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San Diego Dive Club Newsletter

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The President's Slate

With the officer elections completed at our last general meeting, another year has passed for our club. I'd like to thank all the officers for their time and efforts over the past year and welcome Michelle Russell and Peggy Petschek back as new officers once again. We are still looking for someone to fill the entertainment coordinator's position and continue to keep our meetings interesting. If any of you are interested, please let me know.

The beginning of our club year brings with it one of our signature events, the Underwater Easter Egg hunt and pancake breakfast. We have already had notices of attendance from Power Scuba and the Orange County dive club so this year's event is shaping up to be fairly large. The officers have already committed to providing extra food for the occasion to ensure everyone is fed, most importantly the Lifeguards. Information and diving requirements for the event can be found in the newsletter or on our website.

After the food is gone and all the club gear has been packed away we will hold our annual yearly planning meeting (usually at about 12:30 or 1:00 PM). The meeting entails just what it says, a chance to plan events during the remainder of the year including dives, bar-B-Qs, movies on the beach, Scuba Santa, Parade of Lights, etc. All club members are welcome to stay and participate. While dive and event suggestions are welcome all year, this is the best time to put something on the yearly schedule so if anyone has an idea, please let us know. See you at the club meeting.

Scott Brown, President

San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting

Have some ideas and suggestions on the direction the dive club should be heading? Come share those ideas with the club officers. All members are encouraged to participate in the San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meetings. The Officers' Meetings are held at **6:30 PM** on the **3rd Thursday** of each month at:

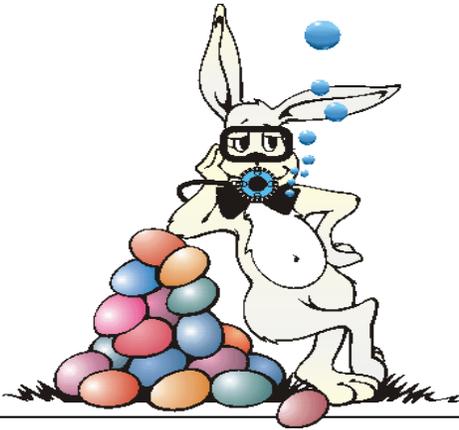
Marie Calender's, 6950 Alvarado Canyon Rd, San Diego (619)465-1910

The officers of the club try to anticipate the needs, desires, and best interests of the club, but remember that this is your club, too. We need your new thoughts and ideas to keep our club fun and exciting.



Long Range Calendar

- Apr. 5 SDDC Monthly Meeting, Giovanni'a Restaurant
- Apr. 7 Underwater Egg Hunt, Pancake Breakfast, and annual planning meeting
- Apr.13-16 Two Harbors, Catalina dive trip, wait list only, Rich Burns Coord.
- Apr. 14 Club Dive, P38 via Humbolt Dive Boat, Kathy Bouic coordinating.
- May 3 SDDC Monthly Meeting, Giovanni'a Restaurant
- May 5 & 6 Scuba Show, Long Beach, www.ScubaShow.com



April Meeting Quarterly Raffle

Thursday, April 5th 7pm at Giovanni's

It is time to show club photos and videos, or your favorites from trips, or even local stuff. Bring your photos and videos on a USB drive or DVD. Please limit the length of each to 5 minutes or less. No computer necessary, unless you use Mac. For a slideshow, please organize photos. Create a theme and show multiple short slideshows, instead of a long one with mixed subject matter.



Photo by Evie Burton(Yes, you can do better than this!)

**San Diego Dive Club
Annual Underwater Easter Egg Hunt
Free Pancake Breakfast
La Jolla Shores
Saturday, April 7th, 2012
8am until noon**

Once again the Easter Bunny has been seen SCUBA diving near the underwater canyon at La Jolla Shores. He always likes to get a head start for the Annual San Diego Dive Club Underwater Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast.

All divers and their families are invited to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt and share a great breakfast of pancakes of all shapes and types, served piping hot, eggs, sausage, bacon and topped off with hot coffee, cocoa and juice. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

The Underwater Easter Egg hunt will take place near the Marine Canyon at La Jolla Shores. The briefing for this event will take place at 9:00 AM with all divers expected to hit the water by 9:30 AM. All divers must check back in and eggs turned in for counting by 11:15 AM. Prizes will be given to the buddy teams that find the gold, or the silver, or the most eggs. One prize level only per dive team.

While the divers head down to the water the younger attendees will be treated to a Children's Easter Egg Hunt, this will take place at 10:00 AM at Kellogg Park.

To participate in the dive, you must be a certified diver, have signed a release and be accompanied by a dive buddy. If you do not have a dive buddy, we will attempt to pair you up with a suitable buddy. Depending on the ocean conditions, this dive is normally an easy to intermediate dive.

P38 and YUKON Dives Sat. April 14

For Advanced/Deep Divers Only! The Depth of the P38 is 130ft. Not to be fooled around with! Not for beginner divers! You should have many dives below 100ft to do this dive. I also recommend having a pony bottle for this dive. 80cuft tanks are provided, but if you have a larger tank, I recommend using it. Know your computer and obey it to prevent going into Deco! This is a 10 minute dive by the PADI Table. Now if all that doesn't scare you off and you'd like to dive, this is like **the holy grail** for recreational divers in this area. This trip doesn't come along very often. There will be a nice long surface interval followed by a dive on the Yukon with max depth of 100ft

Charter Operator: Waterhorse Charters

Boat: Humboldt

Charter Holder: Sport Chalet

Cost: \$129 less 10% club discount

No money will be collected by the club for this trip. To ensure you get a spot, please pay ASAP. No spots are held by the club.

Boards: 7:30am Departs: 8am

Tanks, weights and some food (soup/salad) provided.

Web information: <http://www.waterhorsecharters.com>

**Please Call Sport Chalet @ 1-800-348-3794
for availability and reservations.**



Coordinated by Kathy Buic.

San Diego Council of Divers General Meeting March 12, 2012, by Barbie Lass, Community Rep

The March meeting featured an entertaining and informative presentation by Capt. Cary Humphries, of Horizon Charters and Eco Adventures, including photos, videos and information on local and Guadalupe Island sharks, some rules that apply to travel in Mexico, including the Great White cage viewing trips offered on the Horizon.

Council business and information included the following:

The Three R's program is scheduled for this summer, for 8 sessions from June through September, with Mark Brown and Mike Russell continuing as instructors. The schedule should be released by late May and SDDC will host at least one of the sessions.

David Pierce will release the Beach Clean Up schedule after the 3R's schedule is complete, and notifications will be sent via SDDC e-mails and Facebook site. The Council has now is named on the Adopt a Beach sign posted at Children's Pool.

A July hearing before the Coastal Committee will include discussion of joint vs. sea only use, and the rope barrier. Please see SDDC Facebook page for more info. and a petition.

Approximately 10 volunteers, and the Council of Divers and Friends of Children's Pool are named in a suit by the APRL, claiming unfair business practices. Please contact the council for donations and fundraising ideas at www.sddivers.com.

Council of Divers meetings are held the second Monday of every month, 6:30 pm at the La Jolla Brewhouse, 7536 Fay Avenue, in La Jolla. Join us for the next meeting on April 9th, and make a difference in the diving community.

SDDC March Meeting

Held Feb. 29, at Sumner Hall
Scripps Institute of Oceanography



Photo by Barbie Lass

Dr. Milton Love, a research biologist at UCSB, fascinated about 200 of us with his information about interesting fishes of the Pacific Coast, why he doesn't dive and has certain tattoos, and a lot of other topics.

Raffle Prizes

Steve Gardner	Trident Tank Carrier
Terry Thomas	Small Flashlight retractor
Scott Anderson	Aqua Lung Nautilus Travel Snorkel
Scott Anderson	Trident Underwater Laser Pointer
Steve Gardner	Aqua Seal
Terry Thomas	Dive Tank Key chain
Merrienne Dean	Aqua Lung Knife Strap Assembly
Kathy Buic	Scuba Tuba
Kevin Lass	Air Inflator Accessory
Terry Thomas	Small Dry Box Travel case
Terry Thomas	Dr. Milton Love's new Book
Merrienne Dean	Retractable Gear Clip
Scott Brown	\$50 Sport Chalet Gift Certificate

Photo of the Month Winner-
Steve Gardner, Beautiful Octopus

(no photo available)

Photo of the Month Contest Guidelines

The rules for this contest, enforced by the honor system, include:

The photographer and subject must be submersed in the same liquid at the same time the photo was taken

One picture per person per month

Display your picture as taken with your camera and lighting

Underwater pictures only (digital or film) taken since the last meeting

Cropping is OK, but please refrain from zooming in, and

No Software-based Enhancement before printing

This is a friendly contest, featuring framed underwater photos displayed at the club meeting. Anyone in attendance can vote; the winning photographer receives 5 raffle tickets plus the fame and appreciation of the SDDC. Each month's winning picture may be displayed at the club meeting with the previous month's winner, and featured in the newsletter. Competitors, consider placing your photos onto portable media to provide to the Newsletter Editor in the event you win so the photo may be featured in the newsletter; or send as attachment to

editor@sandiegodiveclub.com.

DIVE CLUB MEETING

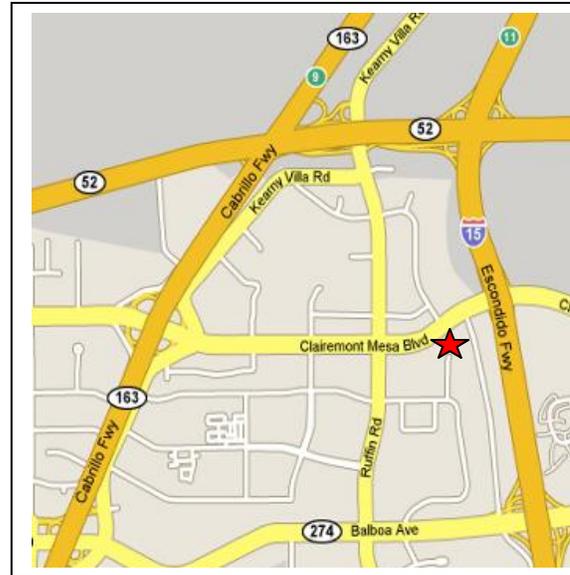
1st Thursday of each month @ 7:00 P.M.
at

Giovanni's Italian Restaurant
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd

From 163 take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. East
From 15 take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. West
Giovanni's is on the South side of Clairemont Mesa
on the West side of Ruffin

Monthly raffle drawings!

January, April, July and October are the club's quarterly meetings and we will have a grand raffle prize. The winning ticket is drawn from that evening's batch and from the previous two months. **ONLY CURRENT CLUB MEMBERS ARE ELLIGIBLE TO WIN THE QUARTERLY PRIZE!!!**



Dips, Tips and Trips

Please send descriptions of your favorite local dive spot, best dive tips or U/W photo tips, or brief reports or articles describing your last dive trip. Or? We'll select, edit, and publish them, as space allows. Please submit electronically by the 15th of the month prior to editor@sandiegodiveclub.com.

San Diego Dive Club Check Out These Benefits!!!

10% discount on non-sale dive gear & rentals, education classes, & boat charters at Sport Chalet.

10 free air fills and 10% discount on additional air at Sport Chalet.

Quarterly buddy lists & Monthly newsletter.

Meet new friends and dive buddies at monthly meetings & dives.

Group travel to exotic diving locations.

Ocean, lake, and beach cleanup events.

Special member only events.

Fantastic monthly and quarterly raffle prizes.