



**NQUEC**

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**NQUEC President's report  
August 2009- July 2010**

August 2009 was started by "Welcoming in the new committee", and anticipation for an active year for the club. August kicked off with two dive club weekends, with a volunteer's weekend to JCU's Orpheus Island Research Station and a reef and Yongala wreck dive trip on the MV Kalinda.

In September we celebrated the club's birthday with a big bash, and many thanks for the excellent door prizes. We had our first of three Pelorus Is dive club trips in September 2009 and again in May and July 2010.

Later in the year the Australian Underwater Federation (AUF) provided our club with new updated O2 resuscitation equipment, as well as vital training for several of our club members. Despite the increase in membership fees to have both AUF and NQUEC membership, we continued to have a healthy membership.

In March one of our members (Ray Boyes) flew to Brisbane to attend the AUF AGM where he gratefully accepted a new EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon) for use by our club.

In January we were successful with our bid to hold a sausage sizzle at Bunning's which raised a staggering \$1780. This was followed a successful garage sale raising \$655. Many thanks goes to Simon for holding the event again at his house, and also to all those who helped by donating items and for helping out at both events.

In June the club returned to the Yongala wreck and the reef for more fabulous conditions and diving.

The club ended the year on a strong financial situation balance of \$6970.

A good year of diving was had by those that participated and there are plans to dive new sites through new contacts.

I would like to take this opportunity to pass on my many thanks to the outgoing committee, and all the members who helped make it all happen.

I wish the new committee good luck for the upcoming year.

Cheers Yvonne