

the **PRIMARY REGULATOR**

San Diego Dive Club Newsletter
www.dive-club.org



February 2003

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ELECTIONS IMMINENT!

We (the club officers) have come to an agreement about club diving activities resuming. We've decided we can continue to schedule boat dives through Sport Chalet without any changes. Sport Chalet provides Divemasters and the boat operator and Sport Chalet require liability waivers at each boat event. We can also charter our own boat trips as long as the boat operator provides Divemasters. Both the boat operator and our club will require liability waivers to be signed at each event. We can also resume beach diving, however our club will no longer provide

Divemasters at each event. We will require liability waivers signed by everyone who does not have a recent one on file with us already. The Club will arrange a time and location for a beach dive and provide a site survey briefing only. A statement will be read at each dive that basically says "you are on your own, you are a trained and certified diver and the Club does not accept responsibility for your safety."

That all being said, we will begin scheduling Club dives again soon. We do have a trip scheduled for Two Harbors

Catalina in late April, sign up quickly! We also have the U/W Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast coming up on Saturday, April 19th so make sure you bring your Easter basket. We plan to make the U/W Easter Egg Hunt a U/W clean up dive too so please pick up more than Easter Eggs you find underwater.

Now for the unpopular stuff. It's club election time again! Now, now, don't bolt to the surface! Don't be scared! Breathe continuously and deeply at all times. It's less annoying than clearing your mask.

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AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Wed., Feb. 5, 2003 7:00 pm

(see page 6 for meeting location)

Tracy Clark

**From The Blue and Back,
Extremes of San Diego Diving**

Tracy works for a small local municipality in the Public Works Traffic Safety Dept. He started diving in 1986 and took up Underwater Photography shortly thereafter. He has placed in numerous Underwater Photo contests and has had photos published *Outdoor California*, *California Diver*, *Espacio Profundo* and *Ocean Realm* magazines. He was the San Diego Underwater Photo Society's, 1999 Advanced Photographer of the Year.

— Jeff Feldbaum, Entertainment Coordinator

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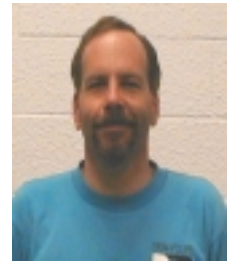
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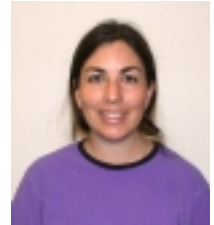
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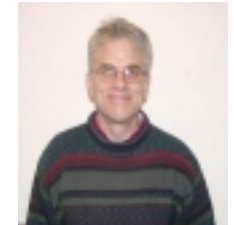
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Membership

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
- 1/2 price air fills, first 10 are free
- 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 night's 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 |
|-----------------|-----|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------|-----|-----|
| February 2003 | | | | | | 1 |
| Events Calendar | | | | | | |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Club Meeting 7:00 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 Council Meeting 6:00 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | |



Scuba Charters February 2003

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 |
|--------|------------------|------------------------|--------|------------|----------|---------|--------------------|
| 01-Feb | CeeRay | Catalina | \$ 90 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | N/A |
| 01-Feb | Encore | San Clemente | \$ 100 | 1/31, 10pm | 1:00 AM | 6:00 PM | Food & Air Fills |
| 02-Feb | Bottom Scratcher | Catalina | \$ 90 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | N/A |
| 02-Feb | CeeRay | Catalina | \$ 90 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | N/A |
| 02-Feb | D-n-D II | Kelp beds-2 tank | \$ 75 | 7:00 AM | 7:30 AM | noon | N/A |
| 08-Feb | Great Escape | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 6:00 PM | N/A |
| 08-Feb | Island Time | Catalina-2 tank | \$ 78 | 7:30 AM | 8:00 AM | 2:00 PM | Personal food ok |
| 09-Feb | Blue Escape | 2 Wreck, 1 Night /Kelp | \$ 85 | noon | 12:30 PM | 7:00 PM | N/A |
| 09-Feb | Great Escape | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 6:00 PM | N/A |
| 09-Feb | Island Time | Catalina-2 tank | \$ 78 | 7:30 AM | 8:00 AM | 2:00 PM | Personal food ok |
| 15-Feb | Great Escape | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 6:00 PM | N/A |
| 15-Feb | Pacific Star | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | N/A |
| 16-Feb | Blue Explorer | Wreck Alley-2 tank | \$ 75 | 7:00 AM | 7:30 AM | noon | N/A |
| 16-Feb | Great Escape | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 6:00 PM | N/A |
| 16-Feb | Island Time | Catalina-2 tank | \$ 78 | 7:30 AM | 8:00 AM | 2:00 PM | Personal food ok |
| 16-Feb | Spectre | S.Cruz / Anacapa | \$ 78 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | Food & Air Fills |
| 22-Feb | Bottom Scratcher | Catalina | \$ 90 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | N/A |
| 22-Feb | Great Escape | San Clemente | \$ 115 | 2/21, 10pm | 1:00 AM | 6:30 PM | N/A |
| 22-Feb | Horizon | San Clemente | \$ 110 | 2/21, 8pm | 9:00 PM | 9:00 PM | Food & Beverages |
| 22-Feb | Island Time | Catalina-2 tank | \$ 78 | 7:30 AM | 8:00 AM | 2:00 PM | Personal food ok |
| 23-Feb | Blue Escape | Coronado 3 tank | \$ 90 | 7:00 AM | 7:30 AM | 4:00 PM | N/A |
| 23-Feb | Encore | Catalina | \$ 80 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | Food & Air Fills |
| 23-Feb | Great Escape | Catalina | \$ 95 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 6:00 PM | N/A |
| 23-Feb | Spectre | S.Cruz / Anacapa | \$ 78 | 6:00 AM | 7:00 AM | 5:30 PM | Food & Air Fills |

Trip Dates, Boats, Destinations and Charter Prices are subject to change without Notice.

Club Happenings

AT OUR LAST MEETING...

John Moore gave us a rundown on the state of the Marine Life Protection Act developments. It seems that the State is behind schedule in setting aside those areas for protection that have been proposed by various working committees. Progress is however slowly being made.

We also had a return visit by Dennis Haines, one of our past Presidents, and the past organizer of the Easter Egg Hunts. It was good to see you again Dennis.

Paul Brooks - Ed

Membership

**Please welcome the following
New Members:**

We had no new members sign up during the meeting in January! Please help our club to grow. Get your friends that dive or are interested in things related to diving and the Ocean Environment to come and see what we do, and how entertaining and educational our presentations usually are.

Raffle Winners

These people were winners in the January raffle:

We had some, but I have misplaced the list. I apologize to those winners whose names I can not remember

I do remember that the **winner** of the Quarterly Drawing for the **MX-5 Camera** was **Scott Brown**

Two Harbors, Catalina April 25th – 28th

We have finalized the details for our Springtime trip to Two Harbors on Catalina Island. Reservations are for the last weekend in April, that's April 25-27. We will be departing San Pedro for Two Harbors at 12:30 on Friday, the 25th, and then returning at 2:00pm on Sunday, the 27th. The cost of this trip is \$98* for non-divers and \$170* for divers taking part in the Friday afternoon/evening boat dive. Yes, unfortunately it has gone up slightly, but it is still a fantastic deal. The trip price includes round trip transportation between San Pedro and Two Harbors via the Catalina Express, accommodations at Two Harbors camping cabins, and a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning and a Bar-B-Q and movies on Saturday night. If you would like to sign up for this trip contact Rich Burns by e-mail at sddiver@cts.com or by calling 619-697-6589. But don't wait too long this trip sells out extremely quickly. *cost of trip is based on per person, double occupancy in the camping cabins.

Sport Chalet 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 Sport Chalet Dive Club Officers' Meetings. The Officers' Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Spice House Cafe at 9035 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. The next meeting will be Feb 19. 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.

Community Information

The San Diego Council of Divers

NEWS FROM THE COUNCIL OF DIVERS

The next general meeting of the San Diego Council of Divers will be on Tuesday, January 14, 2003 at the Rock Bottom Brewery & Restaurant (upstairs), 8980 Villa La Jolla Drive, La Jolla, CA 92037. Social hour at 6:00 p.m. Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Council has a new website address: <http://home.nethere.net/hgruenha/sdcd.htm>



I hope you enjoy the Club and will consider helping us make it better. It's a little bit of work but it's a lot of fun to be a club officer. I plan on running for Club President again and I hope you think I'm doing okay. I also hope someone else will run against me, I want to win but I want to see some participation and club spirit. I'll feel more like the Presidents position is special if someone else wants it too.

The only thing that scares me is that nobody else will help me keep the club going. Many of the current officers have been doing their jobs for a very long time and would like a break. They've told me they want to continue to be active and help but not be an officer. I have no problem with the club running without official club officers for certain positions as long as we have people that are willing to keep all activities running.

The officer positions are listed below:
President (Director position):
Presides over club and officer meetings. Delegates everything to everyone else.

Vice President (Director position):
Back up President and handles membership applications and renewals and maintains membership database.

Secretary (Director position):
Takes raffle winner names at club meetings and takes officer meeting minutes.

Treasurer (Director position):
Maintains club checking account and writes checks. Usually buys raffle prizes and sells raffle tickets but these can be delegated to any volunteer.

Entertainment coordinator:
Secures a guest speaker for each club meeting.

Equipment coordinator:
Sets up the video, audio and slide projector equipment for each meeting.

Dive coordinator:
Schedules club beach and boat dives and other outings.

Historian:
Collects and maintains club photos, videos, articles and miscellaneous items.

Community Representative:
Attends San Diego Council of Divers meetings to represent interests of our club.

Club officers are expected to act as coordinators to find other people to assist them in the various areas. Nobody expects each club officer to do everything themselves, the club actually works better when we have many volunteers cooperating to make things happen.

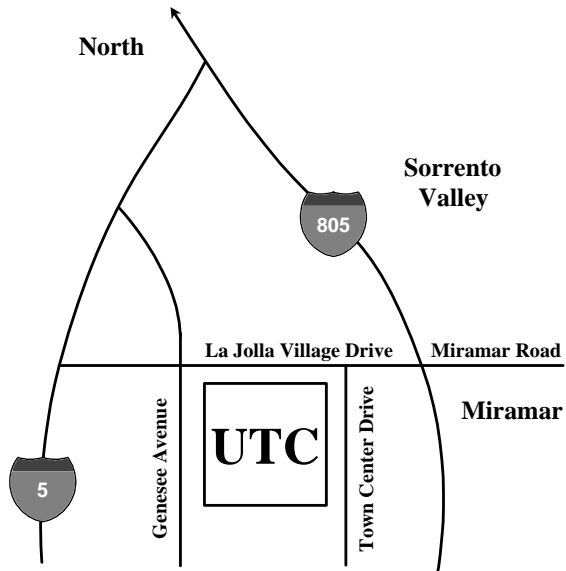
Club nominations are in February and elections are in March.

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to all current officers and volunteers for their contributions to making this club the success it is. We've had a rough few months with the re-incorporation process and the support of all the officers has been great.

As I said earlier, I plan to run for re-election. I truly believe in this club and really enjoy participating, I hope you can stand my personality for one more year.

Please consider lending a little of your time as an officer.

Steve Anderson
President



DIVE CLUB MEETING LOCATION

The Canyon Room 7:00 PM
 (see page 1 for date of meeting)
Lower level of the food court at the University Towne Center shopping mall (U.T.C.)

From 805 take La Jolla Village Dr. West
From 5 take La Jolla Village Dr. East

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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