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San Diego Dive Club Newsletter
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January 2005

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Dive Year!

Hope your holidays were full of good times and great memories. If you're like me nobody knows what to get me so I go buy my own presents.

I'm a little concerned about the future of the club in 2005. We haven't secured a good new club meeting location yet and I don't plan on running for President in 2005. I have faith that both issues will resolve themselves.

On a brighter note, we had a great time with our 2004 Underwater Santa Toy Drive at Sport Chalet. While the attendance was down a bit this year, probably due to the rain, everything went very well. There were no "bottle necks" this year and the photographs turned out great. I've posted low-resolution

versions of all photos on the club web site under the Photo Gallery section. If you want the full resolution version just email me with the photo number and I'll email it back to you. Each photo is just over a megabyte so I hope you have a high-speed Internet connection.

I want to thank everyone involved that made the toy drive a success. I can't list (or remember) everyone's names but there are a few couple of people that gave 200%. Peggy Petschek organized the event. Scott Brown stored, brought and set up the underwater equipment, flood lights, Santa suits and helped keep Santa breathing. Cody Gilstrap also was Santa's life support tender. Michelle Russell and Peggy Petschek brought all kinds of food for the volun-

teers. Paul Brooks spent the entire day underwater as Santa's photographer. Mike Petschek also shared in photographer duties. Rich Burns was in the pool all day long as a safety diver. Mark Burrows, Jim Mulvihill, Dan Teel (Dive shop Manager) and ??? were our Scuba Santas. Mark Burrows also handled scuba gear and filled tanks. Josh's Mom (Mrs. Sokoloff) worked the registration/greeting desk all day long. Bryce Newall and Peter Eto did all the computer image processing, photo printing and CD burning. Josh Sokoloff and his friend (I can't remember his name) were problem solvers and hallway/locker room security

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**IMPORTANT!!! JANUARY'S MEETING IS ON *TUESDAY JAN 4*,
NOT WEDNESDAY JAN 5!**

AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Tue., Jan 4 , 2005 7:00 pm

(see page 3 for meeting location)

The Guest Speaker for January is:

John Boyer DUI

John Boyer from DUI will be joining us to tell all about the new Ocean Reef full face mask system with underwater communications.

— **Bruce Laiho, Entertainment Coordinator**

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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
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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
December 2004						1 New Years Day
Events Calendar						
2	3	4 Club Meeting 7:00	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

At press time There had been no dives planned for January. However, dives for January will be announced at the meeting.

Please Note: January's meeting will be held on a different day and in a different meeting room!

January's meeting is going to be held on **Tuesday January 4**, and will be held in **Forum Hall**. Forum Hall (where the December meeting was held) is on the West side of U.T.C. It is located on the upper level across the bridge from Nordstrums.





Remember, Club Members get
10% off these prices!

Scuba Charters January 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
09-Jan	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 86	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	2:00 PM	N/A
15-Jan	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
15-Jan	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 86	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	2:00 PM	N/A
15-Jan	Lois Ann	Wreck - 2 tank	\$ 82	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A
16-Jan	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
16-Jan	Island Time	Oil Rigs-Advanced Only	\$ 86	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	2:00 PM	N/A
22-Jan	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 102	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-Jan	Encore	Santa Barbara	\$ 127	1/21, 10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
23-Jan	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
29-Jan	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 102	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
29-Jan	Encore	San Clemente	\$ 127	1/28, 10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
29-Jan	Monterey Express	Monterey Bay	\$ 86	1:00 PM	1:30 PM	5:30 PM	N/A
30-Jan	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 102	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
30-Jan	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 102	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
30-Jan	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 tank	\$ 82	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:30 PM	N/A

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

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' 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 **Dec 15**. 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.

**Please Note: The meeting for January will be held at:
Tyler's Taste of Texas
576 North 2nd St.
El Cajon 92021 (619) 444-9295**

Wednesday January 12

At Our Last Meeting

We were moved at the last minute to Forum Hall (located behind Nordstroms on the second level).

Our guest speaker in December was **Woody Morrison**, Captain of the Lois Ann dive boat. Woody was an emergency replacement speaker and gave us a lot of information on the "Buoy replacement program" for Wreck Alley and how we can participate.

Thanks Woody for filling in!
Ya did great!

Two Harbors, Catalina Island

April 29th – May 1st

Come join us for our semi annual pilgrimage to Two Harbors, Catalina Island. We have reservations for the last weekend of April. We will be making a 2 tank boat dive on the Garibaldi on Saturday morning and doing a BarBQ on Saturday night followed by movies in the Amphitheatre compliments of Uncle Steve. We will be departing San Pedro for Two Harbors at ~12:30 pm on Friday, the 29th, and then returning for the mainland trip at ~2:00pm on Sunday. The trip price will be \$110 for non-divers and \$179 for divers taking part in the 2 tank boat dive on Saturday morning. Included in the diver price are tanks and weights for unlimited shore diving, and the use of a sea kayak. The trip price for all includes round trip transportation between San Pedro and Two Harbors via the Catalina Express, accommodations at Two Harbors camping cabins, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning, and dinner on Friday and Saturday night. In order to keep the trip prices so low each person will be assigned an item to contribute and a cooking assignment over the weekend. If you would like to sign up for this trip contact Rich Burns by e-mail at sddiver@cox.net or by calling 619-697-6589 or 619-303-6589. 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.

President's Message Cont.

agents. I have no list of names for the instructors, I know Jeff Feldbaum was instructing in the pool and CJ was teaching in the classroom.

This year we also were joined by a couple of EMT's from the Riverside Community College's Paramedic program. Ronnie Haddox asked if he could set up a table and provide free blood pressure checks as part of his community service credit requirements. So a big thanks goes to Ronnie Haddox, his team and his instructor for making it possible.

I also want to thank Dan Teel and Sport Chalet for making the pool available and clean for the event. The event wouldn't be possible without the support, facilities and permission from Sport Chalet.

We collected a full large box of toys for the kids at Saint Vincent de Paul's homeless shelter and about \$100 from CD sales to help pay for club expenses.

I guess there were a couple of "hick-ups" early on in the day and I can only apologize if they happened to you. Please call or email me with any issues.

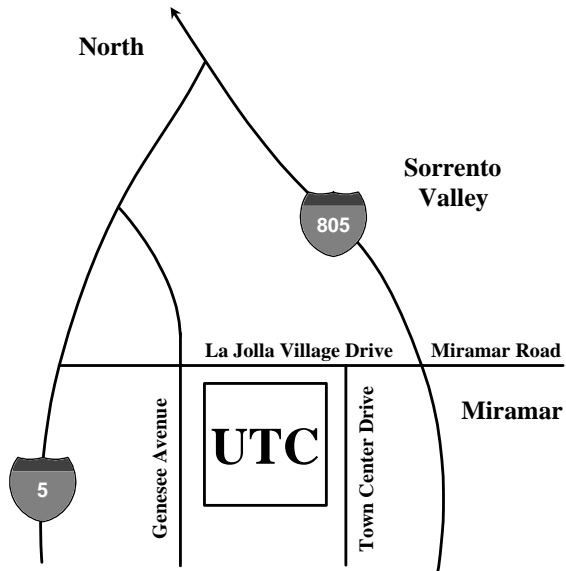
There will be a meeting to review the Santa toy drive at the Sport Chalet dive classroom on Wednesday, Jan. 5th 2005 at 6:30 PM. If you have ideas on how we can improve the event in 2005 please bring them with you or email me (unclesteve@cox.net).

IMPORTANT!

Our next club meeting will be on TUESDAY, Jan 4th at 7PM instead of Wednesday. The meeting will be in FORUM HALL (where we met in December); a map is in this newsletter. Forum hall is located behind Nordstroms on the second level. This will be the last meeting at UTC and we will have to find a new meeting location before February.

Thanks for making this club San Diego's best in 2004!

Steve Anderson
President
San Diego Dive Club



DIVE CLUB MEETING LOCATION

Forum Hall 7:00 PM
 University Towne Center shopping mall (U.T.C.)
 (see pages 1 & 3 for date of meeting and a map)

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
 ELLIGIBLE TO WIN THE GRAND PRIZE!!!***

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