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San Diego Dive Club Newsletter  
www.sandiegodiveclub.com



*June 2007*

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

### **Summer Begins**

Diving is possible year round here in San Diego and sometimes it's difficult to determine when it's not Summer. Despite the fact that the official beginning of Summer as per the calendar won't be for awhile yet, we as divers have our own beginning of Summer with the first 3Rs session of the season. 39 people showed up May 12th to enjoy the historical talk and in water tour conducted by the lifeguards of the La Jolla Cove and Boomer areas.

Thanks go out to Dennis Fox for representing our club as the session host and providing fruit, muffins, water and juice. This was a fantastic turn out for the first session of the year due surely to the promotional efforts of the Council of Divers president Scott Anderson. Hats off to Scott.

My own Summer diving has started well with our club's annual Two Harbors trip and then dive mastering with Rich Burns on the Horizon two day San Clemente trip for Aqualung the following week-end. I hope it has been just as great for all of you.

Our club's first Summer event will be the June 9th pot luck dinner and movie on the beach at La Jolla Shores. Food sign ups will be co-coordinated by Shelly Burns at the club meeting. We may or may not have selected the movie by the club meeting so if any of you have suggestions, let us know. We can always use ideas.

Finally, as I write this, all the actively burning fires on Catalina have been extinguished and residents have returned to their homes. Two harbors was thankfully untouched. Here's to our nearby pacific jewel. May she live long and prosper.

*Scott Brown - President*

## **AT OUR NEXT MEETING**

**Thur., June 7 , 2007 7:00 pm**

(see back page for meeting location)

**The Guest Speaker for June is:**

*Unknown at press time*

—Cody Gilstrap, Entertainment Coordinator

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## Club Information

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### *Dive Coordinator*

### *Dive Coordinator*

### *Equipment Coordinator*

### *Store Representative*

### *Publicity Representative*

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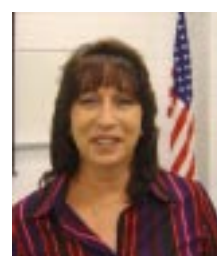
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### *Membership*

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.sandiegodiveclub.com](http://www.sandiegodiveclub.com)

#### *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 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.*

## CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<b>June 2007</b>					1	2
<b>Events Calendar</b>						
3	4	5	6	7 Club Meeting 7:00	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	21	22	23 3Rs pg7
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## At Our Last Meeting

Susan Long came around with her tale of Matt Johnston's journey into our underwater world and redefined the meaning of perseverance. She failed to mention ahead of time that there would be a quiz after her presentation. However no one seemed to mind since correct answers were rewarded with DUI paraphernalia. My new DUI towel is perfect as a camera towel. Thanks Susan.

*Scott Brown*

### Raffle

**Here are the winners from May's raffle**

(2)Scuba Show Tickets	- Scott Anderson
DiveBums Black Sea Bass T-Shirt	- Bryce Newell
DeepSee Omni Mask	- Sandy Miller
Aqua Lung Toiletries Bag	- Scott Brown
Blue Beach Towel	- Dave Pierce
Akona Safety Tube	- Sandy Miller
Ear Drops for Divers	- Sandra Anderson
Erasable Magnetic Dive Slate	- Sandy Miller
Akona Regulator Bag	- Michelle Russell
Aqua Seal Divers Cleaning pak	- Scott Anderson
Black Multi-Hanger	- Bryce Newell
UK BC Hanger	- Dave Pierce
Watermark Ankle Weights	- Mike Petschek
DUIDrysuit Towel	- Laura Brown

### Membership

**Please welcome these new and renewing members...**

#### New members

Reynold Demarco

#### Renewals

Mark Berger  
 Laura Brown  
 Cody Gilstrap  
 Barbie Lass  
 Kevin Lass  
 David McNair  
 Peggy Petschek  
 PJGo  
 Dennis Fox



Remember, Club Members get  
10% off these prices!

## Scuba Charters

June  
2007

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	Add'l Chges	From
02-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
02-Jun	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
02-Jun	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
02-Jun	Spectre	S.Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura
03-Jun	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
03-Jun	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
09-Jun	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
09-Jun	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
09-Jun	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
09-Jun	Spectre	S.Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura
10-Jun	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
10-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
10-Jun	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
10-Jun	Spectre	S.Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura
16-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
16-Jun	Lois Ann	Wrecks/Night - 2 Tank	\$75	4:30 PM	5:00 PM	9:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
16-Jun	Magician	San Clemente	\$160	6/15, 10PM	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
17-Jun	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
17-Jun	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
17-Jun	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
23-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
23-Jun	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
23-Jun	Spectre	S.Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura
24-Jun	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
24-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
24-Jun	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego
24-Jun	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro
30-Jun	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
30-Jun	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach
30-Jun	Lois Ann	Wreck - 2 Tank PM	\$75	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	6:30 PM	N/A	San Diego
30-Jun	Magician	Catalina-No OW Classes	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro

Trip dates, boats, destinations and prices are subject to change without notice.

### San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting Wednesday June 20th

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 usually held at **6:30 PM** on the **3rd Wednesday** of each month at :

Marie Calendar's, 6950 Alvarado rd. La Mesa

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.

## Photo of the month contest

The club officers have come up with a friendly contest we all can enjoy. Here's how it works: Take an underwater picture, frame it for easy display and set it up at the meeting with all the other entries. Everyone in attendance votes for their favorite picture and the winner receives five raffle tickets. The intent here is to involve as many people as possible in fun and entertainment.

Even a friendly contest has rules ( not guidelines ) and we'll all be operating under the honor system. Underwater pictures only, taken during the time since the last meeting. One picture per person per month. Digital or film. Display your picture as you shot it with your camera and lighting settings. Cropping is OK but please refrain from zooming in on your subject or using Photoshop before printing. One vote per person and you must be present at the meeting to vote. Each month's winning picture may be displayed at the following month's meeting as the previous month's winner.

We have several excellent photographers within our membership and as this contest continues, I hope to see the photo display table crowded with stunning pictures for all our viewing pleasure.

## Future Club Happenings

# 10th Anniversary Gold Star Dive.

~ JULY 21st, 2007 ~

Search for Gold Stars in the Casino Point Underwater Park on Catalina Island. Win prizes, get a Commemorative T-Shirt and solid Chocolate Star, have fun diving with other fun-loving divers. All this *and* support a great cause - the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department S.T.A.R. Program and the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber.

Join the hunt!

[www.catalinagoldstardive.org](http://www.catalinagoldstardive.org)



*SCUBA Show 2007*  
P.O. Box 11231, Torrance, CA 90510  
(310) 792-2333 (info only)  
FAX (310) 792-2336  
or register online at  
[www.scubashow.com](http://www.scubashow.com)

## SAN DIEGO DIVE CLUB SOUTHERN CHANNELISLANDS 2007 3-DAY TRIP



The sparkling waters of Santa Barbara, Santa Catalina, and San Clemente Islands will be our destinations on board the Horizon September 21-23.

<b>Itinerary</b>	<b>Thursday September 20:</b>	Boarding is at 7:00 PM with departure at 9:00PM.
	<b>Friday September 21:</b>	We dive all day at Santa Barbara Island and if conditions permit, there will be a night dive.
	<b>Saturday September 22:</b>	We dive all day at Santa Catalina Island. In the evening the Horizon will anchor in Avalon harbor and those who wish may go ashore.
	<b>Sunday September 23:</b>	We dive at San Clemente Island until about 2:00PM and then head for home. Arrival in San Diego will be around 8:00 PM.

**Itinerary is subject to change depending on sea and weather conditions.**

### The Boat

The Horizon is an 80-foot Coast Guard inspected and certified custom-built dive boat. Crew includes two captains, four deckhands, chef and assistant. She is berthed at H & M Landing 2803 Emerson St. Passenger accommodations include eight staterooms and 17 single bunks. 12 of the single bunks are arranged side by side divided by a wood partition which can be raised out of the way to create a double bunk. All staterooms and bunks include sheets, pillows, blankets, and private lights. Staterooms also have their own electrical outlets. There are two bathrooms and three showers.

The galley has five booths which each seat six, plenty of shelf space for camera gear, a self-serve water and soda fountain, a TV with external AV inputs, and a VHS/DVD player. There is a selection of videos, magazines, and paperback books for all to enjoy. All food and drinks are included with the exception of bottled water, canned soda, beer, wine, and gourmet coffee.

Aluminum 80 cylinders and hard weights are available at no charge. All air fills are included. 32% NITROX is available for \$ 6.00 per fill with a maximum of \$ 24.00 per day after which they're free.

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Trip cost is \$ 470.00 per person with space limited to 26 divers. A \$ 250.00 deposit per person will reserve space on the trip with payment in full due by July 16. Payment in full may be made at any time. Sleeping accommodations may only be selected upon full payment. No refunds will be given after August 20 unless you yourself can find someone to take your spot. The trip is open only to current San Diego Dive Club members until July 6, after which it will be open to non-members. **There may be a small fuel surcharge of \$10-\$20 per person payable upon boarding.**

**For reservations please contact Scott Brown.  
(858) 560-6755      lsbro1@mindspring.com**

# Rocks, Rips & Reefs Program (3Rs)

What are the 3Rs?

3Rs is an in-water education and site orientation program for divers and snorkelers. Participants are briefed on the interaction of surf, swell, and tides on underwater rocks and reefs, and then enter the water and tour popular diver sites with local lifeguards.

3Rs is a great way for newer divers to learn more about the ocean and for experienced divers to explore new dive sites.

Participants learn how to:

- Identify underwater rocks and reefs by observing water movement and surf
- Take advantage of the ocean's natural wave motion
- Spot safe places to enter and exit
- Avoid places hazardous to divers and snorkelers
- Encounter rip and long shore currents
- Use tides to plan dives

Read a [review on SanDiegoDiving.com](#)

Who can attend?

The 3Rs is free and open to the public. Snorkelers welcome! SCUBA Certification is not required, but swimming experience is recommended.

Participants must sign a liability waiver as part of registration. Participants aged 17 or less must have the waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian.

What to bring

Bring a mask, fins, and snorkel. A full wetsuit and gloves are strongly recommended for warmth and protection from scrapes. Spring suits are OK. Weights are discouraged unless you are a strong swimmer or your wetsuit is extremely buoyant. Scuba gear (regulator, BC, tank, etc.) is not used during the 3Rs.

If you have not been diving or snorkeling recently, please check your gear before you arrive.

When are the 3Rs?

For all dates below, registration will be at 8:00am. Mandatory briefing starts at 8:15am, enter the water 8:30 am.

## **Boomer/La Jolla Cove**

Saturday, May 12th 2007

Meet at - 1150 Coast Blvd. (La Jolla Cove steps)

Session Host: San Diego Dive Club

## **North Bird Rock**

Saturday May 26, 2007

Meet at 6000 Camino de la Costa, La Jolla

Session Host: Ocean Explorers Society

## **Goldfish Point (La Jolla Caves)**

Saturday June 23, 2007

Meet at 1325 Coast Blvd. (Old Shell Shop)

Session Host: Dive Animals

## **Marine Street**

Saturday July 14, 2007

Meet at - 300 Marine Street

Session Host: Bottom Bunch

## **Shell Beach**

Saturday July 28, 2007

Meet at - 1000 Coast Blvd. (nearest cross street - Ocean St.) At the top of the stairs about half way between La Jolla Cove and Children's Pool

Session Host: San Diego Freedivers

## **Hospital Point**

Saturday August 11th, 2007

Meet at - 400 Coast Blvd (south of Cuvier)

Session Host: Sea Dogs

## **Casa Cove**

Saturday August 25th, 2007

Meet at Life Guard Tower 850 Coast Boulevard

Session Host: San Diego Dive Club

## DIVE CLUB MEETING LOCATION

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

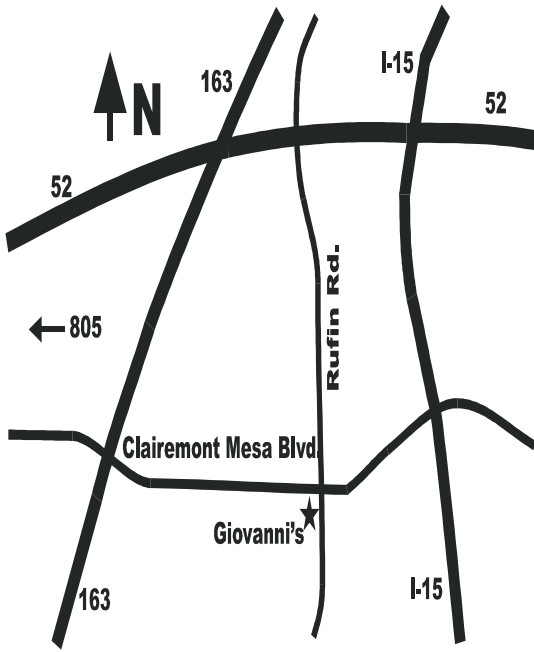
Giovanni's Italian Restaurant  
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd

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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