The Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW "Promoting Sustainable Fishing"

NEWS BULLETIN 28 GREY NURSE SHARK PRESENTATIONS 15th May 2007

The NSW Department of Primary Industries will be carrying out presentations on research they have conducted as part of the grey nurse shark education program. These presentations will be given to conservation groups, recreational fishing clubs, spearfishing clubs and scuba diving clubs. This provides the opportunity to become aware of past research, current research, and future research directions concerning the grey nurse shark.

The presentation will provide a general overview of the biology, reproduction and population status of the grey nurse shark. It will particularly focus on the following areas where past research has been conducted:

- i. Distribution, abundance & population size-structure
- ii. Migratory movements
- iii. Localised movements
- iv. Threats
- v. Population trajectories; and
- vi. Genetics

It will also discuss the current SEACAMS, pop-up archival tagging program and artificial breeding program.

NSW DPI would like the opportunity to inform local clubs, their members and all other interested groups about the grey nurse shark. In its efforts, NSW DPI would like to offer their services in setting up presentations in early to mid June 2007. Please note that the suggested venue should be provided by you. A venue could be a clubhouse or a local bowling club. The choice is yours.

If the Association, Organization or Club you represent are interested in organising a presentation, please contact the following:

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