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San Diego Dive Club Newsletter
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer's Half Over???

Well August is upon us and the summer is officially half way over, of course that 4 seasons stuff doesn't really matter too much when you live in such a great area as Southern California where you can dive year round.

We had another great turn out for the 3R's. This one was conducted at South Casa Cove. Once again, Mark Brown of the San Diego Life Guard Service did a fantastic job leading us through the ins and outs of South Casa and the local reefs. The waves were somewhat mellow and the tide was low

so we were able to crawl around the reef on the seaward side of the wall protecting the Children's Pool. We also challenged the plunging waves at Wipe Out Beach and collected sand in our masks, snorkels, booties, gloves and wherever else the ocean wanted to stick it. A few of the intrepid snorkelers even waded in at Children's Pool and got to have their photographs taken with the seals.

Our dive at Hospital Point was blown out due to excessive surf, as it so often is, but we were able to shift over to the

shores for a back-up, diving was great now that the red tide has broken up.

We have another great month lined up with a movie on the beach and a delicious Carne and Pollo Asada BarBQ, beach diving, a three day trip to the Southern Channel Islands with Horizon Charters and lots more. So read on to find out all the details and...

I'll see you in the water!

Rich Burns - President

AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Thur., Aug 4 , 2005 7:00 pm

(see page 12 for meeting location)

The Guest Speaker for August is:

Dave McNair - Club Trip to Bonaire!

Our own Dave McNair will be doing a presentation of the Club's trip to Bonaire in March of this year. Dave was the person that set this trip up and ran it for the club. Be sure to come and see what fun our members had, and get yourself revved up for future trips with the club.

— *Bruce Laiho, Entertainment Coordinator*

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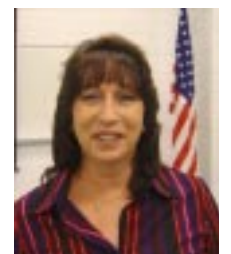
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Membership

Enjoy the many benefits of being a member of the club. Joining is simple. Fill out an application at a club meeting. First years dues are \$30.00. Renewing membership is \$20.00. Renewals are not accepted at the store or through the mail. If you have a question regarding membership, lost cards, or you're not receiving your newsletters, contact the Vice president.

Membership Benefits

- 10% discount on non-sale dive gear
- 10% discount on dive gear rentals
- 10% on continuing education classes
- 10 Free air fills, 10% disc after that
- Quarterly buddy lists
- Comprehensive and informative monthly newsletter
- Entertaining and informative monthly meetings
- Monthly scheduled club dives
- Meet new friends & dive buddies
- Group travel to exotic diving locations
- Ocean, lake and beach cleanup events
- Special members only events
- Fantastic monthly and quarterly raffles

Monthly Raffles

Tickets may be purchased at each meeting for that nights raffle prizes.

Sport Chalet Stores

- Pt. Loma
(619)224-6777
- La Jolla
(858) 453-5656
- Mission Valley
(619)718-7070

Sport Tours

(800) 660-2754
FAX (818) 249-8877

Club Website
www.dive-club.org

Quarterly Raffles

Save your losing tickets for the quarterly meeting when we draw a grand prize from the losing tickets of that night and the two previous meetings. Quarterly raffle months are:

January, April, July, October

Newsletter Submissions

If you have something of interest that you would like to share with other members of the club (cartoons, articles, dive log, etc.), submissions for the newsletter may be made in the following manner:

USMail:

San Diego Dive Club
P.O. Box 81678
San Diego, CA 92138-1678

Phone: (619)225-9051

E-mail: pbrooks2@cox.net

Deadline for all submissions is the 15th of each month.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
31 Dive-a-Thon pg 8	1	2	3	4 Club Meeting 7:00	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 3 R's Pg 11
14	15	16	17 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	18	19	20 Movie on the Beach & BBQ
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 3 R's Pg 11 3 Day
28 3 day	29 3 day	30	31	August 2005 Events Calendar		

Movie on the Beach, Bar-B-Q & Dive Saturday, August 20th, 5:30 PM Experience Level: All Levels

Bar-B-Q and Movie on the Beach. Make sure you don't miss this great summer event at La Jolla Shores. We will be getting together at about 5:30 PM to grill up some Carne Asada and Pollo Asada, and when it gets dark, about 7:30, we will see the movie "The Little Mermaid". What should I bring you say? All you need is a chair or blanket to sit on, and your appetite. What could be easier? The Bar-B-Q will be held near the Life Guard Tower at Kellogg Park.

If you would like to get in a dive before the movie, bring your gear and join your dive coordinators by the dive club banner on the grass near the 3 story Life Guard Tower, at Kellogg Park. We will meet up for the dive at 3:00 PM, develop a dive plan, buddy-up and hit the water. This dive will be geared to all levels of divers.



Remember, Club Members get
10% off these prices!

Scuba Charters August 2005

Reservations can be made at any Sport
Chalet or with the Scuba Reservation
office at

800-348-3794.

Date	Boat	Destination	Price	Board	Depart	Return	Additional Charges
06-Aug	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
06-Aug	Encore	San Clemente	\$ 137	8/5,10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
06-Aug	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
06-Aug	Magician	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A
07-Aug	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
07-Aug	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
07-Aug	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
07-Aug	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 tank	\$ 82	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	11:30 AM	N/A
13-Aug	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
13-Aug	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
13-Aug	Great Escape	Santa Barbara	\$ 137	8/12,10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
13-Aug	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank night	\$ 88	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	12:30 AM	N/A
13-Aug	Magician	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A
14-Aug	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
14-Aug	Island Time	Oil Rigs-Advanced Only	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
14-Aug	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank pm	\$ 88	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	6:30 PM	N/A
14-Aug	Spectre	S.Cruz / Anacapa	\$ 88	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Food & Air
20-Aug	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
20-Aug	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
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Trip dates, boats, destinations and prices are subject to change without notice.

San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting Wednesday August 17

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' Meeting will be held at **6:30 PM** on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month at the **Tyler's Taste of Texas at 576 North 2nd St. El Cajon 92021 (619) 444-9295**. The next meeting will be **Aug 17**. 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, and we need your new thoughts and ideas to keep the club fun and exciting.

San Diego Dive Club Divemaster Scholarship

The clubs Officer's have voted to establish the San Diego Dive Club Divemaster Scholarship. The details and requirements for the scholarship will be as follows:

Qualifications for Scholarship

1. Candidate must be a current Dive Club member.
2. Training must be done through PADI at a Sport Chalet location.
3. Candidate must write an essay (to be submitted to the club officers) as to why they want to be a Divemaster.

Selection

The club officers will make their selection of the individual who will be awarded the Divemaster Scholarship. The essay will be used as part of the selection process. The selection will be made sometime in August or September. (Officers are not required to choose a candidate for that year, if they feel candidates are not suitable.)

Prerequisites

To qualify for the PADI Divemaster course, an individual must:

1. Be certified as a PADI Advanced Open Water Diver or qualifying certification from another training organization.
2. Be certified as a PADI Rescue Diver or qualifying certification from another training organization.
3. Have completed and logged at least 20 open-water dives.
4. Medical clearance signed by a physician.
5. Minimum of 18 years old.
6. Certified CPR & 1st Aid.

Fees

1. The dive club will pay up to \$400 towards course fee reimbursement to the candidate at the successful completion of their Sport Chalet, PADI, Divemaster training.
2. The scholarship winner pays for all text, materials and PADI registration fees.

Contract

Individuals awarded the Divemaster Scholarship, after successful completion of the course, and course reimbursement, must pledge to Divemaster for at least 10 club dives, at no charge, within 18 months of completing the course.

Notes: (1) The Dive Club or Sport Chalet does not guarantee successful completion of the Divemaster course. Completion of the Divemaster course does not guarantee employment by Sport Chalet. (2) A club dive that is scheduled in the newsletter, but must be aborted due to unsafe conditions or other uncontrollable circumstances will count as ½ credit towards contract fulfillment.

For further information feel free to contact Rich Burns at (619) 697-6589 or e-mail me at SDDiver@cox.net

**SAN DIEGO DIVE CLUB SOUTHERN CHANNEL ISLANDS 3-DAY TRIP
August 27 - 29**

Join us on board the Horizon for the club's annual 3-day trip to the southern channel islands August 27-29. Santa Catalina, Santa Barbara, and San Clemente islands will be our destinations along with chef Mark's excellent fare and hooky-lau bar. Price is \$ 425.00 per person and includes tanks, air, weights, and all food and drink except beer, wine, gourmet coffee, and the hooky-lau bar. Nitrox is available for \$ 6.00 per fill. The trip is limited to 26 divers. The club will provide divemasters. A \$ 150.00 deposit per person will hold your spot with payment in full due by July 18. Berthing may only be chosen upon full payment. For reservations and more info, please contact Scott Brown at (858) 254-9484 or lsbro1@mindspring.com.

**Cozumel, Mexico for Thanksgiving
November 18 through 27, 2005**

We have set up a small group trip to spend Thanksgiving week diving in Cozumel, Mexico. We will be departing out of LAX on midnight Friday, November 18th and returning on Sunday November 27th. (transportation to LAX is currently not included; but we will arrange some car pooling for those who want it)

We will be stay at the Bahia Suites <http://www.suitesbahia.com/> (continental breakfast included). We will be doing 5 days of 2 tank diving with Careyitos Advanced Divers <http://www.advanceddivers.com/> (lunch included on dive boat, on dive days, for divers)

Diver price is: \$1258-(\$40 of which will be refunded after trip completion)
Non Diver price is: \$933- (\$40 of which will be refunded after trip completion)

These prices are all, per person, based on double occupancy and include, air, hotel & diving. Ocean view rooms are available (in limited quantity) for an additional \$10 per person, per night. (\$80 premium for the week, per person) \$500 deposit is required to hold your spot, balance of payment is due 90 days prior to departure (August 19th).

If interested contact Rich at sddiver@cox.net or call, day 619-544-8616, eve 619-697-6589.

AT Our Last Meeting

The Guest Speaker for July was *Marty Snyderman with his topic entitled "Shooting Mr BIG"*

Marty Snyderman is a film producer, still photographer, author and speaker specializing in the marine environment. Having explored California waters for more than twenty years, he has gained an intimate knowledge about the marine wildlife that inhabits the region. He is also known as a local celebrity among many divers, Marty engaged the club with his awesome presentation about photographing large marine creatures.

Membership

Please welcome these new and renewing members...

New members

Jamie Pratt
Chuck Bieger
Tina Souza

Renewals

Paul Schankin
Sandra Schankin
Dennis Fox
Christopher Wentworth
Richard Nagel
Jessica Busk
David Pierce

Raffle

Here are the winners from July's raffle

Sandra Anderson - DUI wgt & trim pkg
Scott Brown - Seaworld Trainer doll
Rico Nagel - Seasoft ankle wgts
Mike Petschek - Soft tank rack; Garibaldo t-shirt
Hunza Kotas - Wenoka dive knife
Cody Gilstrap - Sunscreen; Dive book-Offshore Calif.
Michelle Russell - Dive Book-So. Cal & Channel Isl.
Mike King - Aqua Seal

Ticketpullers:
Michelle Anderson
Angelina Petschek
Nick Petschek

The July Quarterly Prize, a SEA-DOO SEASCOOTER GTI, was won by Mike Petschek !!



Dive-a-Thon Overview:

This event was developed in an effort to get DIVER\$ DIVING while raising money for a CAUSE! As a diver, it's simple to get started: you register to participate, develop your own personal webpage, and send your page to all your friends & family! For participating in the event you will receive free gifts and can win prizes worth thousands of dollars! You do not have to be a San Diego resident to participate, although all proceeds from the event will help support programs located in San Diego County.

Dive-a-Thon Registration:

Sign up online with a click of a button or send in your printed registration form to participate! For your \$25 registration fee, you'll receive a FREE event t-shirt and a pass to the kick-off Pancake Breakfast at La Jolla Shores on Sunday, July 31st!

Registration Levels:

You will be asked to register as an individual diver or as a dive professional. In this way, the total minutes logged during the month of August is fair for those who are not diving everyday. In addition, be sure to note which dive club, if any, you are a part of so your club can be entered to win a Keg of Ballast Point Yellowtail Pale Ale for your next social function!

Prize levels:

There are several ways you can win a prize package for participating: Top 5 Divers who log the Most Minutes and Top 5 Divers who Raise the Most Money (in both the individual and dive professional registration levels). Prize packages include gifts from Gates Underwater, Diving Unlimited International, AquaLung, Underwater Kinectics, dive trips, and more!

There are also prizes if you meet specific fundraising levels:

\$300-\$599: FREE pass to SeaWorld California
\$600-\$999: FREE signed print by Marty Snyderman
\$1,000+: FREE embroidered SDOF Jacket

Logging your Minutes:

You MUST log your dives from July 31st - August 31st through the SDOF website. The online logbook form is very simple and will only take a minute for each entry. Note: Don't even think about fabricating your dives ... we will catch you! Please be honest.

Asking Friends for Pledges:

The success of this fundraiser is dependant on divers seeking pledges for their diving or fundraising goals! Once you've registered, you can create your OWN PERSONAL webpage to send to friends and family asking for their support. Designing your personal page takes less than four minutes because we've provided the templates for you! Sending personal web pages takes the hassle out of asking for pledges in person ... send it to your entire address book if you'd like!

Pancake Breakfast 7am - 9am, July 31st:

All registered divers are invited to attend the Kick-off Dive at the La Jolla Shores on Sunday, July 31st. At the kick-off dive you will be served with yummy food & warm beverages, hosted by the San Diego Dive Club! The event t-shirts will be passed out at this event. If you cannot attend and need your shirt mailed, please let us know!

Questions, Comments, Concerns?

Please direct all questions and comments to Noelle Morris at the San Diego Oceans Foundation. You can call (619)523-1903 or email at: sdoceans@sdoceans.org



Event Location:

Kick Off Event: Pancake Breakfast Sunday, July 31st

Need directions? [Click here for a map](#)

Pancake Breakfast at La Jolla Shores: Sunday, July 31st 7am - 9am This will be your opportunity to log your first 40 minutes underwater and fill your belly with great food! You will enjoy pancakes, bacon, hot coffee and coco!

Event t-shirts will be distributed at the breakfast ... so please be sure to attend if you can. If not, we can mail the shirt to you upon request! 7/31/2005

Fees:

Diver: \$25.00

Any certified diver (not a DM or Instructor)

Dive Professional: \$25.00

Dive Masters or Instructors who are regularly in the water with students

Rewards:

Participant Level

Embroidered SDOF Jacket (\$1,000.00 +)

For all divers who receive over \$1,000 in pledges from friends and family, you will receive a FREE SDOF embroidered jacket

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Signed Marine Life Print (\$600.00 - \$999.00)

For all divers who receive over \$600 in pledges from friends and family, you will receive a FREE limited, edition signed print by Emmy Award Winning photographer, Marty Snyderman

Rewards: Pledges + \$600 = Signed Print - For all divers who receive over \$500 in pledges from friends and family, you will receive a FREE limited, edition signed print by Emmy Award Winning photographer, Marty Snyderman

SeaWorld California Pass (\$300.00 - \$599.00)

For all divers who receive over \$300 in pledges from friends and family, you will receive a FREE pass to SeaWorld California

Rewards: Pledges + \$300 = SeaWorld Pass - For all divers who receive over \$300 in pledges from friends and family, you will receive a FREE pass to SeaWorld California

The San Diego Council of Divers

NEWS FROM THE COUNCIL OF DIVERS



Meetings are currently scheduled for the second Tuesday of Odd numbered months .The next meeting scheduled is: Tuesday September 13.

More information will be posted on the Council's website - www.sddivers.com

The Council of Divers general meeting was held on Tuesday July 12 at 7pm at Casa Machado at Montgomery Field. The Council is currently experiencing some organizational difficulties conflicts with the weekly Ocean Foundation "Ships to Reefs" project meetings. However it will still maintain its schedule of general meetings held every other month at Casa Machado.

The upcoming 50th birthday celebration for the Council was discussed and the following decided:

Location: TBD: currently down to Robb Field (in OB) or Scripps (Beach Side house)

Date: Currently narrowed down to: Sept 10th or 11th, or Oct 8th or 9th

Time: 3pm – 9pm, dinner at 5pm

Cost: FREE

Food: Barbeque Carne & Pollo Asada, Burger, chips, soft drinks.

Hosted by: the San Diego Dive Club

Entertainment:

- Various speakers and dive industry icons to mingle with.
- San Diego Dive Club will provide Sea Hunt video marathon

Raffle: A raffle to be determined based on quantity/quality of available prizes.

Assistance is needed for:

Securing raffle prizes, creating and distributing flyers, contacting guest speakers, placing notices in the media.

If you would like to assist with the event or General Council activities, please contact Rich Burns

3Rs Schedule

Here is the San Diego area 3R's schedules. There are slight variations on who and how they are conducted but essentially:

San Diego Lifeguards, in conjunction with the Council of Divers, offer instruction to divers on safe diving practices and area familiarization along the coastline. This is a workshop to improve beach diving skills & familiarize divers with popular dive sites.

Life guards or instructors demonstrate & supervise proper surf entry & exit procedures, dive condition assessment techniques, and explain unique aspects of the dive site.

Participants wear full wetsuit, mask, fins and snorkel. **TANKS & REGULATORS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

All sessions meet at 8 a.m

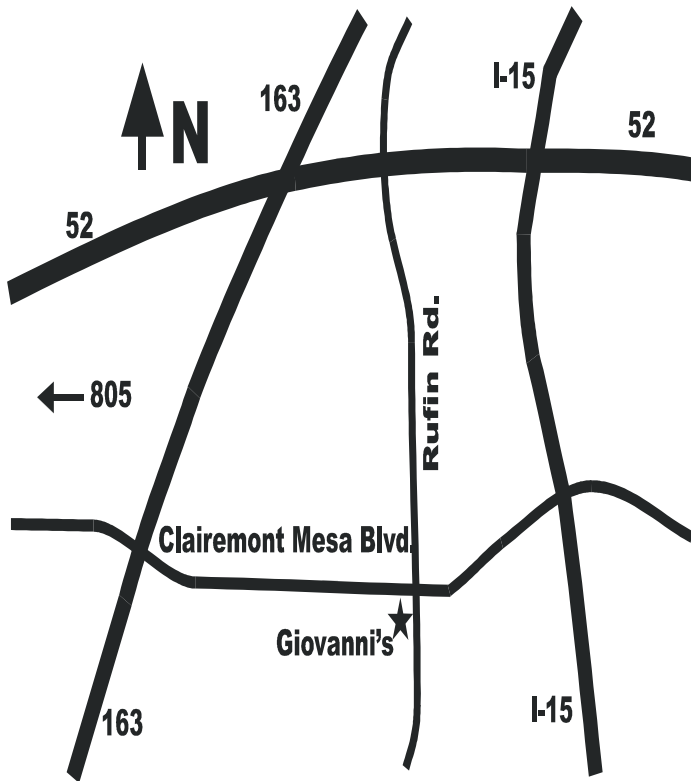
JULY

Sat, Jul 30, 2005
3Rs- Goldfish Point (La Jolla Caves)
8:00am - 10:30am
Meet at 1325 Coast Blvd. (Old Shell Shop)
This session of the 3Rs hosted by the Dive Animals

AUGUST

Sat, Aug 13, 2005
3Rs- Marine Street
8:00am - 10:30am
Meet at 300 Marine Street.
Session host TBA

Sat, Aug 27, 2005
3Rs- Hospital Point
8:00am - 10:30am
Meet at 400 Coast Blvd (south of Cuvier)
This session of the 3Rs hosted by the Sea Dogs



DIVE CLUB MEETING LOCATION

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

January, April, July and October are the club's quarterly meetings and we have a grand raffle prize at those meetings.

The winning ticket is drawn from that evenings batch and from the previous two months.

***ONLY CURRENT CLUB MEMBERS ARE
ELIGIBLE TO WIN THE GRAND PRIZE!!!***

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Check your mailing label to see if you need to renew your membership.



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