

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME

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PHONE/S.....

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INTERESTS.....

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DIVING QUALIFICATIONS.....

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MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR
ENCLOSED (PLEASE INDICATE):

\$20 Single \$35 Family \$12 Student pp
(Fees include GST. Please ask if you require a
receipt or tax invoice)

SIGNATURE.....

DATE/...../.....

IF UNDER 18 YEARS,
GUARDIAN NAME.....

SIGNATURE OF
GUARDIAN.....

WELCOME TO S.U.R.G!

CURRENT MEETING VENUES

Unless a special venue is more appropriate, meetings are held at the **NATIONAL MARINE SCIENCE CENTRE, Bay Drive, Coffs Harbour**. If unsure of the venue, please ring in advance!

WHERE IS THE NMSC?

The Centre is located at Charlesworth Bay and is adjacent to Pacific Bay Resort (just north of the Big Banana). Turn off the highway into Bay Drive (which is the access road for the resort). Follow the roadway down towards the beach. On your right you will easily see the impressive glass frontage of the building's main entrance (if you go too far, you will come to the beach carpark—it is a dead end).

For Social Meetings: Come through the big glass main entrance doors, to the Lecture Theatre (on your left at the bottom of the ramp).

For Business Meetings: You will pass several turnings to the right before reaching the main entrance of the building. Take the LAST of these (there is a small sign, "Administration", near ground level at the turnoff). Follow the roadway uphill to the carpark. Come through the glass doors (at the turning circle). Then from the foyer, come around to your right, and look for the Meeting Room (or Staff Kitchen; the venue varies subject to availability). If lost, call out!

NB: If the doors are locked, rap loudly.



SOLITARY ISLANDS

UNDERWATER

RESEARCH

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WHAT IS S.U.R.G.?

SURG (Solitary Islands Underwater Research Group, Inc) is an incorporated not-for-profit community group,

for people who share an interest in the marine environment. Its aim is to further the knowledge and conservation of the marine flora and fauna found within the Solitary Islands Marine Park.



WHO CAN JOIN?

Anyone who is interested in marine biology, underwater photography, or just diving for fun.



GROUP ACTIVITIES

MEETINGS

Monthly business meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month. (Please see overleaf for meeting locations and how to find them). Agenda items include updates on the status of current projects, forward planning of new projects, items of general or special interest to divers, and research training (as required).



RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

SURG undertakes a number of research activities, with the support of the Marine Parks Authority, government funding bodies and local dive operators. These activities contribute to better management of the Solitary Islands Marine Park by providing information that increases our understanding of its ecosystems. One long-term project is the establishment of a photographic inventory of the Park's common marine species.

SURG Research dive trips are undertaken regularly. Divers wishing to take part are required to undergo specific training prior to the dives. Research diving costs to members are heavily subsidised... hard work, but lots of fun at minimal cost.



SOCIAL EVENTS

Social get-togethers are held at 7.00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Social meetings may feature slide shows, video presentations, guest speakers, or dinner at a local restaurant (there is also a fundraising raffle).



SOCIAL DIVES

Dive trips to the Solitary Islands are occasionally conducted for SURG members (subject to weather, numbers and boat availability). These dives are strictly for fun and no research work is undertaken.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Following each Business Meeting a newsletter is produced giving details of upcoming events, dives and group activity reports.

MEMBERSHIP

You are invited to come along to two SURG meetings (Social or Business) before paying anything. Current membership fees (to cover expenses such as postage, insurances and incorporation fees) are as follows (including GST):

Annual Membership: Single.....\$20
Family\$35
Student\$12 pp

SALE ITEMS

Fleecy sloppies and long and short-sleeved T-shirts are available for sale (seasonally) at low prices.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Email us at info@surg.org.au or visit www.surg.org.au