

	<u>ACTION</u>
<p>1. <b><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></b></p> <p>1.1 Eventually interest on the trip on Samudera Quest at the end of October evaporated and so did not proceed.</p>	
<p>2. <b><u>WELCOME</u></b></p> <p>Twelve members attended with seven guests including Nigel Thomas of Two Fish Dive Resort, Manado, Tony Wu, underwater photographer and Edmund Tee, editor of FINS magazine. During the evening Andrew Townsend joined FFD as a new member.</p>	
<p>3. <b><u>PRESENTATION</u></b></p> <p>Nigel and Tony gave a most interesting and enjoyable presentation on diving in North Sulawesi and more specifically the Two Fish dive operation where a number of FFD members have visited previously. There will be a club trip there in 2005.</p>	
<p>4. <b><u>2005 DIVE TRIPS</u></b></p> <p>Members discussed options and the following locations came up for further investigation.</p> <p>a) Maldives Liveaboard 26/3 to 2/4 – already booked with several places remaining.  b) Bali  c) Manado – best time is June to Sept.  d) Seychelles – Whaleshark tagging in October  e) Palau  f) Trik Lagoon  g) Puerto Galera, Philippines  h) Local trips to Tioman, Aur etc and also Diving the Repulse.</p>	PB
<p>In terms of planning dates good options for 2005 utilising public holidays include :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sat 5 Feb to Sun 13 Feb, Chinese New Year utilizing on 3 days off work.</li> <li>- Good Friday 25/3 enabling a long weekend (This is the time of the Maldives Trip)</li> <li>- Mon 2 May, public holiday for a long weekend</li> <li>- Mon 23 May, public holiday for a long weekend – provisionally targeting for Manado</li> </ul>	
<p>5. <b><u>QUIZ</u></b></p> <p>The diving general knowledge quiz was won by Jon who claimed his torch as first prize.</p>	

**6. TREASURER’S REPORT**

Netting off the deficit at British Club FFD has around SGD2300 at its disposal.

**7. LUCKY DRAW**

SGD110 was collected and three lucky members walked away with prizes.

**8. NEXT MEETING – CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Members generally agreed that there should be a party along the lines of that held in June. Of the available dates mentioned Sat 18 Dec was preferred. An organizing committee will need to commence work immediately and volunteers should contact PB before 5 November after which he will not be available for 10 days whilst on the FFD trip to Raja Ampat.

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**9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

9.1 The trip Tshirt relating to the ‘Whaleshark Trip’ on 25-26 Sept will be ready in a few days and will be distributed to those who were on the trip at our next meeting.

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9.2 The “Raja Ampat Expedition” Polo shirt will be handed out on Friday 5 November as we set off on our journey to darkest Irian Jaya.

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