



Enquiries to  
Telephone  
Your reference  
Our reference

27 September 1990

**MEMORANDUM:** To George Balazs

**SUBJECT:** Reply to your letters 23 August to 14 September  
1990

1. Tags have arrived safely. Thanks.  
100 of our tags are on route to you.

**Use of our tags** - The ones you have been sent may require the spike to be bent back a little before application. If care taken they apply well - not as easily as yours I suspect.

2. **Re account of shark attack 'National Examiner' 21 August 1990.**

There has been no shark attack in eastern Australian waters in recent years to match the one described here. Certainly there is no fatality identified as 'Joanna Howel'.

Our government agency that monitors shark attack reports considers it a hoax with doctored photos.

3. I've now been invited to Japan. Jeff Miller was but he will not be able to attend because of a clash with a major field trip. Details have yet to arrive.
4. Your tags have all been applied and are now swimming in Moreton Bay near Brisbane. No problems in application on small turtles, as expected.
5. Thanks for the Kodachromes. Nice. Do you have any need for some additional ones from me? If so, specify.

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