

THE SEA DIVERS

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE HAPPENINGS...

So what happened? We postponed the 7th Annual Redondo Beach King Harbor Underwater CleanUp from 18 October 1998 to 23 May 1999. Sing-ups were excellent, considering our late start, but our major problem was getting sponsors (the big bucks!) that had money left in their charitable organization funds. We had similar problems last year. In moving the event to earlier in the year we hope to get significantly better results from potential sponsors and to move away from the 19 September National Beach Clean Up and the week before Lobster Fest. All Registrations have been held on file and we hope to add more in the coming months. All participants were informed of the change by phone and we apologize for any inconvenience caused, especially to any Surface Volunteers that walked-on on the 18th! The planning committee will remain in place to ensure continuity. We are going to solicit a few extra volunteers to beef up our award and prize gathering process. Mark your calendars for 23 May 1999.

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NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING THE MYSTERY MEETING

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Yes, once again it's Mystery Meeting time!! Due to the fact that we haven't had an official dedicated Program Chair for quite some time and those of us that try and scrape something together have REALLY poor memories....we don't know if we had a volunteer to 'do' this meeting or not!! So c'mon down to the next meeting and see what or who turns up! You never know, you might like it!

The next Sea Diver General Meeting will be held on Tuesday November 3rd starting at 7:00 PM at Round Table Pizza in Hawthorne.

RUBES By Leigh Rubin



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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 as required on 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. (See calendar on back page, President calls meetings as needed).

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SIGNATURE NAME **ADDRESS** ZIP CODE CITY WORK PHONE () HOME PHONE () ADDITIONAL NAME (FAMILY MEMBERSHIP) PHONE () EMERGENCY CONTACT **EMPLOYER** TYPE [PADI, NAUI, ETC.]____ CERT NUMBER DATE LACC ADP CERT DATE (or equivalent) DATE OF LAST DIVE NUMBER OF DIVES LOGGED [] YES Do you want your name on a dive buddy list? [] NO beach/boat/skin_ Type of diving preferred: \$18.00 (to 6/30/99) 1 SINGLE MEMBERSHIP (Annual dues 1 July - 30 June are \$24 single/ | FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$27.00 (to 6/30/99) \$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

SOME OF THE BEST FOR LAST

28/29 NOV 1998 (SAT/SUN)

SAN MIGUEL / SANTA ROSA

PEACE

Members \$180

(Everything included!!)

Boarding: 7:00 PM (11/27)

Non-Members \$195

Departure: 12:01 AM (11/28)

The final charter for 1998 is on the *Peace* our of Ventura Marina. As always we plan to head west as far as Mr. Weather will allow. May was bad, September was great so we'll be 2 for 3 or 1 for 3 after this trip.

Although not noted as the greatest lobster spot in the world, San Miguel offers some of the best diving around. The pinnacles are always spectacular and offer many opportunities for scallops, fish, and excellent photography or video. With lobsters in mind we will take any opportunity to make Talcott Shoals, off Santa Rosa Island, which IS noted for bugs. For the game takers this trip should provide excellent opportunities, for the photo/video/looky-loo divers, there are some of the best opportunities.

The food fare on *Peace* is always outstanding and plentiful. The first day will provide heavy duty diving, for those so inclined, with up to 6 dives possible. The second day will be more leisurely with 3 or 4 dives anticipated. Dive spots will include areas suitable for relative beginners and hopefully some more advanced spots covering the full range of diver desires and capabilities.

At the time of this writing the boat is full with a wait list. Call Curt (Billings) at (909) 945-3461, Fax at (909) 477-2849, or e-mail at curt@diver.net. The September wait list pretty much evaporated! Other spots may also be available depending on the other half boat sign-up. LAST club chance for a great trip in 1998!!

THE WAIT LIST GAME

Our Dive Boat Policy is on the next to last page of all of our newsletters. Once the boat is full a wait list forms. The "pecking order" on the wait list is:

- 1. Club Members who have paid.
- 2. Club Members who have not paid.
- 3. Non-club members who have paid.
- 4. Non-club members who have not paid.

Although some of the wait lists have quite a few folks on them, the list typically erodes to almost zero. So don't hesitate to put yourself on one, if you missed the first cut.

JUST NINE YEARS AGO

The President was Greg Hindman, Treasurer Kathi McNally and Secretary Sandi Anderson. General Meetings were held at the Pizza Hut on PCH in Manhattan Beach. Our boat dive was on the Bold Contender to Santa Barbara Isalnd at \$49 non-inclusive. Our beach dive (remember those?!) was a refresher seminar and dive at Veteran's Park, Redondo Beach. We were beginning to plan our annual trip to Catalina in support of the 8th event in Avalon Harbor in January 1988 and a Christmas Party at the Hindman's. Turns out the Christmas party got slightly out of hand but that's a whole other story!!





THE SEA DIVERS WEB PAGE

(www.seadivers.org)

Below is a portion of our web page. If you haven't browsed, give it a shot! It's even better in color! There are also lots of hooks into other web pages. Many thanks to Curt Billings, Chris Grossman, Joe Kalohi and others that have contributed.

Sea Divers Application for

Membership

NOTICE: 1998/1999 DUES ARE
PAST DUE AS OF JUNE 30,
1998!! - Advanced reservations for
dive trips cannot be held if
memberships are not current

Sea Divers Executive Directory
June '99, Annual Club Event: <u>Bouillabaisse</u>

<u>Extraordinaire</u>

Sea Divers Log Book

Web sites to dive into

Chris Grossman's

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Official Dive Gear Page (TM)
www.diver.net for a Comprehensive
List of Scuba Diving Equipment
Manufacturers



Southern California Swell Heights http://cdip.ucsd.edu



Greater Los Angeles Council of Divers www.glacd.org



Chris Grossman's

Official California Dive Boat Page

(TM) www.diver.net for a Comparison

Table of California Dive Boats



<u>California Coast Ocean Temperatures</u> www.nws.mbay.net



Paulette's Underwater Photographs of Southern California www.diver.net

Join us for a dive aboard

The Great Escape Southern California Live Aboard Dive Boat, San Pedro CA www.diveboat.com

Peace Dive Boat, Ventura CA www.peaceboat.com

| | The Sea Divers 1998 Schedule of Boat Dives | | | | | | | | | |
|-------|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Dive | Day(s) | Date(s) | Destination | Price for Club Mem- bers | Price for Non Club Mem- bers | Price for New Mem- bers | Price for Bubble Watchers (Mem- bers) | Price for Free Divers (Mem- bers) | Boat / Bunk Layout | Departure |
| | | Sat 30/31 Reef & Lobster Oct Diving - Cortes & Tanner | Class Deep Reef & | \$195 | \$210 | N/A | \$98 | \$128 | <u>Great</u> | 10 PM Thurs. |
| 98-9 | Fri/Sat | | <u>Diving -</u> <u>Cortes &</u> | | Trip Full | | | Escape | night | |
| | | | San Miguel S | \$180 | \$195 | N/A | \$90 | \$120 | | Midnight |
| 98-10 | 98-10 Sat/Sun 28/29 / Santa Rosa | | All spots are reserved - Get on the wait list | | | on the | Peace | Fri. night | | |

Ah our 1999 dive boat trips include meals and air fills, EXCEPT the 99-C11 Catalina Chamber Day divel Also, we charter 2/3rds of the Great Escape, (24 spots) and 1/2 (18 spots) on the Peace Dive Boat.

And now for those not bent this year we have the following -

The Sea Divers **1999** Schedule of Boat Dives Warning: The dates in this schedule are closer than they appear!

EXECUTIVE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be an Executive Meeting on 12 November 1999 at Roberto Al Mare's Restaurant in Redondo Beach at 7:00 PM. All Execs should try to attend and anyone else interested in the Club's planning and/or interested in becoming an Exec is very welcome. The agenda is:

PRESIDENT'S REVIEW

- Overall Club Status
- Executives for 1999
- Dues structure
 OFFICER/COMMITTEE
 REPORTS
- Vice President Kathy D.
- Treasurer Allen (Acting)
- Secretary (TBD)
- Membership Carolyn
- Boat Dive Chair John T.
- Boat Dive Reservationist Curt
- Beach Dive Chair Billy
- Diving Officer John M.
- Newsletter Editor Kathy D.
- Program Chair (TBD)
- Legislative Info Chair Phil
- King Harbor CleanUp Allen
- Hospitality Chair Kathy K.
 ON-GOING BUSINESS
- Bad guy list additions etc.
- Entertainment ideas
- Leftover (6th) CleanUp T-shirts sales/price

NEW BUSINESS

- 19th Avalon Harbor Clean-up
- Other

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ROCKS, RIPS, AND REEFS 3R's Program

The Greater Los Angeles Council of Divers (GLACD) and the Los Angeles County Underwater Instructor's Association (LACUIA) have joined forces to produce an entire series of courses designed to safely introduce divers to popular, local dive sites.

Conducted by certified Scuba Instructors, the Rocks, Rips, and Reefs course includes a short educational seminar covering safe beach diving skills, certain aspects of the local marine environment, and other valuable site-specific information. The seminar is followed by an in-water demonstration and practice session that includes a skin diving tour of the actual dive site.

Topics and skills covered in the course include:

- safe entry and exit skills
- identifying, anticipating, and navigating hidden obstacles in the surf zone
- how to use the ocean's natural wave motion to your advantage
- how to read the ocean's surface
- using tide tables to plan a dive
- choosing appropriate entry and exit points
- how to find cool stuff at each location

Participants are required to wear a full wetsuit, mask, snorkel, and fins. A weight belt with no more than half of the normal diving weight is optional. Tanks and regulators are not allowed during the program, but may be brought along if you plan to make a dive after the class is over.

SCUBA certification is not required in order to participate in the 3R's courses!

Call GLACD (310) 379-5681

3R's Program 1998

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ROCKS, RIPS, AND REEFS 1998 Schedule

July 18th

Reef Point

920/B7*

August 15th

Leo Carillo

625/G6*

September 19th

Marineland

822/H5*

October 17th

Point Dume

667/D4*

November 14th

Malaga Cove

792/H3*

*Approximate Thomas Guide Page/Grid location of the event

Saturday classes begin at 8:00 a.m. Arrive and check in at 7:30 a.m.

Courses are free!

Registration for class is \$5

Fee is waived with GLACD membership

Register in advance by calling:

The L.A. County Workshop (805) 577-9416

G.L.A.C.D. (310) 379-5681

Mail Registration to:

GLACD P.O. Box 1541 Redondo Beach, CA 90267-1541

3R's Program 1998





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1998 AND 1999 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE

| DIVE | DAY(S) | DATE(S) | DESTINATION | PRICE | * BOAT | LOCATION |
|--------|---------|------------|--|-------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 98-9 | FRI/SAT | 30/31 OCT | CORTES & TANNER BANKS | \$195 | | 22 ND STREET |
| 98-10 | SAT/SUN | 28/29 NOV | SAN MIGUEL / SANTA ROSA | \$180 | PEACE | VENTURA MARINA |
| 99-1 | SUN | 7 FEB | SANTA BARBARA / SUTIL | \$85 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-2 | SAT | 13 MAR | SAN NICOLAS | \$95 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-3 | SAT | 10 APR | FARNSWORTH /CATALINA PINNACLES | \$75 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-C11 | WED | 5 MAY | CHAMBER DAY 11 / CATALINA | \$65* | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-4 | FRI/SAT | 7/8 MAY | SAN MIGUEL | \$180 | PEACE | VENTURA MARINA |
| 99-5 | SAT | 5 JUNE | SAN CLEMENTE - 9 FATHOM REEF & 4 1/2 FATHOM SPOT | \$85 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-6 | SAT | 26 JUNE | TBD OIL RIG | \$70 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-7 | FRI/SAT | 23/24 JULY | BEGG ROCK/SAN NIC /SANTA BARBARA | \$190 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-8 | SUN | 15 AUG | PALAWAN WRECK & PALOS VERDES | \$70 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-9 | FRI/SAT | 10/11 SEPT | RICHARDSON'S/CASTLE/WILSON ROCKS | \$180 | PEACE | VENTURA MARINA |
| 99-10 | FRI/SAT | 29/30 OCT | CORTES & TANNER BANKS | \$195 | GREAT ESCAPE | 22 ND STREET |
| 99-11 | SAT/SUN | 27/28 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 99-C11 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* : | | | |

BOAT DIVE RESERVATIONIST:

Curt Billings

Phone: (909) 945-3461, Fax: (909) 477-2849

e-mail: curt@diver.net

* Please include date of last dive for each diver

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

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| | NOVEMBER | | | | | | | | |
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| General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza | |
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| Executive Meeting – 7 PM – Roberto Al Mare' | S |
| Boat Dive - San Miguel / Santa Rosa - PEACE | , |

| | DECEMBER | | | | | | | | |
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| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | | | |

December 1

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza

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- Rocks, Rips, and Reefs!!
- The Sea Divers New Improved Web Page!!!
- ...and MORE!!

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