.00 p.m. When most of us working Melbourneites had reached the proximity of Dandenong, hurricane strength winds brought the usual 60-70 m.p.h. traffic to a speed of not more than 20 m.p.h., and at times the road was completely invisible - covered with a thick sheet of dust. At this point, the writer was beginning to wonder just what lay ahead, not having been to Green Cape before, and with thoughts of the warnings about the Green Cape track in mind, things had begun to look rather grim.

Lakes Entrance was reached safely, however, though our car at one stage was nearly put out of action by a fallen tree. During the night at the Entrance the tent tried in vain to blow away, but undaunted by hazardous weather a certain well muscled gent (?) and others, held it on the ground.

It was expressed before our trip that the road to the Cape was rough, we found that this point had not been stressed too greatly. Ruts in the road were up to 12" deep in places, certainly not the place to take a new car.

Bad road and all, the trip was worthwhile. Fish were abundant and it is also amazing to note, very friendly, as several people found after feeding them by hand. Frank Coustley had a fan club of about 30 fish follow him to shore, to make sure they did not miss out on anything.

The water at the Cape was as clear as crystal. This afforded those interested in taking photographs perfect conditions.

I am quite sure everyone enjoyed themselves, from the early morning swims, to the late night campfires, and it is hoped that another trip to this paradise for fishermen is forthcoming again very soon.

#### FUTURE OUTINGS.

In the centre of the newsletter there is an outings list for 1965. It has been placed there for you to take out and keep for reference.

MAY 30TH. Popes Eye Rocks and Pt. Nepean.

Meeting Place: Queenscliffe Pier, 10,00 a.m.

Dive Captain: Mrs. Jan Watson, phone 3379263.

It has been discovered that we are unable to obtain the Ferry owing to the high cost involved. Further details regarding this outing will be given at the next members meeting. If anybody knows of a large boat that could be made available at a reasonable cost, please contact Mrs. Watson.

JUNE 12-14TH. Long Weekend - Portland.

The Group will be staying at Centenary Park, Portland, and anyone wishing to book a Caravan, is to contact, H. Fallander, Portland 113

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Are you one of these people????

R. Addison, T. Armstrong, L. Clarke, R. Cowley, K. Cowley,  
J. Driscoll, I. Davenport, J. Evans, L. Grant, R. Gardiner,  
J. Haywood, N. Knight, P. Matthews, O. Mashford, J. Noonan,  
L. Newman, B. O'Callaghan, G. Ryan, P. Reynolds, A. Reynolds,  
P. Robertson, E. Steet, P. Seton, A. Watson, J. Watson, K. Ward.

If so, your medical is due and the Secretary would appreciate your certificates by 30th June, 1965.

ARTIFICIAL SHOAL.

The Government has now granted the sum of £4,800 for an artificial Shoal to be established in Port Philip Bay. These are to be made up of concrete pipes supplied by Humes. Originally, car bodies were to be used, but it was found that these only had a life of approximately two years, but concrete pipes will last at least 10. More detailed information will be given at the next Members meeting.

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THEATRE NIGHT.

Your comments and suggestions are asked for in regard to the selection of a film for us to see.

The following appear to be the most suitable.

1. Fall of the Roman Empire -- Chelsea Cinema
2. The New Interns -- Rapallo
3. Good Neighbor Sam -- Forum
4. Bridge on the River Kwai -- Odeon
5. Tom Jones -- Esquire

CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Tentative arrangements have been made to hold the next Christmas Dinner at the Stamford Hotel, Stud Road, Rowville, on Saturday December 11th. If anyone has any objections to this venue, or any other suggestions as to where we could go, then please bring this up at the next meeting.

SOCIAL: Car Trial.

A record number of FIVE cars arrived for this social outing, and it was very disappointing. The time and effort put into this social event was considerable, and it is felt that more members should have put on that extra little bit of effort to attend. Thanks go to those who supported this event.

SECRETARY:

It is with regret that the Committee accepted the resignation of Margo Robertson as our Secretary. This leaves the Club without a Secretary and any person who feels he can give the time and effort would he please contact Frank Coustley, 283910. If this person could give the time but has no access regarding typing, the Committee can always arrange for the typing to be done by members of the club. YOUR HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED!!!!

WRECKS AROUND PHILIP ISLAND.

THE SWAN

This boat was being sailed to Melbourne in 1906 by its owner and Skipper, Johann Jansson and a crew of three. It was delayed leaving Flinlers and was well on its way when it was caught by a northerly gale near the Schank as night came on. It was reported later that she had been struck on the fore rigging on the starboard side by the coastal steamer "Queenscliffe" which had loomed up out of the night in the midst of the gale. The impact made a great hole in the Swan and she sank in a few minutes. The crew was saved but the cargo of wool was lost.

MAY -

30th Popes Eye Rocks & Point Nepean Boat trip on Ferry to isolated rockpile 2m inside Heads. Life jackets required.  
10 a.m. Slack water - Flood 2 p.m.

JUNE

12 - 14 Portland Has always been a good club trip. Centenary Park Camping Area.

27 Anglesea and Ingoldsby Reef Point Roadknight & boats to reef 3/4 mile offshore. Meet at Road-knight Car Park, 11 a.m.  
L.W. 2.30 pm.

JULY

11 Flinders West Head & Blowhole. Meet at crossroads in Flinders. 11 a.m.  
L.V. 3.30 p.m.

24-25 WE Mystery Trip (????) Dare you come on another Matthews-Noonan Mystery Trip?!  
Leave Camperdown 10 a.m.

AUGUST

- 8 Cape Schank Start limbering up those leg muscles.  
Meet at seaward side car park 11. a.m.
- 22 Rye Backbeach Ever dived just West of "The Divide".  
Meet cnr. Nepean Hwy & Canterbury  
Jetty Rd (Bus Stop 40) 9.30 a.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 4-5 WE Cape Otway Another interesting weekend? Leave  
Apollo Bay Rec. Resv. Camping Park  
10.30 a.m.
- 19 London Bridge Meet at nearby car park 10 a.m.  
(Portsea Backbeach)

OCTOBER

3. Fibermen's Point Good reef to 30' depth. Meet at car  
(Nornington) park, 10.30 a.m.
- 16-17 WE Bay of Islands Like crayfish? Meet at Peterborough  
(Peterborough) Post Office 11.00 a.m.
31. Diamond Bay Dived through Drum Rock yet? Meet cnr  
Nepean Hwy & St. Paul's Rd. 9-30 a.m.