



Surface Interval

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RYDE UNDERWATER CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES for 2011-2012:

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

Membership renewals are due 30th June each year.

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

EMERGENCY & INFORMATION PHONE NUMBERS

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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

As most of you know a few of us have recently returned from a trip to the Solomon Islands staying at a dive resort called Uepi. The trip was organised by Herb Ilic of Palm Beach Dive Centre (who is about to move down to Sydney along with Natalie McCallum) and was comprised of 5 RUC members and 12 other divers from Queensland.

The diving was superb to say the least and the resort was great. It was not a restful holiday but the memories will stay with us a long, long time. Nat, Herb, Ylva & I intend to show the best of our photos at the next club general meeting and I promise not to show all 900 of my photos again.

We have also just returned from the October long week-end dive trip to Sanctuary Point at Jervis Bay. Whilst we only managed to go diving once on the Saturday due to the not so friendly weather, all 11 of us had a wonderful time. The divers lodge at Sanctuary Point is capable of taking up to 19 people and is very well suited for a group such as ourselves.

We still need a magazine editor so come on put up your hand, you know you should. The club doesn't just happen by itself. It takes people who are prepared to put in so they can get back.

Christmas at North Haven is not far away and we only have 3 sites left, so if you intend to come better let me know ASAP.

See you all at the next general meeting to be held at Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club on Thursday 20th October at 7.30pm

Safe diving

Peter Hardman
President

From the EDITOR desk

Finally, the weather is getting diver-friendly. September has given us a few lovely dives. I can't wait the wait for the water to warm up.

Snaps to Richard Ling who wrote a dive report for the magazine in record time!

Remember: we still need someone to put their hand up as Magazine Editor! Don't be shy, have a go!

Aria Lee.
(caretaker)



From the DIVE OFFICER

Dive Officers Spiel, October 2011

R U C sters,

Another month has come and gone and the Glorious rain remains. The calendar is full for the next month. DALs names in the calendar are always welcome so call me. Call me if you can organise any of the dives.



The October long weekend was well attended. We stayed at Marinka's dive lodge at Sanctuary Point. A nice big house with lots of beds and it is quite comfortable. A good decision was made staying there, as the weekend was quite wet. It was much better than camping. The one dive we managed at the docks was enjoyable in warm sunny conditions. Then the rain started.

When I picked up the keys from the Deep Six dive shop, Marinka donated a few dive items for us to raffle off in the club. So thanks to Marinka at Deep Six -West Ryde for that and look out for the raffle at the next meeting

Don't forget about the Xmas break. We are heading North to North Haven, just south of Port Macquarie. It is a great spot and there is a good Grey Nurse dive spot that can have great visibility so come along, and collect some Nurse teeth from the bottom.

Ken Jackson,

Dive Officer

Month	Date	Activity	Location	Contact
October	Sunday 16	Charity Bike Ride	Sydney to Homebush	Natalie McCallum
December	26/12 – 2/1	Christmas away trip	Beachfront Holiday Park North Haven	Peter Hardman

APRES DIVE

Social Officer – Natalie McCallum

Finally, the social side of things kicked into gear and we started off with a winter/spring warmer at the Avari Indian Restaurant at Baulkham Hills on Saturday 17 September.

15 of us enjoyed a tasty array of mixed entrees and pappadums followed by several main dishes and various Nan breads all washed down with our BYO wines and beers.



In all, a good social night with great food ☺

Coming up next month:

Don't forget the NSW Spring Cycle event which is taking place on **Sunday 16 October** – the website is <http://www.bicyclensw.org.au/content/springcycle>
You can join myself and Herb for a casual 55km ride or opt for the shorter ride at 16km.

November – Saturday 12th - “Cage of Fear” DVD Night

Come along to 7 Yeramba Place, Rydalmere – BYO chairs and drink. Pizzas will be ordered for those that would like to join in. We will watch a thrilling 40 mins documentary of how the shark cage was built and experimented – See the white pointers thrashing around with Herb in action!

December – Saturday 3rd or 10th – XMAS BBQ

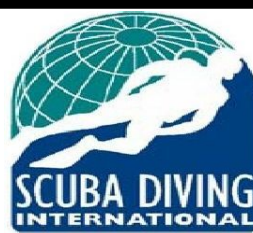
Date to be confirmed by the next committee meeting and the venue may be at Meadowbank Park at the end of Bank Street which has plenty of parking, two play grounds for kids, several BBQ hot plates, benches/tables under shelter, toilets and views over the river. Come along to the great annual event.

If you have any ideas of what you would like to do please let me know. ☺

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

Maritime Heritage NSW:

<http://maritime.heritage.nsw.gov.au/public/welcome.cfm>



Extend the range of your diving with courses from TDI/SDI. Email info@.tdisdi.com.au

DIVE REPORT – GORDONS BAY (Father's Day)

Rob van der Zalm

What a beautiful morning. Blue sky and a Father's Day breakfast in bed. And then going for a dive at Gordon's Bay at a civilised time. Only Aria had no other plans. The swell was slowly moving from SE to E/NE ensuring that the entry/exit point didn't get the direct waves, always handy if you have a rocky entry point.

The water was a respectable 16.5 °C and the visibility a 15 – 20 meters, making it very hard to lose each other while making photos. The visibility also emphasised that Gordon's Bay is not known for its large schools of fish. It was more the kelp dwellers we spotted, a large Catfish, a smooth Boxfish and the necessary Cale, Wrasse and Mado.



Then there was this Rockcod that wanted to show us his trick and to be fair, we were very impressed. We didn't spot any Cuttlefish, Octopus or Blue Groper.

We were of course more focussed on finding nudibranch. The hunt started very slow when Aria finally spotted the first. At 10-12 meters only one other nudibranch was found so we moved back to the nudi-wall at 7 meters depth. Not much more, so to the 5 meter ledge. Here we had more success. We hung around till we were low on air and had to return to shore.



For those interested, here are the species found on this dive:



Bullina Lineata (seaslug)



Ceratosoma amoenum



Chromodoris thompsoni



Glossodoris angasi



Glossodoris atromarginata



Hypselodoris bennetti



Jorunna Sp.



Pteraeolidia ianthina

Unfortunately, there were no new species among them for me.

DIVE REPORT – CHOWDER BAY (11 September)

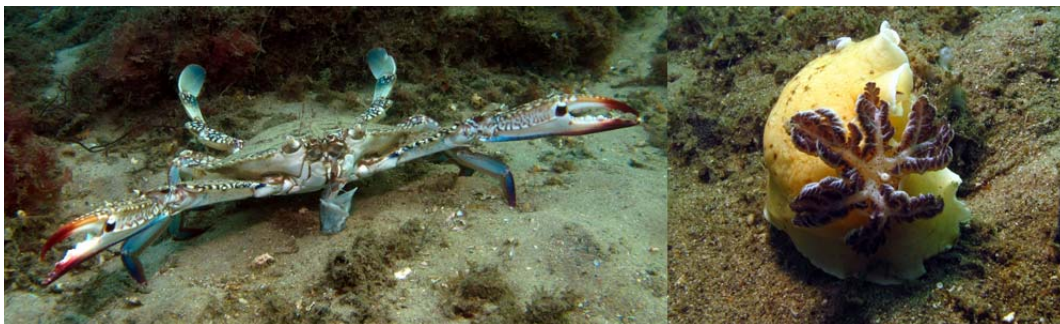
Aria Lee

As part of my course in Marine Science, I was required to spend the weekend on a field trip at the Sydney Institute of Marine Science (SIMS) at Chowder Bay. After we were released from the lab, a friend and I went for a dive. Though not an official RUC dive, this was too spectacular to leave out of the magazine.

Firstly, the weather was gorgeous. The dive was preceded by lying on the wharf, soaking up the sun and watching some PhD students hard at work hauling around buckets of water for their experiments.

When we had enough of the sun, we jumped into the crisp 17 degree water for our dive. The viz was 10m and everything was brightly lit. We first came across a moray eel sharing its cave with a banded coral shrimp. This crustacean was amazing to look at. They have long thin claws that stick out along with their long white antennae. I had never seen one before.

After nosing around the pier, we swam out across the sand towards the Clifton Gardens nets. We came across a starfish walking around, as well as a pipehorse lying camouflaged in the sand. When we reached the nets we started seahorse spotting and managed to find quite a few, including a black seahorse. A nice surprise was seeing a large crab munching away on a piece of fish. We also saw a metre wide bullray, with its tail missing, swimming around.



The highlight of the dive was the black frogfish resting underneath the pier at Clifton Gardens. It was about 10cm in length and when I poked it, waddled a few steps before settling down again. It was extremely difficult to photograph, due to its blackness. Flash too lightly and you just see a black blob, flash too strongly and everything around the fish is overexposed. I have to say that the fish was very tolerant of the flashes going off around it.



All in all, an excellent dive. We must arrange a RUC dive at Chowder Bay very soon.

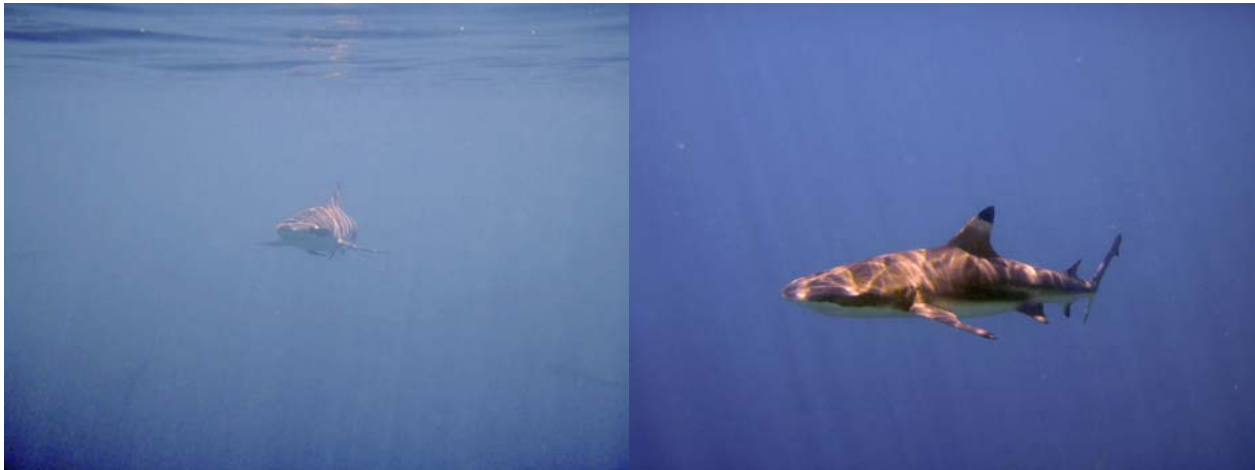
DIVE REPORT – UEPI – SOLOMON ISLANDS (September 2011)

John Strickland

All the overseas trips that I've done over the years have all been good even excellent but for a few "but fors". But for the weather, but for the hard beds. This trip however was a beauty. If I had to find a "but for" it would have to be the cold showers which were somewhat fresh to say the least but hey we're in the tropics. Get used to it.

It all started at Brisbane airport where we boarded the Solair flight to Honiara. Here us five RUCites renewed old friendships and made a few more with the Palm Beach mob over as many free drinks that we could get out of the airline. From Honiara it was a 50min flight to a muddy old paddock called Seghi airport with a terminal building the size of my garden shed. From there we were met by the Uepi staff and transported to the resort by dive boat.

On arrival at the welkom jetty we were warmly greeted by Jill the owner. The first thing that you notice at the Welkom jetty is the large number of sharks cruising around in the shallows and when Jill mentioned that the snorkelling off the jetty was very good, the uninformed would have to question her attitude towards her guests! And as we were to find out later the snorkelling was very good although we were advised not to jump in as they used to feed the sharks and they had learnt that splashes usually meant food. However the shark feeding had to be stopped after one idiot last year got very drunk and threw himself in and promptly got bitten on the face and had to be evacuated.

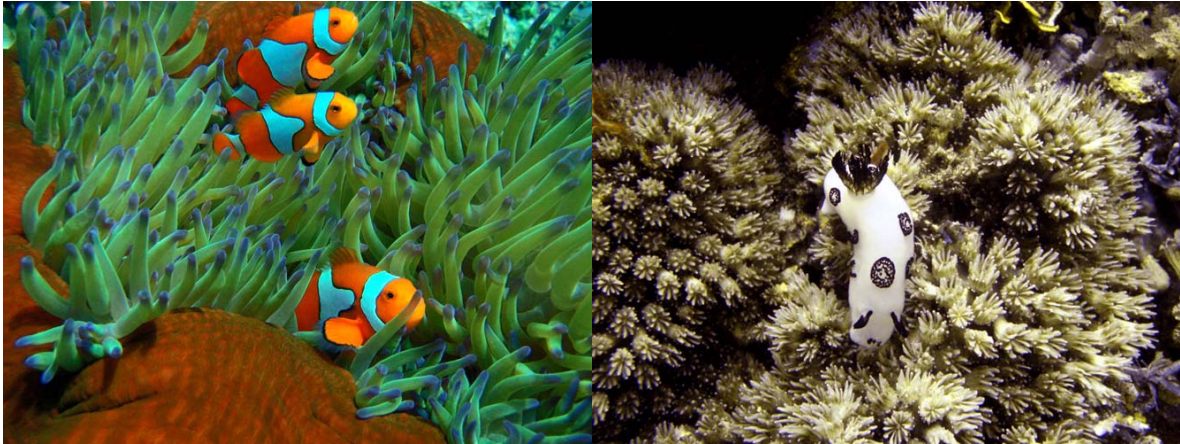


The resort was world class for a wilderness area with comfortable cabins, "but for" the cold showers all with verandas excellent views and hammocks. The bar and dining room areas were all open, cool and with million dollar views and the food was absolutely stunning with fabulous soups, three or four main dishes including mud crab every day, baby lobster, fresh fish caught that day, salt & pepper squid, chicken sate and deserts – you name it we had it. First time in my life I could not finish a mud crab, (mind you I was helping Peter finish his as well).

Oh yes, we did a bit of diving as well. The first five dives were typical coral reef dives with heaps of large luxuriant gorgonian fans, hard and soft corals of all shapes and size and a vivid array of all the colours of the rainbow. They were all vertical walls or drop offs going from a few feet under water to unfathomable depths of the abyss and if you look sea wards you can't help but marvel at the deep blue that just goes on forever with visibility only limited by the amount of light that can penetrate the depths.

Two of these dives were drift dives from Uepi Point back to the resort taking advantage of the incoming tide. This passage wall meets the floor at about 50m & has an amazing array of large gorgonians, huge amphora basket sponges, soft coral trees & small hard corals as well as an abundance of reef fish including butterfly-fish, basselets, anglefish, unicornfish, surgeons, fusiliers,

wrasses and clownfish. All this made all the more exciting by being buzzed by the resident reef sharks. Big hammerheads and large shoals of pelagics are often seen here and after our first drift Jill & Grant (the owners) went for a dive in the deeper water off Uepi Point and came back with spectacular video of a whale shark worthy of any T.V. doco.



The sixth dive was a bit different as we went to Deku Dekuru which included a series of caves & cavern systems. These caves & caverns provided spectacular & beautiful coral reflections framing the overhead green jungle against the blue sky. The “Dark Cave” as it is known leads you through an enclosed tunnel that emerging you from the darkness into the bluest of blue ocean water.



John Strickland

Stay tuned for UEPI – SOLOMON ISLANDS Part 2 in November’s Surface Interval

DIVE REPORT – JERVIS BAY (1st to 3rd October)

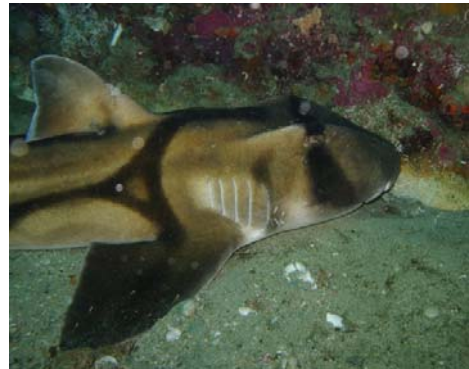
Michael Moore, images by Ken Jackson

Pete organised a house from Deep 6 owner Marika for the October long weekend at Sanctuary Point, Jervis Bay. Splitting the costs made for economical accommodation with a good level of comfort which was a good thing, as the weather forecast was not conducive to a good diving weekend.

The Jervis Bay dive weekend was well supported with member's present being Peter and Ylva, Malcolm and Yuni, Ross and Susan, Dave Wood, Ken and the Moore family. With Ken, Ross, Mal and my family arriving on the Friday night we were well fed and rested by the time Saturday morning came around. Ken planned for a 0730 start from the house to ensure we missed most of the bad weather forecast to roll in later in the day.

After paying the parking fee and launching the boat at Murrays beach which is close to Bowen Island, we loaded the rest of the dive group (Mal, Ross, Susan and Ken) at the wharf and took off to Point Perpendicular to find a dive spot. After some deliberation and considering the weather conditions we decided to go west along Point Perpendicular to find a more sheltered spot inside the bay.

With a growing swell and brisk wind we decided to split the dive group into two sessions with Ross and Susan going over the side first while we waited topside. On their return Ken, Mal and I made for the bottom in water that showed 14.7 degrees on the boat sender unit and 16 degrees on the dive computer. (Sue at the dive shop where we got tank refills noted a water temperature of 15 degrees on her boat).



On the sand bottom we checked the anchor and Mal proceeded to give the flathead sheltering close by a flatter head with his camera tripod leg. Ross had played out a guide line to the reef so we all followed the line to begin our exploration of the reef structure. Ken found a nice sized Port Jackson shark sheltering in a cave and Mal spotted a large ray which swam past behind Ken and myself while we were exploring inside the cave. There were a couple of large goupers that made our acquaintance and followed us for some distance. There was the typical small fish life around the reef but it was quite sparse. Ken found a Port Jackson shark egg which I had not seen before.



Forty minutes later and once back in the boat it was decided by Ross and Susan who were now partly frozen that a return to the boat ramp "post haste" was in order. Mal had in mind to do a 360 photo shoot of us on the boat but due to our fellow divers' discomfort he decided against it.

The weather closed in at midday and no other diving was undertaken over the following two days.

At the house we all banded together to share the chores, cook good dinners and serve desserts. Lots of laughs and bantering were the order of the day/night. Pete put on a

slide show for us showing his recent dive trip and Mal showed off his spectacular 360 degree photo works which really is amazing stuff. The house with the wash room facility and drying room out back was certainly convenient as all the kit was washed and hung up with lots of room to spare. On Monday morning with the wind and seas still high, we decided to return with the boat to Sydney, as no other diving would happen.

Although only one dive occurred due to the elements it was still a very pleasant weekend and that's what a club is all about.

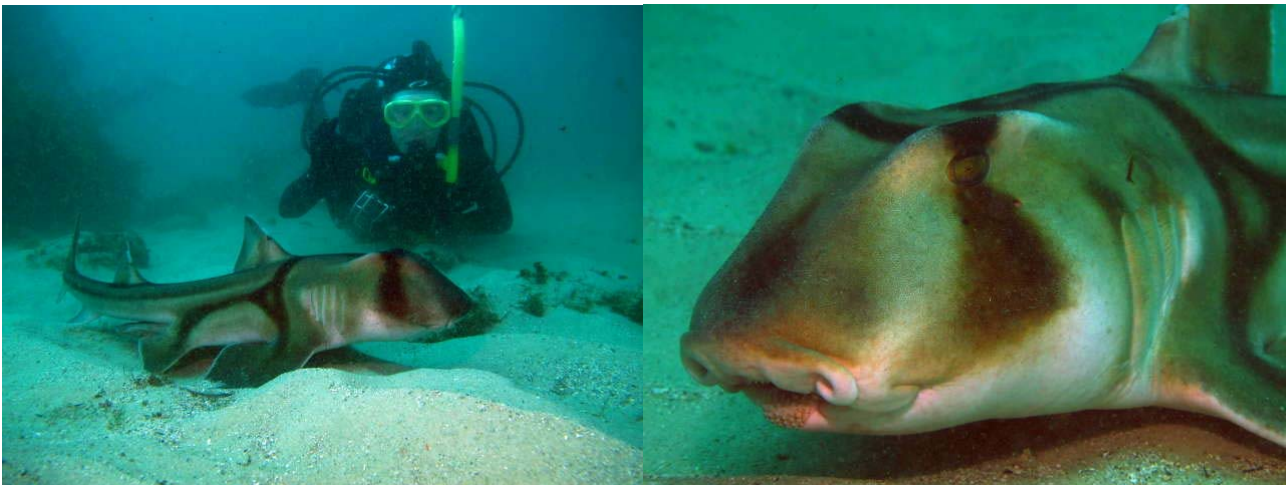
DIVE REPORT – SHELLY BEACH (3rd October)

Richard Ling

While some of our more intrepid members spent the October long weekend in Jervis Bay, Aria organised a shore dive for those of us staying behind in Sydney. The weather for the long weekend was pretty miserable (so what's new?!) with strong winds and big seas, and there were initially doubts about the dive which was planned for Monday morning. But these doubts were dispelled when six keen RUCites showed up at Shelly Beach to find fairly calm water, no wind and even a few rays of sunshine breaking through the clouds!

In attendance were Aria, Nat, Richard Ling, Diego, Mike Dickens and Aria's friend Nora from uni who like Aria is studying marine biology. So we had no doubt we'd be able to identify any critters we saw!

We decided to head down the right hand side along the rock wall and look for weedy seadragons. The water was refreshing (that means freezing) and fairly clear near the shore, but got a bit murkier further out with some surge from the small waves that were breaking over the rock wall. On the way we saw the usual wrasses, luderick, sergeant baker, a red rock cod pretending to be invisible, and a big friendly blue groper. Further out in the deeper water we found a large number of Port Jackson sharks lying round on the sand (it's their breeding season now). There were also a few wobbies scattered here and there among the rocks. All were happy to pose for photos.



Nat and the Port Jackson shark

Sadly some poor RUC members are still diving in wetsuits (snigger) and the cold water took its toll on them, so we turned around before we reached the deep water where weedy seadragons live. On the way back, in spite of poor visibility and surge, we found a lone black-margined nudibranch *Glossodoris atromarginata*, a swimming anemone *Phlyctenactis tuberculosa* (looks like a dollop of baked beans), an interesting ascidian *Botrylloides* sp., and the blue groper again (or rather, he found us!)



Anemone



Ascidian



Nat and the grouper

Afterwards we relaxed with a coffee at the Sandbar Café, before heading into Manly for a quick bite of lunch and to soak up the atmosphere of the Manly Jazz festival which is on at this time every year.

Overall it was a great dive and a great way to spend a morning. For me it was definitely the highlight of what was otherwise yet another pretty miserable long weekend!

WET CALENDAR – OCTOBER 2011

DATE	LOCATION	CODE	DEPTH (approx)	MEETING TIME & PLACE	DIVE ACTIVITY LEADER (DAL)
Sat 1	Jervis Bay W/end	R	20-30m	Sanctuary Pt	Peter
Sun 2	Jervis Bay w/end	R	20-30m	Sanctuary Pt	Peter
Mon 3	Jervis Bay w/end	R	20-30m	Sanctuary Pt	Peter
Sat 8	Maroubra Sharks	R	16m	8.00am Kyeemagh ramp	Natalie McCallum
Sun 9	Thursday Reef	R	24m	8.00am Tunks Pk	
Sat 15	Minmi Trench		20m	8.00am Kyeemagh ramp	Ken Jackson
Thu 20	Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club	M		Denistone Room @ 7:30 pm	General Meeting
Sat 22	Osbourne Shoals	R	20m	8.00am Gunnamatta Bay	
Sun 30	Blue Fish Point		18m	8.00am Tunks Pk	

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

OCTOBER TIDES

Sunday 30		Monday 31		REMEMBER DAYLIGHT SAVING								Saturday 1	
Time	Height	Time	Height									Time	Height
0401	0.38	0454	0.47									0424	0.30
1031	1.88	1125	1.78									1052	1.80
1715	0.20	1815	0.29									1728	0.22
2317	1.32			2330	1.35								
Sunday 2		Monday 3		☉ Tuesday 4	Wednesday 5		Thursday 6		Friday 7		Saturday 8		
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0515	0.41	0030	1.23	0140	1.16	0255	1.14	0404	1.18	0500	1.25	0545	1.33
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1832	0.31	1245	1.63	1352	1.54	1504	1.49	1612	1.47	1707	1.47	1754	1.47
		1942	0.39	2053	0.43	2158	0.45	2252	0.43	2337	0.41		
Sunday 9		Monday 10		Tuesday 11		☽ Wednesday 12	Thursday 13		Friday 14		Saturday 15		
Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
0015	0.38	0047	0.37	0118	0.36	0147	0.36	0216	0.38	0246	0.41	0318	0.45
0624	1.41	0700	1.48	0732	1.54	0804	1.58	0836	1.61	0909	1.63	0944	1.63
1226	0.46	1306	0.42	1344	0.38	1419	0.36	1456	0.35	1533	0.36	1612	0.39
1834	1.47	1911	1.47	1945	1.45	2020	1.42	2056	1.38	2132	1.33	2211	1.28
Sunday 16		Monday 17		Tuesday 18		Wednesday 19		☉ Thursday 20	Friday 21		Saturday 22		
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0352	0.49	0430	0.54	0514	0.59	0033	1.13	0137	1.12	0248	1.16	0353	1.26
1020	1.60	1100	1.56	1147	1.52	0607	0.64	0712	0.66	0825	0.64	0938	0.50
1654	0.42	1740	0.47	1833	0.50	1241	1.48	1344	1.46	1452	1.47	1558	1.52
2252	1.22	2339	1.17			1935	0.51	2040	0.48	2140	0.42	2232	0.34
Sunday 23		Monday 24		Tuesday 25		Wednesday 26		☉ Thursday 27	Friday 28		Saturday 29		
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0448	1.39	0537	1.54	0007	0.21	0052	0.18	0137	0.19	0223	0.23	0311	0.29
1044	0.47	1143	0.35	0625	1.68	0713	1.81	0800	1.90	0849	1.94	0940	1.94
1657	1.58	1752	1.62	1239	0.23	1334	0.14	1429	0.09	1523	0.08	1618	0.12
2321	0.26			1845	1.64	1938	1.62	2031	1.56	2126	1.49	2221	1.40

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 2011

DATE	LOCATION	CODE	DEPTH (approx)	MEETING TIME & PLACE	DIVE ACTIVITY LEADER (DAL)
Sat 5	Long Reef			8.00am Tunks Pk	
Sat 12	Dee Why Wide			8.00am Tunks Pk	Ken Jackson
Thu 17	Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club	M		Denistone Room @ 7:30 pm	General Meeting
Sun 20	Maroubra Sharks			8.00 am Kyeemagh	
Sun 27	Inscription Point			8.00am Kyeemagh	

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NOVEMBER TIDES

		Tuesday 1		Wednesday 2		☾ Thursday 3		Friday 4		Saturday 5			
Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height		
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	0550	0.55	0653	0.62	0800	0.66	0911	0.67	1016	0.64			
	1220	1.66	1319	1.53	1424	1.44	1528	1.38	1625	1.35			
	1915	0.37	2015	0.43	2112	0.47	2201	0.48	2246	0.47			
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1115	0.59	1204	0.53	0625	1.54	0700	1.60	0733	1.66	0808	1.69	0843	1.71
1715	1.34	1800	1.34	1247	0.47	1327	0.41	1403	0.37	1440	0.35	1517	0.34
2326	0.46			1841	1.34	1920	1.34	1958	1.33	2035	1.32	2114	1.30
Sunday 13		Monday 14		Tuesday 15		Wednesday 16		Thursday 17		Friday 18		☾ Saturday 19	
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0250	0.49	0328	0.51	0409	0.55	0455	0.58	0015	1.21	0114	1.22	0216	1.28
0919	1.71	0958	1.70	1039	1.66	1123	1.62	0548	0.62	0649	0.64	0800	0.63
1556	0.35	1637	0.37	1721	0.40	1810	0.42	1214	1.57	1311	1.52	1415	1.48
2154	1.27	2236	1.24	2323	1.22			1903	0.42	2000	0.41	2056	0.39
Sunday 20		Monday 21		Tuesday 22		Wednesday 23		Thursday 24		☉ Friday 25		Saturday 26	
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0318	1.37	0415	1.50	0509	1.64	0600	1.77	0021	0.28	0111	0.29	0200	0.32
0913	0.58	1024	0.49	1129	0.38	1230	0.26	0651	1.88	0742	1.96	0833	1.99
1522	1.47	1628	1.47	1730	1.48	1828	1.48	1327	0.17	1421	0.12	1515	0.11
2150	0.35	2242	0.32	2331	0.29			1924	1.47	2019	1.45	2114	1.42
Sunday 27		Monday 28		Tuesday 29		Wednesday 30							
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0251	0.36	0342	0.42	0434	0.48	0527	0.56						
0923	1.97	1013	1.90	1102	1.80	1151	1.66						
1606	0.14	1658	0.20	1749	0.28	1839	0.37						
2207	1.38	2300	1.33	2352	1.30								

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.

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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 **3rd 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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