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# SALTWATER

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## GBRMPA TOURISM STAFF CERTIFICATE WORKSHOP

Hi everyone Just to let you know I will be conducting a GBRMPA Tourism Staff Certificate workshop in the Bundaberg area on the first weekend of each month. Bookings can be made by emailing me at this address or phoning (07) 4159 4000. The workshop fully occupies both days from 9am sharp till about 4pm. Participants BYO lunch, bottomless tea, coffee and biscuits are provided.

For those of you who haven't heard of the workshop, it's a basic marine biology, marine park management course. Originally it was designed for people wanting to work in the GBRMP, but many people find it useful for teaching or other work, a useful adjunct to their studies or just plain interesting in its own right. I have a wagon FULL of specimens and many images, posters, maps etc. which I use to help illustrate the items we discuss.

Let me know if you're interested! Reply e-mail or phone: 07 - 4159 4000. Fax 07 - 4159 4777 Hope to see you there! Ruth Haywood

## QUT OFFERS A GRAD CERT COURSE IN EDUCATION

QUT offers a grad cert course in education with many strands available. The course can be done at bachelor or masters level. EG: Advanced marine studies but it is encompassed in the school of Maths, Science & Technology Education. Study mode is external coursework in 2 subjects per semester plus vocational maritime qualifications as required. Graham Rogers is the lecturer for the marine subject. Each subject costs approx. \$900. Call Graham on: 07 3880 0098 (A/H)

## GREAT WEBSITE FOR BUDDING CANOEISTS!!!!!!

<<http://www.bbc.co.uk/devon/oceanrow03/news/index.shtml>><http://www.bbc.co.uk/devon/oceanrow03/news/index.shtml>

## REQUEST

Does anyone have a name of a supplier who has good prices on rod blanks etc for fishing rod construction. Would appreciate any info. Thanks

Peter Kiernan Sunshine Beach High School

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## MAGNIFICENT SEVEN

Thanks to the hard work and planning of the Mackay Branch our annual conference went off!! I am sure all members and sponsors would like to express their sincere thanks to the magnificent seven of Bill Rankine, Kelly Goodingham, Bob Shaw, Simone Baker, Kathy Stegglers, Debbie Everett, and Dedan Daniells.



## RECREATIONAL FISHING INSERVICE DAY

A belated but worthy addition to Saltwater... Following is a summary of the briefing given in my rep. wrap-up at the conference. Here are the photos from the MTAQ FNQ & Townsville Branch Recreational Fishing Inservice Day held at the Daradgee EEC. Noel and his staff provided a great venue, FOOD and vessel!!!

Keith Latimer provided a very practical based workshop for teachers providing hands on experience and some great teaching points. The range of ability within our group of Marine Studies Teachers surprised us all.. From a VHA (Ward Nicholas) to a VLA (Tom Jones). Although Tom was claiming he had a sore arm from a dog bite which hindered his casting prowess.... Tom must have got his tackle sorted out, because he is now the proud father of a baby girl!

The regular FNQ 'old salts' attended and it was great to meet the new teachers from St. Mary's, Kayley Yang, Greg Bellerby and their families. Two 'luring' quotes that Keith left in our minds.. "If the lure doesn't wobble, the fish won't gobble!" "If you're not hitting the wood, you ain't doin' no good!"

Cheers .... Dave Beasley

## MARINE RADIO INVIGILATORS

We take this opportunity to draw your attention to the new invigilator guidelines and the revised syllabi for marine radio operator's certificates of proficiency and SATCOM endorsement. These documents have been under review for some time and we are now confident they reflect the requirements of existing codes of practice and address the expectations of all participants. The documents are available on our website at: <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/examinations/syllabus2003.pdf> <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/examinations/syllabus2003.pdf> <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/invigilators/Guidelines.pdf> <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/invigilators/Guidelines.pdf>

OMC news" will be published on our website, at <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/> and emailed to those invigilators who have an email address on file with us. As the website provides current information and is an integral communication interface between the OMC, invigilators, training organisations and potential applicants for certification, it is essential that invigilator contact and endorsement details are up to date. Please review your details published on the website and advise us of any amendments. Invigilators who have not elected to have their contact details published may also wish to review this status.

John D Mair / Manager

### HAVE YOU RE-REGISTERED

Have you re-registered with the Office of Maritime Communications to ensure that their database is up to date. If not - open this file :

<http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au>

It is intended that invigilators will be registered for a five-year period, not the one year as previous, effective 30 June 2003.

As an invigilator it is a requirement that you abide by the Invigilator Guidelines as indicated on the form, which can be reviewed at web sites, <http://www.amcom.amc.edu.au/>

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Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the Office of Maritime Communications at the Australian Maritime College on toll free 1300 365 262.

## NEW RESOURCES NEWS

### NEW VIDEO - HOW TO CROSS COASTAL BARS - SAFELY

#### A SKIPPER'S TRAINING VIDEO

This video demonstrates how to drive different types of boats through coastal bars. You'll see how boats are flipped, how people go overboard, and how groundings happen. You'll see what happens when an engine breaks down in a bar. You'll gain insight into handling emergencies. You'll see the best ways to cross in good; and also bad conditions. You'll see small and large boats making crossings and getting into trouble, and discover how to properly plan and prepare for each crossing. You'll learn about the suitability of different types of boats for crossing bars, and their different driving techniques. By watching us getting boats into trouble you'll learn from the experience of our expert drivers and reduce your own learning curve.

Guarantee- After watching this video you'll be better prepared and have more knowledge to make a bar crossing! It's THE Driver

Training Video for Coastal Bars

Cost is \$55.45 (Includes gst and postage)

Available:

Australian Boating College

PO Box 5669 Maroochydore BC 4558

Web page

<http://www.abcboating.com>

## Conference 2004

### HOSTED BY

Sunshine Coast Branch



## DATES .... IT'S IN SEPT - OCT

WED 29 SEPT — SUN OCTOBER 03

### VENUES

SUNSHINE COAST RESORT NOOSA

SUNSHINE COAST LOCAL SCHOOL

### ACTIVITIES

Professional sessions - This is how I do it, conservation, oceanography, mariners skills, workprograms, exam questions

Keynote speakers and workshop leaders

Networking and displays of resources

Field trips including — Surfing, fishing, snorkelling, coloured sands, national parks walks, canoeing, Hastings St shopping are just some of the things Noosa has to offer

## PRE-CONFERENCE TRIP TO VANUATA

21 - 27 SEPTEMBER

CONFERENCE CONVENORS

JIM KNEALE AND MARK COOPER

NOOSA SHS 07 5447 6622

ARE U INTERESTED??

**PLEASE FILL OUT  
THE FAXBACK AND  
FAX YOUR DETAILS  
TO THIS FAX  
NUMBER**

**07 5447 7399**

(Noosa District High School)

**MTAQ CONFERENCE  
SEPTEMBER 2004**

**Pre-Conference Dive  
Trip in Vanuatu**

**21st - 27th September 2004  
6 nights and 7 days  
Hideway Island (as seen on  
Getaway) is a marine sanc-  
tuary where teachers can  
take students for specialised  
marine programs and cultural  
exchange.**

**Prices Include:**

- Return airfares Bris/  
Van with Air Vanuatu
- Airport transfers
- 4 dives wreck and reef
- Dive guide and gear  
supplied

**Accommodation:**

**Ocean View room;**  
Twin share own facilities  
Diver : \$1359  
Nondiver: \$1225

**The Lodge:**  
Twin share shared facilities  
Diver: \$1125  
Nondiver: \$ 995

Extra dives = \$55 single  
Snorkelling = anytime free

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Dinner: yes / no

Bringing the family: yes / no

Require a kids program: yes / no

Room Size: Single / twin / more

Conference shirt size: S M L XL XXL  
(Shirt is in conference fees and is exceptional quality)

Information gathering Sessions: rate them according to the  
preference you have ( 1 - first choice, 2 - second choice, 3 - third  
choice)

Best Practices in Marine Teaching

New Scientific Research

Sharing Our Resources

**CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES 2004 INCLUDE**

Please rate them according to the preference you have ( 1 - first  
choice, 2 - second choice, 3 - third choice etc)

- Dive/snorkel \_\_\_\_\_
- Dive HMS Brisbane \_\_\_\_\_
- Learn to Surf \_\_\_\_\_
- Offshore Fishing Charter \_\_\_\_\_
- Australia Zoo \_\_\_\_\_
- Underwater World \_\_\_\_\_
- Tour to Everglades \_\_\_\_\_
- Lure Making Workshop \_\_\_\_\_
- Finding Nemo Workshop \_\_\_\_\_

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

Jim Kneale or Mark Cooper  
Noosa District High School  
Telephone: 07 5447 6622 Fax: 5447 7399



# JUNIOR MARINE WORKSHOP DETAILS : AUGUST 22-23

## DATES AND VENUE

Friday 22 — Sat 23 August  
Sunshine Beach SHS - Conference Room  
45 Ben Lexcen Drive Sunshine Beach Phone (07) 5440 4222

## PROGRAM

### FRIDAY

For people who have Junior Marine workprograms written to existing KLA's or their own unit outcomes on disk, ready to place on MTAQ Web Site. LIMIT of 10.

- 8.30 Meet and greet Sunshine Coast SHS and set up computers in conference room
- 9.00 Show and tell the files you have brought.
- 10.30 Morning tea
- 11.00 Discussion on how we are going to format files - eg title page, details etc
- 12.00 Go away and format files each others own computer
- 1.00 Lunch
- 1.30 Bring files to Bobs computer and load into web site and discuss how web site is used
- 2.30 Discussion on making a list of what we can add.
- 3.00 Discussion on syllabus and what we will do Saturday.

### SATURDAY

For people who would like to hear about Junior Marine workprograms written to existing KLA's or outcomes developing to a unique Junior Marine Syllabus and then make a contribution to the group.

Possible scenarios

- 8.30 Meet and greet Sunshine Coast SHS and view workprograms
- 9.00 A discussion on the 2 approaches to Junior Marine Studies
  - A new syllabus perspective
  - Fitting units into existing KLA syllabi
- 12.30 Lunch
- 1.30 Developing and planning workshop
- 4.30 Close
- 6.00 Workshop BBQ

### FUNDING AND BUDGET

We have \$4,567.25 left in the budget - Allocate 5 TRS @\$1500, airfare \$500, food \$200. We have a friends house (Kelly Goodingham) we can use for some accommodation and Sunshine Coast (Sheree Bell) has given us the venue for free and if we all pay for our fuel there should be some money left for November workshop. Ring or email Bob for details.

## SEMINAR OUTCOMES

Junior Marine Studies sample workprograms on our web page

### FOR NEW SYLLABUS FROM:

- Sunshine Coast, Wet Paper, Hervey Bay SHS
- Others to follow

### FOR EXISTING KLA's

- Mercey College, Wet Paper
- Others to follow

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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## CAN'T ATTEND????

A more detailed seminar will be run at the end of the year at Southern Cross College at Clontarf Beach for 2 days sometime in the last two weeks of term for those who can't attend.

If you are interested please call Bob.

# MTAQ 03 - 04



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Lloyd

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Ward

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Tina

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Annette

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Peter

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Sheree

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Greg

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Rebecca

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Bill

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