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



May 2005

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer Dive Season is Upon Us

Our annual pancake breakfast and underwater easter egg hunt is now a fond memory of another great summer kick-off. The weather was fantastic, the pancakes were just as good and the diving wasn't too bad either. We had close to thirty divers sign up for the underwater egg hunt and we served pancakes, bacon, sausage, juice, coffee and cocoa to several hundred people. The event was so popular we even had a news crew from channel 7/39 show up and do a live interview, and then we made both the evening and night news broadcasts, thanks Shelley for setting that up. Congratulations to

all those people who cleaned up on the prizes for bringing back the gold egg, the silver egg and the most eggs. For those of you who could only find the goose egg, breakfast and diving was still good, and there is always next year!

After the pancake breakfast and easter egg hunt, there was a planning meeting in which your club officers along with other interested club members got together to brainstorm ideas and rough out a schedule of events for the coming year. Some of the items that came out of the meeting included; the dive club will be hosting a couple of 3R's ses-

sions, a tour of the Midway Aircraft Carrier Museum, a couple of movies on the beach and Bar-B-Q's, a trip to Disneyland (guess who came up with that), Two Harbors-Catalina, Underwater Santa, and lots of diving. A future events calendar will be posted to our website in the near future so you can make sure you mark your favorite events on your calendar. With all that said, however, we still have room for other events and activities, so if you have any ideas please talk to one of the club officers or myself or come share them at one of the club meetings. See you in the water!

Rich Burns - President

AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Thur., May 5 , 2005 7:00 pm

(see page 8 for meeting location)

The Guest Speaker for April is:

Dick Long - Ships2Reefs

Our Speaker Dick Long will talk about the San Diego Oceans Foundations participation in the Ships2Reefs program. Come and learn about the efforts to bring more ships to San Diego to be used as artificial reefs like the Yukon was.

Note: Dick was scheduled to present at our April meeting, but was unable to make it. He has agreed to talk with us at the May meeting.

— *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
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
1	2	3	4	5 Club Meeting 7:00	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Midway Tour pg 6
15	16	17	18 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	19	20	21 SCUBA Show 2005 pg 7
22 SCUBA Show 2005 pg 7	23	24	25	26	27	28 Dive Beacon's 10:00 am
29	30	31	May 2005 Events Calendar			

San Diego Dive Club's May Dive at Beacon's Beach in Leucadia! My favorite local shore dive this year!

Date: Saturday May 28th, 2004 Time: 10:00am

Location: Beacon's Beach

West end of Leucadia Blvd in Leucadia (Just North of Encinitas).

Divemasters: Hunza Kotas Hunza@cox.net hm# 619-749-8435 Cell 619-204-3415
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Parking: There is a small parking lot located at Beacon's Beach. Parking is free. This is where we'll meet. Don't forget to bring your diving certification cards!

Entry: We'll descend the switchbacks to the beach, walk north about 40 yards and enter the water just in front of the large bamboo outcropping.

Features: A mix of rocky reefs, sea grass, and kelp. There is a great reef system here! It's a shallow dive (20ft) so you get a lot of bottom time and it's a short kick out to the reef system. I see as much marine life here as I do in our local marine preserves and not too many people know about it.

Marine Life: Here is just a sample of what I've seen at this site: Spiny lobster, horn sharks, leopard sharks, garibaldi, surf perch, stingrays, sheephead, seabass, greenlings, giant kelp fish, crabs, octopi, nudibranchs, sea stars, Sea lions, etc..

Pictures, Description, & live webcam: <http://www.beaconsbeach.com>

Directions: Take the 5 freeway and exit at Leucadia Blvd. Go west on Leucadia Blvd until you hit the ocean. Encinitas CA 92024



Scuba Charters

May 2005

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

800-348-3794.

Remember, Club Members get
10% off these prices!

Date	Boat	Destination	Price	Board	Depart	Return	Additional Charges
01-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
01-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
01-May	Lois Ann	Wreck - 2 tank	\$ 82	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:30 PM	N/A
04-May	Magician	Chamber Day 2005*	\$ 105	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
04-May	Island Time	Chamber Day 2005*	\$ 95	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	4:00 PM	N/A
04-May	Flying Dutchman	Chamber Day 2005**	\$ 85	Please call for details.		1-800-348-3794	
04-May	Aquarium of Pac.	Chamber Evening	\$ 85	7:00 PM	8:15 PM	10:30 PM	
07-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
07-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
07-May	Horizon	San Clemente	\$ 130	5/6, 9pm	10:00 PM	9:00 PM	N/A
07-May	Magician	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A
07-May	Spectre	S.Cruz / Anacapa	\$ 88	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Food & Air
08-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
08-May	Great Escape	Santa Barbara	\$ 137	5/7, 10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
08-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
14-May	Encore	San Clemente	\$ 127	5/13, 10pm	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
14-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
14-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
14-May	Magician	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A
15-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
15-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
15-May	Lois Ann	2 Wreck, 1 night	\$ 90	1:30 PM	2:00 PM	8:00 PM	N/A
15-May	Spectre	S.Cruz / Anacapa	\$ 88	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Food & Air
21-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
21-May	Encore	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
21-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
22-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$ 117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
22-May	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 tank	\$ 82	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:30 PM	N/A
28-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
28-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
28-May	Magician	Catalina	\$ 107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A
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29-May	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$ 88	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
29-May	Lois Ann	Wreck - 2 tank	\$ 82	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A

* These 2 Chamberday trips include t-shirt, air, raffle tickets and food

** This Chamber Day trip included t-shirt and raffle ticket - call for more information

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

San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting Wednesday May 18

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 **May 20**. 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.

At Our Last Meeting

Our guest speaker was scheduled to be Dick Long. Dick was going to speak with us about the Ships 2 Reefs program. He was unable to make the meeting, but will speak at the May meeting.

Details were worked out about the Catalina trip

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

New members

James Cooper
Jesse Willsey

Renewals

Betty Parrish
Shari Johnston
Joshua Sokoloff
William Brown
Jennifer Johnson
Mark Burrows

There were 49 & 1/2 members in attendance

Raffle

Here are the winners from April's raffle

Dave McNair - Bonaire Tee shirt (courtesy of Scott Brown)
Steve Fellet - Sunscreen; Scuba Show tickets
Scott Anderson - Catalina Book
Peggy Petschek - Fish ID Book
James Cooper - Tank Banger
Steve Anderson - Girl Scout Cookies
Kevin Lass - Pelican Box
Mike Petschek - Dive Knife

The winner of the Quarterly Prize, a
SEA-DOO® SeaScooter™ GTI
Diver Propulsion Vehicle Retail Value \$399.99!!!

was:

Mark Burrows

Ticket Pullers: Michelle Anderson & Aubrey Johnson

Club Officer Election Results

Tora, Tora, Tora!

Let's take a tour of the Midway!



Date: Saturday, May 14th

Time: 1pm

Where to meet: Let's meet at the "Fantail Café" located on the "Hanger deck" of the ship

Ticket Prices:

\$13 Adults

\$10 Seniors (62+), Students (with valid ID), and Active Military (with valid ID)

\$7 children (ages 6-17)

Children under 6 and active-duty military in uniform are free.

Ticket prices include a self-guided audio tour. We recommend you allow between 1 1/2 and 2 1/2 hours to tour the ship.

The Midway ticket office accepts cash, checks, Visa, MasterCard, and travelers' checks

Parking:

Limited paid parking is available on Navy Pier.

\$5 up to 1 hour

\$10 for 1-10 hours

\$12 for 10-24 hours

\$5 per day on weekends and holidays

Metered parking is also available along N. Harbor Drive. Buses can drop groups off at our ticket office, but cannot stage on Navy Pier. Vehicles over 18' long are not allowed to park on Navy Pier. The closest RV parking is in metered parking places along Pacific Coast Highway.

Directions to Midway:

Midway is located in downtown San Diego at 910 N. Harbor Drive, alongside Navy Pier. It is easily reached by freeway, train, and is only two miles from San Diego's airport, Lindbergh Field.

Website: www.midway.org

SCUBA Show 2005 - May 21 & 22, 2005 Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA

The *SCUBA Show*, the largest annual dive expo in the Western U.S. open to the general public, will take place May 21 and 22, 2005 at the Long Beach Convention Center in Long Beach, California. This is the 18th year of this popular event. Over 10,000 have attended every year for the last 14. The show will consist of a 53,000 square feet of diving related exhibits including new gear, travel pros (many offering show discounts), and diving experts. Several exhibitors also offer free drawings for valuable prizes.

Additional activities at the show include a continuous underwater film festival featuring premier films, seminars by top diving experts, door prizes and a Saturday night benefit party.

Exhibit hall hours are Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$9 and includes admission to exhibit hall, film festival and exhibitor presentations (seminars are an additional charge). Discount coupons are available at California dive stores, on dive California dive charter boats and through California dive clubs. Age 10 and under are admitted free with paying adult. For information on *SCUBA Show 2005* call (310) 792-2333 or visit the web site

www.saintbrendan.com



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- 57,000 sq. ft. of Exhibits including New Gear, Travel Pros, Dive Experts
- Continuous UW Film Festival
- In-Water Demos & Trials
- Sat. Night Party Benefit
- Door Prizes
- Seminars
- and more!

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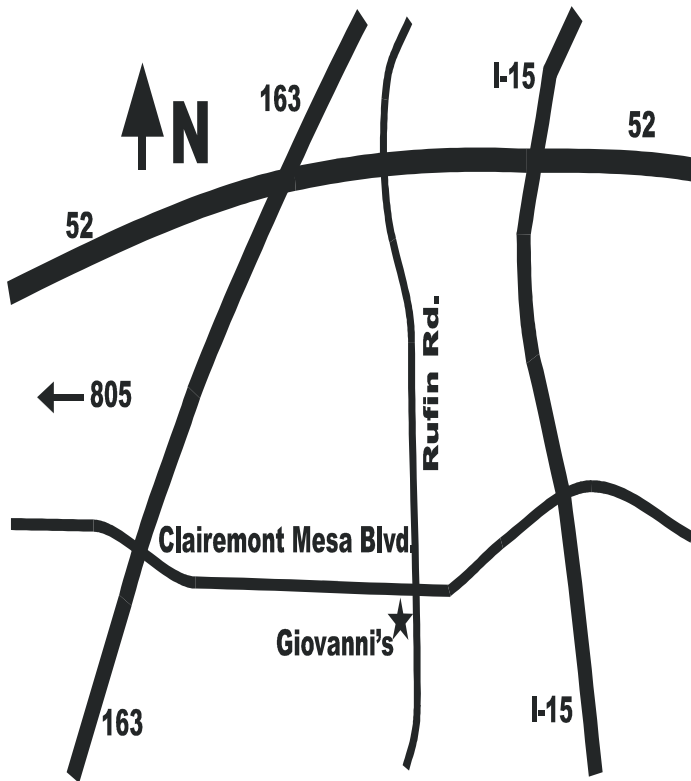
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Regular admission \$9. \$8 with coupon. Age under 10 free. One discount per coupon. Photo plus \$3.00. Coupon does not apply to pre-registration. General admission includes admission to the Film Festival and Exhibits for Sat. or Sun. Seminars and Sat. benefit party extra. Pre-registration for seminars is recommended. DIRECTIONS TO CONVENTION CENTER, Long Beach Fwy (710) south and follow signs: HOURS: Sat. 10am-6pm (Party 5pm-11pm), Sun. 10am-5pm. For complete info, including advanced registration, see the April or May issues of California Diving News or visit www.saintbrendan.com.

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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 Rufin

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

**The July Quarterly Prize will be a
SEA-DOO SEASCOOTER GTI**

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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