

# SEA DIVERS

**DECEMBER 1988/JANUARY 1989**

## DECEMBER 1988

DECEMBER 3 \*\*\* BOAT DIVE, SANTA BARBARA ISLAND  
DECEMBER 6 \*\*\* GENERAL MEETING PANCHO & WONGS 7 PM  
DECEMBER 14 \*\*\*\*\* EXECUTIVE MEETING BAXTER'S 7 PM  
DECEMBER 30 \*\*\*\*\* OFFICER INSTALLATION PARTY/SEE PAGE 7

## JANUARY 1989

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JANUARY 11 \*\*\*\*\* EXECUTIVE MEETING BAXTER'S 7 PM  
JANUARY 28 \*\*\*\*\* BOAT DIVE SAN NICOLAS ISLAND

## FEBRUARY 1989

FEBRUARY 7 \*\*\* GENERAL MEETING PANCHO & WONGS 7 PM  
FEBRUARY 15 \*\*\*\*\* EXECUTIVE MEETING BAXTER'S 7 PM5  
FEBRUARY 25/26 \*\*\*\*\* AVALON HARBOR CLEANUP

General Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month. A no host social hour precedes the meeting from 6 PM to 7 PM and a feature presentation follows the business meeting. The meeting is held at Pancho & Wong's at King Harbor. Executive Meetings are held the second Wednesday following the General Meeting, at Baxter's in the Manhattan Beach Mall.

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# DIVERS DIRECTORY



POSITION	NAME	DAY PHONE	EVE PHONE
PRESIDENT	Allen Parker	536-2614	370-1657
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## A NEW SEA FANS VIDEO FEATURED IN DECEMBER

Now that we have video capabilities in our new location, we'll be able to expand our program offerings. Several of our members have told me that they have videos they would like to share with us in the upcoming months.

In December we will be viewing a portion of the Summer 1988 Sea Fans Video magazine (you may recall that we saw some earlier Sea Fans when we met at the Pizza Hut several months ago).

We'll see - **Dive America: Monterey Peninsula** - The place to see and study California's rich marine environment. **Live-aboard Dive Boat: Coral Star** - A luxury dive yacht cruising the Eastern Caribbean. **Marine Life: Barracudas** - How well do you know these ubiquitous torpedos that hover just out of reach? **Destination: Roatan, Honduras** - Join a group trip for a journey to one of the world's prime dive spots.

Hope to see YOU on December 6 for this interesting program.

Dicie Sizemore  
Program Chairman

### QUOTES OF THE MONTH

"THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN YOU WITH YOUR CLOTHES ON"

"THE MARINE FORECAST WAS FOR 2 TO 3 FEET SWELLS - WHERE DID THE OTHER 12 FEET COME FROM?"

"APPARENTLY, WE HAD A REAL GOOD TIME AT THE HALLOWEEN PARTY!"

"IF I WAS USING THE NAVY TABLES, THEY'D TELL ME I'M DEAD!"

" LOOK UNDER THE LOBSTER'S TAIL FOR THE .... ER .... REAR END HOLE .... THING ....!"

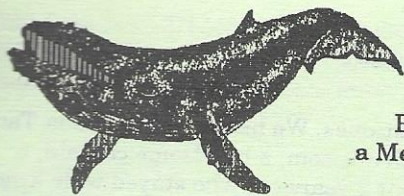
"MY AIR TASTED LIKE HELL .... NICELY PRESURIZED THOUGH."

### LOST SOMETHING?

IF YOU WERE ON THE 30 OCTOBER DIVE ON THE WILD WAVE TO SAN NICOLAS AND YOU LOST ANYTHING CALL KATHI OR ALLEN AT (213) 370-1657 - WE MAY HAVE IT!







## FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Bad News first! – as of 1 January 1989, your annual dues are due and payable. You will find a Membership Renewal Form elsewhere in Newsletter. Dues are the same as for 1988.

The club really thrived in 1988. Our membership grew by thirty or so folks; our dive boats made a small profit; we reintroduced beach diving; our social events were great; and finally we found a good venue for our General Meetings. Our 1989 plans have expanded on 1988 – we have one additional boat dive; a full schedule of beach dives; are planning more social events; and will be aggressively pursuing the continued growth on the club.

Officers for 1989 will be announced at the 3 January 1989 General Meeting. Quite a few of the 1988 officers will be returning as most volunteered to continue – you don't have to be crazy but it helps! The President, Treasurer, and SEA Representative are elected officials and a ballot is required. Ballots will be mailed out separately to TRW members in early December 1988. Sandi Anderson has requested a well earned rest from two years as Secretary, a task that she fulfilled excellently and I thank her for her support. Sandi's minutes were always accurate, detailed and timely and she rarely missed our Executive session.

Now to the fun part – diving and socializing. As stated above both our boat dive and beach dive schedule are in place. The 1989 boat dives begin with our 28 January trip to San Nicolas – hopefully a repeat of the superb 20 October dive affair. (See write-up). Our 1989 boat dives begin with our annual "classic" trip to the Avalon Harbor Clean-up, 25/26 February. This has been a real bash the past three or four years, with TRW being typically the second largest supporters of the clean-up – maybe this time we will be the largest, as 22 people are already signed-up! Socializing continues with our 30 December 1988 Xmas/New Year/Officer Installation/Eat-in, the Avalon trip (!!!?), and other activities at our General Meetings and on the 3 December 1988 boat dive. . . .

At the 3 January 1989 General Meeting we are holding another Swap Meet at which some of the club items will be "priced to go!" Bring your extra gear along and trade or sell – maybe you'll receive two dive computers for Xmas.

I would like to close out the last Executive write up this year with a big thank you to all of the Executive Committee, the Halloween Party Committees, the divemasters, the instructors, and perhaps most of all the club members who have supported us well this year and made our job worthwhile. THANK YOU ALL – STICK WITH US AND 1989 WILL BE ANOTHER GOOD YEAR!

Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year!

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## OCTOBER AFTERMATH

### A SUCCESSFUL RAID

The Wild Wave slipped out of home base at about 00:17 on the morning of 30 October 1988. Her mission was to penetrate the environs of San Nicolas Island on a series of hit and run attacks against the combined forces of the Navy and Fish and Game. As we quietly passed out of the Cabrillo Marina, the engines were brought up to full power (well not quite!) and we began our fast run to the Island under cover of darkness. As had been hoped by all on board, the ocean was calm, and we had got away unnoticed.

Sleep came fitfully for some – probably the chile and onions reacting with the horseradish sauce – others slept peacefully, anticipating that our mission would be successful. The night passed uneventfully except for some mild swells as we slipped past the outposts on Santa Barbara Island and no toilet paper in the toilets. Slowly the few lights on San Nicolas got closer, mercenaries began to stir, pulse rates increased – especially in the double bunks – and we all realized our real mission was about to begin.

It was still dark and the lookouts could see no other vessels close by – it looks like our surprise attack has worked. We suit up quickly, pairing off quietly and efficiently – well we had one threesome waiting for the order to attack. The engines wind down, the anchor chain clatters too loudly and the skipper announces we are there. Darkness still surrounds us, but

streaks of light are just visible on the Eastern horizon, we must make the first attack quickly. Suddenly we are in the cool water – actually its bloody cold! – and descending into the depths, chem lights aglow (more or less) and attack lights at the ready. We reach the bottom and in 50 to 60 feet visibility begin systematically our pre-planned search and seizure. We searched all over hell and seized nothing . . . zippo . . . zero . . . etc . . . As we ascended back to the boat we wondered whether our navigation was slightly off and we were not in the correct drop zone. As the other mercenaries returned to the boat our worst fears were confirmed – it HAD to be the wrong zone!

We quickly regrouped. As the sun came up we could see that we were anchored right in front of the main access road from the fortifications on the Island – not the best spot to be (for damn sure!) We need to make an immediate tuRn round the point to the West. The boat is moving the instant the anchor chain clears the water. Roll call shows all survived, but the failure of the initial attack showed on everyone's face. Oh, oh we see another vessel slowly approaching – is it friend or foe? We plane up to flank speed, just in case, the intruder gets closer and closer.

The boat vibrates heavily – too much kelp – and just as we begin to fear the worst, it's a "friendly", the Cee Ray on its own secret mission. We wave and pass, adrenaline pumping . . .

By now the sun is up, the sky is clear and we have rounded  
SEE RAID PAGE 10



## HALLOWEEN 1988

Our 12th Annual Halloween Party was a lot of fun. It brought out some very unique costumes. We had a pair of Scuba Tanks, couch potatoes, a beautiful flapper, clever witches, electrified ghost, a bearded man with a bosom, a handsome captain, a traveler with his smoking jacket and kilt, 2 cute ghosts, and a cuddly fuzzy animal about 2 years old who stayed wide awake to win a prize. Lots of prizes were awarded for both costume and door prizes.

The hall was decorated to the max – thanks to the decorating committee namely:

Kevin & Terry Liu – Mike & Charlie  
Dave & Barb Serena

Robin Grant  
Pat Minor

Ken & Dicie Sizemore  
Sandi Anderson

Cathy Gale  
Art Hill

We also want to thank Kevin & Terry Liu for lending us some of their personal decorations to put the finishing touches to the hall. Superb job.

Dicie Sizemore – our food Chairwomen had a magnificent table setup fit to honor a King and Queen. The food trays were arranged solo by Dicie. A job to be commended and appreciated by all.

We have the bartenders to thank for serving us our refreshments:

Allen Parker – Kathi McNally – Brian Beckham – Edie McGee

We can't forget our ticket takers – who made sure we signed our tickets to be eligible to win a door prize – thanks to:

Sandi Anderson – Kathi McNally – Pat Minor – Dicie Sizemore – Mike Borden.

I would also like to thank Lani Garrett for doing the correspondence to the local restaurants and the Comedy & Magic Club.

Last but not least – thanks goes out to the clean-up committee who has a sticky job making sure things are in tip top shape to be able to come back the following year.

The clean-up committee was:

Kevin & Terry Liu  
Ken & Dicie Sizemore

Robin Grant  
Kathi McNally

Sandi Anderson  
Bruce & Nancy Giles

Allen Parker

Will next year tell the TALE? It is going to be the BEWITCHING #13. Are there any superstitions out to stop this LUCKY or UNLUCKY number from happening? Beware – lookout – keep your eyes open – get started on next years costumes.

Our TRW Sea Divers Halloween Party was a big success. Why? Because we had lots of fun and participating help. We want to thank our local merchants, restaurants, deli's and bakeries for supporting us. We hope you will patronize these shops during the Holiday Season. It would be nice if the winners would reciprocate by phoning and thanking these supporters for the individual prize they have won. I know some of the donors commented this year about not having any feedback and did not want to participate this year. SOOOooooooo – please Call – show them you care.

The participating donors for prizes were:

Dive n Surf 372-8423  
504 N. Broadway  
Redondo Beach

Scott donated the traditional open boat  
dive for two. It is the "in" sports  
clothing and dive shop.

Niecie's Body Shop 546-2200  
2010 N. Sepulveda  
Manhattan Beach

Niecie donated a gift certificate to her  
exercise classes for one month.

Either/Or 374-2060  
124 Pier Ave.  
Hermosa Beach

Peter/Sheila have one of the best  
selections of books in South Bay. A  
\$25.00 gift certificate was donated.

M & B Designs 422-3493  
6548 Paramount Blvd.  
Long Beach

Meryl & Bess donated a custom fitted  
hooded vest. They specialize in custom  
fitted dive suits and booties.

Stan's Liquor 546-4631  
4005 Highland Ave.  
Manhattan Beach

Karen donated a case of wine coolers  
Stan's caters parties for every  
occasion.

Comedy and Magic Club 372-1193  
1018 Hermosa Ave.  
Hermosa Beach

Pam donated a gift certificate for 2  
admission tickets to the show. The  
entertainment is great.

Gift Odyssey 376-4616  
553 B N. Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Redondo Beach

Bonnie donated ceramic shell candle  
holders. A nautical collection is her  
specialty items.

Eva Marie – Dry Grocer 378-9009  
1900 S. Catalina Ave.  
Redondo Beach

Eva donated "Sea Horses" on a plate  
from an original painting by Carl Pope.  
This store is a collectors paradise.



Marie Callendars 371-5583  
2979 Artesia Blvd.  
Redondo Beach

Jim donated 2 pies – this is their specialty. It is also a very good restaurant.

Tout Suite 545-8529  
1144 Manhattan Ave.  
Manhattan Beach

Barbara donated a carton of Truffles.  
Bon Appetite.

Gino's Pastry Shop 375-9114  
1903 S. Catalina Ave.  
Redondo Beach

Gino donated an 8" cake. Gino has freshly baked pastries daily.

Giuliano's Deli 540-2500  
3849 Torrance Blvd.  
Torrance

Eva donated a party tray. It had a nice variety of meats and cheeses.

Leonardo's Deli 316-4433  
1406 S. Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Redondo Beach

Leonardo donated 10 lbs. of pasta. Italian, Greek and Middle East specialties are known to this deli.

Lisa's Custom Frames & Gallery Shop 376-4616  
217 Manhattan Beach Blvd.  
Manhattan Beach.

Vangi donated 2 custom framed pictures done in pastel colors. She specializes in posters, cards, repairs and restorations.

Jeanette's 376-6670  
807 21st Street  
Hermosa Beach

Chuck donated a Sunday Brunch for 2. Tip – Tax – Champagne not included. Good Continental and Cajun food.

Hibachi 374-9493  
120 Manhattan Beach Blvd.  
Manhattan Beach

Tad donated a complementary luncheon for 2. The food is very tasty and unique.

Tank D'Art (805) 584-0702  
588 Palbert Ave.  
Simi Valley, CA. 93065

Dodie Meister donated a Tank Painting. Which includes Hydro and VIP of your tank. A \$90.00 value.

Trader Al's 539-6144  
2545 B Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Torrance

Ethel has donated a beautiful beach towel. This shop has top quality merchandise in bed, bath and kitchen accessories.

Sea d Sea 373-6355  
1911 S. Catalina Ave.  
Redondo Beach

Barrie donated 2 Mini Mighty lites. Scuba classes are taught. Dive equipment and supplies are sold and they have a good repair shop.

Lorraine Sadler 643-9482  
P.O. Box 1201 510-2208  
Avalon, Ca. 90704

Lorraine donated a Male or Female diver custom made in Sterling Silver. She does artistic sculptured jewelry from the sea, gold/silver.

Seymore's Jewelers 379-5401  
1212 Hermosa Ave.  
Hermosa Beach

Scott donated 3, \$10 gift certificates. He does custom designed jewelry. He has been very generous to our club the past 12 years.

ABC PHOTO 676-3141  
15335 Hawthorne Blvd.  
Lawndale

Allen donated a 2 day free rental – Nikonas V with extension tube. This is a great underwater photo shop – check it out.

Grand Garden 644-4007  
14418 Hawthorne Blvd.  
Lawndale

Willam has donated a luncheon for 2 – tip, tax and beverage not included. Excellent authentic Szechwan & Mandrin cuisine.

Del Conte's 326-0880  
2900 Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Torrance

Eva donated a luncheon for 2. Pick up gift certificate at office. Good selection of food. Quite famous for seafood – steak & lobster – prime rib.

Pancho's 545-6670  
3615 Highland Ave.  
Manhattan Beach

Hanna has donated a luncheon for 2 from their selection of Combinaciones Mexican/ The atmosphere is delightful.

Red Onion 372-8873  
916 N. Sepulveda Blvd.  
Manhattan Beach

Betty donated a Mexican combination luncheon for 2. Original establishment since 1950. Food and Margaritas are great.

Advanced Technology Systems  
SnoEars 545-5732  
P.O. Box 3346  
Manhattan Beach, CA. 90266

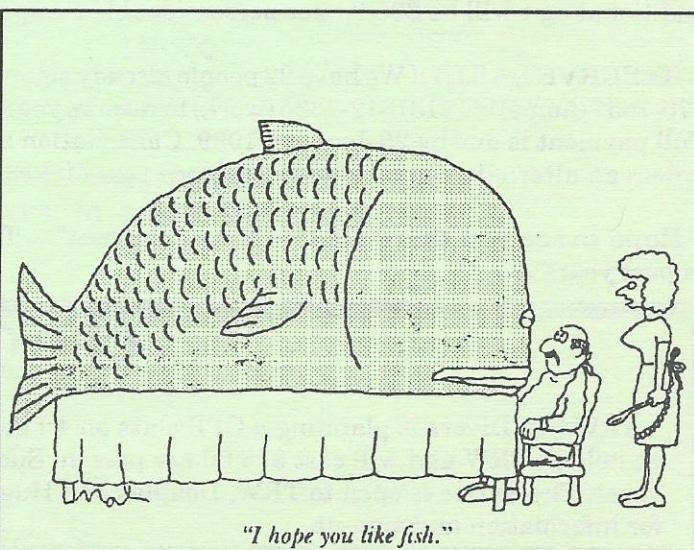
Thanks Robby to Advanced Technology Systems \* NEW – Fashionable item for Skiing or Winter sports. Attach SnoEars to glasses and wrap around your ears. Keeps ears warm and wind out of eyes. \$14.95

Ken Sizemore 371-2636  
4515 Toucan St.  
Torrance

Ken has donated an Open Water #1 certification including – boat dive – \$250.00. That was a very generous donation Ken. Thanks. the student will receive a Patch and a full course certification.

American Diving 326-6663  
1901 Pacific Coast Hwy.  
Lomita

Maxine/Steve – stop in and see their color coordinated dive setups for males & females they were very generous to our club. Gifts donated by American Diving were:  
2 Air Fill cards (12 fills) \$24.00 ea.  
1 Colletti Pole Spear \$24.95  
1 Pic MS-3 mask \$54.95  
1 Princeton Bottom Light \$36.00  
1 Aquaseal waterproof \$42.00  
container Save a Dive Kit





# NINTH ANNUAL AVALON UNDERWATER CLEAN-UP 24-26 FEBRUARY 1989 \*\*

Once again (!!!!) the TRW SEA DIVERS are planning to participate in the Avalon Harbor Clean-up. The clean-up is intended to help improve the appearance of the environment, remove detrimental material from the harbor area, make the public beaches safer, and improve the image of sport diving.

Although details are sketchy, our tentative plan is outlined below.

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

### Friday - 24 February

- 6:30/7:30 - PM Check in at Catalina Cruises, Long Beach
- 7:30/9:15 - PM Cruise to Avalon
- 9:15/9:45 - Transport bags/gear to the Bayview Hotel

### Saturday - 25 February

- 8:00/9:00 AM - Harbor Clean-up Registration
- 9:00 AM /3:00 PM - Dive the Harbor area removing trash, etc.
- 4:00/6:00 PM - Afternoon get together at the jacuzzi/patio
- 7:00 PM/??? PM (or AM) - Awards dinner (not yet announced)

### Sunday - 26 February

- ??? AM/1:30 PM - On your own to dive or just play tourist.
- 1:30/3:30 PM - Barbecue at Cabrillo Crescent area (near the boat departure area.)
- 4:00/4:30 PM - Check in at Catalina Cruises, Avalon
- 4:30/6:15 PM - Cruise to Long Beach

This event is loads of fun for divers, non-divers and friends. The cost for the trip is approximately \$70.00 per person (double occupancy) which includes round trip transportation on Catalina Cruises, two nights at the Bayview hotel and the Sunday BBQ at Cabrillo Crescent. At this time the awards dinner is not included since plans are not firm. You need to bring your own dive gear (with one full tank); provide for your meals (other then the BBQ), and depart and return with the group.

**\*\*AS AN OPTION** we are planning a one day extension departing on Thursday at the same time, staying at the Bayview Thursday evening and taking the Inland Motor Tour on Friday morning at 9:00 am (until 1:00 PM). The additional cost will be \$35.00 per person (double occupancy), including the cost of the tour.

**RESERVE EARLY!!** We have 22 people already signed up for the ninth annual event. Call Kathi McNally at (213) 370-1657 (home) or (213) 812-2385 (work) to reserve your spot. A \$35.00 deposit will be required to hold a reservation. Full payment is due by 20 January 1989. Cancellation after that date may involve a loss of deposit or room charge unless an alternate can be found to replace you. Make checks payable to the TRW SEA DIVERS.

**Hope to see you there!!!!!!** It is "one of the best" - TRW SEA DIVERS have done well in the awards ceremony in past years . . .

## CPR COURSE

TRW Sea Divers is planning a CPR class on 4 February 1989. The three hour class (9:00AM-Noon) will be held at TRW and will cost \$15.00 per person. Successful completion will provide certification for two years. The course is open to TRW, Douglas and Hughes dive clubs. Call Sandi Anderson at (213) 373-5430 for information and sign-up.



# 1989 TRW SEA DIVERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

All current TRW SEA DIVER memberships are renewable as of January 1989. To continue your membership through 1989, please complete the form below and return it with your check to the address listed at the bottom of the page. All current members should have their dues paid no later than 31 January 1989. New members will be pro-rated on a quarterly basis beginning 1 January 1989.

\* NAME \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_  
IF TRW EMPLOYEE: M/S \_\_\_\_\_ BADGE \_\_\_\_\_ EXT \_\_\_\_\_  
CERTIFICATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE (NAUI, PADI, ETC.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\* CERTIFICATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADP \_\_\_\_\_ NIGHT DIVER \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want your name on a dive buddy list? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of last dive \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of diving preferred: beach/boat/skin \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of diving you are interested in: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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1989 Dues:	TRW Employee	\$10.00	_____
	**TRW Family Membership	\$20.00	_____
	Non-TRW Membership	\$20.00	_____
	**Non-TRW Family Membership	\$30.00	_____

\* Only items required if other data is the same as 1988.  
\*\* Please list names of family members in comments section.

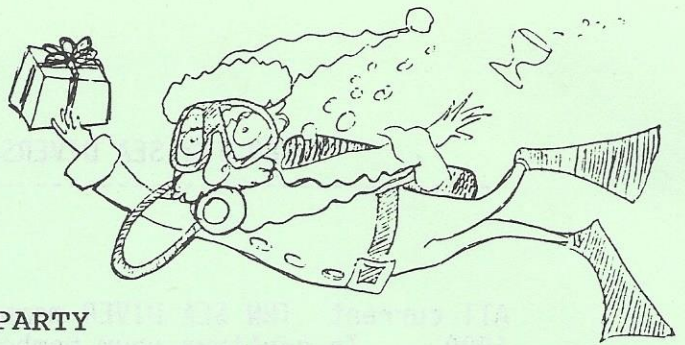
Please make your checks payable to TRW SEA DIVERS and mail to:

TRW SEA DIVERS  
One Space Park, S/1420  
Redondo Beach, CA 90278



TRW SEA DIVERS

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o CHRISTMAS PARTY

o PRE NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

o ANNUAL OFFICERS INSTALLATION PARTY

For a riotous, rollicking evening of great fun, great food (your own) and great friends, be sure to be there or be square!!

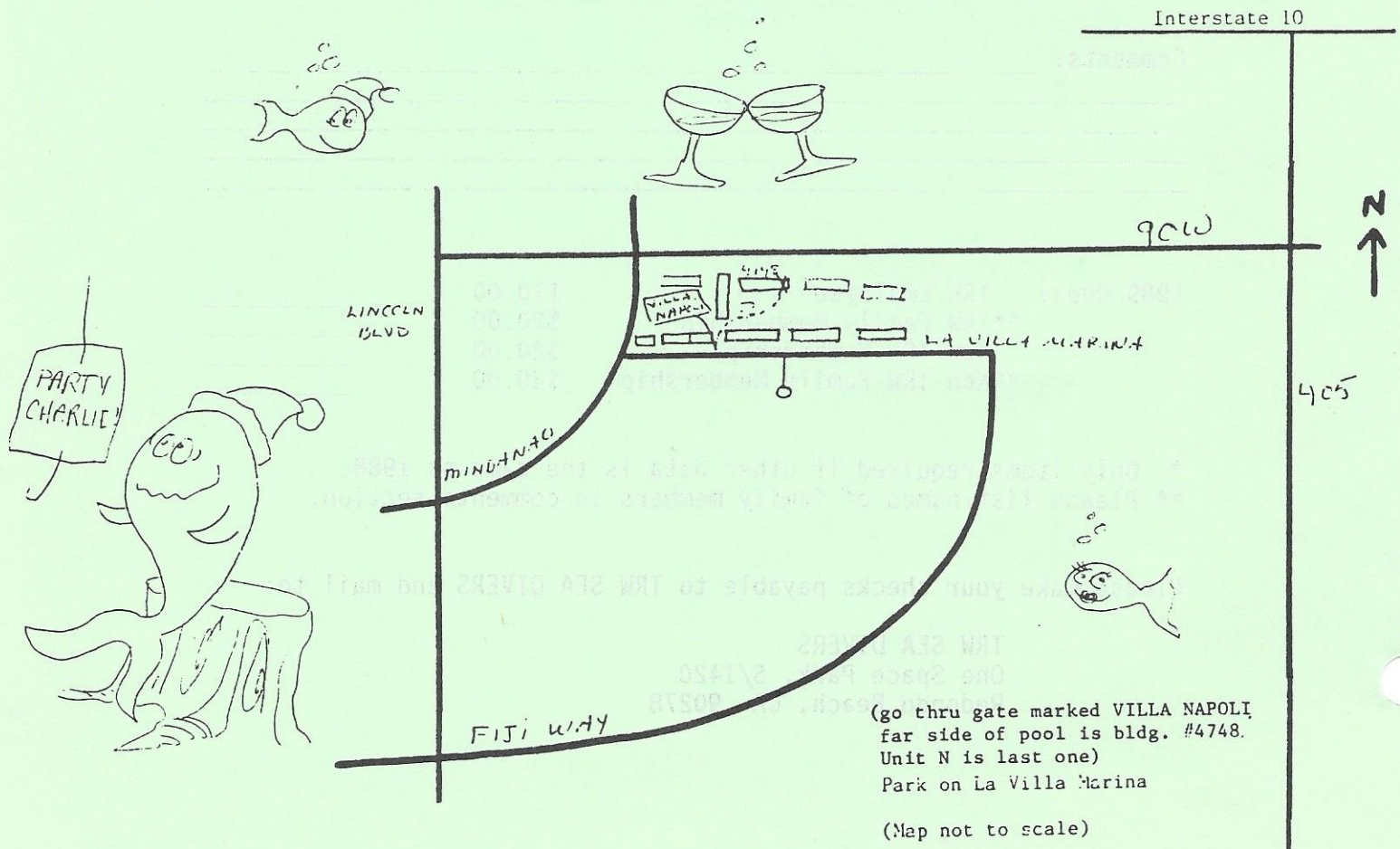
WHEN: Friday December 30 7:30 PM

WHERE: Robin Grant's and Cathy Gale's Home  
4748-N La Villa Marina  
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292  
(213) 823-2552 or 305-8625

BRING: Your favorite food!

The Club will provide some liquid refreshments (left over from the Halloween Party but if you desire something special, you might want to bring it yourself).

NEW TIMERS & OLD TIMERS WELCOME!





# CATALINA AREA WINS REFUGE STATUS

By Dean Murphy  
Los Angeles Times Staff Writer

Sacramento - A three quarter mile stretch of coastline near Isthmus Cove on Santa Catalina Island, described by marine biologist as having one of the richest concentrations of sea life, will be set aside in January as a marine-life refuge.

The Department of Fish and Game expects to appoint a director of the refuge within the next couple of months to ensure that the sanctuary can open by the first of the year, the earliest date allowed under legislation signed by Gov. George Deukmejian.

Al Petrovich, chief of the departments marine resources division, said that the department will most likely select as director the incoming head of the Catalina Marine Science Center, a 20-year-old research facility next to the refuge. The center, run by USC, pushed for the refuge designation to protect sea life from divers, fisherman and recreational boaters.

## BARS DIVERS

The science center is currently without a chief, but Ann M. Muscat, who held the post until early this year said USC expects to replace her before the end of the year. Muscat, science curator at the Museum of Science and Industry, was retained by USC to pursue the legislation.

The measure, authored by Sen. Robert G. Beverly (R-Manhattan Beach), creates a refuge from Chalk Cliff to Blue Cavern Point, an area that encompasses Fisherman's Cove and a 100-yard wide strip of ocean to the east. The refuge will be modeled after the Hopkins Marine Life Refuge in Northern California, a marine research area operated by Stanford University.

The legislation prohibits unauthorized vessels from entering the area and bars divers and fisherman from taking fish or marine plants from it. Because the area offers natural protection from storms, the measure allows boats to enter the refuge during an "emergency caused by hazardous weather."

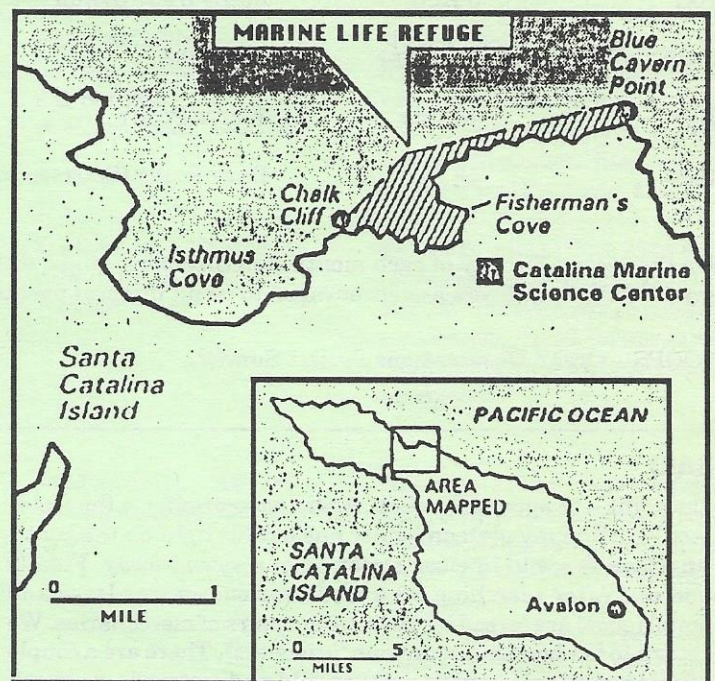
Bobette V. Nelson a marine biologist at UC Santa Barbara, said in written comment to the Assembly that the refuge will benefit both researchers and fisherman. Nelson said Fisherman's Cove will provide a breeding area for marine plants and animals that could help restock nearby waters depleted by fishing.

## ANGLERS PROTEST

"Unless we have the foresight to protect some areas from exploitation, future generations will not have the chance to share our appreciation of the marine environment," Nelson said.

But recreational fishermen, who describe the area as one of the best along the island for fishing, have opposed the designation/About 40 fishing boats based in Redondo Beach, San Pedro and Long Beach regularly bring anglers to the area. "They say we have all the of the island to fish," said Willam A. Nott, president of the Sportfishing Assn. of California, in an interview in June when an Assembly committee was considering the legislation. "That is not so. . . . That is one of the few areas when you get west of the middle of the island that you can do any good."

Muscat said it was important to bar fishing and other boats from the area because they have left trash on the ocean floor, damaged kelp beds with boat propellers and removed marine life needed for research. She said researchers have been snagged by fish hooks and nearly struck by anchors.



## JANUARY SWAP MEET

The club will have several items at highly reduced prices, and our T-shirts will be "priced for sale"! Club members should bring along any dive related gear they wish to sell, bargain with or just plain give it away.

We will plan to move quickly through our business portion of the meeting and then provide about 20 minutes—including the break for bargaining and sales. We request that larger items such as wet suits, tanks, BC's, boats, etc. be left outside. Smaller items such as gages, computers, masks, etc. can be brought inside. We think this is a great opportunity to clear out and/or improve your dive gear status, so come along and participate.



# BEACH DIVES 1989

DAY	DATE	WHERE	FEATURE	KEY CONTACT
SAT	14 JAN	DIVERS COVE, LAGUNA	PICNIC	(TBD)
FRI/SAT/SUN	24/25/26 FEB	AVALON HARBOR	CLEAN-UP, PARTY	KATHI McNALLY
SUN	19 MAR	VETERANS PARK	BOUILLABAISSE	(TBD)
SAT/SUN	1/2 APR	LA JOLLA	DEEP DIVE, CAMPOUT	(TBD)
SUN	7 MAY	POINT VICENTE	SURVEY	ALLEN PARKER
SAT/SUN	10/11 JUN	LA BUFADORA, MEXICO	POTLUCK, CAMPOUT	(TBD)
SAT-TUES	1-4 JUL	JADE COVE	JADE, CAMPOUT	PATRICK MINOR
SAT	5 AUG	ZUMA/WEST BEACH	CLAMS	(TBD)
FRI/SAT/SUN	1/2/3 SEP	CATALINA	BOAT, CAMPOUT	BILL GARRETT
SAT	14 OCT	WHITE POINT	HALLOWEEN	KEN SIZEMORE
SAT	18 NOV	REEF POINT (SCOTSMANS)	THANKSGIVING	(TBD)

On the second Sunday of each month Ken Sizemore will be diving White Point in support of the Paul Meister OOPS\* program. TRW Sea Divers are encouraged to be an integral part of this program.

\*OOPS – Ocean Observations Project Survey.

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the point – to apparent safety. Again we pair off, hit the water – only to find my platoon leader has left his light on the boat – and then descend in clear water on our second foray. Finally success! After searching for a while various species large and small (oops) are seized by the intrepid pairs of mercenaries. We return to the boat and count our “prisoners”. There are a couple of real beauties – our wet suits are old and tattered – so we all feel some pride.

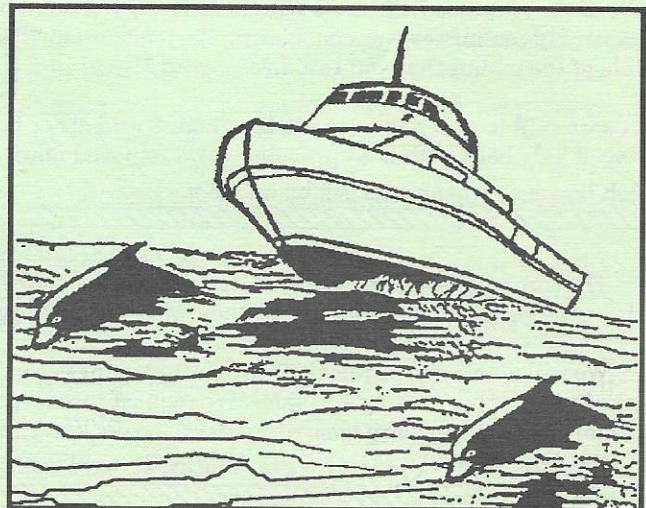
We have still not been discovered, so we plan our next thrust – Beegg Rock maybe, after all it's a remote outpost and maybe we'll get lucky (just like last night). After some emotional discussion we decide to stick with our earlier plan and make at least two more thrusts with increasing success. Some of our group are “attacked” by sea lions – one big mother-trucker was the size of a small submarine – rays are all around, probably on a reconnaissance mission. Mission time at depth is becoming a factor for some and we are becoming increasingly nervous of our possible discovery, so we decide to head home with the booty we have. We double check and find that we've done a pretty good job with some real biggies on the take.

We sweep out from behind the point, again at flank speed and point our bow toward home. We remove our gear, shower, and the lookouts watch the Island recede slowly. No enemy – we've made it. Now it's time to celebrate with a post mission meal of barbecued steak, various salads, corn, etc., etc. Just the kind of meal a warrior should have after victory. Some returned to their bunks – not again! – others sunned themselves and others

partook of mild forms of lubrication while re-telling stories and adventures from the day.

We thundered gloriously back into Cabrillo – it was again dark – and as we pulled alongside the 22nd Street jetty a huge crowd of well-wishers greeted us – actually what happened was four boats arrived at the same time! We were tired yet elated and we decided to plan another surprise attack in about three months. Call on the secret line for sign-up!

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## JANUARY SINGLE-DAY BOAT DIVE

28 January 1989

San Nicolas

Wild Wave

MEMBERS \$67

(ALL INCLUSIVE)

NON-MEMBERS \$74

This our third dive of the 1988/1989 LOBSTER season and as we did for our October 1988 dive we are heading for SAN NICOLAS on the WILD WAVE. We are hoping for a repeat of the October weather and ocean conditions - flat with up to 60 feet visibility!

Our dive plan is to make at least four dives, with the first being the night dive upon our arrival at the Island. Bring along your dive lights and of course your chem-lights (relatively new so they work guys!) The big LOBSTERS are still out there as evidenced by the seven to eleven pound beauties grabbed on the last run to SAN NICOLAS. Those of you into FISH should be able to spear some of the larger of the various species as they seem to be returning to the area.

The Navy and/or Fish and Game are essentially leaving the boats alone unless they push their welcome too much, at which time they take names, rank and serial number (of the boat) and issue a citation by mail! The WILD WAVE continues to fly the Skull and Crossbones pennant, and challenge the closure issues. By the way, a few of the Sea Otters are hanging in there - little buggers!

Diving around SAN NICOLAS is usually acceptable for all skill levels, however, relative beginners should be aware of their limitations and discuss diving conditions - especially current conditions - with the divemaster(s) before entering the water.

Our WILD WAVE/SAN NICOLAS charters usually fill up fast and we are planning to request specific dive spots on this trip. Call Michael (Borden) at (213) 372-7764 for sign-up and Allen (Parker) at (213) 536-2614 for information or dive spot inputs for the dive. Boarding begins at the 22nd Street Landing at 9:00 PM on Friday the 27th for a midnight departure. **GET YOUR BIG BUG HERE!**

### **LESSONS LEARNED**

The weather was nice and the ocean was flat. Four of us were on a friends boat at Santa Barbara Island. When we dropped anchor for the first dive we noticed a moderate current running, so as always the current line was put out. At Santa Barbara a strong current in certain areas seems to be the rule rather than the exception.

My buddy and I planned our dive, hit the water and when we got to the bottom headed into the current. The bottom was 80', the water warm and clear, about 40' visibility. we didn't see any lobster but got a couple of nice Red & Pink Abs, one almost 10 inches.

As planned, our air reserve dictated it was time to surface. We agreed to hang out at 20' for a couple of minutes. It was a deep dive and this would give us some extra margin of safety.

Now it happened. We hit the surface looked for the boat and the first words as always was "OH S\_\_T". We were about even with the boat, but 25-30 yards to port. We would have been OK, but the current had picked up to about 5 knots. We started kicking, hard and fast, knowing it would be close. I saw the current line and started kicking harder. I reached out and grabbed it 1 foot from the end. My buddy was 10' behind me, and when I looked back he was down current of the line. He probably would have made it but to make sure I reached out with my 7' pole spear and pulled him in.

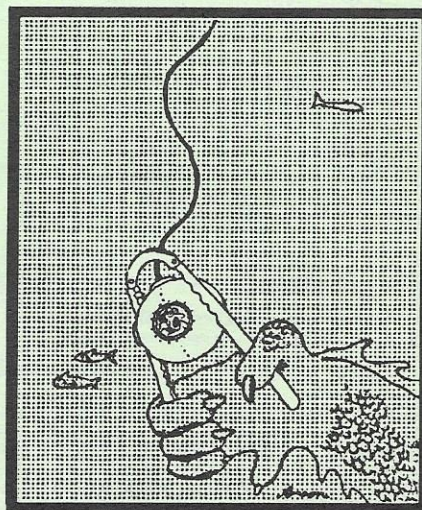
We pulled ourselves along the line to the boat and got on board. No easy task in that current.

Diver #3 was already on board, but #4 missed the current line and was already 200-300 yards down current, We picked him up with the boat.

**Lessons Learned:** The current-line was 75' long, but we will double that in the future. Use a line as long as possible and practical. We did plan the dive but the planning should have included allowance for something unexpected. Like the current increasing. Also when diving in current try to move directly into it and not stray to far left or right. At the end of the dive do not back track toward the boat. Surface right there, the current will take you home.

That same day we were getting ready for the last dive. I hooked up my regulator to the tank and it had only 800 lbs. in it. It was an 80 cu. in. I had lent to a friend who had it refilled and returned it. It wasn't his fault it was the dive shops.

**Lesson Learned:** If you lend a tank, check the air before going out. Actually you should check all your tanks before you go out.



**Happy Diving**  
**An Experienced**  
**Diver**  
**Who is Still Learn-**  
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Up, Up, Take me up!



## DECEMBER SINGLE-DAY BOAT DIVE

03 DECEMBER 1988

SANTA BARBARA

BOLD CONTENDER

MEMBERS \$64

(INCLUDES FOOD AND AIR)

NON-MEMBERS \$71



There will be something for everyone's taste and desires on this charter. We are on the BOLD CONTENDER out of Berth 76 at Ports O'Call and are heading for SANTA BARBARA island. For those who have not dived the BOLD CONTENDER, she is 65' long, 22' wide, 3000 psi air fills (included), staterooms, full shower facilities, sundeck, color TV/VCR and full comfortable galley. Skipper/owner Jerry Shapiro and his crew have their own style and put on one of the best food fiestas around (all included).

PHOTOGRAPHERS, looky-loos, and bubble watchers will have plenty to see. The island itself is constantly battered by the ocean and as a result is small but visually appealing - great for just relaxing or above water PHOTOS. The underwater environs of SANTA BARBARA contain beautiful reefs, arches, canyons, walls, and a myriad of sealife including sea lions, seals (you never dive alone at SANTA BARBARA!), black sea bass and for the game takers LOBSTER, ABALONE (all species including whites) and FISH. Note that both ABALONE and LOBSTER will be in season

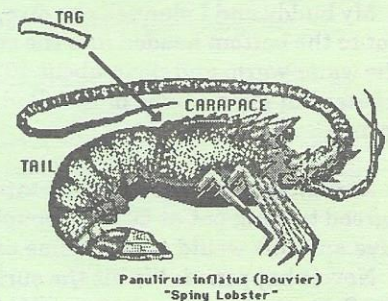
Ocean conditions allowing, this trip will have dives suitable for all skill levels, however, it should be noted that strong currents and surge can be encountered - relative beginners should check conditions with the divemaster(s).

As of writing the boat is full with a short wait list. Call Michael (Borden) at (213) 372-7764 for sign-up and Allen (Parker) at (213) 536-2614 for additional information. We will board after 9:00 PM on Friday the 2nd for an early departure on the 3rd. With the holiday season almost upon us we are planning a little something extra for this dive. **CALL AND GET IN ON THE FUN!**

## **LOBSTER TAGS AT SAN NICOLAS by Lorraine Bemis**

A lobster tagging program has been initiated at San Nicolas Island. This is the second season to the tagging. US Fish and Wildlife is responsible for conducting the tagging. I participated in the lobster tagging this year.

Lobsters are tagged between the carapace & tail in the soft tissue area to the dorsal side. The tag is yellow or bright colored and has a phone number to call to give information as to where & when the animal was caught. There is a small (\$10.00 or so) remuneration given for this tag # and information if enough tags are called in the Department will hold a lottery in which more money is given away. The tag has been shown to stay in the soft tissue even after molting, so you may find an animal with a new that molt has a tag.



Information on the animal should include where found, size and depth (if possible). This will be correlated with the information of when the animal was tagged, size, etc. and hopefully this will help us to learn more about lobster habits.

**Keep your eyes open for tags and happy hunting!**

### DIVE BOAT POLICY

- 1) A club member may, but is not required to, have a boat deposit on file with the club.
- 2) A club member will have a confirmed reservation on an upcoming dive only if:
  - a) A check in the full amount for the dive has been received by the dive boat reservationist, or
  - b) The club member has a deposit on file with the club and makes a telephone request for a reservation with the dive boat reservationist.
- 3) Any reservation may be cancelled two weeks prior to a dive with a full refund. Cancellations will not be accepted within two weeks prior to the dive unless a diver holding a reservation can sell or transfer their reservation to another qualified diver. The dive reservationist will assist in this process, but is not responsible to provide paying alternates. When confirmation is received by the dive boat reservationist that a cancelling diver is being replaced by another qualified diver, the replacement diver is then fully responsible for the cost of the dive.
- 4) If a diver has a deposit on file with the club and uses that deposit to secure a reservation on a boat dive, he may not use that deposit to secure any additional dives until he has paid the club for the first dive. Two years after a diver has ceased to be a member of the club, his unclaimed dive boat deposit will be forfeited to the club.
- 5) Only TRW club members and members of other selected clubs may make boat dive reservations prior to one month before a scheduled boat dive.
- 6) Partial refunds from boats which do not make the advertised dive location will be passed on to members who request them within two weeks of the dive.





# 1988/1989 BOAT DIVES

10 SAT	03 DEC 88	SANTA BARBARA	BOLD CONTENDER PORTS'O CALL
1 SAT	28 JAN 1989	SAN NICOLAD	WILD WAVE 22ND STREET
2 SAT	04 MAR 1989	CORTEZ BANKS	WILD WAVE 22ND STREET
3 SAT	15 APR 1989	"AVALON" AND "VALIANT" WRECKS/ CATALINA (FRONTSIDE)	BOLD CONTENDER PORTS O' CALL
4 FRI/SAT	19/20 MAY 1989	WILSON'S ROCK/ SAN MIGUEL/SANTA ROSA	PEACE VENTURA
5 SAT	24 JUN 1989	FARNSWORTH BANKS/ CATALINA	BOLD CONTENDER PORTS O' CALL
6 FRI/SAT	28/29 JUL 1989	BEGG ROCK/SAN NICOLAS/ SANTA BARBARA	BOLD CONTENDER PORTS O' CALL
7 SAT	19 AUG 1989	TALCOTT SHOALS	WILD WAVE VENTURA
8 FRI/SAT	15/16 SEPT 1989	RICHARDSON'S ROCK SAN MIGUEL/SANTA ROSA	PEACE VENTURA
9 SAT	21 OCT 1989	SAN NICOLAS	WILD WAVE 22ND STREET
10 SAT	11 NOV 1989	SANTA BARBARA	WILD WAVE 22ND STREET
11 SAT	02 DEC 1989	SAN CLEMENTE	BOLD CONTENDER PORTS O' CALL

## WILD WAVE - 22ND STREET LANDING:

South on Harbor freeway, left on Gaffey, left on 22nd street, down the hill and park in designated areas.

## BOLD CONTENDER - PORTS O' CALL:

South on the Harbor freeway, left at Gaffey, left on 6th Street, cross Harbor Blvd. and turn right into the Ports O' Call complex. Follow the road into the Ports O' Call parking lot and park on aisle 3 or 5. The boat is at Berth 76

## PEACE - VENTURA MARINA:

North on Ventura freeway to Victoria Ave. in Ventura. Turn left onto Victoria and continue to Olivas Park Drive. Turn right and continue all the way down toward the beach and on to Spinnaker Drive. Park adjacent to the berth which is behind HornBlowers Restaurant at Slip #20

## BOAT DIVE RESERVATION FORM

DIVE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ DESTINATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF DIVER(S): \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (DAY): \_\_\_\_\_ (EVE): \_\_\_\_\_ COST OF DIVE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBER: YES ☐ NO ☐

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