

DIVER DOWN NEWS

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF THE DIVE CLUB

President's Note — March 2025

Spring is coming and it's time to shake the dust off that dive gear and get it ready for our upcoming season! With each 50 degree day that comes our way, it feels like we are getting closer and closer to summer. Don't forget to visit your local dive shop soon for any last-minute gear service needs so you're ready for our April beach dive kickoff!

What better way to kick off our dive season than an event showcasing some amazing divers and filmmakers at our upcoming film festival?! We have an incredible lineup of talented divers and an evening full of fun planned. Tickets include entry to the film festival, dinner, an open bar, access to our raffle auction, and a good time with the local dive community! We have some awesome sponsors who have donated to our raffle prizes, including Scuba Diving International, ScubaPro, Shearwater, Deep 6, Ikelite, Orcatorch, and lots more! You won't want to miss this one so be sure to get your tickets online now. Visit our website for more information on the lineup and how to buy tickets.

Now that we are in March, it's about time to start planning our beach diving schedule. If you'd like to join in on the fun and have a say in where and when we will be diving this year, join the beach diving committee! We will be meeting on Zoom on March 18 to plan the beach diving schedule for April-June. All are welcome, please let me know if you would like to join and I will share the meeting link!

Safe diving!

Courtney Lyons



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MONTHLY MEETING

The Dive Club holds monthly meetings monthly on the first Tuesdays.
Location: The Tap Room in Bayshore

EST ★ 2011

TAP ROOM

44 E Main St. #46
Bay Shore, NY 11706
(631) 665-2000

Support our host and wait staff. Additional "Event Gratuity" on each bill.
And don't forget cash for our 50/50 raffle!

Arrive for dinner as early as 6:30pm. Meetings commence at 8pm.



March 4, 2025

The New York Marine Rescue Center

The NYMRC is the primary responding organization for all sea turtles and marine mammals throughout New York. They respond from Montauk to Staten Island. The organization had a record year in 2024, with over 100 cold stunned sea turtle responses, with 18 in one day, also a historic high.

The NYMRC is a small, all women staffed nonprofit, with an extensive volunteer team working towards their mission of marine conservation through rescue, rehabilitation, education and release. Currently, they are in the seal season, which spans from January to June.

Join us to learn more about our local marine life, as well as how we can work together to better protect these incredible species!



The NYMRC has also asked us to share the following link to their Amazon wishlist, where you can make donations directly to their organization for the supplies needed to perform their operations.

Please take a moment to view the wishlist and see if you can help by purchasing one of their necessities:

<https://amzn.to/4h1utrZ>.





MEMBERSHIP

Fill out the application, which is available for download on the The Dive Club's webpage and at the end of this newsletter. It is preferred that you fill out the application on your computer, print to sign, and then scan and email to Bill at the below address. Read on for detailed instructions.

Please note that ALL PREVIOUS Forms are obsolete. The Form for 2025 MUST say 2025 at the top. And, again, **New Applicants** should download the form from thediveclub.com.

For Family Memberships, EACH PERSON IN THE FAMILY UNIT needs to fill out a Form and Sign it. Print out the form so you can sign **ALL Pages**, and **Initial the Waiver** where indicated. **PARENTS**, you must sign the Waiver for your Children under the age of 18.

No Digital Signatures please.

When you sign the Waiver, PLEASE DATE IT January 1 of the waiver year.

Scan the pages and save as a *.pdf, using your Last Name for the File Name.

Ex: Cadden.pdf .

E-Mail it back to this E-Mail Address (Membership.Thediveclub@GMail.com)

Pay your Dues

You can do this by one of 3 easy and convenient ways:

1. Pay Cash at the meeting or if you run into an Officer (Pres, Vice-Pres, Treasurer, Corresponding Sec).
2. Pay by Check, either at a Meeting, to an Officer, or via mail to the P.O. Box.
 - * If you use a Business Check, make sure you include a note telling us who it is for.
 - * If your Family Unit has multiple Last Names, please let us know who is included.
3. Venmo to the Treasurer.
 - * If you need Venmo directions, please contact the Treasurer at info@thediveclub.com.
 - * If your Family Unit has multiple Last Names, please let us know who is included.



MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

- If you have not renewed your membership, please do so asap including filling out the updated club waiver. Form/waiver available here: thediveclub.com/membership.
- Individual memberships for 2025 are \$25. Family memberships are \$35.
- T-shirts are available for purchase for a charge of \$10.
- Membership payments should be given to Gus Bricker, who can be reached at info@thediveclub.com.
- Membership applications and renewals should be given to Bill Cadden, our Membership/ Corresponding Secretary (membership.thediveclub@gmail.com).





MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 4, 2025

TAKEN BY NORMA LEON, RECORDING SECRETARY

🐟 Meeting called to order by Courtney 8:05 pm

🐟 Approved minutes from last meeting with one change- January minutes said Nick Lappano was creating a Youtube channel but it should have said John Bricker.

🐟 The wreck dives on the Gypsy Blood are all full, more wreck dives will be added to schedule later on.

🐟 Upcoming events:

- 🐟 This Saturday Feb 8 NJ Historical Divers Association casino night
- 🐟 Ocean Wreck Divers Scuba Flea Market Sunday March 9 in Brick NJ
- 🐟 Beneath the Sea- March 29-30 at Meadowlands in Secaucus New Jersey
- 🐟 TDC Film Festival April 12 in East Islip tickets on sale now online or talk to Courtney/John/Gus after the meeting to buy tickets
- 🐟 Beach diving committee meeting Tuesday March 18 on zoom. Contact Courtney to sign up
- 🐟 Barry Lipsky: reminded everyone to support our local dive shops as they support us through our diving season. We can't get our tanks filled or gear serviced online, so its important to visit our local dive shops and keep them around.
- 🐟 Bruce Russo: We have 2 dates up in the air right now for Death by Diving it will either be July 18-20 or August 15-17. We put our application in for camping at Indian Island so which ever dates we get will be the weekend we plan our diving schedule around. Stay tuned for more info and contact Bruce if you're interested in camping.



Passing of the Torch:

Newly elected president, Courtney Lyons, presents former president, Mary Davis, with an award of appreciation for her 3 years of service as president of the Dive Club.





THE DIVE CLUB FILM FESTIVAL



Featuring...



Richard Simon

"The Discovery of
the Defender in the
Long Island Sound"



Jennifer Sellitti

"Everything is Possible:
the 2024 Le Lyonnais
Discovery Expedition"



Nuno Gomes

"Deep Ambition"
Karen's World
Record Deep Dive



John Bricker

"The Sinking of the
U.S.S. San Diego
when the Great War
Came to America"



T.B.A..

Stay tuned to be the
first to hear when our
next featured speakers
are announced!

APRIL 12, 2025 AT 6:00 PM

65 Champlin Avenue East Islip, NY 11730

\$75 Admission – Tickets available online

Come join us for an evening filled with underwater adventures and cinematic wonders! The first ever Dive Club Film Festival showcases the beauty of ocean and cave depths through a selection of captivating films from renowned industry professionals that will leave you in awe. Grab your friends and family and immerse yourself in the magic of diving from world-record-breaking dives to adrenaline-filled discovery expeditions.

Dinner

Open Bar

Music

Raffle Prizes



WWW.TinyURL.com/TDCFilmFest

TDC FILM FESTIVAL

The Dive Club is hosting its first-ever film festival on April 12, 2025 at 6PM at the A.O.H Division 7 Hall (65 Champlin Avenue East Islip, NY).

The festival will feature an evening of amazing films and presentations from incredible divers and explorers followed by dinner, drinks, music, and raffle prizes.

Tickets are on sale now at the link below, we can't wait to see you there!

WWW.TinyURL.com/TDCFilmFest

Don't forget to stay tuned to our upcoming emails to be the first to hear about our other featured speakers!

PRESENTER HIGHLIGHTS



AMY GIANNOTTI CLEAR WATER, CLEAN WATER? EXPLORING THE FLORIDAN AQUIFER

This captivating documentary plunges deep into the hidden underworld of one of North America's most crucial water systems. The film shines a spotlight on the indispensable role of cave divers—brave explorers who venture into the labyrinth of underwater passages within the aquifer. Their contributions have been instrumental in mapping uncharted cave systems, gathering critical data on water quality and biodiversity, and uncovering the hidden dynamics of this vast underground reservoir. As we navigate the delicate balance between "clear water" and truly "clean water", the film serves as both a cautionary tale and a call to action – for all ages. It compels us to look beyond the surface and consider the unseen forces that influence water quality and sustainability. Join us in uncovering the truths about the Aquifer and gain a deeper understanding of environmental stewardship in an ever-changing world.

The Dive Club Film Festival



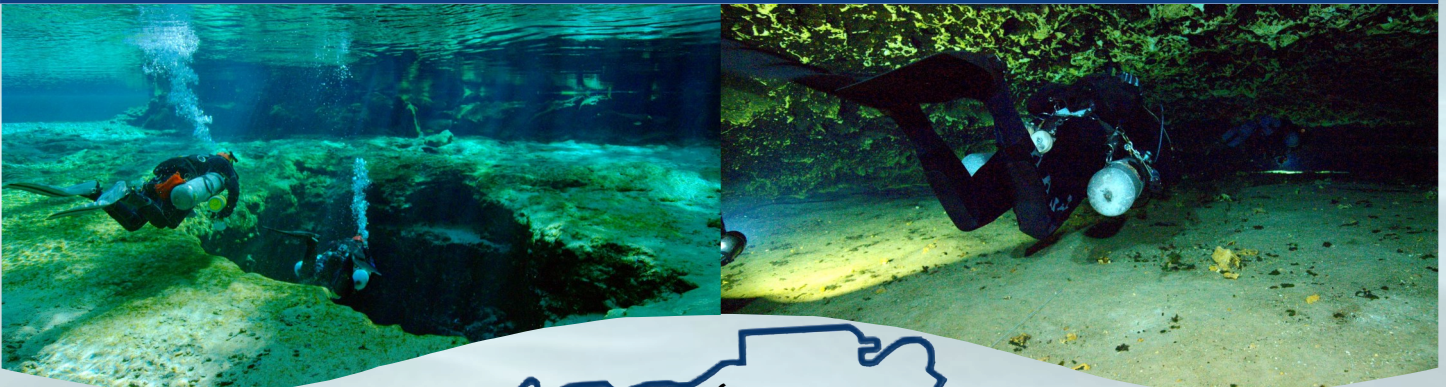
TICKETS: \$75 ON SALE AT
TINYURL.COM/TDCFILMFEST

DINNER

OPEN BAR

MUSIC

RAFFLE PRIZES



LIDA FILM FESTIVAL



LIDA Film Festival 2025

Saturday, October 25 at 4 p.m.

Come Join Us

Save the Date!

And stay tuned for when online ticket sales become available!

Date: Saturday, October 25, 2025

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Hofstra University Student Center Theater, Hempstead, NY

Ticket Price Includes: Films, Live DJ, Food, and Soft drinks

Admission: \$45 US pp (advanced purchase online), \$50 pp (at the door)

For more details, updates, and ticket sales go to:

<https://www.lidaonline.com/2025-film-festival>





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BENEATH THE SEA

FRI, MARCH 28 – SUN, MARCH 30, 2025

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

“Become Part of the LIDA Staff at BTS!”

Beneath the Sea (BTS) is the largest consumer dive show in the United States. For those who have attended BTS in the past, you know that it is a great opportunity to attend exciting presentations, have fun at various parties and get -togethers, and explore the diving world by wandering through the exhibit hall where hundreds of dive shops, vendors, suppliers and travel companies have their products and services and display.

It is vitally important that LIDA have a prominent presence at BTS. Each year, LIDA takes a spot on the exhibit floor and uses that space to promote diving in our area waters, as well as to solicit membership. This is essential to the mission of LIDA... BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!

LIDA is seeking volunteers from the ranks of our membership to help with the setting up and operation of this exhibit hall space. Specifically, we need volunteers to:



- ✈ Assist with setting up the LIDA space in the BTS exhibit hall. The setup takes place between 12noon and 2pm on Friday March 28 at the Meadowlands Convention Center in Secaucus, New Jersey.
- ✈ Assist with breaking down the LIDA space in the BTS exhibit hall on Sunday, March 30. The breaking down of the tables and displays takes about two hours and starts at the conclusion of BTS around 4pm.
- ✈ Transporting of materials (tables, display cases, etc.) to and from BTS on Friday and Sunday. The material must arrive at the convention center by 12noon on Friday and will be ready to be transported back after the conclusion of the show on Sunday.
- ✈ Manning the LIDA display throughout the BTS show. Volunteers are needed to watch over the material on display, to answer questions from people visiting the display and assist those who wish to become members of LIDA. You do not have to commit to being in the LIDA "booth" for the entire show, but we need help at all times so any amount of time that you can spare would be most appreciated and helpful.

In exchange for helping us out, you will receive special considerations at the show for being a member of the LIDA staff for the day you volunteer.

LIDA is dedicated to advocating for divers rights for Long Island divers. Please help us help you by offering your services at the largest gathering of divers in our area. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Barry @ 631-495-4471 ASAP.





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FLEA MARKET

Ocean Wreck Divers and the New Jersey Historical Divers Association, Inc. proudly announce the

OCEAN WRECK DIVERS 36TH ANNUAL FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025 ~ 9:00AM-1:00PM

**JOIN US AT THE BIGGEST AND THE BEST
SCUBA FLEA MARKET IN NEW JERSEY!**

LOCATION:

VFW Post 8867 , 373 Adamston Road Brick NJ 08723

Near exit 89 of the Garden State Parkway. The building closest to the intersect of Adamston and Mantoloking Road. Please see website for detailed directions).

We now have more space than we had for the previous 2 markets. There will be no overcrowding.

RAFFLES ~ DOOR PRIZES ~ INDOOR MARKET

ADMISSION IS \$7.00 AT THE DOOR.

**CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OLD FREE
WITH A PAID ADULT**

New and used gear and other dive-related items!

More information at

facebook.com/OceanWreckDivers/
and
oceanwreckdivers.com/



If interested in being a vendor, tables are \$65. Call 732-255-9304 to reserve.

For more information. Tables will be held until 12/31/24 for vendors who previously rented in March 2024 or 2023 (and people who had previously sent in their check after the last available table was rented). Tables are available to the general public after 1/1/25. See our website at oceanwreckdivers.com and click on the Flea Market Link





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NJHDA SYMPOSIUM

*The New Jersey Historical Divers Association, Inc. presents its twenty first
New Jersey Shipwreck Symposium*

“Heroes and Villains”

SATURDAY, April 26, 2025 ~ 8PM-10:30PM

Hosted by Mike Lavitt, Chairman, New Jersey Council of Divers and Clubs



**At the InfoAge Science and
History Museums
2201 Marconi Rd, Wall, NJ**

- ◆ Refreshments ◆
- ◆ Silent Auction ◆
- ◆ 50 /50 Raffle ◆

\$30 per person

\$25 for NJHDA members

**Send Checks to:
NJHDA, Inc., 107 Wilson Road,
Neptune, NJ, 07753**

Or use this QR:



Presentations

***The Coast Guard Beach Cart Project
Dan Lieb, NJHDA President***

***Jazz Age Tragedy: The Death of the SS Vestris
Jeffrey Brown, historian; educator***

***The Adriatic Affair: A Maritime Hit-and-Run off the Coast of Nantucket
Jennifer Sellitti, diver; author; historian
(Jenn's book, "[The Adriatic Affair](#)" is available at Amazon.com)***



DIVE TRIP TO NORTH CAROLINA



MOREHEAD CITY, NORTH CAROLINA

May 17 - 20, 2025

Join Hampton Dive Center for an exhilarating wreck diving trip with Olympus Dive Center in Morehead City, NC this May.

Time is running out! Call or email us today to reserve your spot:

631.727.7578.
scuba@hamptondive.com

Advanced Diver?
Love wrecks?

This one's for you. This trip offers world class wreck diving - no passport required.

4 days of 2 tank early AM offshore wreck diving with Olympus Dive Center

[Click here](#) to find all the details on Hampton Dive Center's Website.



2025 SEASMART SCHOLARSHIP

If anyone knows a student interested in marine science who would qualify, SeaSmart has announced that it is accepting applications for a scholarship for their summer program (more info on what that program is can be found at seasmartocean.org/diversity-scholarship).

The deadline to apply is 3/1. Spread the word.

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE



2025 SEASMART Ocean Conservation, Marine Science and SCUBA DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

**Talent and passion are evenly distributed,
but opportunity is not.**

SeaSmart hopes to provide qualified students with an opportunity to explore their interest in ocean conservation, marine biology and SCUBA diving. This scholarship is offered to address the underrepresentation of women and minorities in marine science studies and will award funding to support their participation in the SeaSmart Summer 2025 program.

In order to be considered for this opportunity, please complete and submit the application at the link below by 3/1/2025. Recipient will be announced by 3/31/2025.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR FEMALE OR NON-BINARY STUDENT APPLICANTS WHO:

Are a member of a minority group(s).
(Including but not limited to: Black,
Latina, Native American, LGBTQ+.)
We are excited to hear your unique
story!

Have a demonstrated interest in
marine science, ocean conservation
and/or a related field as well as in
learning to SCUBA dive.

Are enrolled as a high school student
as of September 2025.

WWW.SEASMARTOCEAN.ORG/DIVERSITY-SCHOLARSHIP



POOL TIME: FARMINGDALE

Are you a certified scuba diver? If you are, you will be interested in Farmingdale Aquatic Center's Monday Night Scuba program. Every diver wants to keep their Scuba skills at their very best. Living on Long Island, with the diving season as short it is, it can be difficult to keep Scuba skills sharp. Getting into a pool for practice is a great way to keep you skills up. Certified divers can get that pool time in the brand new Farmingdale Aquatic Center.

These 1 1/2 hour pool sessions are an ideal way to keep your skills up-to-date and be ready for your next Scuba diving vacation. The facility, which is brand new, has a 15 foot deep section great for practicing skills, trying out new equipment, working with your dive buddy, the lists goes on...

If you do not own all needed equipment, you can rent what you need from your local dive shop, or through special arrangements with Tiedemann's Diving Center of Levittown. Make sure all your skills are perfect by practicing in the pool. Then your dives will be more fun and safer.

Are you a Scuba Instructor? If you are you can use this facility to teach. The rules are simple. You need to be current with your agency. Each person in your group must be registered (you, your student(s), and any assistants you may have). Farmingdale needs to be listed as an Additional Insured on your instructor liability insurance. Contact Ed at Tiedemann's Diving Center for more details. You can even work out rental equipment for your students.

The sessions take place on Monday evenings, from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. To participate you must have a nationally recognized scuba certification. The level of certification must be Open Water Diver or higher. Use of any highly specialized equipment, (like a dry suits, full face masks, rebreathers), requires certification in that area. If you are a student you must be with your instructor at all times in the water. Anyone under the age of 18 year must have a parent with them in the pool area.

Has it been some time since you have been diving? We can make arrangements for a Scuba Update on your first pool session. Then you have two more sessions to practice.

The cost is \$100 per diver for the three-night session. Each of the sessions includes three pool sessions. The number of participants is very limited. Make Monday Night Scuba a great way for you to enjoy your Scuba Diving year round.

Signing up could not be simpler. Contact Ed Tiedemann (516-796-6560) at Tiedemann's Diving Center and he can sign you up in person at the shop or over the phone.

If you want to contact Farmingdale directly 516-434-5316. Take note - if you sign up via the Farmingdale website there is a \$7 registration fee for each person signing up. 🐟

The upcoming sessions are:

🐟 **March 17, March 24, & April 7**

🐟 **April 28, May 5, & May 12**

🐟 **June 2, June 9, & June 16**



POOL TIME: LINDENHURST & GOOD LIFE DIVERS MEMBERSHIP



We have a Good Life Divers Membership program which grants access to the pool for SCUBA practice.

For \$65 per month* we have open pool times for certified divers to come practice in the pool.

Access is available either via appointment or during open pool times. Rentals available if you need gear to use.

**3 month minimum membership required.*

(631) 991-3420

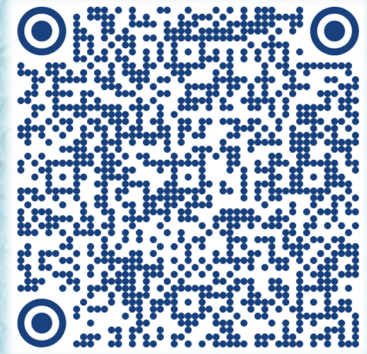
(516) 554-2993 Cell

goodlifedivers@gmail.com

BE A GUEST SPEAKER AT MEETINGS!

Each month we welcome a guest speaker at our meetings to share their experiences on topics related to scuba diving, maritime history, travel, oceanic sciences, and more.

If you or someone you know might like to present at one of our upcoming meetings, fill out the [Google Form](#) by scanning the QR code!



MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Marianna Albanese
Nicole Alimario
Megan Barrow
Linda Brown
Yuriy Chagin
Ozan Ersoz
Sarah Farhat
Jennifer Gienau
Virginia Gilliland

Steven Maggio
Larry Moskowitz
Christine Newins
Kimberly Ryzuk
Patricia Scanlon
Nick Sinnott
Anna Stassinari
Philip Vastano III
Randy J. Weidner
Eric Yousha
James Zima



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TDC LEADERSHIP



President:
Courtney Lyons



Vice President:
John Berntsen



Treasurer:
Gus Bricker



Recording Secretary:
Norma Leon



Corresponding Secretary:
Bill Cadden



Wreck Diving:
[Vacant]



Beach Diving:
Courtney Lyons &
Martin



Oak Beach:
John Bernsten &
Eric Cregren



Camping Trips:
Bruce Russo



T-Shirts & Swag:
[Vacant]



Website:
Jim Vafeas



Social Media:
Jerry Kinkade



Newsletter:
Randi
Hochenberger



2025

THE DIVE CLUB – PO Box 96, West Islip, NY 11795

APPLICATION DATA SHEET

Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____ Telephone: _____ Relationship: _____

Level of Certification: Certifying Agency: Date of Certification:

Student ☐ Yes ☐ No Years Diving: Approx. Number of Dives made: Deepest Dive to date:

Have you ever made a planned decompression dive? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What are your diving interests? ☐ Wreck Diving ☐ Shore Diving ☐ U/W Photography ☐ Deep Diving
(Check all that apply) ☐ Spear Fishing ☐ Night Diving ☐ Artifact Collecting ☐ Travel/Vacation
☐ Environmental Issues

Are you First Aid/CPR certified? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you interested in furthering your present level of certification? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What are you looking for in a dive club?

Would you be interested in participating in club committees? ☐ Yes ☐ No

When are you available for club dives/activities? (Check all that apply): ☐ days ☐ nights ☐ weekends

Do you have Dive Accident Insurance (DAN or other)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you a member of any other dive clubs? ☐ Yes ☐ No If so, which ones?

Membership Type: Please check ☐ New ☐ Renewal

☐ Single Membership: \$25.00. Full club membership

☐ Family Membership: \$35.00. Full Club membership for the person signing up, plus Partner and all children 26 years old and under.

Disclaimer:

I understand that if accepted for membership in The Dive Club, I will be bound by the by-laws of The Dive Club and will be required to sign a waiver of liability and pay the applicable admission fee.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

Approved by:

Signature/Title of Club officer: _____ Date: _____



LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK

This is an important legal document. You may wish to consult an attorney prior to signing it.

This release may be used against you in a court of law if you sue any released person or party.

Please read carefully, **fill in all blanks and initial each paragraph before signing**. Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

I, _____, hereby affirm that I have been advised and thoroughly informed through my open water training of the inherent risks of skin and scuba diving.

- Further, I understand that diving with compressed air involves certain inherent risks; decompression sickness, embolism, or other hyperbaric injuries can occur that require treatment in a recompression chamber. I further understand that any trips of any kind (diving or non-diving), whether sponsored or not, by The Dive Club may be conducted at a site that is remote, either by time or distance or both, from such a recompression chamber. I still choose to proceed with such diving activities in spite of the absence of a recompression chamber in proximity to the dive site(s).
- I understand and agree that neither The Dive Club or any of their respective board members, officers, agents or assigns (hereinafter referred to as "Released Parties"), may be held liable or responsible in any way for any injury, death, or other damages to me or my family, heirs, or assigns that may occur as a result of my participation in any Dive Club activity, or as a result of negligence of any party, including the Released Parties, whether passive or active.
- In Consideration of being allowed to become a member of The Dive Club I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with diving or non-diving activity from any harm, injury or damage that may befall on me, including all risks connected therewith, whether foreseen or unforeseen.
- I further save and hold harmless said Dive Club and Released Parties from any claim or lawsuit by me, my family, estate, heirs, or assigns, arising out of my enrollment and participation in Club events including both claims arising during said event or after said event.
- I Further understand that skin diving and scuba diving are physically strenuous activities and that I will be exerting myself during any diving activity, and that if I am injured as a result of a heart attack, panic, hyperventilation, etc., that I expressly assume the risk of said injuries and that I will not hold the above listed individuals or companies responsible for the same.
- I further state that I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this liability release, or that I have acquired the written consent of my parent or guardian.
- I acknowledge scuba diving is an activity that is done with a buddy. I will not make a solo dive during a Dive Club event unless I am certified to do so by an accredited training agency and I am equipped to make this dive safely.
- I understand that the terms herein are contractual and are not a mere recital, and that I have signed this document of my own free act.
- I acknowledge that The Dive Club does not provide buddies, gear, transportation, training, or professional advice pertaining to the sport of scuba diving. However, the dive sponsors will do their best to help club members find what they need for a dive by setting up email groups to allow individual club members to coordinate rides, buddies, and rental gear, if necessary.
- The Dive Club does not vet divers or make any determination about whether any diver is qualified to do any given dive. This decision is entirely up to the individual diver, as well as any external dive operator, such as a dive boat captain or resort operator. It is important to evaluate your current experience when making the decision to dive. If you only have experience diving in warm waters with optimal visibility, you should consider the additional challenges associated with northeast diving before making your decision. I expressly assume the risk of any injury or illness for **each and every** dive that I determine to make and hold harmless for the same the above listed companies and individuals.



- I acknowledge that for planned boat charters, the minimum certification and equipment requirements listed in our newsletter are the requirements of the boat captains. Please contact them directly if you have any questions about the suitability of a dive for you.
- I understand that DAN (Divers Alert Network) Insurance or other similar diving accident insurance policies are available to me if I choose to acquire this. I acknowledge that it is my own responsibility to educate myself on the available policies and choose the one, if any, that is appropriate for me. I understand that without this, I will be responsible for any medical bills or damages to my equipment that I incur.
- I recognize that I may receive false or misleading information from one or more club members or non-members pertaining to the relative difficulty of a dive or my ability to safely participate in or perform a dive. Additionally, I acknowledge that one or more club members or non-members may negligently approve of my dive plan, including preparation or intended dive plan, the condition of my equipment, my ability to use my equipment, or proper use of equipment. I understand and agree that **I am responsible for determining whether I am capable of executing** a dive safely, whether I have sufficient information regarding my own physical abilities and the intended dive to base this decision, as well as whether my equipment is in proper working condition and is sufficient for the intended dive. I release The Dive Club and all co-signers who by signing this waiver similarly release me from negligent acts or omissions of this nature.

IT IS THE INTENTION OF _____ BY THIS INSTRUMENT TO EXEMPT AND RELEASE THE DIVE CLUB, AND ALL RELATED ENTITIES AS DEFINED ABOVE, FROM ALL LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY WHATSOEVER FOR PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR WRONGFUL DEATH HOWEVER CAUSED, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASED PARTIES, WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE.

I HAVE FULLY INFORMED MYSELF OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY READING IT BEFORE I SIGNED IT ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY HEIRS.

Signature of Applicant

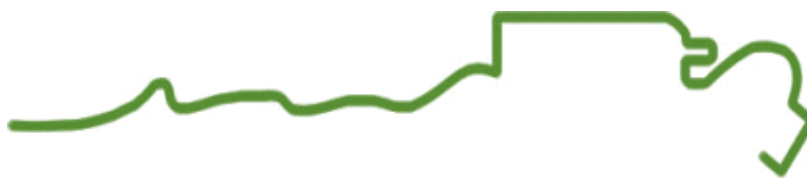
Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Reviewed by Club Officer

Date



Membership Directory Data Sheet

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Telephone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

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Signature of Member _____

Date _____

