



MEETING MINUTES – SEPT 2025

Date 25/9/2025

Location MS Teams (online)

Attendees Kimberly Lanter (KL), Phillip Good (PG), Frauke Ixfeld (FI), Keith (K), Jules Page (JP), Lexy Shonefeld (LS), Mark Thiele (MT), Tate Wray (TW)

Apologies Raoul Hoffmann (RH), Mark Man (MM), David Juskiewicz (DJ), Erin Ring (ER), Helen Armstrong (HA)

Proxies: N/A

Meeting Start: 6:13pm

1. Previous Items / Progress from Last Meeting

1A. MUEnSA Collaboration - WA Clean-Up Week October 2025

- **KL** The tentative location is South beach. However, it is not really a dive spot.
- **LS** suggested Omeo wreck as it allows MUD to be more engaged.
- **JP** Ammo jetty is better than Omeo, Omeo has a lot of seaweed, making it harder to see trash and it is not as accessible. Ammo jetty also has a lot of trash. However, Ammo jetty can be extremely busy with a lot of fishermen, making it dangerous for divers.
- **FI** If we want to go in the water, we should choose a site where we are comfortable going with people.
- **JP** Go to an area where there aren't many people on the beach.
- **FI** and **JP** suggested Ammo Jetty as Parking is near the beach
- Ammo Jetty was decided as the next Clean up location.

1B. Collaboration with a Swan Dive instead of Perth Scuba

- **JP** There has still been no response by Perth Scuba.
- **FI** received a request from Swan Dive to give an opportunity for student divers to get their Open Water License.
- **FI** We should create an expression of Interest to see how many people are interested if we were to offer this for MUD members.
- **FI** If Perth Scuba falls apart, we can collaborate with Swan Dive during the summer months.

1C. Sustainability grant

- **FI** Sustainability event, two events fully funded. 1: Shark and ray workshop which can be held at the tavern. 2: Artistic event where students can create art out of trash collected during dives.
- **FI** May get more funding since not many clubs applied for the sustainability grant.
- **JP** Saturday at the tav is not a good idea, Friday and Saturday have the least number of students. The best day would be Thursday.
- **JP** Should be doing it in week 12, week 13 and 14 students will be too caught up in examinations, week 14 is halloween week.
- **FI** From the last cleanup where we collected a crab net, Olivia crocheted a coral effect before and was thinking of making an art project with the crab net using collected trash from the cleanup dive. Will be 100% funded by her. Does not have to be in September, can be in November or December etc. Need to discuss when to do it. Considering doing it after examinations.

2. Treasurer's Report

- **No items raised**

3. Upcoming Events

3A. Dive Trip Planning

- **FI** suggested including more shore dives as the summer months are approaching and a lot of members have emailed saying that they would love to have more shore dives.
- **TW** asked if anyone wants to accompany her to recce the divesites before hosting a dive there.
- **LS** said that she can follow as she is still new to Perth.

4. Social Media

4A. General Engagement

- Try to engage more with our members via social Media
- The group considered asking the Murdoch University Social Media Team for help with promoting our events as not many people know of MUD

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5. Additional Items

5A. Equipment Care

- **PG** Concerned about the BCDs, most people are unaware that they have to flush out the BCDs.
- **PG** We have to be more vigilant about accepting returned BCDs and educate more people on how to clean BCDs.
- **FI** and **LS** emphasize the importance and how to clean equipment after dives.

5B. Club credit card

- Role of the next treasurer was discussed, in the case that **HA** is unable to continue taking the role
- **JP** and **PG** are comfortable with holding the credit card as long as they are not doing the treasurer role as well.
- The committee agreed that **PG** will take the role of holding the credit card.

5C. Student Abroad Collaboration

- **FI** was approached by Student abroad, to host a cleanup dive event to get international students more aware about the environment in Perth.
- **TW** a lot of international students are keen to dive but don't know where to start.
- **FI** we could ask Murdoch University Social media team to help advertise and reach more people.

If we have at least 16 people, each person can have \$150 off their Open-Water Dive course with Swan Dive.