

**HAWAI'I UNDERSEA RESEARCH LABORATORY
QUICK LOOK REPORT
DIVE: P5-623**

(Note: This report compiled by Bob Embley)

MISSION STATUS

Location: Summit of Clark Volcano, Kermadec Arc

Latitude: Begin 36° 26.8'S

Longitude: 177° 50.50'E

Mission Date: April 07, 2005

Duration: 6 hours (Bottom Time)

Maximum Depth (m): 1072

**Project Title: New Zealand American Submarine Ring of Fire Leg II
KoK-O5-06**

Principal Investigator: Alex Malahoff

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Observer 1: Alex Malahoff

Observer 2: None (Co-Pilot)

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Pilot 1: Terry Kerby

Pilot 2: Max Cremer

Scientific Data Acquired: Digital video, digital still images, samples of rock, minerals, hydrothermal effluent, microbial mats, CTD

Objectives:

(1) Explore and image the summit of Clark volcano and collect biology, microbiology, chemical and geologic samples

(2) --

Observations, findings, etc: (Also see Appended Dive Log)

The dive began east of the summit and traversed up to the summit. The major discovery was of a field of sulfide chimneys on the northern summit ridge just south of the northern summit. The vent field (~100 m in diameter) consists of lots of diffuse venting and several chimneys is about. Mkr 14 was placed at the "Twin Towers" vent site, which consisted of two large chimneys. A temperature of 221°C was measured near the base of

the largest one. The southern summit was not hydrothermally active. Lots of broken corals and displaced rocks attested to recent dredging/trawling activity on the southern summit.

Species List:

Don't know all of species found. Anemomes, corals, long-necked barnacles, others.

MISSION EVALUATION:

A. Limitations, failures, or operational problems noted:

- None

B. Recommendations for corrective action or improvement:

- Gyrocompass would be a good improvement
- New navigation system needs to be looked at carefully to determine what is best solution drifting of fixes during ship turns.

C. In your opinion, did the mission essentially achieve its purpose? Yes

D. Compare actual work accomplished with the work that was expected to be accomplished.

- Same

E. List specimens or samples collected on the mission. (See Sample List Below):

Dive PV-5 623 Sample List

Sample Number	Time (L)	14-Apr-05		Depth(m)	Comments
		Latitude Min/decM 26°S	Longitude Min/decM 177°W		
PV-622-1-B	9:43	26.893	50.533	994	Sponge
PV-622-2-R	9:43	26.893	50.533	994	Lava with Fe-oxide crust
PV-622-3-SS1&2	10:10	26.815	50.432	929	White films; venting on wall
PV-622-4-MIN	10:28	no position	no position	895	Sediment scoop of sulfides and ash (92.6°C)
PV-622-5-SS3,4,&5	10:28	no position	no position	895	Suction sampled near vent
PV-622-6-B	10:51	no position	no position	884	Long-neck barnacles (15°C). Highest temperature 106°C
PV-622-7-R	11:00	no position	no position	883	Small venting chimney (T = ?)
PV-622-8-R	11:04	26.831	50.375	879	Piece broken off large (6 m tall) chimney (185.2°C) Sampled vent fluid
PV-622-9-MS-blue	11:21	26.831	50.375	879	(185.2°C)
PV-622-10-GT-white	11:21	26.831	50.375	879	Sampled vent fluid (185.2°C)
PV-622-11-R	11:54	26.850	50.366	872	Small rock samples off base of twin towers chimney
PV-622-12-MS-white	12:04	26.850	50.366	872	Sampled vent fluid (221.1°C)
PV-622-13-GT-black	12:04	26.850	50.366	872	Sampled vent fluid (221.1°C)
PV-622-14-SS6	12:04	26.850	50.366	872	Suctioned bacterial material near vent
PV-622-15-B	12:27	no position	no position	872	Yellow Deudrophilla plus urchin
PV-622-16-SS7	13:38	80 N of w.p. #3	80 m N of w.p. #3	879	Suctioned nontronite with green material; Max. Temp. 56°C
PV-622-17-R	13:38	80 N of	80 N of w.p.	879	Sample of nontronite crust

		w.p. #3	#3	
PV-622-18-MIN	13:38	80 N of w.p. #3	80 N of w.p. #3	879 with green material Scooped green and red nonronite
PV-622-19-B	14:33	27.001	50.384	870 Red Corallium Regalia
PV-622-20-R	15:15	27.067	50.350	848 Mn-coated lava with anemone

Dive 623 Dive Log

**28-
Apr-
05**

Pilot - Terry Kerby

Co-Pilot - Max Cremer

Scientist - Alex Malahoff

Note: Time Zone = +12

Time (L)	Z (m)	Lat. 36S	Longitude 177E	Observations
9:13:00	1072	26.835	50.651	On Bottom Ballasting, see pahoehoe lava Need range to WP1; not much current, silt cloud hanging
9:17:00				Bearing 301, range 40 m
9:20:00				Ballasting, see pahoehoe lava
9:22:00				On Bottom, ballasting
9:24:00				Red fish: Orange Roughy? start moving; observing hydrothermal alteration; mention Orange
9:30:00				Roughys
9:32:00				Seeing yellow alteration
9:33:00				They're seeing lots of Orange Roughy; Using the port camera, not so good
9:35:00				Not giving any depth or headings into microphone
9:35:00	1050			Light dusting of sediments on what looks like pillow lava tubes but camera isn't so great
9:35:48				Nice view of flows as sub travels over bottom. Looks like series of flows that have broken off fronts
9:37:10	1033			More talus with sediment pockets between; have been seeing some yellow staining
9:38:00	1028			Going up steeper slope, more talus
9:39:00	1012			Going up wall of lava outcrops; think I see some truncated pillows
9:39:50	1014			At base of massive lava columns, from mass-wasting
9:40:00	998			Moving up vertical lava wall with dike or lava column sticking out as vertical column Sponges, other sessile stuff; they claim they see Mn coating on rocks
9:42:00	993			Stopping to look at mineralization
9:44:45	995			Settled down, stopped on bottom
9:04:00				Sample Station P5-623-1B; sponge
9:53:16	995			P5-623-2R; almost same spot as sponge Moving away from sample station upslope
9:54:00	992			Seeing small hydroids on rocks? Sub is hovering in same spot
9:55:20	992			Have turned to right and settled down to get video of yellow stuff
9:56:30				Turn and head upslope again at 329
9:56:45	986			Going upslope, seeing yellow staining but nothing obviously

				active
9:57:30	982			Going upslope over old talus? Some light staining
9:58:20	975			Nice view of outcrop of sheet flow-like lava
9:59:00	973			going up slope of sheet flows with some hydrothermal staining
9:59:20	971			Arrived at base of outcrop of truncated pillow lavas; appears to be ridge left from mass-wasting
10:01:30	961			seeing orange roughy fish on slope of basalt talus with sediment intermixed
10:02:30	955			seeing steeper slope ahead
10:03:00	951			
10:03:30	950			see wall of lava-cut across it obliquely ~1 m high Going along side of channel in slope-lavas are breccia with sediment infilling
9:04:30	941			Across channel still on breccia with sediment fill
10:05:00	933			come over some edges of flows, small scarps
10:05:50	933			Looking at wall of pillow (?) outcrops with staining in veins between; stopping to look
				at vertical wall of outcrop
10:07:45	933			Settling in to sample small active vent on wall of lava. Fluids leaking through the massive flows
10:08:00	930			Nice video closeup of hydroids? In venting
10:09:30				Moving to better spot
10:10:00	930			At new spot, very close to first spot
10:10:00				Samples P5-623-3-SS Jars 1 and 2 of microbial mat and other small organisms on
10:23:30	930			
10:23:30				very diffuse venting area on outcrop wall
10:23:56	922			start moving upslope again
10:24:19	913			Massive sheet like flows here
10:25:30				Going over stained bottom, mostly talus and slabby lava. Lot of small patches of active venting, some sponges, roughy. Talus with hydrothermal alteration and small deposits
10:27:00	892			See active site of diffuse venting - stained area probably mat
10:27:45	896			At active site stopped on bottom. Small chimney.
10:28:00	929			

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10:28:00	895			PV-623-4-MIN; sediment scoop of sulfides(?) and other PV-623-5-SS3,4,&5; suction samples near vent PV-623-6-B; Long-necked barnacles PV-623-7-R; small chimney PV-623-8-R; piece broken off of chimney
10:29:00	895			Stopped considering what to sample
10:32:45	895			Nice video closeup of bacteria and venting Nice closeup of venting
10:34:00	896			Sucking up scaleworm and bacteria
10:33:30				

10:49:00 893 Scoop Sample (GET NUMBER) 92.6 C
 moving away from site upslope towards summit
 10:50:45 890 Bearing 288
 seeing lots of white mat now fractures in rocks on this slope
 10:51:45 884 Stop at Barnacle site
 Start moving upslope again; see small sulfide chimney right away
 10:57:30 and stop
 883 getting good video of chimney at 10:59
 882 measured temperature; SAMPLED SMALL CHIMNEY moved slightly
 11:03:30 Moving upslope to large chimney; pattern of white filled fractures
 11:03:30 Arrived at group of several small chimneys that are white and
 11:04:30 879 venting clear fluids
 Stopped considering what to sample; nice video BUT THEY DID
 NOT TAKE
 OFF THE OFF THE TIME CODE TO GET GOOD SHOTS
 11:04:45 879 **PV-623-9-MS-blue; PV-623-9-GT (white);**
PV-623-11-R
 11:07:45 Manuvering around to try to sample chimney
 11:08:42 880 Nice closeup of venting from chimneys
 Measured temperature; 185 C
 Taking water samples
 Put out Mkr 14 right on chimneys; can see that chimneys are lined
 up but not clear what the orientation is

 11:17:00 End Tape 1
 11:21:00 879 **PV-623-9-MS-blue; PV-623-10-GT-white at Temperature of**
185 C
 Begin Tape 2 - Apparently they are missing time period 11:17 to
 11:47:00 11:47

 11:49:00 866 Chimney video survey
 11:50:10 Chimney coming into view
 11:51:15 869 Video survey
 870 Going up and down Twin Towers chimney getting video GOOD
 VIDEO
 11:52:15 until about 11:54. In sight of Mkr 14 at large chimney
 872 **PV-623-11-R; small rock samples at base of Twin Towers**
chimney
 11:54:00 872
 12:00:00 872 **PV-623-12-MS-white; PV-622-13-GT-black**
PV-623-14-SS6; Near mat near vent
 12:21:00 872 Trying to get gas tight sample at base of large chimney
 12:27:00 872 **PV-623-15-B; Yellow coral plus urchin**
 12:28:45 Going to summit bearing 330 deg
 12:29:20 Moved a few meters 12:28:35 - 12:29:20
 12:30:00 Still messing around near chimneys
 12:32:15 Heiko shoulder not operating; still near chimneys trying to sample
 12:34:00 871 Start moving towards summit of Clark Volcano
 12:35:00 875 Moving towards summit, hard to see bottom on video
 See bottom, looks like hydrothermally stained area, basalts? With
 12:36:45 881 Mn?

12:37:45	875			looks like basalt columns here
12:38:30	876			Going over Mn and Yellow- stained basalt looks
12:39:30	865			Climbing towards summit; dropoff to left. Looked like small crater
12:40:30	855			Old talus; coming up towards summit stained rock.
12:41:10	853			Coming to summit; essentially there
12:41:45	853			Working way towards the summit
12:42:30	851			Talus or brecciated flow, lot of corals here
12:43:20	847			All talus or breccia with some corals, staining, fish
12:44:15	847			
12:45:00	846			Same, pretty much lots of lava blocks and breccia
12:47:00	846			At summit of Clark Volcano; stopping for position
13:00:00				Start moving again
13:01:30	845			Start moving SE
13:02:35	844			Moving SE; still lot of broken up lavas on top; could be partly from dredging the top
13:05:00	852			Can't see bottom right now, dropping off
13:08:30	871			See bottom again; covered with anenomes and corals, looks like intact basalt lava; lots of yellow coral; also some iron deposits; seeing broken coral....

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13:10:00				See large broken slab on surface as if it's been torn up by dredge; stopping to take picture
13:12:10	866			Turning aorund to continue
13:14:10	876			Are looking at Mkr. 14 by small vent again
13:15:45				Moving Mkr 14 to Twin Towers
13:15:00	880			Can see Twin Towers ahead; Need to figure out what course they're on As they're moving slope drops off to left so appears that towers are lined up perpendicular to slope
13:17:00	872			Note large mound at base of Twin Towers Moved Marker 14 to base of large chimney
13:18:00				As they swung around there was a distinct pillow lava with corals on it.
13:23:30				SOME NICE VIDEO OF TWIN TOWERS IN
13:25:00	874			Going to move S-SE; backing off and turning to port Driving over lava with corals and white staining in fractures
13:26:15	881			See some more small chimneys on slope to left; white staining in mosaic of fractures
13:27:10	882			seeing very distinct line of vents (small chimneys)
13:27:30	887			perpendicular to slope dead ahead Right at chimney line - they're on the right now.
13:27:45				DVD has glitch in it; goes from 13:2730
13:28:10	891			Change direction, turning to port after passed by chimney line Slope on left; going north
13:28:30				Just saw crab; appears that they reversed course and are heading back north now; still seeing

white staining; anenomes?
13:29:30 891 On slope (up to left), in dark lavas with small sediment pockets
13:29:40 Turning to starboard to head south again
11:30:00 Turning south again
11:30:15 897 Going south again?
13:31:20 899 Changed course to right (south) Doesn't look like there's anything hydrothermal here, just lava blocks and sediment
13:32:30 898 going along slope; slopes up to starboard; not much hydrothermal in basalt breccia, not much hydrothermal here; covered with Mn crust
13:33:00 889 Seeing bacterial mat again; seeing small oxide chimneys coming from lava
13:33:40 887 wall to left, out of oxide chimneys
13:34:30 879 some warm wate coming out of small yellow chimney
13:35:00 879 Stopped for a minute
Floc coming out of seafloor cavities
13:37:00 879 Stopped to take temperature
~55 deg C water coming from out of hole (where chimney got washed away when submerine set down.
Taking mat sample (suction sampler) from 55 deg vent;
GREENISH fliaementous material
GREEN ROCK?? PV-622-16-SS7;
PV-622-17-R of green rock
PV-622-18-MIN of green crusts (sediment scoop)
11:47:00 879 Still at sample station END DIVE TAPE # 2
13:48:00 Still at sample station BEGIN DIVE TAPE # 3
13:54:00 Video of what appears to be greenish altered rock sample
14:00:00 0
14:01:00 Starting to move off station
14:02:00 on course heading south
Going over lava,some oxides. Now seeing more anenomes in one spot
14:03:00 Seeing edge with yellow deposits; stopping briefly
14:03:30 886 Starting to move off again
14:08:30 886 lava with some yellow deposits
14:10:00 Seeing corals, gorgonians; stopping to look
14:11:00 888 Sampling corals
Going forward again over rocks with corals, anenomes etc. Lot more sessile life here.
14:16:00 Heading south; running out of power on 24 v batteries.
Got off into space, then came back onto bottom; lots of sessiles here; no hydrothermal
14:19:30 890 lavas (breccia) with sponges, corals, other
Lot of dead broken coral on bottom; probably from trawling or dredging
14:21:30 Huge Paragorgia in sight broken off very recently; stopping to look and take pictures
14:22:00 874 Just moving back on course after looking at huge broken Paragorgia
14:28:00 Taking a quick look at an orange precious coral; lots of anenomes also around.
14:28:45

Time (L)	Z (m)	Lat. 36S	Longitude 177E	Observations
14:33:00			870	PV-623-19-B; Red coral
14:36:45				Going to continue to SW
14:37:00				Begin moving SW again; seeing more broken corals etc.
14:38:00	860			seeing broken corals all over the place; some still intact though
14:39:00	854			Came on another Paragorgia with large chunk taken off, but still appears to be rooted and alive
14:39:07				Fresh rock broken by trawling or dredging
14:39:30	854			looks like ridge of brecciated basalt
14:40:30				lots of small yellow and white corals, now see large crab; lots of anemones as well
14:42:00	842			Same type of terrain; lots of corals, some broken
14:43:20	846			Similar terrain
14:43:25	847			Turning left
14:44:45				Turned to go up to high spot
14:46:00				going east towards southern summit of Clark Volcano
14:47:00	843			At summit, parking to get position; turning right to get set up
14:47:30	844			Completely stopped
14:58:00				Move off spot, maneuvering; Goint to start Moving SW some
14:59:00				Start moving SW
15:00:00				Seem to be going off into deeper water
15:02:30	852			Slowing up, turning ? Lose bottom
15:03:00				Coming about to ??
15:03:00				have turned and now sub is settling down onto bottom
15:04:00	853			Stopped now
15:04:45				Now moving forward again
15:05:20	849			more dead corals
15:10:30				Are settling down again
15:12:15				Moving a few meters to get sample
15:13:45				Nice picture of Orange Roughy hanging there
15:15:00				Manuvering around
15:17:36			848	stopped again
				PV-623-20-R of Mn-coated rock with anemone
				END DIVE 623

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Principal Investigator