

# THE SEA DIVERS



#### FROM THE EXECUTIVE FILES...

I can't believe that this is the last newsletter of 2001, where did this year go?! Anyhow, it's also the time of the year to status the Club and reflect on this year's activities and also look forward to 2002.

We presently have 110 fully paid members, up 10 from the same time last year, of which about 50 are active. Our treasury stands at \$4850 up from last year's \$3300 and we have no outstanding debts. Four dives were poorly supported last year, the April dive on the *Great Escape* and the three two-day dives on the *Peace* in September, October and December. This year only one dive was (very) poorly supported, the September two-day on the *Peace*. Strangely this was always one of the Club's most popular dives but we've lost over \$2000 on this trip alone in the past two years. The December '01 two-day on the *Peace* is showing full.

We cancelled the 8<sup>th</sup> King Harbor Underwater CleanUp in anticipation of continued low sign-ups that seems to be plaguing other cleanup activities. It's unlikely we will resurrect this event. However, all in all, the Club is in excellent shape and we approach 2002 with high hopes for an even better year. Your Execs will do their best to guide the Club and with your continued support we should have a great year of diving ahead. I would like to thank all of the Execs for their support and efforts in '01 especially Kathy Dacey, Peter Landecker, and Curt Billings. Note that our Annual Executive Meeting is on 12 December '01 at 7:00 PM at the San Franciscan Restaurant in Torrance.

Have a great Holiday Season.

A.P.

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#### DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING BRUCE MONROE - LOVING DIVE SPOTS TO DEATH

Bruce has been a PADI certified Open Water Diver since the early '60's. Unfortunately, his diving has been curtailed since 1998 when he became an insulin dependent diabetic. A retired school administrator and businessman, he is now an active volunteer in environmental organizations including Surfriders, Coastkeepers, Audubon, Ocean and Catalina Conservancies, Ocean Wilderness Network and Catalina Marineros. He chairs the Marine Protected Areas Work group of the National Sierra Club.

Bruce has volunteered at Aquarium of the Pacific in the Education Department since the aquarium opened. He has many friends among the volunteer divers at the aquarium.

Bruce's discussion will cover a variety of environmental and diving related topics including: SCUBA activity in fully protected marine dive areas, potential consequences of cumulative impact on urban areas vs. MLPA in California, the Northwest Hawaiian Islands Coral Reserve/Sanctuary plan, waiting lists and biological enhancement credits, importance of fish counts, brain storming alternatives and volunteer diver opportunities at Aquarium of the Pacific

So stop on by and engage in the discussion with Bruce and your fellow Sea Divers at our next General Meeting on Tuesday 4 December at Round Table Pizza in Hawthorne starting at 7:00 PM.

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#### **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 as required on the week following the General Meeting at a South Bay Restaurant. (See calendar on back page, President calls meetings as needed).

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME	SIGNATURE	
ADDRESS		
CITY		ZIP CODE
HOME PHONE ()	WORK PHON	
ADDITIONAL NAME (FAMILY MEMBERSH	HIP)	
EMERGENCY CONTACT	PHON	NE ( )
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CERT NUMBER	ТҮРЕ ГРА	DI, NAUI, ETC.]
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	(or equivalent)	21112
NUMBER OF DIVES LOGGED		ATE OF LAST DIVE
E-MAIL ADDRESS		
Type of diving preferred: beach/boat/skin		
[ ] SINGLE MEMBERSHIP [ ] FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	\$24.00 (to 6/30/02) \$36.00 (to 6/30/02)	(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

### **DATE CHANGE!!!**

Note that the San Clemente Dive in February '02 has been changed from Sunday 3 February to Saturday 2 February.

#### **DISCOUNT BUG DIVING!\***

2 February 2002 (Sat)

SAN CLEMENTE BACKSIDE

GREAT ESCAPE

Members \$TBD\*

(All inclusive & limited load!)

Boarding: 8:00 PM (2/1)

Non-Members \$TBD\*

PROMPT!→

Departure: 1:00 AM (2/2)

**New Members \$TBD\*** 

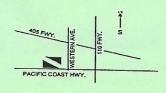
This single day bug season dive on the *Great Escape* will take us to the backside of San Clemente Island. We will run to Seal Cove or perhaps Lost Point to begin our diving. As the day progresses we'll work our way back North and West diving at the Four-and-a-Half fathom spot finishing up in the Castle Rock area. All of the areas on the backside typically have excellent reef structures with a multiplicity of growth, sea life, and bugs. The walls and canyons are second to none in the local area and provide some of the most varied diving environs. Depths will range from 40 to over 100 feet with water temperature anticipated to be around 60°F, making for great lobster hunting conditions.

The dive is suitable for all levels of skill, ocean conditions permitting. The backside does see it's fair share of swells and potentially rough water but this time of year should provide a good chance of success. Looky-loos and/or photographers will not be disappointed with the environs of San Clemente, and for the game takers, lobster, scallops and a goodly variety of fish are available. It will also be interesting to see if the Pink and Green abalone are showing any sign of recovery. Hopefully the sun will grace us with a nice warm day.

Call Curt (Billings) at (909) 945-3461, Fax at 9909) 477-2849, or e-mail at curt@diver.net to sign up for this all inclusive limited load trip on a great boat to one of the best islands. You may pre-select your stateroom / bunk on receipt of FULL payment.

<sup>\*</sup> Prices as of this writing are unavailable. We anticipate no change or a small increase only. Payments received before 1 January '02 will be at '01 rates.

SEA DIVER ACTIVITIES						
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>				
Wed	12 Dec '01	Annual Exec Meeting, San Franciscan Restaurant, Torrance				
Sat	23 Feb '02	22 <sup>nd</sup> Avalon Harbor Cleanup, Avalon				
Wed	1 May '02	Chamber Day 2002, Chamber Eve at Long Beach Aquarium				
Sat	14 Sept '02	International Coastal Clean Up Day, various locations				
Sat	TBD Sept '02	Yukon dive, Lois Ann, San Diego (Joint with Wreck Divers)				





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 you adventures from day trips to the local islands to your wildest diving fantasy

# ANNUAL EXECUTIVE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be an Executive Meeting on Wednesday 12 December 2001 at the San Franciscan restaurant in Torrance 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 2002
- Boat dive issues:
  - Prices for 2002
  - Missed dive suggestions
  - Bugzilla changes
  - Update to policy
  - Yukon dive in '02

#### **OFFICER / COMMITTEE REPORTS**

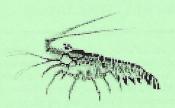
- Vice-President Kathy D.
- Treasurer Allen P.
- Secretary (TBD)
- Membership Kathy D.
- Boat Dive Chair John T.
- Boat Dive Reservationist Curt B.
- Beach Dive Chair Billy G.
- Diving Officer John M.
- Newsletter Editor Kathy D.
- Program Chair Peter L.
- Legislative Info Chair Phil B.
- Hospitality Chair Kathy K.
- WebMaster Curt B.

#### **ON-GOING BUSINESS**

- Bad guy list additions etc.
- Entertainment ideas
- Club T-Shirts

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 22nd Avalon Harbor Clean-Up
- Other



# SPEAKERS FOR UPCOMING GENERAL MEETINGS

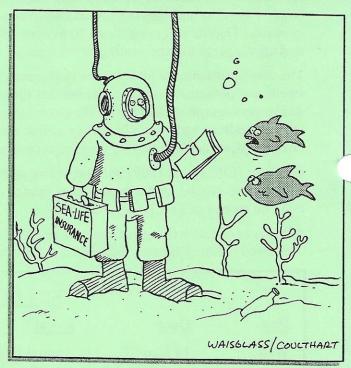
Peter Landecker our Program Chairperson Extraordinaire, has consistently enticed a wide variety of interesting speakers for our General Meetings. The upcoming meetings are no exception. C'mon down and check them out!

**Dec. 4:** Bruce Monroe on Loving Dive Spots to Death

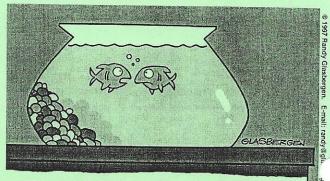
Jan. 1: Holiday – Meeting Cancelled

**Feb. 5:** Joe Kalohi - All You Need To Know About Free Diving

Mar. 5: Jim Harlan - Uncommon Adventures



"Once these guys find out where you live, there's no getting rid of them."



"I'm leaving you, Gilbert. You can keep the bowl, but I'm taking the water and all the colored stones!"

#### 2002 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE

DIVE	DAY(S)	DATE(S)	DESTINATION	PRICE	BOAT	LOCATION
02-1	SAT	2 FEB	SAN CLEMENTE BACKSIDE	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-2	SAT	9 MAR	SAN NICOLAS	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
03-3	SAT	6 APR	SANTA BARBARA / SUTIL	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-C14	WED .	1 MAY	CHAMBER DAY 2002/ CATALINA	\$75	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-4	FRI/SAT	10/11 MAY	SAN MIGUEL / SANTA ROSA	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02-5	SAT	1 JUNE	OIL RIGS: EUREKA, ELLY/ELLEN	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-6	SAT	22 JUNE	FARNSWORTH / LITTLE FARNSWORTH	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-7	FRI/SAT	19/20 JULY	BEGG ROCK/SAN NIC /SANTA BARBARA	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-8	SUN	11 AUG	USS MOODY WRECK / OIL RIG EUREKA	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-9	FRI/SAT	6/7 SEPT	SAN MIGUEL PINNACLES	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02-10	TUES/WEI	D 1/2 OCT	SAN NICOLAS / SANTA ROSA	TBD	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02-11	FRI/SAT	25/26 OCT	CORTES & TANNER BANKS	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02-12	SAT/SUN	7/8 DEC	NORTHERN CHANNEL ISLES	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA

<sup>\*</sup>Prices are all inclusive (air, food, and beverages). Non-members add \$10 for single day and \$15 for two-day dives. New members paying full annual membership allowed one single day dive at approximately two-thirds of member price. Most 2002 prices are TBD but are anticipipated to be equal to or only slightly higher than 2001 prices. Dive 02-C14 does not include air, food, and beverages. All dives except 02-C14 are limited load of 28 divers.

#### 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* :

#### \* Please include date of last dive for each diver

#### **BOAT DIVE RESERVATIONIST:**

Curt Billings

Phone: (909) 945-3461, Fax: (909) 477-2746

e-mail: curt@diver.net

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#### - CALENDAR

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December 1-2 Boat Dive – Northern Channel Islands – *PEACE*December 4 General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza

December 12 Annual Executive Meeting - 7 PM - San Franciscan Restaurant, Torrance

January 1

General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza - CANCELLED

## **DATE CHANGE!!!**

The San Clemente Dive in February 2002 has been changed from Sun. 3 February to Sat. 2 February.

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING CANCELLED!!

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