



NQUEC

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, November 3rd, 2009
VENUE: Townsville Motor Boat and Yacht Club
ATTENDEES: Yvonne, John, Robyn, Ian, Irena, Amanda, Tony, Bill, Bob, Steve, Jane, Jeff, Andrew
MEETING OPENED: 7:35pm

1. **Apologies:** Mike, Simon, Jo, Marsha, Ray, Dave

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Read by Yvonne. Accepted as complete and accurate by Robyn, seconded by Ian.

3. **Mail**

Incoming: Australian Underwater Federation sent out information booklets about their organisation. These were handed out to club members.

Certificates for those who participated in the oxygen provider course were also mailed from AUF and handed out.

A letter from Bunnings Warehouse was received; they have accepted our application to hold a sausage sizzle. We have been allocated Sunday, January 17th.

Outgoing: None.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** The club currently has \$5911 in the bank account, with several cheques outstanding. Once these cheques have been cashed the club should have approximately \$4872.

5. **Equipment Officer's Report:** All equipment in working order. Yvonne reminded the club that we may be eligible for a donation of safety equipment/EPIRB from AUF. Yvonne agreed to look into the matter.

6. **Dive Officer's Report:** Mike absent.

Beamo trip: Beamo has had recent engine problems, and all trips were cancelled. Yvonne reported that the boat is being repaired, with a new engine installed, and should be ready for day trips soon.

Pelorus trip: John has suggested a trip to Pelorus Island for Australia Day. Australia Day falls on a Tuesday, therefore anyone wishing to attend may have to take the preceding Monday off. It was suggested that a better price for transport may be negotiated with Remote Area Dive. Alternatively, the club may be able to charter the Orpheus Island Research Boat (Challenger II) as was done on the trip in September.

Kalinda trip: Irena reminded the club that the Kalinda has invited us on trip to or from the Coral Sea in December. It is a 10 day trip. An email has previously been circulated.

7. **Social Officer's Report:** Dave absent. No report given.

8. Promotions Officer's Report: Simon absent.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle: The club will be holding a sausage sizzle at Bunnings on January 17th. Yvonne is to inform club members by email. Volunteers will be needed to work either a morning or afternoon shift. Please contact Yvonne by email if you can help out.

Flickr: Yvonne has established a NQUEC Flickr page, with club photos available to be viewed. A link has been emailed to all club members. A link will also be placed on the club website. If anyone has photos they would like to share, please contact Yvonne for instructions to do so.

9. Any Other Club Business: An email was sent to all club members announcing a sale at Aqua Sport. All club members are encouraged to stop in to the store and have a look.

An email was also circulated regarding the private sale of used dive gear. Any interested parties please refer to the email.

A committee meeting is to be scheduled for this month to plan events for 2010. All committee members will be emailed relevant information.

Irena reported that the recent glitch on the website, due to a Microsoft software problem which caused the navigation bar to go missing, has been temporarily repaired.

MEETING CLOSED: 8:20 pm