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18th January 2012

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Divers: Sam Baxter, John Murray

Dive: 14 M. 45 minutes

Large Reef Balls moved from (3) to (18). Broken chain repaired between (3) (4) & (5)

Chain needs replacing at this section

An unmarked drum located in 11 M water near drum (5). Drum perpendicular to the wall to the sand. Another task

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21st January 2012

(400)

Divers: Sam Boker, John Murray, Peter Howard.

Dive: 8 M 50 mins

New chain laid bet ween
(3) (4) & (5). 1/2 bucket of
chain left by (5).

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12th February 2012.

(401)

Divers: Jon Rowe, Peter Howood,
Simon Blainey, Dave Costani,
Mike Burnett, Sam Baxter

Depth 12 m 45 minutes

Jon + Pete needed the
train. identifying areas where
chain need repairs.

(402)

Simon + Dave laid section
of chain around (18). 1/3 of
a bucket of chain left at
(18)

(403)

Mike + Sam laid section of
chain. Connected one end
to reef ball at (11) and
headed east. Connected other
end to a drum (standing on end)
- possibly an isolated drum -
to be investigated next dive.

18th February 2012

(404)

Divers: Sam Baxter, Simon Blainey
Peter Howard, Mike Burnett,
Jon Rowe

Dive: 11.0 meters 56 minutes

Sam Baxter & Simon Blainey took 2
buckets of chain to (5). Moved
some yellow chain at (1). Checked
chain around (18) and is now in
good repair from (18). To the "huff
valley" (17). Chain is buried for

(17) → (16)

Peter Howard, Mike Burnett, Jon
Rowe did a "noted slate" (405)
dive. Noted (11) lost chain from
last dive and took chain back
to trail. (11) to be relocated.

1st April 2012.

(406)

Divers: John Murray, Sam Baxter

Dive: 13M - 62 minutes

Completed a circuit of the chain. Set out 3 new buoys at the S.E section of the chain and shackled a broken section in the same area. Noted a broken/missing section between (5) & (6) which needs about a metre of chain to complete.

(407)

Divers: Simon Blainey & David Costani
Completed an anti-clockwise circuit of the chain. Noted 3 new buoys in the SE section of the chain. Observed chain to be all in pretty good condition. Found a vest mounted compass in good condition if any club member needs one.
Telemetry available at
<http://develop.church.org/dives/14>

15th April 2012

Divers; Sam Baxter, Russell Standish, Simon Blainey, David Costani, Mike Burnett, John Murray, Peter Howard, John Rowe

Dives:

- SB/RS ① 14M. 57 minutes (408)
- SB/DC ② 12.2M 61 minutes (409)
- MB/JM ③ 13.5M 52, 13.5, 60 (410)
- PH/JR ④ 14M 57 minutes. (411)

② 2 buckets of chain to drum (17). Gaskets chain back to ③ and in reasonable condition - 2x2M legs of chain spawed in ⑤ - ⑥ regw. Bucket of chain left at ⑤. Large dump of excess sludge between ③ - ④.

④. Another nice slate dive - New boulders located east of ①

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~~24 June 2012~~ 13th May 2012 (412)

Dives: Mike Burnett, John Murray, Simon Blainey

Dive: 42 minutes 14.1M

Strong westerly breeze warmer in than out. Bay sheltered but sea rising offshore. Chain laid out from 2-4 buoys stored around (15)? from (15) towards (14). Did not get quite to (14) before air ran out. Connected a new buoy half way along and tied and lashing buoy tethered to the existing buoied chain to the new bit. There are now buoys about every 10 metres between (15)? & (13)? which makes crossing this section a bit easier (viz today was good) Rejoined break in chain near down (21) but chain broke again close by. This section looks good with large chain but it is in poor condition as most links have rusted through. From (22) to (1) looks pretty good. Did not go beyond (13) to don't know how good it is.

24th June 2012

(413)

Divers: Nils Fohal, Simon Blainey
Mike Burnett, Russell Standish
Sam Baxter

Dive: 60 minutes 13M.

Rece dive, followed chain doorman
Chain is intact from (3) doorman
across the sand and for the next
2 or 3 drums before it deteriorates
(I think (3) has shifted East closer
to the pot path area, and could
also not find reef ball adjacent (3)
2 drum. One or more in recent storms
were righted. Sorted out some
tangled sections around the start
of the sand area and early
reef sections, including duplicate
chain sections which have been
uncovered after several years
I have mostly given up (Sam
Baxter) trying to I.D. locations by
drum numbers as confusion
abounds! Looking forward
to getting the new (and finally
agreed) numbers in place soon

8th July 2012

(4/4)

Divers: John Murray, Sam
Bocter

Dive 60 minutes 14M

Set out the temporary numbers
as follows (1 & 2) followed
by (25) to (14) going clockwise
and (4) - (5) anti clockwise
Will aim to complete the
remainder on the next
dive (Tuesday morning)

10th July 2012

(415)

Divers: John Murray, Sam
Boxter

Dive: 14 metres 73 minutes

Replaced a section of chain (15M)
on the weedy area SE section of
trail using one of the half fuel
buckets of chain already in the
water. Set out remaining temp.
numbers as follows 6-8 anti-
clockwise. At this stage the next
down we reached (after 8) was the
one we previously worked as 14 -
top of sand dunes so there are five
drums (9-13) which we either ~~worked~~
missed or have gone walkabout. Note
that 7 was buried below sand
so we attached the marker to a nearby
and marker 8 was also attached to
a buoy half way across the gully.
(I believe, Sam Boxter there is a
drum somewhere under there. So before
we get a fixade from John
Rowe on what a hopeless
job we have done suggest
we get a dive in to review

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(Change) correct all the missing
ones under direction from
the original trail office & A
construction. Sea breeze is
forecasting good dive conditions
for next 7 days so when you
have shaken off your cold
John R and Jerry a trip
up to the big smoke give me
a call.

12th July 2012

(416)

Divers: Sam Basster

Dive: 55 minutes Depth 14M

Conditions looked close to perfect to day so I decided to dive 6B

Mapped out a full circuit of wooden trail markers. See attached spreadsheet for details. I took your advice John

VR and marked down all the details on a slate. I think we should be able to use the details to assist in planning re-setting the

wooden markers to align to the correct drums. Hopefully by reading the attached spreadsheet and notes and comments you will be able to visualise where

each of the current wooden markers are placed and work out the easiest way of getting them back to where they should be.

If anyone has the time and patience it should be possible to draw an overlay of these measurements on the

original trail map and work

out the necessary revisions.
By way of explanation: S (Sam
Baxter) swam anti clockwise. S
noted the depth of each marker,
the (approximate) initial direction
of travel from one marker to
the next, and the distance
from one marker to the next. S
did not have a tape measure
with me, so measured the distance
in kick cycles - S thinks each
kick cycle is fairly close to a
metre (as evidenced by the total
distance being 572 kick cycles).
The dive was done 2 hours after
low tide, so the depth measurements
reflect that. Give me a
call if this does not make sense.
There are several long stretches without
a marker where S thinks we
used to have a drum in the
past (notably 18-19, 21-22), so either
we were unable to find the
drums or they have gone walk
about.

19th August 2012

(417)

Divers: John Rowe, Mark Bergin-Fisher

Dive 13.9m 54 minutes

Numbered wooden markers from ① - ⑰. Previously placed markers were all over the bay. Encountered numbered locations were removed and replaced. Temporary # from ⑱ - ⑳ not dive

(418)

Divers: Dave Constant, Mike Burnett, Simon Blaney

Dive: 8.2m 66m Temp 16°C

Literally round & round in circles trying to find the reef ball that used to be at drum # 3 but it was nowhere to be found. Assumed it's broken up or crushed

2/1st October 2012

(419)

Divers; Simon Blainy David Greston

Dive?

Set off clockwise repairing breaks
as they found them

(420)

Divers: ~~Simon Blainy~~, Russell
Standish, Mike Burnett

Dive 57 mins 15M
Set off anti clockwise and
repaired breaks around ⑤, ⑥, ⑩ & ⑮
Lifted chain out of sand ③-④ and ⑧-⑩
Noticed quite a chain since my last
dive. The sand dune between ⑦ & ⑩
has disappeared and revealed a
ledge around ⑧-⑩ and what looks
like early near eye chain rested
on to the rock. The chain from ③
to around ⑭-⑮ is now full weight
but you have to reach into the heap
from ⑬ onwards. Thick section of
chain around ⑬-⑮ but it has
very worn and liable to go seen.
Much of the chain is covered in growth
and either wooden ⑭ or ⑮ has lost its
haunt.

21st October 2012

(421)

Divers: Peter Howard, John Rowe

Dive: 14.1 M 51 minutes.

Retagged # 25 from (3) to (25). W#

(24) handle has rusted on (23) & buoyed up from (24) (22) w tag (21) right next to (22) but upside down. Need pick bar to upright. (20) reef ball not seen (19) not seen (18) seen but no tag (17) w tag.

9th November 2012

(422)

Divers: Sam Boster, John Rowe.

Dive: 12.7 M 55 minutes

located old reef ball and buoyed up. Numbered from (25) to (17) upright (21). Both missing anchor points. Reef Ball moved 25m west, only base seen from top of sand.

18th November 2012

(424)

Dives: Simon Blaney, David
Cristani, Sam Boster.

Dive: 10 M 47 minutes

Dug out lost reef ball which
 Jim R found last week, buried
 up to its neck in sand and have
 relocated it to a temporary position
 9m depth between wooden
 markers 22 and 21. It took about
 15 minutes of digging out the sand
 around and inside the reef ball
 before we were able to float it
 using 2 lift bags, and another
 effort to float/drag it out to
 a reasonable depth where,
 with a bit of luck, it will not
 drift away again soon. We have
 looped a section of chain through
 the reef ball to secure it. I'm pleased
 to say that Simon and Dave did
 all the hard work and I 'supervised'
 (think I'll be able to use the crook
 hamstring as an excuse for a few
 more weeks yet!)

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24 November 2012

(425)

Divers: Mark Fisher & Simon Blaney

Dive: 14 m. 70 minutes

Completed an anti clock wise circuit. Set out 12 buoys and recorded the condition of most of the chain.

From	To	Condition	Notes
1	2	GOOD	* 20M needs replacement
2	3	GOOD	
3	4	Mixed *	
6	Sand	GOOD	
6	10		from 6-10 buried under sand
	10	GOOD	
10	11	Mixed	Mostly good 10M this needs new
11	12	GOOD	
12	13	GOOD	
13	18	Fair	Numbers need updating
18	23	Poor Fair	some thin sections need new
23	24	GOOD	
24	25	GOOD	
25	3	GOOD	

† half chain at 5
bucket between 18 21

24th November 2012

(426)

Divers: John Murray & Mike Burnett

Depth: 14.5m Time 76m

swam clockwise from (3). Pulled chain clear of sand between (3) & (25) and between (16) & (15)

where the sand is coming back across the gully, and a number of other places on the way.

Repaired breaks in two places with single shackles and replaced two shackles near (17) where the bolts had corroded away but the rest of the shackle was still as new. The section between

(14) & (13) missing, found part of it and attached to (14), but needs new length added to connect to (14)

There's a bucket half full near (14) which might be enough to fix the gap. Many of the tags are unreadable and paint has come off some of the temporary tags.

1st December 2012

(427)

Divers: Mark Fisher & Simon Bleary

Depth 14.2M 51 minutes

Went clockwise from (3).

Found the chain in what used to be the sand gully in a bucket with no handle - Manually carried sections of chain and used it to connect the missing link to drum 13. (S.B.)

9th December 2012

(428)

Dive 10.3M 76 minutes

Divers: Sam Bocho, Jan Rowe
Humbred drums from (1) - (11)
with new stainers numbers

(429)

Dive: 14.3M 40 minutes

Divers: Russee Standil, Mark
Bergi Fisho, Simon Blaney

Bucket of chain to (17) and
patched a small section across
what used to be the sand gully.
Full bucket removed at (17) shackled
into the chain

(430)

Dive: 14.3M 49 mins

Divers: John Murray & Mike
Burnett. Carried 2 bucket of
chain to (17) attempted to reconnect
(17) to (16) but out of air. Lashed
bucket to (17)

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19th December 2012

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Divers: Mark Fisher & Sam Bates

Dive: 15M 75 minutes

Replaced a worn thin section of chain between 3 & 4

approx 10M replaced at the end nearest 3. We used the chain that was at 5.

Used chain left at a pile near 3. Short section of chain in bucket near 5.

Completed a ~~short~~ circuit of the trail, cleared up a few buoys and stashed a couple of broken sections.