

# SS 5/2006

17:00 02-May-2006 Fremantle - 09:30 26-May 2006 Fremantle 16:00 26-May-2006 Fremantle - 12:30 27-May-2006 Geraldton

(Local times)

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# 1. Summary

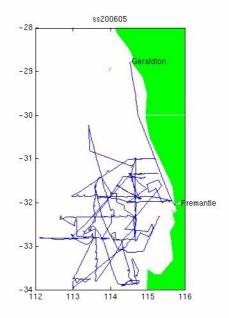
These notes relate to the production of quality controlled (QC-ed), position, meterological, thermosalinograph and depth data from RV Southern Surveyor voyage 5/2006.

# 2. Voyage details

"Mesoscale Eddies as coastal pumps: Qualifying eddy-mediated cross shelf transport of nutrients; production and fish larvae off the WA coast"

### 2.1 Principal Investigator

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### **3. Processing Notes**

#### **3.1 Background Information**

Position data was acquired using the Seapath 200 position and motion reference unit (which also is differentially corrected by data from the FUGRO DGPS receiver).

Digital depth data was acquired with the Simrad EA500 sounder. Echograms were also recorded using SonarData's Echolog software.

Thermosalinograph data was acquired with a Seabird TSG (S#1777) and remote temperature SBE 3T (S#2621).

The "Met" station consists of 2 relative humidity and temperature sensors, port (X2030106) and starboard (X20303107). A barometer (465595), wind sensor (type 05103) and licor light sensor (UWQ3708) and rain gauge type 50202, serial number 236.

A combined underway file for the entire voyage, consisting of 10 second values of position, depth, meterological and thermosalinograph variables was remade on 30-May-2006 - by reading data from hourly files returned from the voyage. (Time range 02-May-2006 09:16:20 - 27-May-2006 02:11:20).

The meteorological data consists of air temperature, humidity, light, atmospheric pressure, wind speed and direction and maximum wind gust and rain. The rain values increase to 50 mm then restart at 0. A spike introduced to the atmospheric pressure data by the uwyLogger program was removed.

The thermosalinograph (TSG) data consists of water temperature and water salinity. The thermosalinograph salinity data can be calibrated against CTD data (Sea Bird conductivity, temperature and depth sensor) by running the water from the thermosalinograph through the CTD in the wetlab. Data from the CTD is recorded for about 30 minutes; data from the TSG is continuously logged while at sea. The TSG data was then compared to the processed CTD data. This process was undertaken twice on the voyage by Lindsay Pender.

The light data (PAR) was flagged as suspect. The data recorded anomalous night time readings, probably due to a problem with the sensor.

The gps data was recorded from the Seapath MRU unit.

The depth data was repicked using SonarData's echoview software. Data gaps were observed:

20:54 15-May-2006 - 01:10 16-May-2006

06:38 21-May-2006 - 10:43 21-May-2006

01:18 26-May-2006 - 08:44 26-May-2006

due to problems with the EA500.

# 4. Other

The navigation, meteorological, thermosalinograph and depth data will be entered into the data wharehouse. Position, meteorological, thermosalinograph and depth data extracted from the underway file will be available online.

# 5. References

Pender, L., 2000: Data Quality Control Flags. http://www.csiro.marine.au/datacen-tre/ext\_docs/DataQualityControlFlags.pdf

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