



Vice Presidents Report 2021-2022

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As Vice President of the club, it has been my role to oversee the safety of the club, coordinate grants, and to assist the president with the running of the club when needed.

Away Trips

In total 7 away club trips were organised in the past 12 months including a 7night New Year's Trip.

The club continues to maintain a great relationship with the University whose research station the club uses for the Coobowie/Edithburgh trips.

Grants

Since the last AGM, the club applied for 3 grants:

- Recurrent grant through Adelaide University Sports which assists the club with ongoing operating expenses
- Club Development Grant through Adelaide University Sports that supports the development of members. Members were approved subsidies for
 - first aid
 - seamanship and
 - rescue course
- Club Active Grant through the state Government Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing.
 - In this instance the club was unsuccessful in obtaining a grant but has received a grant in 2020 that was used to purchase epirbs and life jackets for the boat.

Safety

Over the past 12 months there has been strong emphasis on safety following some near misses in the previous year. A number of safe dive practice principles have been published on the club's Facebook group to remind members. This included night diving and diving off boats.

There has been greater emphasis on ensuring members carrying adequate safety equipment on boat dives which include SMBs and dive computers.

The club has recently run a boat dive for new members and a skill training session to get members familiar with the club boat and provided an opportunity to brush up on their navigation skills.

The committee is screening new members in regard to their dive experience, skill level and recent dive history, particularly for advanced and remote dive sites.

As a result, several members have been asked to brush up on their dive skills if they haven't dived for an extended period of time before joining the club on boat dives. Some members, particularly on

the New Year's Trip couldn't dive advanced sites due to their certificate level and recent dive history which did not meet the club's policy.

This is a reminder that the policies are in place to ensure diver safety and are followed/enforced by the committee. After all we like members to have a good time, enjoy their dives and return safely.