

## QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE

#### STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Statement No.: One Date: 23/10/2003

#### Statement of:

Name of witness:	Jarrod Brenton FISHER	Date of birth:	. 26 April 1990	Age:	13
1 '	Student				

#### Police officer taking statement:

Name of police officer.	Neil HAEL	Rank:	Constable	Reg. No.:	11333		
Region/ Command/ Division:	Northern Region Station: Tow		Townsville Water	Townsville Water Police			

Statement commenced at 1615hrs 23 October 2003.

#### 'arrod Brenton FISHER states;

- 1. I am a single male who currently attends Magnetic Island State School. Lam currently in grade 7.
- 2. I reside at 5 Rhueben Terrace, Arcadia, 4819.
- 3. I hold an Advanced Open Water Dive Certification and have completed approximately 30 dives in the last year.
- 4. I recall the events on the 22nd of October 2003.
- 5. During the morning of 22 October 2003, I was on board the vessel JAZZ II at the Yongala Ship Wreck,
- 6. At about 10.45am I entered the water to undertake a dive in company with Rob WEBSTER and approximately 7 other students.
- 7. I then descended down to approximately 3 metres of depth. I experienced pain in my jaw area and was forced to come back to the surface.
- 8. Once I surfaced, I then swam approximately 5 metres to the rear of JAZZ II. On my return to the rear of the vessel, the skipper, Bart, ordered me to get out of the water because they had a missing diver.
- 9. I exited the water, I then removed my diving equipment and went to the left hand side of the boat towards the front.
- I then saw about 7 to 8 metres away a diver surface with another person. I saw that this diver was holding onto the other diver and appeared to be keeping them out of the water. The diver then began to swim over to the other person in tow.

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Statement No.: Date: 30/08/2004

## Statement of:

Name of witness: Jarrod Brenton FISHER		
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# Police officer taking statement:

	Name of rolling aft						
			Rank:	Detective Sergt.	Reg. No.:	6690	
Region/ Command/ Division:		Northern	Station:	Mundingbuira Cri	minal Investig	stigation Branch	

Jarrod Brenton FISHER states:

I have previously provided a statement to police about the death of a diver at the Yongala wreck off Townsville on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2003.

I provided this statement on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2003.

I was later contacted by police through my mother and went to the Townsville police station on the 30th of August 2004.

On the 30th of August 2004 I spoke with Detective Sergeant Gary CAMPBELL. Further to my previous statement I cay say that I descended approximately 7 metres in total on the stern drop rope of the Yongala. I experienced the initial pain at 3 metres but ! had to go to 7 metres to tell Robert WEBSTER that I had problem. I then surfaced as in my previous statement.

Later on the Jazz 2 after the deceased diver had been brought to the surface I heard some conversation and spoke with some of the other divers and crew. Some people were talking about seeing a diver bring someone to the surface but I can't remember who this was.

Jarrod Brenton FJSHER

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