

# PROPOSED DIVE SITE MOORINGS - ROTTNESST ISLAND RESERVE

The Rottnest Island Authority (RIA) is currently evaluating the establishment of designated dive sites within the Rottnest Island Reserve.

A preliminary survey conducted by RIA Rangers over the 2008/09 summer identified a number of dive sights attracting interest by scuba divers both privately and commercially. A total of ten dive sights were identified. Of these ten sites, two were identified as being the most popular; they are Crystal Palace to the south and Roe Reef to the north.

At this stage it is proposed in consultation with commercial and private marine users of the Reserve to establish three mooring buoys in a triangular configuration on each site. The moorings would be designated 1 x commercial and 2 x recreational. Each dive sight would have an exclusion "no drop anchoring" zone.

Your input as a recreational user is highly sought and the RIA look forward to tabling any of your comments before advancing this project.

Some topics of thoughts are not limited to:

- Would you use the site
- What restrictions if any would you place on the site? eg: time, fishing?
- Who can use the site
- Vessel restriction
- Number of divers
- Size of exclusion zone
- Separation of moorings
- Number of moorings
- Configuration
- Any fees payable
- Environmental impact
- Site selection

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