

# THE SEA DIVERS

IN AFFILIATION WITH AMERICAN DIVING

#### FROM THE EXECUTIVE REQUESTS...

One more time I urge you to support your Club. Our *Peace* trip on 10/11 May '02 was under-subscribed which was nice for those of us on the boat but somewhat negative to the Club treasury. Not a catastrophe but disappointing. Although we have gained a few "regulars" we seem to have lost a few so we have a roughly zero sum in active members. Presently the early June trip is also under-subscribed but the late June trip is over-subscribed by about six divers, but wait lists do erode. SUPPORT YOUR CLUB!!

A.P.

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## JUNE GENERAL MEETING DIVING JAPAN – Presented by Lisa Slater and 3D UNDERWATER SLIDE SHOW – Presented by Kenny James

Our June General Meeting will feature two-for-the price of one presentations.

Our first speaker will be Lisa Slater who will give a brief presentation of diving in Japan. Her talk will include such topics as warm water diving in the East China Sea in the area of Okinawa within Japan. Island diving discussions will include the pristine reefs off the Kerama Islands which are a short boatride from mainland Okinawa and the underwater stone monuments off of Yonaguni the westernmost island in Japan. She'll finish off her presentation with a topside discussion of Okinawa and the Japanese culture, cuisine and history.

Our second speaker, Kenny James, will provide a longer presentation featuring a 3D Underwater Slide Show..., and yes, you'll get to wear those neat 3D glasses, the same kind used in Universal Studios and IMAX theaters. Kenny's interest in Scuba diving began with the 1950's TV series Sea Hunt. He got his sport diver certification in the late 1960's and began his early diving days in the Northern California area. He subsequently moved to Southern California in 1979.

It was in the 70's that Kenny first acquired a 3D camera and got involved in the world of 3D imaging. He dreamed of combining his love of 3D images with his love of diving but it took him almost 20 years to realize that dream. In the late 1990's Kenny began in earnest designing and building several prototype housings for his 3D cameras. He's at last designed a simple effective 3D camera and housing system that has allowed him to capture and share his underwater 3D images with others. Most of his images that Kenny will present will be in the Santa Barbara Channel Islands with some under offshore oil rigs and some freediving the Northern California area. The images will include 3D close-ups of rockfish, anemones, sea fans, scallops, nudibranchs, urchins, abalone, sea stars and much, much more. His web site can be visited at www.3dsea.com.

So come on down to our next Sea Diver General meeting to hear and see not one, but two truly unique presentations. Our next General Meeting will be on Tuesday 4 June May 2002 at Round Table Pizza in Hawthorne starting at 7:00 PM.

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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).

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

#### FIRST CHOICE \*

#### JUST DIFFERENT DIVING

1 June 2002 (Sat)

**OIL RIGS** 

GREAT ESCAPE

Members \$95

EUREKA, ELLY/ELLEN

Boarding: 6:00 AM (5/31)\*\*

Non-Members \$105

PROMPT!  $\rightarrow \rightarrow$  Departure: 7:00 AM (6/1)

#### **New Members \$64**

Now one of the club's favorite dives we are again taking one of our charter boats, the *Great Escape*, to dive oil rigs off the Huntington Beach area. Last two years our oil rig dives were outstanding/spectacular.

We will leave 22<sup>nd</sup> street at 7:00 AM prompt and head out to *Eureka*, the furthest and deepest of the oil rigs. Once in place (live boat!) the first of several groups of divers will enter the water to explore the below surface rig structure and the attendant sea life. In particular scallops will be of significant interest to the game takers. Video and photography opportunities should be excellent and quite different from the normal reef diving. It is imperative that all divers watch their depth and bottom times as this rig is in extremely deep water and although the legs are a good reference in what would otherwise be a blue water situation, it's easy to lose track. As divers surface, they should group up with other surfaced divers, such that the boat can pick up a group at a time, not individual divers. Please watch the divemaster's signals as last year there were several long swims back to the boat that could have been avoided.

We'll repeat the same process on *Elly/Ellen* a double rig, that provides a slightly different perspective. We anticipate making two dives on *Eureka* and two dives on *Elly/Ellen*.

All in all this continues to be something different. As is typical of all Sea Diver charters, the trip includes air, food, snacks, and beverages and has a limited load of 28 divers. Call Curt (Billings) at (909) 945-3461, Fax at (909) 477-2849, or e-mail at (909) 945-3461, Fax at (909) 477-2849, or e-mail at curt@diver.net for wait list information.\*\*

\*Note as of this writing the Oil Rigs remain closed for sport divers, see below for alternate trip plan

\*\* You may overnight on the boat, let Curt know if that is your desire

#### SECOND CHOICE

#### **OLYMPIC WRECK/CATALINA**

Wreck, scallops, fish and great opportunities for photography or video are all features of this somewhat different dive on the *Great Escape* out of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. This single day affair will leave the dock at 7:00 AM prompt, and be over the wreck of the *Olympic* ready for diving by 8:00 AM -- a nice leisurely start to the day!

The *Olympic* is a deep (90-100 feet) dive, but is one of the more spectacular wrecks in the area. The *Olympic* was built in Belfast, Ireland, and launched in 1877 as the *Star of France*. She was an iron hulled, square-rigged bark of 1,644 tons, 258 feet long and 38 feet wide. Some 63 years later she was rammed midships by the *Sakito Maru* around 7:00 AM on 4 September 1940, and sank within minutes with 17 of 24 on board surviving. The *Olympic* lies essentially on the starboard side in about 100 feet of water. The highest part of the bow is about 70 feet below the surface with the bowsprit extending out over the sandy bottom. The smidship section is approximately parallel to the sand and is in relatively poor shape, however, mast stubs are visible, as is the deck pump and its large spoked wheels. Also, if you spend a little time on the port side, you can still see the remains of the huge "V" cut by the *Sakito Maru*. The top of the stern is about 80 feet below the surface and this section is between 40 and 50 feet long. The whole wreck is covered with strawberry anemones. It is a fascinating dive.

Following the *Olympic* dive we will cruise over to the frontside of Catalina, partaking of full breakfast on the way over. We will head towards the Isthmus area, possibly Ship Rock, and then work our way back along the coast towards Avalon making at least two and maybe three shallower dives. Most of the pinnacles and reefs contain scallops and great opportunities for photo and video buffs. Spearhunting of the local fish can also be rewarding. Catalina has some great reefs to explore.

You can't want for much more than this trip offeres. An almost everything dive on board the *Great Escape*. The trip will provide diving for all skill levels.

#### CATALINA SPECIAL

22 June 2002 (Sat)

#### FARNSWORTH / LITTLE FARNSWORTH

**GREAT ESCAPE\*** 

Members \$100

(All Inclusive, Limited Load)

Boarding: 5:00 AM\* (6/22)

Non-Members \$110

Departure: 6:00 AM (6/22)

In what promises to be a real nice combination we will take the *Great Escape* to Farnsworth Banks, Little Farnsworth and Italian Gardens.

Farnsworth Banks is on the backside of Catalina about 1.3 miles off Ben Western Point. The Banks are about 1100 yards by 600 yards, with the shallowest pinnacles at 55 to 75 feet. The spectacular walls descend to well over 100 feet. Farnsworth is famous for its protected unique coral, which is the deep purple color contrasting with other colonies of coral, such as at Santa Barbara, which tend to be pink, red, or orange. Some of the colonies of coral are over 15 inches in diameter, and the whole visual effect adds immeasurably to the beauty of Farnsworth, both to the eye and the lens of your camera, still photo and/or video. Large fish, which are not protected, inhabit the area you spear folks may collect a nice bounty.

This is a spectacular dive and under perfect conditions can be dived by intermediate level divers and above. Under less than perfect conditions, this is an advanced dive at all such times.

Leaving Farnsworth Banks we will cruise south-east towards the East End of Catalina possibly taking in one dive on the backside. We will round the East End and proceed to Little Farnsworth just south and east of Avalon. Little Farnsworth has depths to over 100 feet and typically good visibility. The pinnacle can be circumnavigated at several depths and generally has an excellent variety of sea life. Another great photo or video dive. We have dived Little Farnsworth a few times in the past years and it's appeal is excellent and the water typically calm.

We will then move north and west on the front-side to Italian Gardens, which although being fairly typical of much of the front-side of Catalina with sloping rocks and kelp, does provide a home to a group of Black Sea Bass. The technique for viewing these amazing creatures is to hang at 40 to 50 feet and wait for them to come to you. How cool is that? Photo and video opportunities abound.

Depending on the timing and/or the potential backside dive we should be able to get in one more dive before returning to the mainland. This promises to be a great combination at a great price on a great boat. What more?

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. Call Curt (Billings) at (909) 945-3461, Fax at (909) 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.

\* Note: The *Great Escape* has moved to Long Beach Sport Fishing. See directions on page 6 of this Newsletter. You may overnight on the boat, please let Curt know if this is your desire.

#### JOINT DIVE WITH CALIFORNIA WRECK DIVERS

As shown on our Sea Diver Activities we have a joint dive with the Wreck Divers on the *Lois Ann* to the wreck of the *USS Hogan* on Saturday 21 September '02. There will be three dives, departure 8:00 AM and return approximately 5:00 PM. Food and air are included for \$86. Nitrox is available at an extra charge. Reservations can be made by email or phone to the following: Mike Reinboth (310) 370-3411 or <a href="mailto:mreinboth@adelphia.net">mreinboth@adelphia.net</a>. Make payment out to California Wreck Divers Inc and mail to:

Mike Reinboth, Dive Coordinator,

P.O. Box 105711, Marina Del Rey, CA 90291

or by using PayPal on the Wreck Divers web site: www.cawreckdivers.org.

Their cancellation policy is: (1) Full or partial payment guarantees your spot, (2) Full payment is due 2 weeks before the charter, (3) No refunds after that date unless your spot is sold

Load is limited to 16 divers, so if you are interested sign up early. Please note this is an advanced dive with depths up to 120 feet.

#### **GREAT WEATHER - MOSTLY!**

As I was still wounded from a nasty encounter with a sprinkler head I was unable to make any of the dives on the May *Peace* two-day. The summary below in a compendium of dive site opinions from several and varied resources!

A rescheduled departure to 2:00 AM did not bode well for another great San Miguel/Pinnacles trip. The passage was bumpy at best and our eventual arrival just east of Gull Island in fairly windy conditions and a pretty good surface chop set the stage for Friday. As anticipated we were "trapped" between Gull Island to the west and Sandstone Point to the east of Santa Cruz Island. As always, in May, water temperature is the major talking point and as anticipated it varied from about 48° to 52°F. Cold!! Visibility was fairly good from 40 to 25 feet. Currents were generally minimal and the surface conditions varied from sporty to flat depending on the degree of protection from the island and it's coves. Depths varied from a maximum of 100 to 65 feet. Spots selected began with the Gull Island selection to Albert Rock, to Smuggler's Cove, to Pink Ribbon Boilers, working east then back west to Albert Anchorage for the final and fifth dive, six if one was so inclined. This was our overnight spot. The sun had graced us in clear skies all day and it was nice and warm out in the cool breeze.

Saturday dawned just as nice as Friday with less wind and breeze. Engines up at 5:30 AM and we made a run to Anacapa, as outer waters were still churned up. The first spot was Gunsight, a pinnacle dropping to 110 feet. Conditions throughout the day were pretty constant with some current, fairly calm surface temperatures from 54° - 57°F, visibility from 25 to 45 feet. After Gunsight we visited Parallel Reefs, Coral Reef Pinnacle and Inside Coral Reef for a total of four dives. On the last dive Will L. caught a Spanish Dancer, unusual for waters this far north. Dale Scheckler (of CDN) took a whole roll of film, after the Spanish Dancer was released back into the ocean. I suspect we may see one or more of these in an upcoming CDN.

We arrived back at Ventura Marina at about 4:30 PM, which was good for those of us taking the 405. It sucked big time. Eric B. and the rest of the crew did an outstanding job on the two days, the food was excellent and all in all it was a very comfortable trip. We awarded two boobies. The first was to Debora, the new cook, for getting soaked retrieving a container of sour cream five minutes before Eric B. anchored the boat! The second was to Peter L. for arriving without his booties. Eric S. came in third (no award!) for trying to dive without a weight belt. On to next month!!

#### 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!

**June 4:** Ken James - 3D Underwater Slide Show Presentation and Lisa Slater - Diving Japan

July 2: Holiday week - no meeting

August 6: Mike Brennen - Shooting Big Animals (with a camera)

September 3: Peter Landecker - Recent Diving in Thailand

October 1: Dr. Randy Harwood will present a movie he made about diving the Galapagos

**December 3:** Dale Scheckler – Stupid Underwater Animal Tricks.

**Future?** Brendan Reed, biologist with the Santa Monica BayKeeper will talk about local underwater research and restoration efforts.

#### **PEACE IN MAY QUOTES...**

- "Didn't I meet you on Santa Rosa Avenue?"
- "The boat has cable!"
- "Pretty neat being married to a teacher, you get to write everything off."
- "Can't see shit. Where's my glasses?"
- "New toy?"
- "You cannot rape the willing."
- "Wow, we could be in a field, not on a boat. The aroma is spectacular."
- "The broken pieces don't have any calories."
- "It's Santa Rosa..."
- "...I got money that it's Santa Cruz."
- "We have a cascading system of blame here."
- "What's below?..."
- "...Rocks, fish and stuff."
- "My god! What's that in my toothbrush? Whatever it is, it's very ugly."
- "Do you have a lead weight to keep my thing down?"
- "I got below 50° but I was shaking so much I couldn't really see it."
- "Eric, where's the rest of you?"
- "He's fishing from up here? Man, that's lazy ass fishing."
- "I'm not sure if he just got out of the shower, or if the Jacuzzi turned his tighty whities green."
- "That's unusual, you smell good."
- "It's the relative fat diet. Get everyone one else fatter and I look thinner."
- "Delaney's the tail gunner on this dinner."
- "My favorite font is Arial."
- "You can have ranch on the rocks."
- "Any month you want to take it...wrong!"
- "Did you see that really neat Brittle Star?"
- "We don't dive together, we just go together."
- "For those of you that don't have a compass, turn left at the anchor."
- "My gloves are in his pile of gear."

### NEW DIRECTIONS TO THE GREAT ESCAPE

The *Great Escape* has moved to Long Beach Sportfishing, Berth 55, 555 Pico Ave., Long, Beach, CA

Directions to the *Great Escape* at Berth 55, Pier C, Long Beach are as follows:

- Take the 710 Freeway south
- Exit at the Pico off ramp, turn right
- Pass the traffic signal
- Turn right into the first driveway past the traffic signal into the parking lot
- Park in the short term (20 minute) parking
- Unload your gear onto the boat
- Move your car to the long term parking labeled "Sportfishing Parking"

#### 26 Mar 02 LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Although I am a relatively new dues-paying member of Sea Divers, I have in fact been diving on and off with the Club for the past 10 year. or so. During that time I have also had the opportunity to dive with most of the dive clubs and dive shops in Southern California, as well as many that visit our wonderful islands from Northern California and from out of state. I have seen a lot of changes in Southern California diving over the past ten years. However, one thing has remained constant: the consistent high level of organization, camaraderie, and impressive diving skills of Sea Divers. I know from my own experience that an organization of this size which exhibits this level of across-the-board excellence doesn't happen by accident and that, while buoyed by the membership, those in charge are in fact largely responsible. It was therefore with considerable regret that I read in the latest (Editor's Note: April '02) Newsletter that Allen and Kathy. after 15 YEARS(!) of service, have decided to hand off the reins to others. I have no doubt that Sea Divers will continue to thrive under new leadership, and that the Club will remain by far the best that I've had the opportunity to dive with here in Southern California. That said, however, I for one won't forget the individuals-Allen and Kathy, aided by the other Executives of the Club past as well as present-who are responsible for leading Sea Divers to a level of unsurpassed stature, who continue to embody its spirit, and whose years of service have ensured that it will continue to thrive. Thank-you both for making my diving so enjoyable; and for allowing me the privilege to belong, and making me feel at home, with Sea Divers.

Richard (Bug-Boy) Laub

#### OLD MARINELAND DIVER ACCESS

#### Tina Brawner

I attended the Ranchos Palos Verdes City Council meeting, on Tuesday May 7, 2002. The long point resort project gave a detailed power point presentation. There was a group wearing "approve this new plan now" buttons. They represented the 60 landowners just across the road from the property. They had approval signatures from 95% of the landowners, and addressed the minor reservations of the others. The new plan does not include city property. It has a bluff walking path/park, and a hilltop open space, which is their way of protecting the endangered butterfly. The developers see this as a "pebble beach" type development. They are joining forces with Ocean trails to provide the golf experience. They will still have a golf practice green area and did not address the chemicals to be used on the green.

This is a BIG resort. It will be larger than anything currently in the area will, much larger than anything currently in the surrounding area or Long Beach. It will have a 400-room hotel, tennis courts, 32-3 bedroom Villas by the road, and 50 Casistas close to the bluff. It will have 5 swimming pools including one on the lower bluff, a restaurant, spa fitness center and a 2 story parking structure. The Casitias and Villas will be owner occupied for a portion of the year, which is part of the resort finance package. This gets to the what's in it for RPV part — lots of tax money from the hotel tax. The city council voted to approve the EIR (Environmental Impact Report), and will have another meeting June 18 open to the public for comment. The plans are now in review with the RPV planning commission, then it will go before the city council again, and then if it passes it will go to the California Coastal Commission for review. DIVERS WISHING DETAILED INFORMATION SHOULD GO TO THE CITY'S WEB SITE: WWW.PALOSVERDES.COM/RPV

They said they are providing 50 parking spaces and public access for fishing and beach access, and 50 spaces for the bluff side hiking trails. The spaces will be free and open from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset. The beach access looked like a small path with switchbacks. They said that it would be wheelchair accessible, so that means it's at least four feet wide, and has a fairly shallow slope. There were a couple of residents who spoke and requested more information and a 3d model of the resort to better understand the project. Someone from the Sierra Club and requested more detailed site plans so that they could better evaluate the project. I spoke on behalf GLACD, as the Vice President of the Whalers and as a member of the West LA Sports Chalet Dive Club and stressed the importance of the site for divers, the unique marine environment and the beautiful beach. I addressed the steepness of the path and the switchbacks and stated that this was a very important dive site, and one of the few easily accessible from shore in the Palos Verdes Peninsula area.

I have since learned from talking with the senior planner Ara Mihranian that the developer is required to provide improved access to the beach from it's current form. The access will be to the south cove area currently used by divers. The switchbacks are a way to control the steepness of the grade to make it wheelchair accessible. The hours are set by the current hours for parklands along the coast. The current EIR provides for a plan by the developer to control the runoff during construction. They did not specify what chemicals were to be used in the golf course area, and this is something that they must address in further reports to the planning commission. The plan does not call for any alteration to the existing shoreline.

I don't know if there is any way to stop this resort, or if we should try (my opinion). It is probably more important to make sure that whatever form the development takes is something we can live with. This has been commercial property for a number of years and had no shore diver access when it was in use as the Old Marineland. GLACD and the Sandeaters were responsible for the negotiating with the last couple of developers for current access that has been enjoyed by divers for a number of years

The best thing that we as divers should do is address the issues that are important to us – access and the continuing quality of the marine habitat. Ideally we should write the Ranchos Palos Verdes Planning Commission, and the Coastal Commission (please also copy GLACD) and ask for good practical access with parking close to the access path to make it possible to carry our dive gear and kayaks to the beach. We should also ask that they have developed a plan for dealing with their construction and all other runoff, which could adversely effect the marine environment.

The current RPV city council is more pro development than they have been in the past. It is rumored that this will likely change with the next RPV election. The pro development faction is trying to push this development through as quickly as possible. For those of us who like things the way they are now, maybe we'll get lucky and it will stall again in city council and with the Coastal Commission. Whatever happens, it's important that we do no alienate the developer nor do any thing to threaten the access that we currently enjoy.



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#### SCUBA Show 2002 -- June 29 & 30, 2002 Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA

SCUBA Show 2002 diving exhibition will take place June 29 and 30, 2002 at the Long Beach Convention Center in Long Beach, California. This is the 15th year of this popular event. Over 10,000 have attended every year for the last 12 years and it is the largest convention of its kind in the Western U.S. Exhibit booths are once again increasing in number for an even larger and more interesting show. The show will consist of a 57,065 square feet of diving related exhibits, a demo tank with free intro scuba courses, continuous underwater film festival featuring premier films, seminars by top diving experts, exhibitor presentations, door prizes and a Saturday night party benefiting the Catalina Conservancy Divers. Exhibit hall hours are Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$9 and includes admission to exhibit hall, film festival and exhibitor presentations (seminars are an additional charge). Discount coupons are available at California dive stores. Age 10 and under are admitted free with paying adult. For information on SCUBA Show 2002 call (310) 792-2333 or visit the web site www.saintbrendan.com.







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#### 2002 BOAT DIVE SCHEDULE

1	DIVE	DAY(S)	DATE(S)	DESTINATION	PRICE	BOAT	LOCATION
02	2-1	SAT	2 FEB	SAN CLEMENTE BACKSIDE	\$115	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-2	SAT	9 MAR	SAN NICOLAS	\$120	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-3	SAT	6 APR	SANTA BARBARA / SUTIL	\$110	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-C14	WED	1 MAY	CHAMBER DAY 2002/ CATALINA	\$75	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-4	FRI/SAT	10/11 MAY	SAN MIGUEL / SANTA ROSA	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02	2-5	SAT	1 JUNE	OIL RIGS: EUREKA, ELLY/ELLEN	\$95	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-6	SAT	22 JUNE	FARNSWORTH / LITTLE FARNSWORTH / ITALIAN GARDENS	\$100	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-7	FRI/SAT	19/20 JULY	BEGG ROCK/SAN NIC /SANTA BARBARA	\$225	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-8	SUN	11 AUG	USS MOODY WRECK / OIL RIG EUREKA	\$95	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-9	FRI/SAT	6/7 SEPT	SAN MIGUEL PINNACLES	\$200	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02	2-10	TUES/WED	1/2 OCT	SAN NICOLAS / SANTA ROSA	\$210	PEACE	VENTURA MARINA
02	2-11	FRI/SAT	25/26 OCT	CORTES & TANNER BANKS	\$225	GREAT ESCAPE	22 <sup>ND</sup> STREET
02	2-12	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. Free Diver price is 75% of full price. Bubblewatchers price is 50% of full price. Dive 02-C14 does not include air, food, and beverages. All dives except 02-C14 and 02-10 are limited load of 28 divers. Dive 02-10 (a.k.a. Bugzilla) is a limited load of 24 divers.

#### Great Escape - 22nd Street Landing

South on 710 freeway, exit at Pico off ramp, thru light, right at first driveway past traffic signal. Park in "Sportfishing Parking" after unloading car.

#### 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 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.
- C) For two day dives, divers holding unconfirmed reservations will be called 4 weeks prior to the dive and advised that payment in full is required no later than 21 days prior to the dive to be confirmed.
- 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.
- E) Pre-assignment of bunks will be made on a first paid basis for selected dives.
- F) Executive Officers and club members who annually support at least one third of Sea Diver charters may pay on the boat but must get prior approval from the Dive Boat Reservationist or the Club President.

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.

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

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

THE SEA DIVERS
P.O. Box 2415

Redondo Beach, CA 90278

#### CALENDAR

JUNE							
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June 1	Boat Dive - Oil Rigs: Eureka, Elly/Ellen - Great Escape
June 4	General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza
June 22	Boat Dive - Farnsworth/Little Farnsworth/Italian Gardens - Great Escape

	JULY						
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General Meeting - 7 PM - Round Table Pizza – **CANCELLED** (Holiday Week) Boat Dive – Begg Rock/San Nic/Santa Barbara – *GREAT ESCAPE* 

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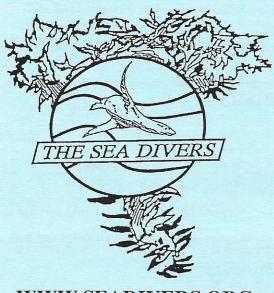
- Great Escape Moves Directions Page 6!
- Two-fer Presentations at General Meeting!
- SCUBA 2002!

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