



# Surface Interval

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### RYDE UNDERWATER CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES for 2010-2011:

**Single \$85    Family Concession \$130    Social \$30**

*Membership renewals are due 30<sup>th</sup> June each year.*

Pro rata membership fees are available for new members joining during the year.

### EMERGENCY & INFORMATION PHONE NUMBERS

Diving Emergency Service (DES) within Australia	1800 088 200
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Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick	(02) 9382 3575
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Coast Guard Sydney Boating Weather	(02) 9337 5455
Coast Guard Sydney Boating Weather at 6.50 am and at 2 hour intervals	Radio 27 MHz
NSW Maritime Authority - Sydney Boating Weather	(02) 131 236 (opt 3)

**IF IN DOUBT - ALWAYS RING 000**

### BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS

Map Reference (2003 Editions)

	UBD	Gregory's
Bayview	118 H13	169 B12
Tunks Park	216 H3	316 C3
Kyeemagh	275 C12	404 C12
Gunnamatta Bay	334 P13	493 J13

## From the PRESIDENT

Dear Rucites,

It is with great pleasure I can at last announce that Daylight Saving is finally here. Gone are the days of heaters, wood fires and of course early sunsets. In its place comes balmy long days and just wonderful cool evenings. Just makes you want to get out on the water and dive, doesn't it.

Two week-ends ago we dived the Maroubra sharks. Several GNS were there but the water clarity made seeing them clearly very difficult. What did make the dive enjoyable was the antics of a whale which gave us a demonstration of what whales do best on the way to the dive site.

Last week-end 13 of us stayed in the dive lodge Marinka of Deep 6 fame made available to us. It was a big 6 bedroom house in Sanctuary Point and was just perfect for such an occasion. The weather was still making up its mind whether it wanted to be Winter or Summer but we managed to dive every day anyway.

I would like to thank Marinka for allowing the club to use her house and look forward to use it again in the future.

I would also like to thank Sue Newson of Crest Diving for her assistance in keeping our tanks filled and with weather forecasts. She went out of her way to be of assistance to us and look forward to seeing her again soon.

It is also an appropriate time for me to remind you that time is running out for those who wish to attend our summer camp at Currarong over this coming Christmas. So far I have received only one deposit and you only have till the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010 to pay to make sure you do not miss out on this wonderful annual dive fest.

See you all at our next general meeting on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Yours in Diving,

Peter Hardman.  
President

## From the EDITOR

A bit of a dry start of the month for me due to family visiting from overseas. Luckily I still had two dive reports to write. The club went to the snow (wet is wet) and also some good dives were reported.

Rob van der Zalm.



## From the DIVE OFFICER

### Dive Officers Spiel, October 2010

Divers,

We have certainly had a run of very ordinary dive conditions for a few months now. This month's diving has not improved those stats much at all.

Wanda's ran another dive to get to the sharks and we managed a trip there. The sea was a little rough getting there but quite flat at the sharks. We had the pleasure of sharing the site with a commercial dive boat and a multitude of divers prior to our dive, which left the



vis a tad murky. I believe there were 3 sharks in the big cave, but I only saw one venture out. Martin and I swam around to the other cave and I saw 2 sharks in there, but they swam off quite quickly.

Aria and Richard both managed some shore dives, looking for sea horses. The water still seems a bit cool at 16 degrees. Let's hope the diving at Jervis Bay during the October Long Weekend is something to rave about.

Ken Jackson,  
Dive Officer

	Date	Activity	Location	Contact
October	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup>	October Long weekend	Jervis Bay	Wanda Whittaker
December		Christmas Holiday Break	Currarong	Peter Hardman

## APRÈS DIVE

*By Natalie McCallum*

### Ski weekend Thurs 2 Sept to Sunday 5 Sept 2010

Bruce Spry set the anticipation & excitement by announcing via email if anyone was interested in going skiing in Sept to Smiggin Holes / Perisher. That was it, we were going! These areas were under watchful eye / ears on for the updated ski reports and it was looking good! ☺

The group who went were: - Bruce Spry, Wanda, Mal & Blake Whittaker, Herb Ilic, Natalie McCallum, Peter & Ylva Hardman, Mike & Alice Dickens.

Wanda kindly organised for a small group of us to stay at the Alpine Scouts Centre Lodge at Jindabyne (Jindy) on the Thursday night. Herb & myself drove down from Sydney (Herb flew in from the Gold Coast on Tuesday night) and we were greeted by Mal, Wanda, Blake, Peter & Ylva who ushered us into the cosy big lounge which had an open plan kitchen and dining area and then 3 bedrooms all bunk style with 2 bathrooms – ideal for a group get together. (Bruce, Alice & Mike headed down to the snow on Friday). It was then off to the local Jindy Bowling Club for a decent feed of lamb shanks & pasta with all you can eat salad, chips and veggie bar. Over dinner we discussed diving (of course!) and skiing and it was then that we heard that Peter and Ylva both enjoyed a few hours skiing at Thredbo (renowned for long, open runs). I think most of us were itching to get into those ski boots and glide along the snow!



After a good night's sleep in the warm lodge, we headed off to Smiggin Holes, first stopping off to get some ski chains for the car! Arrived at Smiggin Holes to a fair bit of snow – yippee! Off we went to the Snow Line ski rental shop (10% discount for those who were staying at Snowy Gums Lodge) and got our skies and boots. Then it was breakfast at Smiggin Hotel to get some energy and we discussed on how we were going to get Herb on his skies!

Mal took over and before we knew it, we got Herb onto the Kaaten Triple chair and whisked him up to the top of the run. Mal immediately started giving Herb some great ski lessons and off we went... I had to go back and change my boots as they were feeling uncomfortable and the next thing I saw was Mal taking Herb up on the Hume T-bar to a high drop off and thought "Oh no, Mal is not taking him on that ridge"!! Herb survived and was still smiling!

We were off zig zagging across to Perisher Mountain using a number of T-bars and a few ski runs to get to the Mid Station where we enjoyed a good cuppa of hot chocolate. The sun was out and the snow was soft – it was a great day with 6 hours of fine powered snow! After a few difficult runs, a few laughs and some good photo shots, Wanda decided to go and pick up Blake who was having some ski lessons. Mal, Herb, Peter, Ylva and I continued on a few more runs before heading across, zig zagging back to Smiggin Holes.

A great days skiing and we stumbled into Snowy Gums hotel with our skies and boots piled into the car. Peter and Ylva managed an extra run before deciding it was time for a beer! Whilst checking into the hotel, Bruce Spry clumped in after spending a few hours cross country skiing at Charlotte's pass and Mike Dickens skied at Perisher.



Dinner at Snowy Gums was great – three course meal – very delicious accompanied with some great South Australian wine. We all looked pretty healthy – red faces and white goggle eyes! We all retreated next to a great open log fire and out came this flash, silver, long brief case owned by Peter. We were about to play Poker and after a few instructions from Mal we were really into the game. ☺. The time was 10.30pm and after a few sleepy looks, Mal decided to finish the game – Aw – and I still had a few chips on my plate!!

The wind picked up during the night, blowing and howling and so the next morning – a few of us slept in! There were a few questioning faces, deciding on when we were going to venture into the rain, wind and cold. During a full yummy all you can eat breakfast, we had a mini committee deciding that we would wait a few hours to see if the wind would subside and the rain to turn to snow. At lunchtime I received a message from Peter saying that he and Ylva were venturing out into the rain / sleet and cold and so Herb and I joined in.

We hung around the Smiggin Holes T-Bar as some T-bars were closing and enjoyed a few hours skiing before a huge puddle in the entrance to the T-bar prevented us from going any further and that too was closed. Thanks to our \$4 ponchos and a few funny stares from the elite skiers, these ponchos kept off some of the rain!

Dripping wet we went back to Snowy Gums, dropped off all the gear into the drying room, received a message to say all the others were hanging out in the bar having beers & wine. We decided to have a quick dip in the spa and sauna before realising shortly after there was a power failure! Fortunately the showers were still hot!

Again, we sat around the open log fire and enjoyed a social chat with candles lit everywhere before enjoying another delicious 3 course meal and wine. The power came back on shortly after the entrée followed by a few cheers and then it was back to playing poker with Wanda and Ylva enjoying a few cocktails!

Next morning, opened the curtains and we saw snow – WOW! but it was blowing 45 / 60 knot winds which was a real shame as we all wanted to get out there and ski. I think Peter and Ylva

ventured out for an hour before deciding that the snow was too wet and slow. Peter, Herb and Bruce were ferried to pick up their cars at half way down the base of the mountain. On the way back to Snowy Gums there was a huge sign to state that all cars except 4W's had to put on the snow chains. Peter helped Herb put on his chains in the blistering snow, sleet and gale force winds. It was a first time experience for Herb to put on the chains. Thanks Peter! ☺



It was a great four days in the snow and what's more Herb had never seen snow falling before! ☺

Many thanks to Bruce Spry for organising this trip, Wanda Whittaker for organising the Jindy accommodation, Mal Whittaker for his Ski & Poker lessons, Peter for bringing in his flash brief case and for everyone that came along. ☺

### WORKING BEE – SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER

To get the RUC TUB and trailer ready for a great summer, the club has planned a Working Bee. Please come and join the fun, learn something and pamper our asset.

When: Saturday 30 October  
Time: from 8am until around noon (late comers are still welcome)  
Where: at Ken Jackson's place

### WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Ryde Underwater Club wear: [http://www.xpp.com.au/29/kitz\\_range.php](http://www.xpp.com.au/29/kitz_range.php)

Blue Ring Octopus as pet:

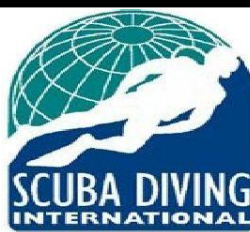
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtH\\_Eg7QvxU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EtH_Eg7QvxU)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyjQCkLsNKU>

HMAS Adelaide update

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/stories/2010/09/15/3012667.htm>

<http://www.hmasadelaide.com/media>



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## DIVE REPORT – HENRI HEAD (15 AUGUST)

*Rob van der Zalm*

The forecasts leading up to this Sunday were mixed, blue sky and strong winds, but from the West and the indication that the waves will be low. Sounds great as we plan to dive Magic Point and provide Spot A Shark – who did a great presentation at our club meeting the next Thursday – with the latest photos of the Grey Nurse Sharks. Arriving at Kyeemagh, the sun is nowhere to be seen. Unfortunately, Michael drops in to cancel his dive due to a head cold. This leaves Wanda, Ken and I. Botany Bay was reasonably flat with a strong wind in the back, encouraging. Unfortunately, when we steered the RUC Tub out into the ocean, it was clear that the swell from the North East would spoil anchoring at Magic Point. We decided to dive in the Bay and after some searching anchored at the pointy end of Henry Head. The gear-lines showed the incoming tide, so we cautiously went down the anchor line. The water was a bit nippy at 15 degrees Celsius and the viz around 6 meters. With the help of a come-back line of Ken we explored the rocky reef upstream, staying close to the rocks to minimise the impact of the current.



We saw, Blue Groper, Moray Eel, Stripey, Porcupine Fish, Eastern Smooth Box fish, *Ceratosoma amoenum*, *Chromodoris splendid* and *Pteraeolidia ianthina*.



After the 45 minutes dive, we steered the boat to the beach next to Bare Island and enjoyed coffee and beautiful Chocolate & Caramel slice provided by Wanda. It was actually hot in the sun and out of the wind. A pleasant way to have your Sunday morning coffee.

After the boat was back on the trailer we spotted the dark band of clouds approaching that caused serious rain/hail in parts of Sydney in the hour following. No problem as we already had our fun.



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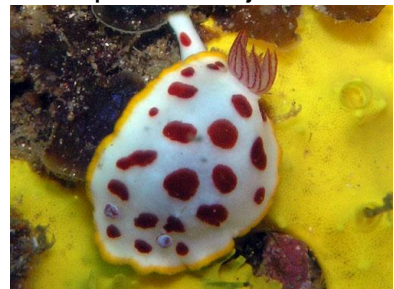
## DIVE REPORT – SHELLY BOMMIE (28 AUGUST)

*Mike Dickens*

It was my first time on the TUB for ages and I was looking forward to the dive, but not the winter morning experience at Tunks Park. However, the sun was filtering through the trees and the boat ramp was not covered in frost. Bruce Spry and Richard Ling were gearing up. I soon got going up and we got the boat in the water.

The original plan was to dive at Old Man's Hat, but when we got there after avoiding an Indian oil tanker and its two tugs, we decided that the conditions were likely to deteriorate while we were down below. So we headed for Blue Fish Point and eventually decided to drop anchor on Shelly Bommie. We could see the bottom and quickly got into the water.

The bottom was a mixture of large rocks and open kelp. There were quite a few juvenile fish around at first and very few larger species. Bruce did claim to see a PJ that Richard and I failed to see. We eventually came across isolated Morwongs and Sergeant Bakers as we moved north into deeper water. There was a considerable amount of growth on the kelp, but few fish. Then I spotted my first nudibranch of the day, white with dark brown spots, *Chromodoris splendida?* (Editor: correct)



As we wandered on, ever mindful of Bruce's line, we were back into the boulders and came across a shoal of Old Wives slowly drifting on the currents. I spotted Richard lying on the sand and when he came up he signalled shark to me. It was a fair sized PJ in a crevice little more than 0.3m high. Photo opportunities were limited due the amount of sand in the water. Soon after we found a small sponge garden, the type that looks like waving white gloves.



Then I encountered a small nudibranch family group, one parent and three small offspring. They were the spiky type of nudibranch, *Pteraeolidia ianthina?* (Editor: correct again) We were found by a number of Blue Gropers who were interested in us more than we were interested in them. Soon after Bruce decides he is getting a bit low on air, indicates he is turning round and starts to reel in his line. Richard and I slowly follow him back as it is easier than navigating back to the anchor on our own.



Once back in the Tub we got down to munching on some biscuits. Pro-Dive gave us a wave as they cruised by and then we hauled up the anchor, but the engine would not fire. After multiple attempts to start it, it suddenly fired and burst into life. Once we left the shelter of the cliffs we realised that the conditions had deteriorated and the ride back was rough on the open sea and did not ease until we were well inside the harbour. A good decision to go to Shelly Bommie instead of Old Man's Hat!

All that was left were air fills and complimentary coffee at Southern Cross divers.

Thanks to Bruce for DALing, towing and cleaning the Tub.

## Nudibranch hunt with Ken Thongpila

As we thoroughly enjoy Port Stephens during the annual trip each June Long weekend with the club, I decided to pop up for a weekend with just the family. We stayed at Salamander Bay, but it was clear to my wife that the weekend would include an attempt to see the *Nembrotha Rosannulata* found of Cabbage Tree Island. Alas, after 4 years of attempts, the weather caused this attempt to fail as well (swell in excess of 3 meters). Anyway, Port Stephens has some great shore dives, so the gear was loaded into the car. The day before, I organised to dive with people at the local dive shop to have a buddy. The trip to Salamander Bay takes just over 2 hours with the F3 road works finally completed.

Blue skies on Saturday morning got me excited, but my heart really started racing when the car didn't start 45 minutes before high tide..... Luckily with the great local help, I was on time at the drive shop. As usual, there was a flurry of activities, mixed with a relaxed atmosphere. The group wouldn't do the Pipeline – my preferred site – but I was just happy to dive. They then asked me if I was taking a camera. When I confirmed this, they pointed to a person away from the group and said, he wants to do a photography dive too. When he introduced himself as Ken, I immediately recognised him as a Nudibranch hunter from the many photos he has posted on the Nudipixel website (see: [http://www.nudipixel.net/photographer/ken\\_thongpila/](http://www.nudipixel.net/photographer/ken_thongpila/)). With over 150 species photographed, Ken was the ideal buddy for me. We agreed to dive the Pipeline and drove the 100 meter down the road to the water. To our surprise, we were the only divers there. Well, we didn't complain.

I geared up and I checked my Canon A540 with strobe to see Ken set up his Canon 500D with light and 2 strobes. OK, I still have some items on my wish list...

The water wasn't as cold as Sydney the week before (17 degrees Celsius) and the viz about 10 – 12 meters. It took Ken about 10 seconds before he pointed out the first Nudibranch. This was followed by about 2 minutes of panic on my side as the buttons to activate the flash and macro settings didn't respond. After a few times turning the camera off and back on, all started to work again (unfortunately, I now only have a blurry photo of a nudibranch I hadn't photographed before... ☹).

From here, I had the time of my life, taking photos of Cuttlefish, Girdled Pipefish, leather jackets, Seahorse, Eastern Smooth Clingfish, Decorator Crab, Octopus, Flatworm, ohhh and 10 species of Nudibranch (including 2 types of Sea Hare). A better macro facility on my camera would have been handy as some of the Nudibranch were on the wrong side of 1 centimetre. Unfortunately, I was getting low on air and we had to abandon the dive after 72 minutes. Ken was happy to dive again the next day, but I indicated that this was a family outing and could not guarantee a second dive. We exchanged phone numbers just in case.



After raving about the dive for most the rest of the day, my family voted for me to have another dive on Sunday morning, while they enjoyed the beach, yeah. A quick call to Ken and we agreed to meet at Fly Point 15 minutes before high tide.

Unfortunately, the next morning started with overcast and even some drizzle. No beach for the kids today. After they dropped me off at Fly Point, I could see a dolphin patrolling the area. We joked with the half a dozen divers in various stages of gearing up and said: “quick get your gear on and you can swim with the dolphin”. We decided to go out and follow the 10 meter ledge to the West. During the dive I saw 8 species of Nudibranch, plenty of fish, a lobster, Moray Eel, a large Stars-and-Stripes Toadfish, Dusky Butterflyfish and a Shovelnose Ray. Finally I was encircled by a small group of Yellow-tail Kingfish.

But the highlight was a school of Pomfreds, or more precisely, the dolphin that made two passes at the school only about 4 meters away from me. With the camera on macro and the speed of the dolphin, there is no photographic proof, even to Ken who missed the encounter only 2 meters away from me watching the rock wall. Luckily the dolphin was still around when we exited the water to add to my case. As I was removing my fins at the exit in 1 meter of water, I just had to shoot a video of the more than 100 large fish – mainly Silver Bream – that casually moved around just meters from the shore.

I can't wait to get back to Port Stephens!!!



## WET CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2010

DATE	LOCATION	CODE	DEPTH (approx)	MEETING TIME & PLACE	DIVE ACTIVITY LEADER (DAL)
Sat 2	DAL's Choice				
Sun 3	The Duckenfield	R	24m	8.00am Tunks Pk	
Mon 4 PH	Shelly Reef	R`	20m	8.00am Tunks Pk	
Sun 10	The Colours	R	26m	8.00am Tunks Pk	Garry Bronatowski
Sat 16	Dee Why Wide	R	26m	8.00am Tunks Pk	
Thu 21	Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club	M		Denistone Room @ 7:30 pm	General Meeting
Sun 24	Minmi Trench	R	20m	8.00am Kyeemagh	
Sat 30	Thursday Reef	R	22m	8.00am Tunks Pk	Ken Jackson

**CODES:** C = Commercial Operator    M = Meeting    N = Night Dive    R = RUC Tub    S = Shore Dive

## OCTOBER TIDES

Sun 31		Remember to ADD ONE HOUR										☉ Fri 1		Sat 2					
Time	Ht											Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
0225	1.21											0123	1.10	0241	1.11	0700	0.61	0815	0.61
0801	0.60											1340	1.49	1453	1.52	2041	0.48	2149	0.41
1427	1.54																		
2116	0.36																		
Sun 3		Mon 4		Tue 5		Wed 6		Thu 7		☉ Fri 8		Sat 9							
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht						
0355	1.19	0456	1.31	0547	1.45	0024	0.16	0108	0.13	0151	0.14	0233	0.19						
0933	0.55	1041	0.45	1142	0.33	0635	1.59	0722	1.71	0808	1.80	0855	1.84						
1603	1.59	1704	1.67	1800	1.72	1238	0.23	1332	0.15	1427	0.12	1519	0.13						
2247	0.32	2338	0.23			1851	1.74	1942	1.71	2032	1.63	2123	1.52						
Sun 10		Mon 11		Tue 12		Wed 13		Thu 14		☉ Fri 15		Sat 16							
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht						
0316	0.27	0400	0.37	0445	0.47	0001	1.18	0100	1.12	0207	1.09	0315	1.12						
0942	1.84	1029	1.79	1117	1.70	0532	0.57	0628	0.64	0732	0.69	0844	0.70						
1614	0.18	1708	0.26	1805	0.36	1208	1.59	1304	1.49	1408	1.41	1515	1.37						
2215	1.40	2307	1.28			1905	0.44	2009	0.50	2110	0.53	2204	0.52						
Sun 17		Mon 18		Tue 19		Wed 20		Thu 21		☉ Fri 22		Sat 23							
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0952	0.67	1052	0.61	1143	0.55	0619	1.43	0654	1.51	0727	1.59	0800	1.64						
1615	1.37	1706	1.39	1749	1.41	1227	0.48	1307	0.42	1345	0.37	1423	0.34						
2250	0.49	2330	0.45			1830	1.43	1906	1.43	1944	1.41	2021	1.39						
Sun 24		Mon 25		Tue 26		Wed 27		Thu 28		☉ Fri 29		Sat 30							
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht						
0211	0.39	0245	0.42	0321	0.45	0402	0.49	0448	0.54	0011	1.18	0115	1.17						
0834	1.69	0911	1.71	0950	1.71	1033	1.68	1121	1.64	0544	0.58	0648	0.61						
1501	0.32	1542	0.32	1626	0.34	1715	0.37	1809	0.40	1215	1.60	1317	1.56						
2100	1.35	2141	1.31	2225	1.26	2315	1.22			1910	0.41	2015	0.40						

Time in 24 hour clock, height (Ht) in metres above Chart Datum, *red for low tide* and *blue for high tide*.

Times stated are Australian Eastern Standard Time. During **Daylight Saving Time** (when in force) one hour needs to be added to the times stated.

## WET CALENDAR – NOVEMBER 2010

DATE	LOCATION	CODE	DEPTH (approx)	MEETING TIME & PLACE	DIVE ACTIVITY LEADER (DAL)
Sat 6	The Valiant	R		8.00am Bayview boat ramp	Ken Jackson
Sun 14	The Cathedra Long Reef	R		8.00am Tunks Pk	
Thu 18	Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club	M		Denistone Room @ 7:30 pm	General Meeting
Sat 20	The Duckenfield	R		8.00am Tunks Pk	
Sat 27	The Colours	R		8.00am Tunks Pk	

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### NOVEMBER TIDES

		Mon 1		Tue 2		Wed 3		Thu 4		Fri		● Sat 6	
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
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		0917	0.55	1027	0.47	1131	0.36	1230	0.27	0659	1.80	0745	1.87
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		2212	0.31	2302	0.27	2349	0.25			1926	1.51	2017	1.46
		Sun 7		Mon 8		Tue 9		Wed 10		Thu 11		Fri 12	
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
0202	0.32	0246	0.38	0330	0.45	0416	0.53	0503	0.60	0030	1.17	0124	1.16
0832	1.90	0918	1.88	1004	1.82	1049	1.73	1135	1.62	0554	0.66	0651	0.71
1510	0.16	1600	0.21	1649	0.27	1739	0.35	1829	0.43	1222	1.51	1314	1.42
2109	1.39	2159	1.32	2248	1.26	2338	1.20			1919	0.49	2011	0.52
		☉ Sun 14		Mon 15		Tue 16		Wed 17		Thu 18		Fri 19	
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
0222	1.18	0319	1.23	0412	1.31	0458	1.40	0539	1.49	0617	1.58	0026	0.45
0756	0.73	0905	0.72	1012	0.68	1111	0.61	1201	0.53	1246	0.46	0654	1.66
1413	1.35	1515	1.31	1614	1.30	1706	1.30	1753	1.31	1837	1.32	1327	0.39
2100	0.53	2148	0.51	2232	0.49	2313	0.47	2350	0.46			1918	1.32
		Sun 21		☉ Mon 22		Tue 23		Wed 24		Thu 25		Fri 26	
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht
0101	0.44	0139	0.44	0218	0.45	0301	0.46	0347	0.48	0439	0.51	0000	1.27
0731	1.73	0810	1.78	0850	1.81	0933	1.82	1019	1.80	1108	1.76	0535	0.54
1407	0.33	1447	0.29	1530	0.27	1615	0.27	1703	0.28	1755	0.30	1200	1.69
2000	1.32	2043	1.31	2128	1.30	2215	1.29	2306	1.28			1848	0.32
		Sun 28		☉ Mon 29		Tue 30		Remember to ADD ONE HOUR					
Time	Ht	Time	Ht	Time	Ht								
0100	1.29	0202	1.34	0303	1.42								
0638	0.57	0747	0.58	0901	0.56								
1258	1.61	1401	1.53	1509	1.46								
1945	0.34	2040	0.35	2134	0.36								

Time in 24 hour clock, height (Ht) in metres above Chart Datum, *red for low tide* and *blue for high tide*.

Times stated are Australian Eastern Standard Time. During **Daylight Saving Time** (when in force) one hour needs to be added to the times stated.

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## CONTRIBUTE TO SURFACE INTERVAL

Regardless of whether you have been on an exciting dive lately or just been surfing on the internet, if there is something you would like to share with your fellow club members, why not contribute to the next edition of Surface Interval.

Just e-mail your contribution to the editor either as an attachment, or in the body of the message. A page is around 1,000 words and the closer you get to that (or 500 for a ½ pager), the better. There's a word count function in MS Word under the "tools" pull-down menu, which does the job for you.

Remember articles submitted may be posted to the Club's website.

## SURFACE INTERVAL DEADLINE

The deadline for each issue of Surface Interval is the third Wednesday of the preceding month. That means

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Our club also organises weekend and holiday trips to interesting dive locations north and south of Sydney. A variety of social activities are organised throughout the year for members and their families.

Our club conducts meetings at **7.30 pm** on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday** of each month at:

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**New members are always welcome to attend our meetings and join in with our activities.**

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