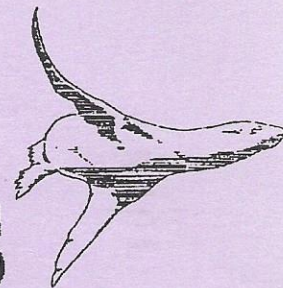


# THE SEA DIVERS



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## FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITMENTS...

Most of us on the 1997 Executive Committee have been overcommitted, not just in the club activities but in life in general. I guess if you volunteer you over-volunteer!! These past few weeks (a.k.a. months!), trying to find one evening when most, preferably all, of the Exec committee were available to meet and discuss commitments for 1998, run elections, and find other hopefully "under" committed club members to volunteer to become "over" committed in 1998 has proven impossible. We will succeed eventually, hopefully in January 1998, and close out the 1997/1998 process. Anyone wishing to volunteer and/or be considered as a 1998 Exec. Should let anyone on the present (1997) Exec. Committee know or send in your intent to the PO Box. We will also discuss 1998 needs at the 6 January 1998 General Meeting at Round Table Pizza. Sorry for the delay but overcommitment wins every time!!

A.P

## JANUARY ENTERTAINMENT

### MISCELLANEOUS

Finding entertainment for January in the wake of the holidays has been a scramble...and we're still scrambling! At the time of this printing we do not have any firm commitments from a speaker. Consequently, we're not sure what the entertainment will be! In lieu of a "mystery guest" we will talk about club plans for 1998, potential new executives (hello?!?!), any diving anyone has done over the holidays, the number of frequent flyer miles A.P. and K.D's baggage gathered during their Galapagos trip, and anything else of general interest.

The next General Meeting is at Round Table Pizza on Tuesday 6 January 1998 starting at 7:00 PM.

## **AVALON UNDERWATER CLEAN-UP FEBRUARY 21**

The 1998 Underwater Clean-Up of Avalon Bay takes place on Saturday, February 21. This is the 18<sup>th</sup> year of this popular annual event. The trash found in the bay is collected over the two hour period, then sorted and recycled by volunteers. An awards presentation will follow at Wrigley Plaza Stage in town. There will be a large number of prizes given away and awards given out for exemplary trash and stories.

The proceeds from the Underwater Clean-Up will benefit the Catalina Conservancy Divers and the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber. **Advanced registration is required.**

**Registration will not be allowed the day of the event.**

Cost be diver is \$25.00 and includes an air fill, door prize ticket, and a commemorative T-shirt.

For a registration form and further information, contact the Catalina Conservancy Divers at (310) 348-4750, Fax (310) 348-4755 or call event chairman Chester Lowe (310) 641-8817



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTORY

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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 Kathy Dacey, c/o The Sea Divers, 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). Inputs may also be given to me via floppy media in any of the major word processing program formats or e-mailed to me at kathy.dacey@trw.com. Permission is given to reproduce in whole or in part. Please credit the author and/or The Sea Divers Newsletter.

## GENERAL MEETING

Held at 7:00 PM the first Tuesday of every month. A no-host social half-hour precedes the meeting from 6:30 to 7:00 PM and a feature presentation follows the business portion of the meeting. The meetings are held at Round Table Pizza, 4330 Redondo Beach Blvd., (one block east of Hawthorne Blvd. in Ralphs/Savon Center) Torrance, California (310) 371-8009.

## EXECUTIVE MEETING

Held at 7:00 PM on Thursday the week following the General Meeting at Roberto Al Mare at King Harbor (at the corner of Harbor and Beryl), across from the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDITIONAL NAME (FAMILY MEMBERSHIP) \_\_\_\_\_  
EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_  
CERT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE [PADI, NAUI, ETC.] \_\_\_\_\_  
CERT DATE \_\_\_\_\_ LACC ADP \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
(or equivalent)  
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 \$12.00 (to 6/30/96)

[ ] FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$18.00 (to 6/30/96)

(Annual dues 1 July - 30 June are \$24 single/\$36 family and are prorated quarterly for new members)

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

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



## A NEW COMBINATION

8 February 1997 (Sun)

SANTA BARBARA

*GREAT ESCAPE*

Members \$85

(All inclusive!)

Boarding: 7:00 PM (2/7)

Non-Members \$95

Departure: 2:00 AM (2/8)

New Members \$43

The first dive of our 1998 program is to Santa Barbara Island and Sutil Island. This lobster season Santa Barbara has proven to be the best spot in Southern Californian waters for legal size bugs. On our 1-2 November 1997 dive most of the bugs on board were from Santa Barbara. We continue our excellent relationship with the *Great Escape* and hope to have a great trip.

As most of you experienced divers know, Santa Barbara diving provides the very best in underwater topography, marine life, and generally high visibility. Sea lions abound and are always ready to "play". Black sea bass have been sighted on numerous occasions as have relatively large rays. The reefs are ideal for photography or just looking. Typically we will circumnavigate this relatively small island to pick off four or five choice spots, including one or two in the environs of Sutil Island.

For the game takers there are a variety of fish, scallops, and lobster as mentioned above. Diving conditions in February are usually pleasant and typically the ocean is cooperative. This dive is suitable for all skill levels. Beginners should check with the divemaster to ascertain the specifics of each dive. The *Great Escape* is one of the largest dive boats in the L.A. area and provides an extremely comfortable diving platform. The "verandah" (a.k.a. sun deck) also provides for sun and relaxation on the ride home early year weather permitting. Call Kathy (Kalohi) at (310) 719-1816 to sign up for this all inclusive trip on a great boat to one of the best islands. You may pre-select your stateroom / bunk on receipt of full payment. CALL NOW! We have chartered two-thirds of the boat which is typical for our 1998 schedule.

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## A GRAND PEACE FINALE FOR THE YEAR

While enjoying a Thanksgiving dinner with the relatives this past November my thoughts were more on the upcoming Sea Diver trip on Saturday and Sunday. Marine forecasts did not sound good at all - 9 to 13 foot swells at Pt.

Conception and another storm moving in on the weekend. Upon boarding Friday night we were told that the seas had calmed down considerably and we might make it to Miguel after all. Sixteen brave and hardy Sea Divers along with fourteen other divers boarded and at midnight the engines started. After a rather smooth ride we woke up to overcast, ominous skies but on the NW side of San Miguel Island. Destination? Richardson Rock, of course.

As the *Peace* dropped anchor we were warned that this was a very advanced dive and we would be using the bow exit. Dropping down to 90 feet we saw 80 foot visibility, 61° water temperature, and a very healthy wicked surge. Both photographers and hunters came back happy. Our next move was to Wilson Rock. The seas started to pick up more with the Northern storm approaching. At 60 feet the water was still warm but the surge had picked up even more. Nonetheless hunters came back with scallops and fish. Time to turn in close to the island for our third dive. Hare Rock was getting a good set of swells which cut visibility down to a murky 40 feet. Around the SE corner the fourth dive was at Crook Point. Several ling cod (good size!) were brought up along with other fish. The fifth dive was also in the same area. The *Peace* then moved across the channel to South Point on Santa Rosa Island for a night dive. After a hearty delicious dinner at least 10 divers braved the dark and murky waters for the elusive lobster. Bugs were seen but only one legal size came up.

Sunday morning we woke to drizzle and darkness. The *Peace* moved over to Santa Cruz Island to finish the day. By the time we got to the East side of Gull Island the rain had stopped and skies were starting to turn blue. Bugs came up on this dive. The second dive was in the same area in a more shallow spot. Again more bugs and scallops. The wind started blowing so we were moved down the island for a third dive at Coches Prietos Anchorage. More bugs came up. With the sun out it seemed visibility improved underwater and water temperature moved up to 64°. The final dive for the day was at Albert Anchorage with more fish and lobsters coming aboard. As usual Captains Eric and Fidel and the rest of the crew outdid themselves again. Great trip!

Note: Captain Eric warned us about the recent closure of collecting abalone and even noted not to pick up empty shells. Fine is \$300. And wouldn't you know Fish and Game met us Sunday evening as we pulled into the harbor and checked all game and licenses. WE PASSED! Eric said we were one of the few groups that had been checked since opening of bug season that had NO violations. THANK YOU ERIC for the clear warning, especially on collecting dead abalone shells.

Kathy Kalohi





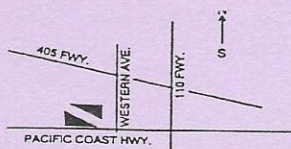
## 6th ANNUAL KING HARBOR UNDERWATER CLEANUP

The 6th Underwater CleanUp activity in the Redondo Beach King Harbor complex again attracted almost 200 divers and almost 100 surface support personnel. Including sponsors, donors, and organization personnel we had about 400 people involved which is essentially the same as in previous events. We had a little more difficulty with overall sponsorship and were not able to maintain our donation to the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber at \$6000. However, our six year total is now \$30,000 for which we should all be proud. Our tentative date for the 7th CleanUp is Sunday 18 October 1998.

The "booty" and junk pulled out of the six main areas was typical but again less than in previous years which we take as a good sign. Included - amongst other things - were the following:

- Bicycle (5- one rideable)
- Marine Battery (5)
- Bottle (many)
- Coin (not so many as before)
- Penny (only a couple)
- Tire (4)
- Water hose (about 60 feet)
- Lobster trap (1)
- Wheel (2)
- Egg (2, one not boiled!)
- Kitchen "set" (1)
- Patio "set" (1)
- Fish net (2)
- Fishing rod (6)
- Tie (1, wearable)
- Plants (6, mostly dead)
- Dinghy and motor (1)
- Large tarp (2)
- Wooden face mask (1, ugly!)
- Hot dogs (2, ugly!)
- Sign (4)
- Dock box (2)
- Cell phone (4)
- Jar of pickles (1, full)
- Wallet (1, no money!)
- BBQ (4)
- Marine head (3, about average)
- Plastic bucket (6)
- Kitty kage (1)
- Fan (2)
- Microwave oven (2)
- Boat registration plate (4, about average)
- Toy (about 6)
- Rope/line (about 60 feet)
- Boom box (4)
- Hazard cone (1)
- Underwear (2)
- Boat anchor (2)
- Shopping cart (2)
- Anchor chain (about 20 feet)
- Bucket of junk (2)
- TV (2)
- Glasses (about 15)
- Modified truck axle (1, heavy!)
- Outboard motor (1, complete)

**AMERICAN DIVING** is a full service scuba diving facility. Our friendly and knowledgeable staff has been committed to excellence in customer service for more than 30 years. Our education department offers quality diving courses sponsored by NAUI (National Association of Underwater Instructors), an internationally recognized diver training organization. Our instructors offer courses at all levels from Openwater I through Assistant Instructor, plus a variety of Specialty Courses are available either at a group rate or by private instruction. We also offer local and international dive travel and can assist you in planning your adventures from day trips to the local islands to your wildest diving fantasy.





Judging of the items submitted for each of the ten awards was, as usual, quite difficult. The following diver awards were made:



**6th ANNUAL KING HARBOR UNDERWATER CLEANUP**  
**DIVER AWARDS**

Largest (Red Area)	10 foot dinghy and partial outboard	Dave Bender. Scubapro air integrated dive computer donated by <u>American Diving</u> (Total \$580).
Heaviest (Purple Area)	Modified truck rear axle - approximately 250 lb.	Dave Badgett and Ann Goedjen. Fins donated by <u>American Diving</u> , Shark dive donated by the <u>Golden Doubloon</u> and a one day all inclusive dive trip donated by the <u>Great Escape</u> (Total \$305).
Smallest (Green Area)	1/2" diameter thin filter	Dawn Marcova. Mask and snorkel donated by <u>American Diving</u> and SCUBA Course donated by <u>Beach Cities SCUBA</u> (Total \$325).
Most Unusual (Green Area)	Wooden face mask	Gus Vargas. Two single day boat dives donated by the <u>Lois Ann</u> and a NITROX dive course donated by <u>Just Add Water Sports</u> (Total \$410).
Most Amusing (Blue Area)	"Sunday go to CleanUp tie"	Chad Thagard. \$150 off a custom wet suit donated by <u>Aquaflite</u> and a one day all inclusive dive trip donated by <u>The Sea Divers</u> (Total \$250).
Classic/Antique Bottle (Yellow Area)	Two dozen bottles, mostly under one dock!	Miguel Mariscal and Dan Barton. Fins donated by <u>American Diving</u> , Shark dive donated by the <u>Golden Doubloon</u> and a one day all inclusive dive trip donated by the <u>Great Escape</u> (Total \$305).
Most Valuable (Red Area)	Pager, just dropped. Returned to owner who donated \$20 to event!	Craig Griffin. Mask donated by <u>American Diving</u> , a two day dive trip donated by <u>The Sea Divers</u> and a free <u>DAN</u> Membership (Total \$285).
Special A (Yellow Area)	Kitty carrier sans kitty (fortunately).	Brent Liefers. Body Glove No-Zip wet suit donated by <u>Dive N' Surf</u> (Total \$325).
Special B (Blue Area)	Working kids bike, ridden back to check-in.	Brandon Dolan. Mask donated by <u>American Diving</u> , a two day dive trip donated by <u>The Sea Divers</u> and a free <u>DAN</u> Membership (Total \$285).



### DIVER AWARDS continued.

Special C (Orange Area)	Outboard motor and cowboy boot	Tom Oedy. Mask and snorkel donated by <u>American Diving</u> and SCUBA Course donated by <u>Beach Cities SCUBA</u> (Total \$325).
“Hero” (Blue Area)	Stung by “giant” sting ray	William Holzer. One day all inclusive dive trip donated by <u>The Sea Divers</u> (Total \$100).

### 6th ANNUAL KING HARBOR UNDERWATER CLEANUP SURFACE AWARDS

Leadership (Green Area)	“The Director”	Sherry Carreon. Dinner for two donated by Splash Restaurant, <u>Crown Plaza Hotel</u> and a \$50 opal donated by <u>Billani Jewelry and Gems</u> (Total \$125).
Team Spirit (Yellow Area)	Registered on event day, brought own cart and gloves	Jacqueline Mariscal. \$75 Gift Certificate donated by <u>Café Piccolo</u> , \$50 Gift Certificate donated by <u>Billani Jewelry and Gems</u> and a Beginning SCUBA Course donated by <u>Beach Cities SCUBA</u> (Total \$325).
Energetic #1 (Blue Area)	Just dirty all over!	Mary Mahler. <u>Wyland</u> Limited Edition signed Lithgraph and a \$50 Gift Certificated donated by <u>Billani Jewelry and Gems</u> (Total \$250).
Energetic #2 (Yellow Area)	Teenager that registered on day of event, dirty all over	Kelly Shelton. Beginning SCUBA Course donated by <u>Beach Cities SCUBA</u> (Total \$200).

The average value (excluding “Hero”) Diver Awards was \$340 and for Surface Awards \$225.

At the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony the two Grand Door Prizes were drawn and awarded.

The Weekend for Two on Catalina Island was won by Paul Nakamura (ticket number 0593686), value \$500.

The Dive Accident Management Course donated by the Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber (\$600) was won by Jim McElroy (ticket number 0593774).

Once more Dive ‘N Surf brought the most divers, American Diving, The Sea Diver’s affiliate, donated the most towards the awards.

Southern California Edison was our major sponsor for this 6<sup>th</sup> event and for all previous events.

We really appreciate the support by these organizations and all the others noted on the following page.



## MAJOR SPONSORS

### 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL KING HARBOR UNDERWATER CLEANUP

American Diving	Port Royal Marina
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Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber	Southern California Edison Co.
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## DONORS

### 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL KING HARBOR UNDERWATER CLEANUP

Aqua Flite Wetsuits	Petrelli's Bar and Grill
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<i>Golden Doubloon</i>	Teaze Me Salon
Great Escape Charters	Waterfront Brewery
Lois Ann Dive Charters	



**THE GALAPAGOS TRIP**  
**PART I - JUST GETTING THERE!**

In the December 1997 issue I wrote a short blurb "Galapagos Bound" and stated "...with John D., Pete K., Kathy D., and Allen P. in the group, there should be some amusing events to report!" Little did I know!!

Getting there went wrong right out of the starting gate. On arrival at LAX about 7:10 AM on the 18<sup>th</sup> November for our 9:35 AM American Airlines (AA) flight we (A.P. and K.D.) were told that the Miami to Guayaquil flight was canceled and we were switched to the Ecuadorian airline SAETA which left Miami thirty minutes earlier than the canceled AA flight, which was tight on time anyway. We were told that the 9:35 AM AA flight wouldn't cut it time wise and were switched to one leaving momentarily. We ran (literally) to the departure gate and just made the 7:25 AM AA flight to Miami.

AA at Miami was the biggest mess imaginable. The AA Guayaquil flight was "on", "off", "canceled", "rerouted to Quito", etc. depending on which AA agent/employee we spoke to. SAETA did not have us listed, yet held seats for us while we attempted through anybody at AA that would listen to get our tickets validated for SAETA. The whole debacle took almost all of the two and a half hours plus between flights. The SAETA flight to Guayaquil was very pleasant and uneventful with semi-first class service throughout the plane. We landed at Guayaquil only to find out about 10:00 PM our two dive gear bags were AWOL. All we had was toiletries, clothes for two or three days at a stretch, our dive computers, and first and second stages.

The taxi ride to the Grand Hotel was hilarious. The driver coasted anytime he could and the car felt like everything was loose or broken with fumes everywhere and no internal dash lights. The hotel was OK and the bar likewise, with the heavy petting by some other patrons in the back corner being the entertainment for the rest of the evening.

Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> was a day in hell. We spent most of the morning in the AA office, the SAETA office or the dark and forbidding baggage jail which constantly dripped water. No sign of our bags, in fact we later found out that they were still at LAX!! We delayed our Guayaquil to San Cristobal (Galapagos) flight one day and moved to the Hilton Colon for Wednesday night. This after a trip to the Poli Centro Mall to change our AA return tickets to Miami from Quito in lieu of Guayaquil. The Guayaquil airport main runway was undergoing a resurface job and all foreign national flights were being rerouted to Quito. SAETA was still using Guayaquil.

The Orange County contingent (Pete K. and John D.) had their own story to tell when we met up with them on the morning of the 19<sup>th</sup> in the Guayaquil airport. They had also planned on taking AA all the way to Guayaquil on the first day (18<sup>th</sup>) and continue on SAETA to the islands the next day. Upon check in at Orange County Airport they were told that their AA flight would be going Quito and that AA would transfer them to SAETA the next day to get them from Quito to Guayaquil to catch their last flight to the islands. Being the resourceful pair, they spent their airtime calling the Aggressor, airlines etc. changing their return flight tickets and hotels to accommodate the switch from Guayaquil to Quito. They thought that things were going to go smoothly until their plane was late and ended up missing "last call" at the Quito airport where they literally turn out the lights at midnight. Their Quito bound plane was diverted to Guayaquil (which was where John and Pete were really aiming for from the start!) for the night where AA put them up in the Hilton Colon but wouldn't let them retrieve any of their bags from the cargo hold of the aircraft. The morning of the 19<sup>th</sup>, they were bussed to the plane which was going to take them back to its chartered (Quito) destination so that they could then catch their Quito to Guayaquil flight back as scheduled!! They were going to go along for the ride as AA was holding their baggage hostage in the cargo hold of the aircraft but...NO!! As the bus approaches the plane Pete sees the cargo hold is open and a few bags are being extracted. Pete and John run from the bus, duck under the airplane and help their luggage escape thus saving them the early AM round-trip airline tour from Guayaquil to Quito and back.

For us, Thursday morning, the 20<sup>th</sup>, was a repeat of Wednesday until about 9:00-9:30 AM when the AA baggage folks traced our bags to Newark, New Jersey in care of Continental Airlines. AMAZING!! Continental initially denied having the bags but persistence paid off about 11:00 AM when a Continental New Jersey baggage supervisor located the two items. At this very moment I was on the phone to the Aggressor people close to canceling the whole trip. A plan for recovery was hatched between the Aggressor people and AA. SAETA airlines from Newark to Quito to arrive late on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Quito to Guayaquil also via SAETA early on the 21<sup>st</sup>, then via TAME airlines to the second island out, Baltra, to arrive about 11:30 AM on the 21<sup>st</sup>. The Aggressor would refuel on the second day at Baltra and send in a divemaster to pick up our two bags of dive gear. We also flew to San Cristobal and joined the Aggressor as scheduled in the mid-afternoon of the 20<sup>th</sup>, but to say the least we were somewhat apprehensive of the baggage recovery plan. By now we were worn out and getting slightly grubby...

PART II - BAGGAGE CRAP SHOOT TO WOLF AND DARWIN NEXT MONTH.

A.P.



## 1998 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE

DIVE	DAY(S)	DATE(S)	DESTINATION	PRICE*	BOAT	LOCATION
98-1	SUN	8 FEB	SANTA BARBARA / SUTIL	\$85	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-2	SAT	14 MAR	SAN NICOLAS	\$95	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-3	SAT	11 APR	SHIP ROCK/BLUE CAVERN/BIRD ROCK	\$70	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-C10	WED	6 MAY	CHAMBER DAY 10 / CATALINA	\$65*	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-4	FRI/SAT	8/9 MAY	SAN MIGUEL	\$180	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
98-5	SAT	6 JUNE	SAN CLEMENTE - 9 FATHOM REEF & 4 1/2 FATHOM SPOT	\$85	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-6	FRI/SAT	24/25 JULY	BEGG ROCK/SANTA BARBARA/FARNSWORTH BANKS	\$190	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-7	SUN	16 AUG	OLYMPIC & STAR OF SCOTLAND WRECKS & PALOS VERDES	\$70	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-8	FRI/SAT	11/12 SEPT	RICHARDSON'S/CASTLE/WILSON ROCKS	\$180	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
98-9	FRI/SAT/	30/31 OCT	CORTES & TANNER BANKS	\$195	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
98-10	SAT/SUN	28/29 NOV	SAN MIGUEL / SANTA ROSA	\$180	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA

\*Prices are all inclusive (air, food, and beverages). Non-members add \$10 for single day and \$15 for two-day dives. New members allowed one single day dive at approximately two-thirds of member price.

Dive 98-C10 does not include air, food, and beverages.

### Great Escape - 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 onto 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 club members of The Sea Divers and members of other selected clubs may make boat dive reservations prior to one month before a scheduled boat dive. Partial refunds from single day 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\* : \_\_\_\_\_

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\* Please include date of last dive for each diver



## CALENDAR

JANUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

January 6

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza

January 15

Executive Meeting - 7 PM - Roberto Al Mare

FEBRUARY						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

February 2

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza

February 8

Boat Dive: Santa Barbara - *GREAT ESCAPE*

February 12

Executive Meeting - 7 PM - Roberto Al Mare

February 21

Beach Dive: Catalina - 18<sup>th</sup> Avalon Harbor Underwater Clean-Up

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