

the **PRIMARY REGULATOR**

San Diego Dive Club Newsletter
www.sandiegodiveclub.com



October 2006

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

YAK YAK YAK

Lots to talk about this month. Foremost on everyone's mind is of course lobster season. Good hunting to all of you going out. Please be honorable. It's not necessary to bring in your limit every day. A freezer full of bugs is wonderful to brag about but it's not very ethical. If you won't consume your catch within two or three weeks, let it live. And if you have any questions regarding legal size, measuring, take limits, preserves, licensing, etc., talk to someone in the club before you go. DF&G officers are smart, know all the tricks, are not interested in any excuses, and will write citations for violations. That's their job. Thank goodness it's not mine.

Moving on, we have our Disneyland trip November 18 & 19. This is a DIY trip with everyone on their own. We may all meet at some point. Check at the club meeting with Steve Anderson, our official Disney maniac. December 2nd Santa will visit the Point Loma Sport Chalet pool. Donate an unwrapped toy and have your picture taken underwater with Santa. Peggy Petscheck is the lead for this event. We need instructors, DMs, Santas, equipment handlers, pool deck people, Santa helpers, photographers, photo shop experts, escorts, and registration people. Sign up with Peggy and help out.

Our September end of summer BBQ and movie on the beach was a big hit. Carne and pollo asada filled our bellies and captain Jack Sparrow escaped once again from the British navy. At one point close to a hundred people were enjoying the show. Thanks to all for your help. At this time, due to lack of available dates, next year's 3-day trip to the southern channel islands is in limbo. A couple of suggestions have been mentioned with nothing definite as yet. I'll be happy to hear from anyone, so speak up. And lastly, to all the photographers, are there enough of us to generate sufficient interest, time, and talent to produce a calendar from the photo of the month pictures? Let's talk.

Scott Brown - President

AT OUR NEXT MEETING

Thur., October 5, 2006 7:00 pm

(see back page for meeting location)

The Guest Speaker for October is:
San Diego Life Guards

The San Diego Life Guards will be at the meeting to talk with us about the recovery of Stephen Donathan, the diver that was lost on the Yukon this year

— *Cody Gilstrap, Entertainment Coordinator*

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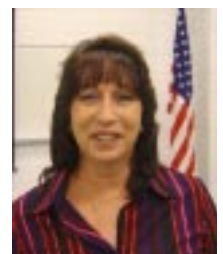
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Membership

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.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 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 Dive N. Bird Rock
15	16	17	18 Officers' Meeting 6:30 PM	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween!!!	October 2006 Events Calendar			

San Diego Dive Club's October Dive at North Bird Rock!

Bug season is upon us

so bring your licenses & gauges if you're hunting.

Date: Saturday, October 14th Time: 4:00pm (DON'T BE LATE)

If conditions are bad, we'll move to another site.

Location: **North Bird Rock** 6000 Camino De La Costa, La Jolla, CA 92037

Get onto La Jolla Blvd and then go (North if coming from PB or go South if coming from La Jolla. Turn West on La Canada (towards ocean), take slight right onto Camino De La Costa.

Divemasters: Hunza Kotas Hunza@cox.net hm# 619-749-8435 Cell 619-204-3415
Dave McNair Netdave@cox.net hm# 760-722-1845 Cell 760-822-1845

Parking: Street parking in neighborhood. There are about 4 spots at the top of the stairs. Get there early so you have time to find parking and gear up. We'll meet at the benches near the top of the stairs.

Entry: Entry will depend on the tide and conditions. The entry will be rocky and there could be surf.

Features: It's a shallow dive, maybe 20ft max. There may be surf & surge depending on conditions.

Marine Life: On our last club dive here we saw: garibaldi, banded guitarfish, barred sand bass, sea cucumbers, spiny lobster, sea grass, rocky reefs, etc.

San Diego Dive Club: <http://www.dive-club.org/>



Scuba Charters October 2006

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-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
01-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank Night	\$94	7:00 PM	7:30 PM	1:00 AM	N/A
01-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
06-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina-Night	\$107	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	6:00 AM	N/A
07-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina-Day	\$107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
07-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina-Night	\$107	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	6:00 AM	N/A
07-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
07-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank	\$94	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
07-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank Night	\$94	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	12:30 AM	N/A
07-Oct	Lois Ann	Coronados - 3 Tank	\$105	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	N/A
08-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
08-Oct	Great Escape	San Clemente	\$147	10/7, 10PM	1:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
08-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 tank	\$94	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
08-Oct	Lois Ann	2 Wreck, 1 Night	\$92	2:00 PM	2:30 PM	8:00 PM	N/A
08-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
14-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
14-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank	\$94	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
14-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank Night	\$94	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	12:30 AM	N/A
14-Oct	Magician	Catalina - Night	\$117	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	6:30 AM	Nitrox Fills
15-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	7:00 AM	8:00 AM	6:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
15-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank	\$94	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
21-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
21-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
22-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-Oct	Great Escape	Catalina	\$120	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
22-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
28-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
28-Oct	Island Time	Oil Rigs-Adv. Only	\$94	6:00 AM	6:30 AM	1:00 PM	N/A
28-Oct	Magician	Catalina	\$117	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Nitrox Fills
28-Oct	Spectre	S.Cruz / Anacapa	\$90	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	Food & Air Fills
29-Oct	Bottom Scratcher	Catalina	\$107	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
29-Oct	CeeRay	Catalina	\$110	6:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 PM	N/A
29-Oct	Island Time	Catalina-2 Tank	\$94	7:30 AM	8:00 AM	2:00 PM	N/A
29-Oct	Lois Ann	Coronados - 3 Tank	\$105	6:30 AM	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	N/A

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

Sunday, December 17, 2006
Boarding at 4:00 PM, Depart at 5:00 PM
Fireworks & Parade on San Diego Bay - 5:30 PM until 9:00 PM

Happy Holidays!

The Southwest Section of SNAME and the San Diego Dive Club have chartered the Ocean Odyssey out of H&M Landing for the 35th Annual San Diego Bay Parade of Lights. Come join fellow members and their families and participate in a great San Diego tradition. The Ocean Odyssey crew is going to decorate the boat in its finest holiday decorations and you're invited to come along and join in the festivities. You not only get to watch the parade from a prime front row seat, but you also get to be in it.

This year's theme is "Christmas...San Diego Style". Come along and participate in what has become a traditional Holiday present to San Diego from the boating community. Ticket prices are \$25 per person for SNAME or SDDC members and immediate family, \$15 for children 12 and under, and \$30 for non-members. There will be plenty of munchies to keep your tummy warm and happy along with an appropriate holiday concoction. There will also be a no host bar available for beer and wine. Lots of door prizes will be given away to kick off the giving season. To purchase tickets come to one of the monthly meetings or contact Richard Burns 619-544-8616 or by e-mail burnsr@nassco.com

For more information about the 35th Annual Parade check out: [San Diego Parade of Lights](#)

Ocean Odyssey is available for boarding at 4 PM, with estimated departure of 5 PM. Do not be late; once we pull away from the dock you have "missed the boat". Located conveniently in beautiful San Diego Bay ten minutes from San Diego Lindbergh International Airport. Adjacent parking is available. The first 1/2 hour is free and then it's \$1.00 per hour up to a maximum of \$5.00 for 24 hours. The OCEAN ODYSSEY is located at: H&M Landing, 2803 Emerson St., San Diego, California 92106 (619) 222 - 1144.

Rachel Woodfield brought us all up to speed on the killer weed *Caulerpa taxifolia*. Thanks to Rachel for her very informative presentation. Seeing how the weed has devastated parts of the Mediterranean Sea made it a little easier to accept the eradication cost of close to \$ 8 million here in our local lagoon. We were also treated to two videos of the congregation of giant black sea bass at La Jolla cove in the open carousel. Keep em coming!

Scott Brown

Membership

Please welcome these new and renewing members...

New members

Joe Constantine
David Eyer
Laurie Lee
Sandra Miller
Wesley Ross
Jim Shrove
Clarissa Steinbach
Matt Woodard

Renewals

Barbara Bolton
Sandra Anderson
James McBride
Charles Tu
Mike Petschek
Paul Schankin
Brian McDaniel
Eve Burton
Sandra Schankin
Alan Redmon
Debi Peterson
Philip Peterson
Scott Anderson
Jaynya Richards
Jack Ross
John Dehnert
Wynona Hawkins
Coleene Dehnert
Tracy Bateman

Raffle

Here are the winners from September's raffle

Mike Petschek	- Titanium UK Dive Knife
Mike Petschek	- Small Dive Knife
Mike Petschek	- Mini Yellow UK Q40 Dive Light
Peggy Petschek	- Trident Glow Stick light
Scott Brown	- Horizon T-shirt
Laura Brown	- Akona Fin Bag
Michelle Russell	- Pelican 1400 camera case
Michelle Russell	- Lobster Dive Kit
Merrienne Dean	- Diver Tool & repair kit
Merrienne Dean	- Deep Sea Gloves 7mm
Paul Schenkin	- Fin Phone Holder-blue
Matt Gieselmann	- Lobster Light set up with gauge
Matt Gieselmann	- Wetsuit cleaner kit
Barbara Lloyd	- 5 cylume sticks
Scott Anderson	- Pink Mini LED Q40
Terry Johnson	- Orca Kayak compass
Tracy Bateman	- Pelican float
Cody Gilstrap	- Sport Chalet Dive Log case

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.

Scott Brown

Picture of the Month:

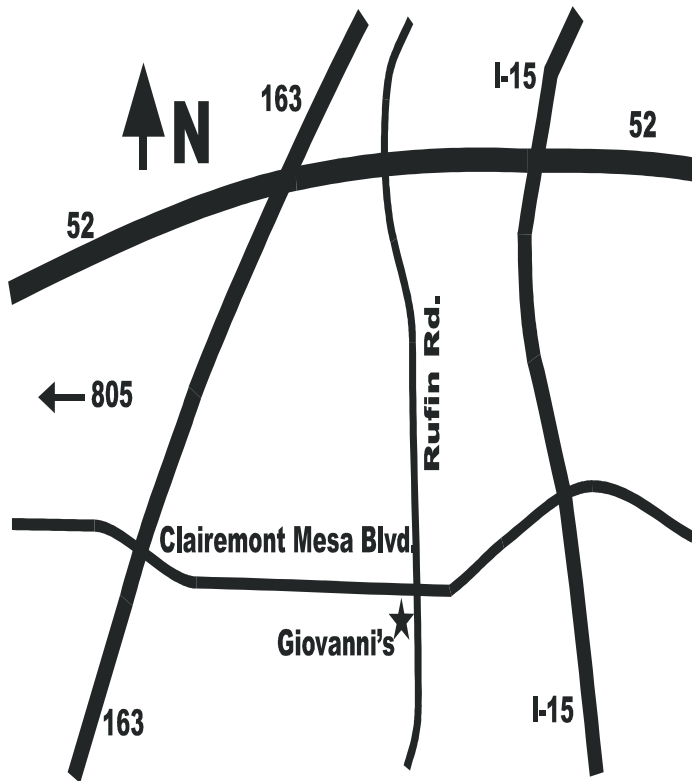
Scott Brown

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**San Diego Dive Club
Officers' Meeting
Wednesday Oct 18th**

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 :
Coco's restaurant 7398 Clairmont Mesa Blvd. 858 292-9030

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.



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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