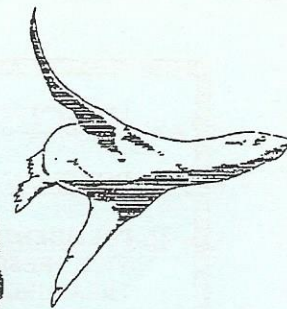




THE SEA DIVERS



FROM THE EXECUTIVE CLEAN-UP HEADQUARTERS

October is a FULL month for us, with the First Annual King Harbor Clean-Up as our main event. You should have already received a separate communication, including a registration form, for the Sunday, 18 October 1992 activity.

WE HOPE YOU WILL ALL SUPPORT US -- EITHER AS DIVERS, OR EVENT HELPERS!!!!

If you haven't signed up already, then do it now, the \$20 is well worth it!!

Other events include a single-day and a two-day lobster dive on WILD WAVE and the Pumpkin Carving Contest -- see inside for details.

COME ON OUT, GIVE US YOUR SUPPORT!!!!

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SOLOMON ISLANDS DIVE TRIP ADVENTURE

Our October program will feature Wil Lemley. About a year ago, Wil and his wife, Linda, journeyed to the distant dive destination of the Solomon Islands. They spent 13 days aboard the "Bilikiki." This live aboard boat accommodates 20 divers in 10 double staterooms.

Wil and Linda's slide presentation will show us the virgin water diving they experienced in this group of islands which is located east of New Guinea and northeast of Australia. Wil says that there was a profusion of soft coral in every color imaginable in each spot they dived. He likened it to an underwater fireworks display with an explosion of colors.

We're really glad to have Wil and Linda back with The Sea Divers again after missing them for the last couple of years. Join us at the Round Table Pizza on 6 October for their interesting program.

Dicie Sizemore
Program Chairman

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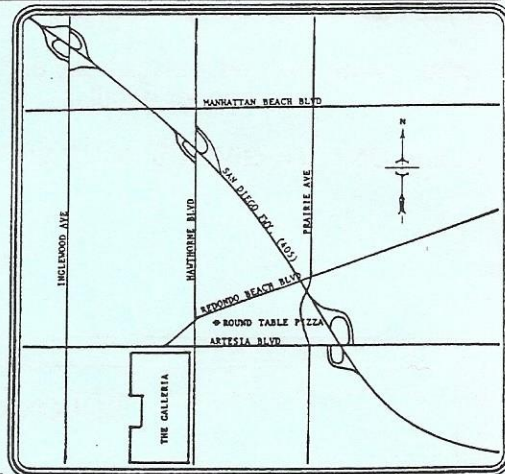
WRITING FOR THE SEA DIVERS NEWSLETTER

If you would like to write an article for the newsletter or you have an idea to improve it, please write to Editor Kathi McNally, P.O. Box 2415, Redondo Beach, CA 90278, or call me at the above numbers. I am always in need of Lessons Learned articles and new graphics or cartoons. Inputs should be typed, but can be handwritten (not responsible for errors caused by illegible handwriting). Permission is given to reproduce in whole or part. Please give credit to the author and/or The Sea Divers Newsletter.

GENERAL MEETING

GENERAL MEETINGS are held at 7 PM the first Tuesday of each month. A no-host social half hour precedes the meeting from 6:30 to 7 PM, and a feature presentation follows the business meeting. The meeting is held at Round Table Pizza, 4330 Redondo Beach Blvd., Torrance (Alpha Beta/Savon Center) (213) 371-8009.

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS are held at 7 PM on Thursday the week following the General Meeting at the Shibaraku Restaurant at King Harbor (at the corner of Harbor and Beryl, across from the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza).



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____

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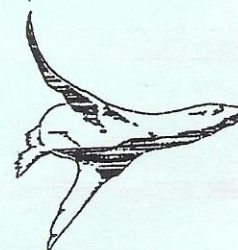
NUMBER OF DIVES LOGGED _____ DATE OF LAST DIVE _____

Do you want your name on a dive buddy list? [] YES [] NO

Type of diving preferred: beach/boat/skin _____

[] SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$24.00 (to 6/30/93)

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OUR FIRST BUG DIVE

9 OCTOBER (FRIDAY)

SAN NICOLAS

WILD WAVE

MEMBERS \$75

(INCLUDES EVERYTHING!)

NON-MEMBERS \$85

Boarding: 7:00 PM

Departure: 12:01 AM

BUG SEASON! This year the season opener has changed and begins Saturday, 3 October 1992, instead of Wednesday, 7 October 1992. This Friday dive will, therefore, occur six days after the opener rather than two days after -- oh well! The "San Nicolas Express" will leave 22nd Street Landing at 12:01 AM for a typical fast run to the Island for an early AM night dive. Don't forget your dive light, backup and NEW chem lights. We hope to make four or five dives, depending on weather, dive spots, success (or failure!), and diver ocean time. Quick in, quick out makes for more dives, more spots and more BUGS!?! SAN NICOLAS can still provide the big LOBSTER, with FISH and SCALLOPS as back up once you've made your BUG limit of seven !?#@?!!

Last year the conditions were somewhat surgy but one 7-1/2 pounder was grabbed, along with an assortment of smaller LOBSTER and a reasonable take of FISH. This trip proved popular last year so call Kathi McNally (310) 370-1657 for early sign-up. Although we anticipate some advanced dive spots, there will be spots suitable for all skill levels -- conditions permitting -- and we will tailor the spots to the skill level on board. FULL steak dinner is included. GET YOUR FIRST 92/93 BUG HERE! As of this writing (mid-September) the boat is about half full.

A TWO DAY TO CORTES BANK

30-31 OCTOBER (FRI/SAT)

CORTES BANK

WILD WAVE

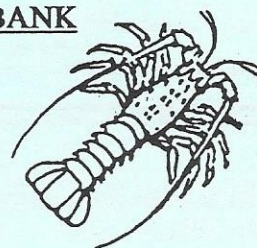
MEMBERS \$155

(ALL INCLUSIVE)

NON-MEMBERS \$170

Boarding: 7:00 PM

Departure: 12:01 AM



In 1991 our two day to CORTES was the most spectacular trip of the year with perfect weather conditions with visibility to 100 or more feet!!! Can we repeat in 1992? We certainly hope so as CORTES BANK is a great LOBSTER area and can provide some of the very best diving in Southern California.

We are on WILD WAVE and assuming Joel I remembers to leave at the correct time this year, we should be anchored by about 7:00 AM for our first dive.

CORTES BANK is located about 80 miles SSW of 22nd Street and about 40 miles SW of China Point on San Clemente Island and is almost directly west of San Diego. As it is an exposed dive spot, the BANK has not been dived as much as some of the closer in areas. Diving depths range from 20 to 120 feet providing generally excellent game taking possibilities. LOBSTER in particular have been abundant and the various reefs making up the BANK are home to many species of good sized FISH. PHOTO and VIDEO buffs will not be disappointed. Our "fallback" and our "overnight" will be SAN CLEMENTE Island which also has great dive spots, especially on the backside.

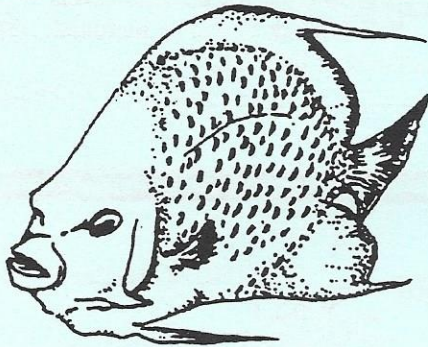
This dive is generally considered an intermediate to advanced dive due to CORTES BANK's full exposure to the ocean. However, relative beginners can make the dives, assuming that ocean conditions relative to surge and/or current are within acceptable limits. The Sea Divers divemasters should be consulted on your dive plan and/or experience.

This is an outstanding dive area and as was the case last year, the charter is filling early. Call Kathi (McNally) at (310) 370-1657 for sign-up. Boarding will begin at 7:00 PM on the 29th of October for a prompt midnight departure from 22nd Street. We plan some additional goodies for this trip and anticipate a great steak dinner Friday evening, etc., etc. DON'T MISS THIS ONE ESPECIALLY AT THIS GREAT PRICE!!!!!! BUNKS WILL BE PRE-ASSIGNED UPON RECEIPT OF PAYMENT, SO GET YOUR RESERVATIONS AND CHECKS IN NOW!!!

EXACTLY ELEVEN YEARS AGO . . .

Our President was Betty Trenberth; Vice President, Bob Revius; Treasurer, Cathy Mueller, and Secretary, Don Andree. The October 1981 boat dive was on the PEACE with a limited load of only 20 divers at \$120.

The write-up stated . . . "all you can bring back (14 bugs, 8 abs, 20 calicos, 20 other fish)"!!!
The beach dive was a two-day campout on Catalina via BLUE SEA. The 5th Annual Halloween Masquerade Ball was scheduled for the 31st and TRW dues were \$6.25!! In the report from the Executive Meeting, it stated that . . . "The Treasurer's report was distressing . . ."
Apparently we survived Chapter 11!!



MORE LEGISLATIVE NEWS . . .

In an effort to obtain valid information on sport diver participation for the early opening of lobster season this year, the Department of Fish and Game will be distributing a questionnaire covering approximately the first ten days of the season. The form will ask a variety of questions to determine how many divers participated in the early opening, how much time was expended in their efforts to catch lobster, how many were landed, as well as additional personal diver information. Dive shops, clubs and boats will be mailed copies of the forms.

The information gathered from these questionnaires will be used by DFG to decide whether the early season opening for sport divers will continue in future years, and will help give a clearer picture of the health of the lobster fishery. For these reasons, it is important for all of us to complete and return these forms when they become available -- and pass along a copy to a buddy.

--- from Locky Brown, GLACD

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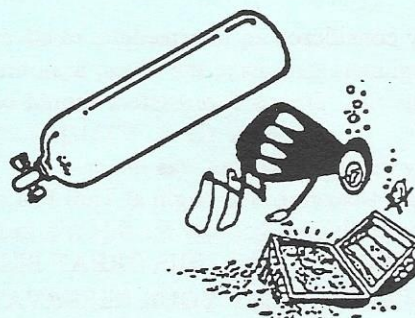


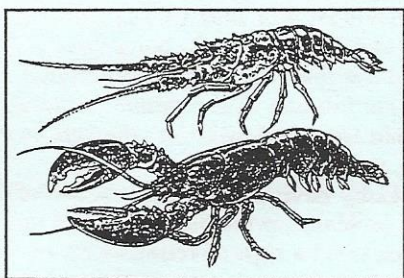
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Dear Krabby

Dear Krabby,
What does SCUBA stand for?
Wondering

Dear Wonder,
Did ya sleep thru that part of the course or what? Anyway, the answer is: Silly Crazy Underwater Boisterous Adventures

Dear Krabby,
I've tried pills, patches and wrist bands but I still get sea sick? Help!
Upchuck

Dear Chum,
Stay off of the boats.

Dear Krabby,
I see the other divers on the dive boats bringing back bags full of abalone and scallops which I love. I dive the same places they do and yet never see any. What do they look like underwater?
Salivating

Dear Drooler,
Abalone and scallops are easy to distinguish from the surrounding terrain underwater. Unfortunately for you I'm an advice columnist not an artist so you'll have to settle for my written description. When underwater, abalone looks like a rock with a small amount of fringe around the bottom. Scallops look like rocks with grey or orange lips, unless of course they've closed their shell in which case they just look like rocks.

Dear Krabby,
Where do you get your questions from?

Curious George

Dear Apeman,
Idiots like you.

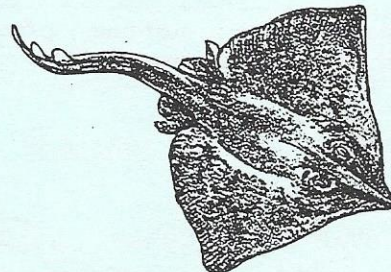
Dear Krabby,
I got interested in diving by seeing ads in the diving magazines showing beautiful buxom models wearing sexy diving attire...and I thought...that could be me!! I figured I too would look gorgeous in those skin tight dive suits. That, combined with the fact that diving is predominantly a male activity made it seem to be the perfect sport for me. Much to my dismay, instead of being enamored with my long-legged voluptuous body outfitted in the trendiest new diving togs, and being hypnotized by the drips of water following my well proportioned curves as I emerged from the water, the guys seemed somewhat repulsed. What's wrong??

Beauty at the Beach

Dear Ego-Not-Lacking,
It's hard to be sexy with snot on your forehead.

Dear Krabby,
Is it better to put your weight belt on before or after your other dive gear?
Can't Get Dressed

Dear Undressed,
You should always and I mean always put your weight belt on sometime after donning your wetsuit.



JADE COVE WEEKEND, A LA SEA DIVERS

Wow is all I can say. What a picture perfect weekend! The drive up was full of green trees and hillsides; the sun followed us down through the peaks and ridges the entire way. We had a high view, you know, the scary one as your motorhome leans over to adjust to the roadway. I helped to keep us off the rocks by navigating, while Kevin, our major driver, did an excellent job of handling those windy passages. It was scary up there but well worth the heart condition. When we finally arrived without mishap, I nevertheless breathed a sigh of relief.

Our friends who arrived Thursday weren't so lucky weatherwise. They complained the sun missed the first day. But they were obviously having a good time anyway. How could that place be bad under any condition?

We took our usual walk up a small hill to see the astounding sunset and later had a lovely meal around the campfire. I actually had set food up earlier, so we had a gourmet type feast. The night was spent quietly -- yes, it really was me -- luxuriating around the campsite with pleasant conversation and old friends as well as new. As a group, we all had something to contribute. Us, the motorhome, Dan his designer tent, Jack even brought the kitchen sink, Brian and Chrisy brought the truck that became a conversation piece and the pina mix, Cathy Gale had the blender. Yes, there is another blender Kathy -- Blender Kathy of the Campsite. Sorry, Dacey. We were sad the other blender girl didn't make it. Maybe next time. Mary and Steve got quite fancy with their portable shower; and their mascots again guarded the camp.

Day two put my group down on the roadway near the beach. Denise made a little error and tried to enter too far up. The climb onto the beach made Jade Cove seem like a safe dropoff that you could count on as opposed to the sheer dropoff where one missing foothold would make your trip fast but the landing painful. However, we did finally make the beach and continued over in the direction of the cove while doing an interesting climb over the jagged rocks. Just to make sure we were headed in the right direction, we asked a passing hobo what the next beach up was and he assured us there was a passage there. What beach, he didn't know. But a passage sounded good. We did have to make an exit and entry again, but found the cove with no problem, thanks, probably to The Sea Divers' God. There must be one. Otherwise, why would we still be around to tell these tales.

At any rate, the day passed quickly with the sun's full impact. The tide on Sand Dollar Beach was out and we found some new things to look at and some new crevices to explore after our jade experience. An exhausted group returned to a campfire barbeque and some fish tales by Dan and Jack.

The final day was as beautiful as the rest although many people packed up early. Cathy G's group took off to the Soup Kitchen to eat pes -- use your imagination; Jack and Dan disappeared somewhere -- it could have been romance; Mary and Steve decided to spend an extra day there without us -- who could blame them; my group headed for another beach and some hors d'oeuvres -- good weekends are never long enough. Besides, who wanted to do cliff diving. Food sounded better.

We all had a hell of a time. We'll all do it again, I'm sure. But there are suggestions that we must make:

Dan should bring camping gear next time.

Big Chris should bring a tent that doesn't have zipper trouble and a tape player that works.

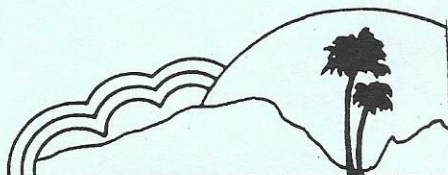
Lynne should listen to Denise, not Cathy.

The park should have a water slide that also handles dive gear.

Thanks for listening. Tune in next time for further tales of The Sea Diver Extraordinaire adventures. I'm sure, knowing them, there will be many more.

Denise Lawrence

(Any diving?? Editor)



AS GOOD AS, IF NOT BETTER THAN, PLAN

Our July two-day was scheduled for Begg Rock, San Nicolas and Santa Barbara - what we did was San Clemente, Begg Rock, San Nicolas! Not bad, not bad at all!!

We had a full load on CHARISMA including a now significant contingent from the "Phoenix Office," and another group from our "Palmdale Branch." Left over swells from the multiple hurricanes off Baja were the main concern weatherwise and as it turned out were responsible for our significant change in sequence. We left 22nd Street just after midnight, running into increasing swells, until off Catalina's West End John H decided to head into the lee of Catalina and reverse track south and east. 5:00 AM found us off the northeast tip of San Clemente in calm, sheltered water. We cruised along the full length of the island reaching Pyramid Head around 7:15 AM.

Our first dive was right off the Pyramid Head reef in 50-70 feet visibility and up to 70 feet of water. Temperature was in the high 60's -- very comfortable. Fish everywhere, including two large mom and pop seabass and a "baby" swimming separately. Spectacular! We then moved to the west to dive a deep pinnacle. Kathy D, Wes S and myself with David S made the anchor line -- barely -- where we hung, out of breath, like flags on a stringer. "Raging Currents" . . . we abandoned the spot before other divers hit the rush. Turning around we moved back onto the frontside, passing off several cooking trays to ENCORE which was on a San Clemente two-day. The "real" second dive was on a spectacular pinnacle which rose to within 35 feet of the surface, then plunged to 90 feet on the island side and to over 170 feet on the ocean side. Ocean conditions were much as the first spot -- nice! We continued working our way north and west along the frontside with dives 3, 4 and 5 in similar type underwater terrain which provided opportunities for fish, pink or green abalone, or photography. Visibility tended to decrease a little with each move, but stayed above 30 feet.

We ate prime rib dinner etc., etc., etc., then about a dozen divers made the sixth dive as a night dive -- more to gain experience than catch! We were then entertained by the flying fish versus sea lion show -- I think the sea lions won. Just after 10:00 PM John H and crew refired the V-12's and we were off on a second attempt at Begg Rock arriving about 5:30 AM in acceptably calm water. We anchored on the razor back portion of the rock and opened the gate at 7:00 AM with a 9:30 AM "back on board." This allowed the hard core to make two dives and the less hardy to take their time and make one great dive. Visibility was about 30-40 feet with no current and low 60's temperatures. The BIG scallops are at 75 feet and below -- but they're still there as we witnessed limits of ten from most of the game takers.

Following the dives at Begg Rock, we motored back onto the west end of San Nicolas anchoring in the foul area (no, not dirty water). This was the coldest water of the trip at 57 degrees or so. It was also surgy, but surprisingly clear with 50 foot visibility. Fish were the order of the dive, with good size variants of most species. With a seven hour plus run ahead of us, we left the island at about 11:45 AM settling into the socializing typical of long return runs!

Awards we had. Pete K won the prize for early payment with a certificate for an upcoming dive worth \$40. Boobie candidates were Pete K (again) for performing unscheduled leg surgery with his spear gun AND for hooking himself onto the anchor chain at Begg Rock; Wes S for leaving his "Hall of Foam" card at John T's AND for cross threading, then breaking Kathy D's BC hose fitting; myself (AP) for attempting to take off my first stage without relieving the pressure (so much for advanced diver); Todd D for "rescuing" his brother; (anonymous) for attempting to clean abalone on the boat. Wes S won left and right hand carved wood Indian kitchen utensils, the use of which varies depending upon whom you talk to. These were brought in specially from the Bullhead City Chili Cookoff at tremendous expense.



SUNDAY - 25 OCTOBER 1992

**THE SEA DIVERS 5TH ANNUAL UNDERWATER
PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST & POTLUCK**

Test your underwater dexterity at the 5th (in recent times) Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest being held on Sunday, 25 October, at White Point (Issei Cove). The fun will begin at 10:00 AM and all entries must be on display for judging by 1:00 PM. The grand prize for the winning pumpkin is a single day trip on an upcoming Sea Diver boat dive. Last year's crop was just great!

A potluck will follow the contest. The Sea Divers will provide snacks, hot dogs and drinks. Family and friends are welcome. Please plan to bring a potluck dish of your choice to add to the post-diving activities. Hope to see you there. Any questions, please contact Kathleen Bennett at (310) 322-2994 [home] or (213) 648-7077 [work].

JULY TWO-DAY
THURSDAY NIGHT QUOTES . . .

"He's going to a millionarie's clambake so he won't make the party on the 29th!"
"You left a piece."
"He's a scumbag, not a dog."
"We got one tonic bottle full of Stoli -- what do you have?"
"God, how long does it take them to load up all OUR gear?"
"They were going to 'funch'.
"You couldn't put any gear on? Damn!"
"Let's close the bill out -- the cheapskates are on their way!"
"You'll never have a mug like she has!"
"We have a full set of Kathy's at this table."
"Instead of a \$500 regulator, let's have a \$1500 scooter."
"Pete shot himself in the leg already."
"Where's the nurse?"
"I don't even have THOSE privileges."
"We're getting a touch of brain fade here."

. . . FRIDAY/SATURDAY QUOTES

"If this is Begg Rock, the water went down a whole hell of a lot!"
"Apparently the navy wants us out of here; they turned the current way up!"
"This is "Find your tank time."
"I spent my dive looking for a weight belt at 100 feet."
"Dicie had deck duty, Ken got clean up."
"You try carrying those _____ doubles without a BC."
"The mad scrambler already asked."
"Major whining, major whining."
"You can have anything you want!"
"Wes, are you still in the dog house?"
"Dee, your motor's running."
"Wes is asleep already -- how about still?"
"Don't fight with anyone ugly 'cus they don't care what they look like."
"Don't mess with anything in the ocean bigger than you are!"
"You can fill up my thing John . . ."
". . . Com'on baby!!"
"I've almost got Dacey filled up so she can leave."

. . . FRIDAY/SATURDAY QUOTES
(continued)

"I need a cigarette."
"Do you want to mess around or do I need an appointment?"
"Why do you spend money on women when you can have Butch?"
"I'm collecting cherries."
"Dee, this is my last offer -- \$10."
"What do I look like, an easy target or what?"
"How can you tell I'm cold?"
"I don't know why they make a rule like that. Scallops make just as much mess as abalone."
"Get the better model next time, spend the extra buck."
"Show him how to make it bigger."
"Getting drunk and substituting for sex -- a bud light and a candy bar."

A FEW SELECTED QUOTES IN AUGUST

"The hook never fits in the hole no matter where the door is."
"Kathy D's going to bed -- alert the media."
"It's too hot!"
"Where is he ticklish?"
"I'll sit here a while and warm 'em up."
"Joel can't wait -- he's 3 minutes late leaving the dock, and he's already trying to make it up!"
"When you see white caps before 8 in the morning, it does not bode well for the rest of the day!"
"Turn your air on next time -- it works much better that way."
"I guess the BOLD CONTENDER is going to stay up current of us the rest of the day."
"Check those tables, John!"
"Now I need my glasses to read the damn tables."
"The tables ran out -- so I'm ignoring them."
"This is the best part of my life, so that's why I'm writing it down."
"I forced it all in there."
"The only real boobie was Delaney!"



AUGUST AFTERMATH — NICE!!

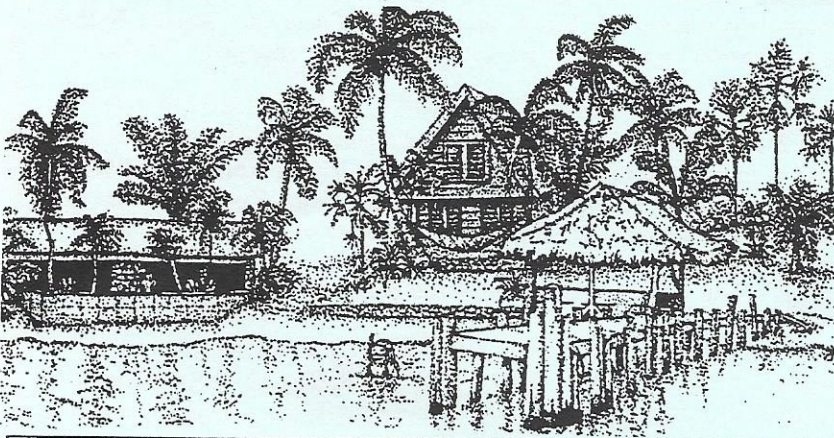
Our August dive schedule received rough treatment for a couple of reasons, but our 15 August trip on WILD WAVE came off pretty good after all. We had rescheduled from Wilson Rock out of Ventura to Begg Rock out of 22nd Street and with a slightly less than full load, we left 22nd Street at about 12:05 AM bound for Begg. Once we cleared the West End of Catalina, bumpy set in and did not leave us until we entered the lee of San Nicolas Island at about 6:00 AM. The sunrise was spectacular and was just the beginning to an almost perfect day.

The lee side turned out to be the backside and our first dive was near Dutch Harbor in about 80 feet of calm, no current, low 60's temperature water. Visibility was outstanding for San Nicolas with the boat visible from 80 feet!! Huge fish got away from most of us as we were "into abalone" --reds up to 8-1/2". Following this first dive we moved about three miles west towards the anchored BOLD CONTENDER, which had divers caught in a swirling current up to 1/2 mile from the boat! WILD WAVE to the rescue! We spent 15-20 minutes picking up three clusters of divers for a total of 10 -- then cruised over to the BOLD CONTENDER and transferred them back to their own mother ship. Typical Joel I anchors in the same area to give The Sea Divers the same test -- we passed the test, NO problem. Depth was up to 55 feet in 30-40 foot visibility, high current on the outside of the reef/kelp bed (no kidding!) and plenty of surge if one went shallower than 20 feet. Red abalone were again the main dish -- with a surprising lack of fish. With the wind creating white caps outside, we moved back towards the east and onto a reef at about 50 feet, which turned out to supply most of our divers who had not yet limited with their catch of abalone for the day. They were mostly reds with a smattering of pinks. It was encouraging to see quite a number of closely packed juveniles.

The last dive was just inside of the reef and sandbar at the east end. Visibility had degraded but was still above 25 feet. The water was quite comfortable at 65 degrees even at the full 40 feet.

The BOLD CONTENDER left 30-40 minutes before WILD WAVE, but we blew past them before reaching Santa Barbara. I think Joel I tweaked WILD WAVE up a little just for effect -- just wasn't their day! We had our traditional BBQ steak, etc., etc., on the way back, the weather was just beautiful and the ocean calmed as we passed Santa Barbara. To cap it off, we sighted what we think was a "baby" blue whale off Palos Verdes getting within 50 yards before it sounded. Great!

We watched with due diligence for boobies and came up with just three: John D for forgetting to hook up ANY of his THREE computers, and as a result having to relearn Navy dive tables for the day; John M for bringing up a slightly short abalone -- presumably hoping it would expand in the hot sun; and Kathy D for various and sundry irregularities Friday night -- including losing her prized watch which she did not find until Sunday evening in her sleeping bag -- way to go Ms. V.P. Great diving; great weather; great group -- all around good time.



Don't Miss It!

1992 BEACH DIVE SCHEDULE

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>FEATURE</u>	<u>KEY CONTACT</u>
SUN	18 OCT	REDONDO BEACH	KING HARBOR CLEANUP	DAVID SERENA
SUN	25 OCT	WHITE POINT	PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST	KATHLEEN BENNETT



NICE TRY, NO CIGAR -- PROBABLY FOR THE BEST!

First dive of our PEACE September two-day was at Morse Point at the southwest tip of Santa Cruz Island. Being a full moon period, tides and currents tended to be up, but tucked in to the cove gave us calm, clear (up to 40 foot visibility), 61 degree water to 40 foot depths. The determined divers found a few big scallops and a couple of pink abalone.

For our second dive we crossed the Santa Cruz Channel, which was breezy already, out into the sun to a spot just east of Ford Point. Water was 50 feet deep, calm, a slight current and water temperature was 63 degrees. This is the area where the steamer "Crown of England" hit the reef in November 1894 and subsequently broke apart. The wreck is scattered with various pieces barely recognizable. Kathleen B and I were fortunate to find one of the massive anchors with chain attached totally overgrown by sea life - GREAT photo material. Other than the wreck, red abalone was the primary take. Nice dive!

We moved into Johnson's Lee (aka Magee's Lee) for our third dive. Depths to 50 feet with similar conditions to dive two. Red abalone and a few scallops were taken by the hardcore. Decision time - run to San Miguel or not? We decided to "go for it" although the channel looked real sloppy through the binos. Once we rounded Cluster Point rough really set in slowly getting worse and worse until we were barely making headway towards San Miguel trying to keep the bow of the PEACE into the waves. Steep wave sets from cross directions finally did us in and Bill M turned PEACE around and headed back to the lee of Santa Rosa.

The fourth dive was at South Point again in 50 feet of calm (!) clear 62 degree water. Red abalone was the primary order, with most of our core now limited at two. We then moved in close at Johnson's Lee for our fifth dive, fairly close to the third dive spot, and anchored up for the evening's festivities and our overnight. The wind began to increase about sundown and continued to increase until the early AM where 50 MPH gusts were noted and white caps in the anchorage area!! Were we glad we hadn't made San Miguel or were we glad we hadn't made San Miguel!! The tri-tip kabobs were great at dinner.

Saturday dawned real pretty with the winds having died down. We made a run to the pinnacle area off Santa Rosa's East Point, but abandoned the idea as the white caps were still with us. Instead we opted for the scallop reef at Skunk Point. Although this small reef has been over-pillaged, it still yielded limits of medium-sized scallops for the fairly aggressive diver. The current was up some and the boat was swinging about 90 degrees. With wind increasing again, we ran across the Santa Cruz Channel into the lee of Santa Cruz near Gull Island. Diving was just beautiful, with 50 plus foot visibility, minimum current, calm, 62 degree water. Depths from 50 feet to 10 feet were available. Diving was so good we stayed for a third dive and for a couple of hardies, a fourth dive.

By now most were soaking up the sun and enjoying as each saw fit. The regular group gathered on the sun deck were we stayed for the run back. The wind finally let up - wouldn't you know it! Bill M and Mike R, Susie and Isabelle, Nick and John did their usual great job. The food was plentiful and varied -- next year we can pre-plan our menus!! "PEACE" is still the best in my book.

Honorable mentions in the boobie department go to Joe Z for leaving his wet suit out in the gale, losing the top portion in the process (we patched him up for the second day with a undersized top and a separate hood that on him looked like stuff from the Goodwill!!); Peter L for drifting too far from the mother ship at the scallop reef, requiring a Zodiac recovery; Steve K for beginning three of his dives after everyone else and returning to the boat WAY after everyone else; Steve G for trying on a white PEACE top while covered in sun screen, taking it off and dropping it on the wet, grubby deck then telling Nick "I don't like white"! -- he bought it anyway. Nice going guys, but what the hell it all added up to a great trip. See you all on PEACE in December.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS



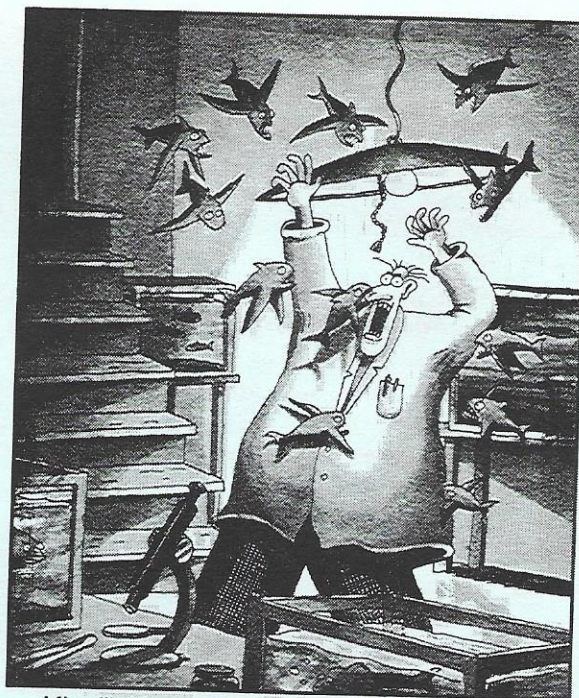
GLACD/Locky Brown reports that the abalone stamp to be added to sportfishing licenses as part of AB 3197 is dead for this year; it seems the author wishes to be re-elected! Look for this one to come back to us next year.

An attempt is being made to get an "ecological reserve" site pushed southeast from Flat Rock Point to Palos Verdes Point. Does anyone use this area? It looks like these areas (4 along the coast) will be closed to all human activity except official scientific research; that was the opinion rendered by the State Attorney General's Office July 22. Attempts are being made by GLACD to get ANY Palos Verdes site removed from consideration. Because the state will probably not have the budget to fund more scientific research in the near future, these areas may very well just sit idle, closed to public use. The lesson we should all learn from this - the proposition you vote for today may come back to bite you tomorrow as this is an outgrowth of Proposition 132 - the gill net and trammel net use and eventual prohibition - which led to Article XB "Marine Resources Protection Act of 1990" of the California Constitution.

Phil Bergeron

SOME OF THE QUOTES OF
TWO DAYS IN SEPTEMBER

- "Everything from the hips down is shot."
- "It took a guy to get it in the right hole."
- "Watching a lobster molting is like watching a woman getting out of panty hose."
- "I don't think I can use that one."
- "That's the most I've seen anyone eat who wasn't on per diem."
- "Just push the reverse button on the computer."
- "Since I bought the other computer, my Skinny Dipper's been pissed at me."
- "These guys just ate and ate and ate. . ."
- "I made a tactical error this morning. I didn't get my private parts aligned properly before I put my wet suit on."
- "After a lunch like that I'm going to have to swim up current the rest of the day."
- "I want a meal, not a burnt snack."
- "(censored!!!!)"
- "She gives good phone."
- "It's okay. My heart's above the water."
- "We are the source of his frustrations."
- "Most of us don't have knees that will stand that kind of praying."
- "Michael must have been a bad boy. He's standing in the corner."
- "There's nothing wrong with box wine."
- "White's too difficult to keep clean."
- "I probably ate or drank worse."
- "Want me to top that off for you, sir?"
- "The white craps are down."
- "I've had enough of that position."
- "You can't have fun without ice."
- "I like my fun on the rocks."
- "How about a piece of ice?"
- "The wine's okay, but it's not as good as the last glass."
- "Sproing!!"
- "Now you're poking it."
- "It's Captain Bill Magee. I recognize that nipple."
- "Nice crack, Bill."
- "You get Gamey Beaujolis now."
- "You just drank ice out of his butt."



After flicking on the light, Professor Zurkowitz is caught off guard by the overnight success of his efforts to cross-breed flying fish and piranhas.

DIVE COMMITMENTS

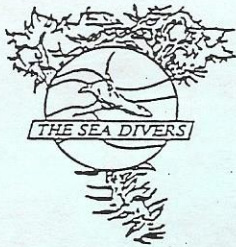
9 OCT (Friday)
WILD WAVE

30/31 Oct (Fri/Sat)
ENCORE

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| 2. KATHY DACEY | 2. JACK BRYANT |
| 3. JOHN DELANEY | 3. MIKE BUTLER |
| 4. SHARON HALE | 4. KATHY DACEY |
| 5. FAISAL HAROON | 5. KEN DICKEY |
| 6. ART HILL | 6. TOD DICKEY |
| 7. ERIC JACKSON | 7. SHARON HALE |
| 8. MATT (KALASKY) | 8. JIM KALASKY |
| 9. JOHN KALASKY | 9. JOHN KALASKY |
| 10. PAUL KAMINSKI | 10. STEVE KAVANAUGH |
| 11. PETE KENEFICK | 11. HAP KELLOGG |
| 12. KATHI McNALLY | 12. PETE KENEFICK |
| 13. JOHN MOWREY | 13. KATHI McNALLY |
| 14. RANDY NEIMAN | 14. KURT OTTEN |
| 15. ALLEN PARKER | 15. ALLEN PARKER |
| 16. DAN PORTWAY | 16. DAN PORTWAY |
| 17. BOB TINTI | 17. ROGER SCHMITT |
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(AS OF 23 SEPTEMBER 1992)





Registration



First Annual King Harbor Clean-up

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____(day) _____(evening)

Certification Agency: _____

Certification Number: _____ Date: _____

Club Affiliation: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

We will be diving in six areas. If you wish to dive with a group and/or a specific buddy, please indicate group and/or buddy below.

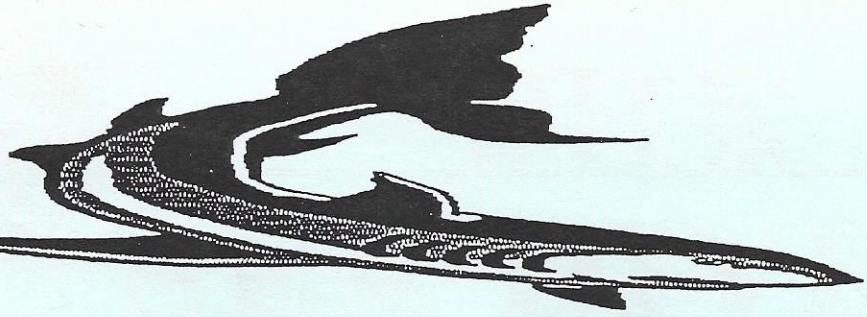
Group: _____

Buddy: _____

If you would like information on The Sea Divers, place X in box.

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1992 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE



DIVE	DAY(S)	DATE(S)	DESTINATION	PRICE *	BOAT	DEPARTURE LOCATION
92-11	FRI	9 OCT	SAN NICOLAS	\$75	WILD WAVE	22ND STREET
92-12	FRI/SAT	30/31 OCT	CORTES BANK	\$155	WILD WAVE	22ND STREET
92-13	SUN	22 NOV	SANTA BARBARA	\$70	WILD WAVE	22ND STREET
92-14	FRI/SAT	11/12 DEC	SANTA CRUZ CHANNEL/ANACAPA	\$170	PEACE	VENTURA

* Prices are all inclusive (air, food and beverages). Non-members add \$10 for single day and \$15 for two-day dives.

* * Does not include air, food and beverages!

THE 1993 SCHEDULE WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER.

Wild Wave/Charisma/Encore - 22nd Street Landing

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

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 across Harbor Drive; go to the left on to Spinnaker Drive. Look for Milano's Italian Restaurant and turn right into the parking area. If you get to the end of Spinnaker, turn around and take the second left. Park adjacent to the berth (Slip #20) to unload, then park overnight in the last row adjacent to Spinnaker Drive.

DIVE BOAT POLICY

A club member may, but is not required to, have a boat deposit on file with the club. A club member may make a reservation on an upcoming dive as follows:

- A) Unconfirmed reservations may be made for any boat dive at any time. To confirm a reservation, payment in full must be received.
- B) For single day dives, divers holding an unconfirmed reservation will be called 3 weeks prior to the dive and advised that payment in full is required no later than 15 days prior to the dive to be confirmed. Dive boat deposits will be considered as payment in full.
- C) For two day dives, divers holding unconfirmed reservations will be called 5 weeks prior to the dive and advised that payment in full is required no later than 30 days prior to the dive to be confirmed. Dive boat deposits may be used as part of the payment in full.
- D) If payment in full is not received by the deadline, the diver may be replaced by a wait listed diver who has paid in full.

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 for providing 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.

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 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. Only Sea Diver club members and members of other selected clubs may make boat dive reservations prior to one month before a scheduled boat dive. 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.

BOAT DIVE RESERVATION FORM

DIVE DATE: _____ DESTINATION: _____

NAME OF DIVER(S): _____

PHONE (DAY) [] _____ (EVE) [] _____ COST OF DIVE \$ _____

MEMBER [] YES [] NO DATE OF LAST DIVE * _____

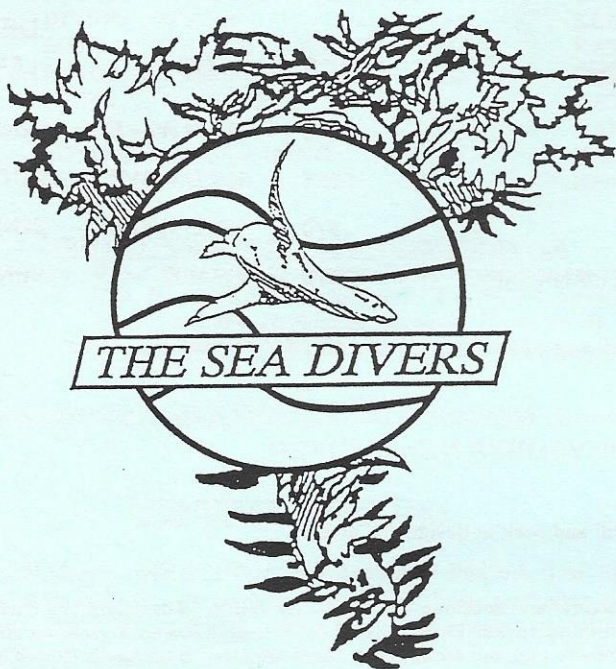
Please make checks payable to THE SEA DIVERS and mail to:

THE SEA DIVERS
P.O. Box 2415
Redondo Beach, CA 90278
(213) 371-9985

* Please include date of last dive for each diver.

THE SEA DIVERS
P.O. BOX 2415
REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278

FIRST CLASS MAIL
ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



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October 6
October 9
October 15
October 18
October 25
October 30-31

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza
Boat Dive, San Nicolas - WILD WAVE
Executive Meeting - 7 PM - Shibaraku Restaurant
King Harbor Cleanup
Pumpkin Carving Contest, White Point
Boat Dive, Cortes Bank - WILD WAVE

NOVEMBER 1992

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November 3
November 12
November 22

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza
Executive Meeting - 7 PM - Shibaraku Restaurant
Boat Dive, Santa Barbara, WILD WAVE

DECEMBER 1992

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December 1
December 10
December 11-12
December TBD

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza
Executive Meeting - on board PEACE
Boat Dive, Santa Cruz Channel/Anacapa - PEACE
Xmas/New Year's Party (TBD)