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San Diego Dive Club Newsletter
www.sandiegodiveclub.com



May 2007

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Egg Crazy

Our annual underwater Easter Egg Hunt and pancake breakfast was a great success this year. We fed over 100 people, some several times, from all across the grass at La Jolla Shores. The New stone eggs worked very well by staying in place underwater on the sand, and with 26 teams of crazy egg hunting divers in the water every egg was recovered. The kids also had their own land based egg hunt and afterwards displayed their immense artistic ability decorating cookies in Peggy's

kitchen tent. Congratulations to all the egg hunting winners and thanks to all the club members for their efforts in this year's production.

The San Diego Council of Divers' rocks, rips, & reefs program (3Rs) begins May 12th with our club hosting the first session at the Boomer/La Jolla cove location. Session information will be covered and available at our club meetings during the Summer and is also on the council's website at www.sddivers.com.

About the time this newsletter becomes available, several of us will be enjoying the clear water and bar-B-Q camaraderie at Two Harbors on Santa Catalina island. I for one, know I'll have an entry in our May club meeting's photo of the month contest from that trip. I hope to see several others as well. See you there.

Scott Brown - President

AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Thur., May 3 , 2007 7:00 pm

(see back page for meeting location)

The Guest Speaker for May is:

Susan Long, President & CEO Diving Unlimited

Susan Long, president and CEO of Diving Unlimited International will tell us of her adventure helping Matt Johnston make his first ocean dives in the Florida Keys. Matt has a rare form of muscular dystrophy which requires him to use the assistance of a ventilator to breath. Despite this, from the age of six, Matt has had the dream of scuba diving. Come hear this inspiring story.

—Cody Gilstrap, Entertainment Coordinator

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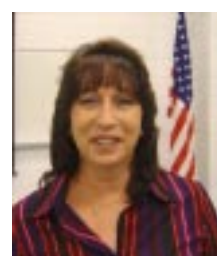
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Membership

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.sandigodiveclub.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 15th of each month.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
May 2007 Events Calendar		1	2	3 Club Meeting 7:00	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 3 R's Boomers pg 7
13	14	15	16 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Marine Room Dive	26
27	28 Memorial Day Observation	29	30	31		

San Diego Dive Club's May Dives

Location: The Marine Room Reef's
Date: May 25th
Time: Meet at 6:00 PM

We can meet at the walkway next to the Marine Room.

Let's get a nice start to the long Memorial Weekend by exploring the reefs just South of the restaurant. There is a large variety of marine life that live on these reefs. This is a shallow dive with lots of bottom time. High tide is 4.6 feet at 6:31 PM. Sunset is at 7:46. PM. Please remember your C-Cards

Divemasters: Dennis Fox (760) 580-5951 Jeremy Burns

Directions, Pictures, and descriptions:

http://www.shorediving.com/Earth/USA_West/CalS/Marine_Room/index.htm

3 Rs at Boomers

When: Saturday May 12

See page 7 for details



Remember, Club Members get
10% off these prices!

Scuba Charters

May
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-May	Island Time	Chamber Day 2007	\$110	7:00 AM	7:30 AM	4:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
02-May	Magician	Chamber Day 2007	\$120	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	San Pedro	
02-May	Flying Dutchman	Chamber Day 2007	\$90	Please call for details: 1-800-348-3794					N/A
02-May	Aquarium of Pac.	Chamber Evening	\$90	7:00 PM	8:15 PM	10:30 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
05-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
05-May	Great Escape	Farnsworth - Adv Only	\$135	5:00 AM	6:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
05-May	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
05-May	Spectre	S. Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura	
06-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
06-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
06-May	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
12-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
12-May	Island Time	Oil Rigs - ADV ONLY	\$98	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
12-May	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro	
13-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
13-May	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
13-May	Spectre	S. Cruz/Anacapa	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	N/A	Ventura	
19-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
19-May	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
19-May	Magician	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro	
20-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
20-May	Great Escape	Catalina	\$125	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
20-May	Lois Ann	Wrecks - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
26-May	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
26-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	
26-May	Lois Ann	Kelp Beds - 2 Tank	\$75	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	N/A	San Diego	
26-May	Magician	Catalina-No OW Classes	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills	San Pedro	
27-May	CeeRay	Catalina	\$115	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A	Long Beach	

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

San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting Wednesday May 16th

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.

At Our Last Meeting

Dave McNair, Michelle Russell, and Laurel Bartels wowed us with their pictures from the Fiji trip. Great job guys and thanks.

Steve Anderson

New members

Jeremy Burns
Dan Knauss

Membership

Please welcome these new and
renewing members...

Renewals

Laura Brown
William Brown
Cody Gilstrap
Leslie Peariso
Michelle Russell
Kelvin Addison
Jon Major
Barbie Lass
Kevin Lass
Philip Miller

Jessica Busk
David McNair
Peggy Petschek
Laurel Bartels
Randy Thomas
David Oselett
Dennis Fox
Dan Knauss
Jeremy Burns
David Cox

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



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

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.

Itinerary	Thursday September 20:	Boarding is at 7:00 PM with departure at 9:00PM.
	Friday September 21:	We dive all day at Santa Barbara Island and if conditions permit, there will be a night dive.
	Saturday September 22:	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.
	Sunday September 23:	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.

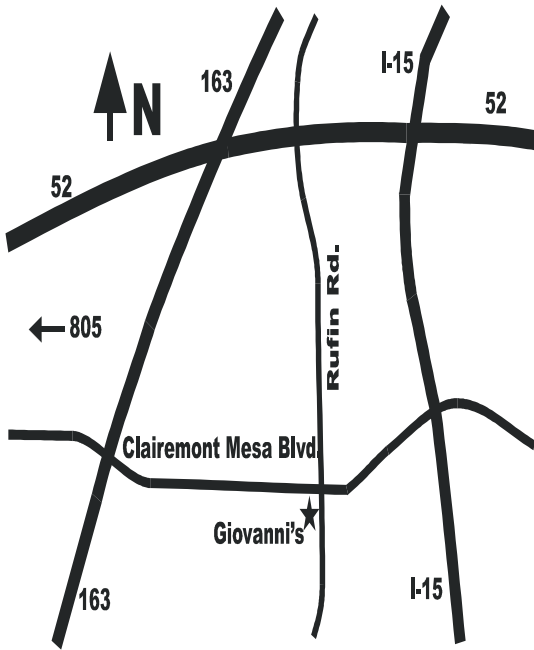
Giovanni's Italian Restaurant
9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd

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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