

THE SEA DIVERS

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEMORY...

Our Sea Diver Reunion two years ago was an outstanding affair which we hope to repeat on 3 November 2001. Looking back over my twenty plus years in the Club brings back some great and a few not so great memories.

My first recollections are of the General Meetings we held at Lococo's. No other place has ever come close to the level of support and the fun, and sometimes too much fun, we had as a Club at that venue. The next recollection is of trips on the infamous *Wild Wave* with both Mickey Pittman and later Joel Ingram. These were seriously wild trips worthy of the boat's name! The next recollection is of our Club support to the Avalon Harbor Cleanup. These were outstanding events, especially in the early days, and our weekends, including two storm-stuck-on-the-island events were things of beauty and memories forever! Who could ever forget the Celebration Event at the Casino Ballroom? Greatest local dive spots for me: Begg Rock, Skyscraper, Cortes Bank, and Boomerang, all World Class. The worst recollection was the near collapse of the Club in the early 1990's. We recovered through everyone's dedication and support and continue successfully, mostly as an advanced dive club. Other memories: trips to La Paz and the Sea of Cortez, the infamous failed Truk *Aggressor* trip, the crazy dance contest on the *Peace* and the great last trip on *Charisma* (now *Great Escape*) to Begg Rock. One last thought - thanks for the memories!!

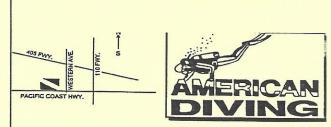
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NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING RANDI ABRAMS CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM

Randi Abrams will be presenting a short overview of the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Her presentation will include a discussion of the Aquarium's history and mission as well as providing additional information about volunteer and public program opportunities.

Ms. Abrams is the Aquarium's volunteer coordinator. She started out as a volunteer docent in 1995 and through the years was fortunate to be hired on part-time in the education department then going to full-time as volunteer coordinator in 1998.

Our next General Meeting is on Tuesday 6 November at Round Table Pizza in Hawthorne starting at 7:00 PM.



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

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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

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AND OPEN OF DIVING LOCGED	(or equivalent)						
NUMBER OF DIVES LOGGED	DATE OF LAST DIVE						
E-MAIL ADDRESS							
Type of diving preferred: beach/boat/skin_							
	\$24.00 (to 6/30/02) (Annual dues 1 July - 30 June are \$24 sin \$36.00 (to 6/30/02) \$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

LAST DIVE IN '01

1/2 Dec 2001 (Sat/Sun)

Northern Channel Islands

PEACE

Members \$200

Everything Included!

Boarding: 7:00 PM (11/30)

Non-Members \$215

Departure: 12:01 AM (12/1)

Once more our final charter for the year in on the *Peace* to the Northern Channel Islands, as always weather permitting. The last two years the weather was good so hopefully this year will be the same or better. Our plan is to head for either San Miguel or Santa Rosa on the first day and be at San Miguel the second day, until about 1:00 PM.

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. Our *Peace* trips in May and September were outstanding, making most of the pinnacles.

The food fare on the *Peace* is always excellent and plentiful. The first day will provide heavy duty diving, for those so inclined, with up to 6 dives possible plus a night dive. The second day will provide for 3 or 4 dives. Dive spots will include areas suitable for intermediate divers and hopefully some more advanced pinnacle spots covering the full range of diver desires and capabilities.

At the time of this writing the boat is full with a wait list forming, wait lists DO erode!! Call Curt (Billings) at (909) 945-3461, Fax at (909) 477-2746 or e-mail at curt@diver.net to get on the wait list.

DISCOUNT BUG DIVING!*

3 February 2002 (Sun)

SAN CLEMENTE BACKSIDE

GREAT ESCAPE

Members \$TBD*

(All inclusive & limited load!)

Boarding: 8:00 PM (2/2)

Non-Members \$TBD*

PROMPT!→

Departure: 1:00 AM (2/3)

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. Lookyloos 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.

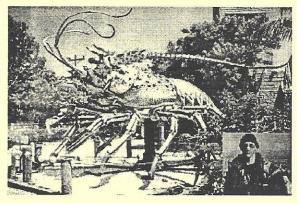
^{*} Prices as of this writing are unavailable. We anticipate no change or a small increase only. Payments received before 1 January '02 will be at '01 rates.

BUGZILLA - SURVIVES AGAIN!

Once again Mother Nature cut us short of getting out to our intended destination — San Nicolas Island and Talcott Shoal. High winds and seas made the search for Bugzilla change to the southern side of Santa Cruz Island. Our hope was that we might find the enormous crustacean traveling between the Islands looking for unsuspecting prey.

Our first three dives we made were at or near Morse Point. The depths ranged from 40 to 85 feet and the water temps kept constant around 58 degrees. Many smaller relatives of the sought after prize, were brought aboard along with a few of the local fish. Several sightings of schooling Bat Rays were noted in this area. Next we traveled to Punta Arena area where the viz went down but Sea Divers still brought up more bugs and a one good size Ling Cod. A dozen or so determined divers made the night dive at Albert's Anchorage where we spent the night. The next day's weather was similar so we continued to work the same side of Santa Cruz. The search for Bugzilla now moved towards the easterly side of the Island, near Yellow Banks and Fence Line. Visibility improved with some areas showing up to 60 feet+ of clear waters. Some divers got to see a nice size Black Sea Bass up close. Water temps stayed in the high 50's but the current both at the surface and below picked up on most of the divers in this area, challenging the swimming stamina of some of the divers.

Each of the dives produced bugs however, none resembled their related unique, colossal, crustacean. Our trip was still a great success. The total bug count exceeded 130 for the hunters on the trip. The sun did make a brief appearance on the trip back to port but once again Bugzilla was left to continue to grow a little larger. The crew of the *Peace* gave us their usual terrific service throughout our journey.





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.
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- 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

CORTES SUCCESS

Flat was the ocean, quick was the trip out to Tanner Bank, with the Great Escape arriving around 6:00 AM. Diving commenced at 7:00 AM in near perfect conditions, with a medium current being the only real challenge. Visibility was in excess of 60 feet and with temperatures in the low to mid 50's °F, diving was very pleasant. Depths were a minimum of 90 feet - the high spot - to well over 120 feet. Not a lobster spot but Tanner has not been dived by the Club previously. Nice, nice dive albeit somewhat deep.

The vote was to move on to Cortes having filled the Tanner box with an "X". We made five dives on Cortes Bank with depths varying from 110 feet to 50 feet. In all cases conditions were great, with calm water, some manageable surge, temps in the mid 50's, visibility typically in excess of 50 feet and bugs, bugs, bugs. In all 105 bugs joined us on the boat with most in the two to four pound size. Not a bad day out for The Sea Divers.

We anchored at Cortes for the evening's festivities including a great dinner and the movie "Patton". Note Great Escape has an excellent and growing video library. The anchor was pulled around 2:30 AM for a run to Four and a Half Fathom reef on the backside of San Clemente. This is a great spot, with small canyons, walls and plateaus to explore. Lots and lots of San Clemente shorts as usual, but a few legal bugs were snapped up. We had 60 feet visibility, calm and 62° F temperature.

Next was Sand Dunes with depths to 70 feet, calm, 50 feet visibility with sandy bottom and rock outcrops with thick kelp. Temperature was 63°F. The final spot for dives three and four was on a nice reef off the tip of West Cove with a wall to 85 feet, again calm and 60 feet of visibility. We had a radio negotiation with the Navy as to whether we were 300 yards off the island but they allowed us to stay. Nice spot!! Final bug count for the trip was 112.

We awarded our boobie to Mel M. one of our freedivers who arrived on board Thursday PM missing his fanny pack and all that went with it. His wife called the Coast Guard in the early AM to say she had found it and the Coast Guard called and stopped the Great Escape shortly afterwards. In addition Mel almost got left at Cortes partially because he was not using a float. There were others but...!

This was an excellent trip with a goodly take of lobster and the weather cooperated.

CORTES CWOTES

- "She needs to learn not to ovulate on dive days."
- "This is a trick trip, it leaves at 10:00 PM."
- "Two guys sharing a stateroom, who gets the inside position?"
- "The only problem with tank positions 1 and 2 is that the cups are a long way from the drink dispenser."
- "Let's go to Cortes, we've got the 'X' in the Tanner box."
- "Long current line, it's known as a Delaney line."
- "It's 45 feet at the top and 30 feet at the bottom."
- "Joe looks like a teletubby diver."
- "Can we move into shallower water? I'm out of bottom time."
- "We're not proud. We'll take your small ones."
- "I'm eating alone, come on you guys, help me."
- "Take that off on the swim step, gives us all a break."
- "I'm not beyond flashing my tits..."
- "...That will get you a big one..."
- "...A lobster too!"
- "Who wants to see World War II movies back to back?"
- "Peter, you don't look cold enough, make another dive."
- "Why did you say 'D' when you meant 'E'?..."
- "...cuz I screwed up!"
- "If you need real shallow you're done for the day."
- "Sun looks like it's going to be hit or miss..."
- "...Mostly miss."
- "Nice ending but it screwed up an early return to the dock."
- "Baseball! Be still my heart."
- "If they took out Arizona it wouldn't affect my life."
- "Look at his face..."
- "...All the brownies are gone."
- "Long day uh!"

WHALE BONERS

DON'T LET YOUR FRIENDS GO UNNOTICED BY

GABBY YOU OWE IT TO THEM!!!

Although GABBY tries to be all ears and eyes

GABBY does have limitations! Consequently

GABBY has a GABBY BOX that will be at all

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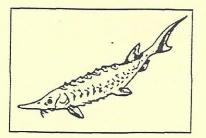


Well folks, I tried to stay away and let someone else handle all the spice and excitment that was once in my column. After reviewing the results, I would like to anounce that I AM BACK!! Now on with the gossip.

Did you hear that S. Maloney was bit just for the halibut.......Is it true Claire K. is looking for a little blurb (come on Claire, raise your sights)......Who are the three gorgeous women who went to CDC with Martin K.?.....Is B. Bertea really married?......Is it true that GEORGE still cannot put on a wet suit? (Gabby knows that he still knows how "to take it off")...........What is John K. up to these days? Gabby knows......Are Bob W. and John S. new drinking buddies?........No one signed up last month, Claire is still taking names......Rumor has it that Paul B. is going bald, but not where you'd think..................Speaking of hair, have you seen Bob H.'s lately, 1955 has finally slipped into the past.......Who is pregnant but hasn't told him yet?



Does anyone know who sent this to Gabby? M.E. would like to know.



Dear Krabby

Dear Krabby,

When I've been out on dive boats I've noticed that the divers use several different methods for filleting fish. What do you think is the quickest, simplest method?

Floundering Filleter

Dear F2,

My favorite method simply involves walking up to one of the crew and asking in my best bimbo voice, "Would you...could you...PLEASE clean my fish for me??" Of course, this requires a small amount of groveling on my part. But hey, it's a small price to pay to get my fish cleaned fast and as a bonus I don't smell like warmed over fish guts when it's done. No muss, no fuss.

Dear Krabby,

My wife and I have a long running argument over the advantages and disadvantages of the different types of SCUBA tanks. We figured we'd let you cast the deciding vote, so what is your favorite type of tank?

Alum Alice & Steely Sam

Dear AASS,

A full one.

Dear Krabby,

I'm a newly certified diver and I'm still quite a bit apprehensive about seeing a shark underwater. What's the first thing I should do if I encounter a big man eating shark?

Great White Lunch?

Dear Sharkbait, Stab your buddy.

Dear Krabby,

In your picture in last months column you looked a lot younger, have you been dying your hair?

Curly

Dear Shemp,

Are you sure it was my column you were reading? This isn't exactly a cosmetologists column but I guess a sharp eyed reader like yourself couldn't fail to miss some minor differences in my photos from month to month. Actually, those photos aren't of me at all. They're all of my evil twin. I'm much taller, thinner and have bigger breasts.

Dear Krabby,

What is a snorkel for?
Suckin' the Sea

Dear Sea Sucker.

I've found if you glue them to a piece of driftwood they make a pretty damn cute bud vase.

Dear Krabby,

What do you think about mixed gas diving?

N2102

Dear R2D2.

I found that it's easiest for me to avoid it by not eating a big greasy breakfast and bypassing those bean burritos at lunch.

Send your questions to "Dear Krabby", c/o The Sea Divers, P.O. Box 2415, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

INFORMATION FOR SOUTH BAY DIVERS REGARDING MARINE PROTECTED AREAS (MPA'S)

As you are probably now aware, the Department of Fish and Game is putting together plans that include declaring some 10 to 15% of the California coast as "No-take zones". Also, as you can imagine, the areas chosen in the preliminary draft plan include the best and most accessible near-shore areas for divers. Included are Leo Carrillo State Beach, Pt. Fermin, and the area between Flat Rock Pt. and Pt. Vincente on Palos Verdes. Other "No-take zones" are being established at Catalina West end, Farnsworth Bank, and throughout the islands and along the coast. There is still time to express your opinions and change the plan. In order to be effective, comments submitted to the Department should include alternate suggestions to preliminary closed areas.

View areas affected at the DFG website:

http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd/mlpa/index.html

Mail comments on this plan to:

Paul Reilly Department of Fish and Game 20 Lower Ragsdale Drive, Suite 100 Monterey, CA 93940

SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON LUNADA BAY AND PT. FERMIN RESERVES

The proposed "No-take zones" for Palos Verdes extend between Flat Rock Pt. and Pt. Vincente on the North, and from Pt. Fermin past Cabrillo Beach on the South. The area between Flat Rock and Palos Verdes Pt. is one of the most lush, most fish-populated areas along the entire south coast of California. It has an extremely healthy population of lobsters, thanks to the fact that commercial trapping has been restricted from there for many years. These new proposed reserves will exclude hunting activities for divers who depend on shore access, as well as boaters who visit from nearby King Harbor or LA Harbor.

Suggested Alternatives:

- 1. Leave these areas open for the taking of lobster, and specifically allow within the Reserve the possession of fin fish taken outside the 1000 ft outer boundary for the benefit of free divers utilizing shore access, **OR**
- 2. Instead of proposed Lunada Bay and Pt. Fermin areas, make the coast from Portuguese Pt. to Pt. Fermin a Reserve. This alternative area is less accessible, contains much of the same underwater terrain as the proposed areas, and has poorer visibility. It is further from the marinas adjacent to Palos Verdes. Although this new area may be regarded as a "second choice" area, we feel that some "second choice" and even some "third choice" areas should be included in the MPA plan in lieu of impounding all "first choice" areas from the dive community.

Divers are the only user group affected by these near-shore closures! Fishermen are basically unaffected, since there is very little shore fishing in these areas, and boat fishermen stay outside the 1000 ft outer boundary. It is up to us to keep these areas open!

DIVE BOAT ETIQUETTE AND SAFE DIVING PRACTICES

ETIQUETTE

- Sign-in on The Sea Divers log and the boat log, also sign waivers as required.
- Mark all of your gear with at least your initials, tanks should have your full name. Keep as much of your unused or between dive gear neatly stowed or in your dive bag along the side rails.
- Don't use excessive amounts of diving area space.
- Do not leave personal gear in the galley area.
- No wet items in the bunk areas.
- No tanks, weight belts in the galley area.
- Dispose of all trash into the trash container.
- Do not access crew areas, especially the bridge.
- Do not use excessive amounts of fresh water, especially the hot water.
- Use only one bunk.
- Minimize noise if others are asleep, especially after 11:00 PM and before 6:00 AM.
- Do not drop tanks, weight belts, etc. onto the deck or other boat equipment.
- Never leave your tank unattended, hold on to it or make sure it is secured with the bungie cord.
- Remove your octopus from you tank for refills.
- If you are not diving don't crowd the deck area where divers are suiting up or preparing for a dive.
- Obey all game laws.
- Before leaving the boat at the end of the trip, fold your blankets, take all your gear, and settle
 any debts, with the boat or the club.

SAFE DIVING

- Plan your dive using the specific dive site information provided by the diversater(s). Do not
 push accepted sport diving limits.
- Know your experience limits, if in doubt, discuss with the divernaster(s).
- Perform an on-deck equipment check with your buddy.
- Use the designated boat exit point. Move away from the boat exit once you are in the water.
- Always check in and out with the on-duty diversater, and follow the gate and return to boat time limits.
- Fins should be put on last while you are waiting at the exit. Do not walk around the deck wearing fins.
- Use your equipment to dive easily and safely. Do not over weight yourself. Only use your B.C. to fine-tune your buoyancy during the dive.
- Loaded spearguns are NEVER allowed on the boat or boarding ramp. Bring a bag or container for your game.
- As a minimum use a compass, depth gauge and submersible pressure gauge. Plan your dive so you end the dive with a reserve of air and are able to return to the boat while still underwater, especially where kelp is thick.
- Be aware of current conditions and any changes during the dive. Use natural clues such as kelp. Do not hesitate to pull yourself hand-over-hand back to the boat using the current line.
- Once back to the boat restow your gear, so as not to clutter the deck.
- Answer the role call only once and only for yourself.

REV. June '01

THE SEA DIVERS

HYSTERICAL QUOTES

(Editor's note: We started publishing Quotes heard on the boats beginning in the May 1988 edition of the newsletter. The compilation below are selected quotes in the years since.)

"Wrecks don't look like boats, the look like a pile of junk."

"If you fill a tank with air will it stay in until graduation day?"

"Our dive instructor told us he'd teach us the basics of diving on the last day of the course."

"Richard Head, please come to the galley."

"My air tasted like hell...nicely pressurized though."

"The only way to beach dive Point Vicente is from a boat."

"I hope you feel better than you look."

"You need a couple of divers like that so the divernasters don't get bored."

"We'd have been there already if he steered straight."

"Get ready divers, we're close, it's around here somewhere."

"There's all kinds of smoke coming out of the engine room, is that normal?"

"Eggs over easy? I'll give it a whirl."

"I wish they'd quite printing this shit, my wife recognized me."

"There's a smart ass in every crowd. This one's got more."

"Look out...here come three Kathys."

"We always have a plan, we just never dive it."

"I misunderstood what Bill said. He said scallop spot, not a scallop's spot."

"How did HE persuade HER to let HIM sleep with HER?"

"It's great trying to pick up abs as you go by at 30 MPH."

"My original dive log is a stone tablet."

"Watching a lobster molting is like watching a woman getting out of panty hose."

"Apparently the Navy wants us out of here, they turned the current way up."

"If you don't puke in this, you're not a puker."

"Just shows that blind people can dive."

"She's so young she thinks cellulite is a rock band."

"Never did like the smell of burning on a boat."

"We must be in the Twilight Zone. Allen gets a bug, Paul gets a yellowtail on scuba with a pole spear and we made Cortes."

"The good news is he has a pound and a half of lobster. The bad news is he has eight of them."

"If this is marginal, what's crappy?"

"I didn't kill myself on the first dive so I suppose I should sign the waiver."

"All those rocks on the beach are elephant seals."

"You didn't tell me we were on a boat full of crazies."

"They haven't dug the Catalina Canal yet."

"Trumpetfish. That must be what they make fish sticks out of."

"Smells like fish. Prelude to a great trip."

"Hey, would you time our arrival back at the dock at high tide? Otherwise the ramp is too steep."

"Then the abalone came and ate all the mastodons."

"Jacques Cousteau was just known as 'Jack' back then."

"The shark in this story gets bigger every minute."

"I guess somebody moved Boomerang to another dive spot."

"Good morning everyone, we're at Richardson's Rock. That's what WE'RE calling it anyway."

Where do you shop for your dive gear, at a landfill?"

"'Bronze God'?!? More like 'Alabaster Prince'!"

"In theory I got ten, in reality I got fifteen."

"Nobody knew I snored until one trip you guys weren't on the boat!"

"My back up computer isn't."

"So was it dark green or light green diving?"

"We're dragging anchor but there's a nice furrow to follow."

"We'd like to dive the Olympic if you can find it."

"We should let them know otherwise they'll bring tanks full of Delaneyium."



2001 / 2002 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE

DIVE	DAY(S)	DATE(S)	DESTINATION	PRICE	BOAT	LOCATION
01-12	SAT/SUN	1/2 DEC	NORTHERN CHANNEL ISLES	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02-1	SUN	3 FEB	SAN CLEMENTE BACKSIDE	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
02-2	SAT	9 MAR	SAN NICOLAS	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
03-3	SAT	6 APR	SANTA BARBARA / SUTIL	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
02-C14	1 WED	1 MAY	CHAMBER DAY 2002/ CATALINA	\$75	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND 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 ND STREET
02-6	SAT	22 JUNE	FARNSWORTH / LITTLE FARNSWORTH	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
02-7	FRI/SAT	19/20 JULY	BEGG ROCK/SAN NIC /SANTA BARBARA	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
02-8	SUN	11 AUG	USS MOODY WRECK / OIL RIG EUREKA	TBD	GREAT ESCAPE	22 ND STREET
02-9	FRI/SAT	6/7 SEPT	SAN MIGUEL PINNACLES	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02-10	TUES/WE 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 ND STREET
02-12	SAT/SUN	30 NOV/1 DEC	NORTHERN CHANNEL ISLES	\$200	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 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

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

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

THE SEA DIVERS
P.O. Box 2415

Redondo Beach, CA 90278

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November 3	Sea Diver Reunion - 1 PM - Port Royal Marina, Redondo Beach
Movember 6	General Meeting 7 PM Round Toble Piggs

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

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

Reunion

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