Diver Down News





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A Word From The President



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my fellow club members. Hard to believe the year is coming to an end there is still a chance for a bottle dive or two if the weather holds out. I would to thank Mary Davis for filling in for me for the past year and am happy to be leaving the club in her hands as the next club president. My time as club president has come to an end I would like to thank everyone who helped make this club a success .Just a reminder this month is the last month of discounted membership dues at 20 dollars next month regular dues are 25

President Jerry Kinkade

An Important Update To Membership Fees

- As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been limitations on the 2020 dive season. The Dive Club will honor those fees paid during the 2020 season and apply them towards the upcoming 2021 season.
- Going forward, an individual membership will be \$25.
- A family membership will be \$35.
- Early renewal will be offered every November and December for active club members. A \$5 discount will be applied for the upcoming season so that the fee will be \$20 for an individual membership and \$30 for a family membership.
- January of a new year will revert to full membership fees.
- T-shirts will no longer be supplied as part of a paid membership.
 They will, however, be available for purchase for a charge of \$10.
- Membership renewal payments should be sent to Gus Bricker at: treasurer@thediveclub.com

Minutes Of The Meeting

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November Dive Meeting Minutes 11/2/21

Start Time: 7:59pm



Mary spoke about nominations. It is now time to nominate people. President- Mary Davis, Vice President-John Berntsen, Treasurer- Gus Bricker Membership Society- Kyle Patac and Corresponding Secretary Jen Grosso. You can nominate someone not on the board.

Non-Committal Committee's- Beach Committee- Ken/Tim, Oak Beach- Courtney, Wreck- Unknown Leader it's up for grabs Newsletter- Randi, T-Shirts- Courtney, Social Media- Jerry

Webmaster-Jim

Camping-Bruce

Trip Coordinator- John, Ken and Rick

Membership- \$20 Individual if done November and December. \$25 non-member after January. \$35 Family November and December \$40 January

December-Christmas/Holiday Party Gathering possibly at a bar and

Beach Report- We are not done. The board is still going.

Seahawk is moving to Port Washington-TBA Bottle diving

Wreck Diving is over.

NC Diving possibly in June or July for a week.

Joe discussed Rhode Island Diving

Barry spoke about LIDA- 2/5/21- ZOOM Meeting. Please join and support LIDA

Port Diver is closed for 2 weeks due to trip to Bonaire.

8:28pm Captain Steve Belinda of The Wahoo Out of Captree – Gave presentation on the U-853 who sunk off Block Island 1945. Ended Presentation- 9:36pm

50/50 Winner- Matt

Block Island U-Boat Weekend Trip

End Presentation- 9:38pm



The Monthly Meeting

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The Dive Club holds it's monthly meeting on the first <u>Tuesday</u> of each month or until further notice.



The address is:

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BONAIRE 2021

By Mary Davis

This October several divers from Tiedemann's Diving Center traveled to Bonaire for a week of amazing diving. We stayed at the Divi Flamingo Resort that is all about diving. There were 2 boat dives in the morning followed by unlimited shore diving. Bonaire is truly a diver's paradise.

We had diving available 24 hours a day. The full tanks are lined up at the dive dock, there for the taking anytime day or night. With large lockers located on the dock for our gear all we had to do was stroll down to the water, set up our gear, and jump in.

The traveling was challenging with the Covid 19 restrictions in place. There was testing done before leaving home and before returning. There were multiple forms to fill out before leaving home that created some confusion but it was worth it to get to our destination.

Our group had the boat to ourselves that gave us plenty of room. Our dive masters, Denise and Ruud took us on dives to many of the best reefs in Bonaire. Each reef had something special to see from a bed of garden eels to resident seahorses. There were several turtle and squid sightings. Two octopuses made an appearance but they were elusive on this trip.

The house reef, Calabas, was the sight for our night dives. The 3 ft. tarpon made each night dive exciting. They followed our lights and came within a few feet of the divers. Several small fish did not survive the fast-moving tarpon when they crossed our light beams.

We were able to make several off-sight shore dives that made the trip even more special. The 2 best know shore dives we made were the Salt Pier and 1000 Steps. They are both worth the effort to see. Our final day we were able to dive the well known local wreck, Hilma Hooker, which sits at 100 ft. It was great to dive a wreck and be able to see the entire ship. The final dive of the trip was the Salt Pier by boat. This site was the highlight of the trip for me. The columns made for great images and the sea life was absolutely amazing. Bonaire should be on everyone's list of places to see. It is well worth it.

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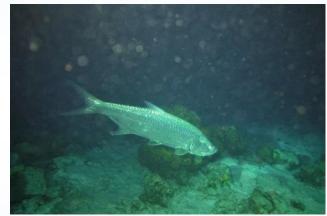














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BY MARY DAVIS













PENDING:



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Diver's Leaderboard olume 32, Issue 11

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Each category will be populated and updated as the 2021 dive season progresses.

Beach Dive Leaderboard

Updated 11/3/21

Rick Baresich 23

Mary Davis 21

Vadim Paley 15

Ken Murphy 16

Nick Sinnott 11

Andrew Solomon 11

Brian Lemke 10

Tim McMahon 8

Gerry Barsky 6

Ryan Smith 6

Kim Valenti 6

Emily Solomon 5

Roy Bacchi 5

Rusty Lukeman 5

Larry Zeidler 5

Ron Prybella 5

Ashley DeCosta 4

Grace Mattel 4

Sean Curran 3

Patrick Drennan 3

Tim Dawideit 3

Megan Barrow 3

Eric Creegan 4

Andre Krasnov 3

Barry Lipsky 3

Tom Riedman 3

Sal Candela 2

Dan Hillyard 2

Casey Hillyard 2

Corey Moran 2

Jen Newins 2

Eric Oster 2

Tom Spier 2

Dave Thorburn 2

John Berntsen 2

Jack Frost 2

Bob Chalmers 2

Kim Dunham 2

Mike Feldbaum 2

Ryan Feldbaum 2

Sam Feldbaum 2

Pat Byrne 1

Ozan Erroz 1

Jen Grosso 1

John Hochenberger 1

Gerry Kekatos 1

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Rick Baresich 12

Mary Davis 8

Tim McMahon 8

Ken Murphy 7

John Bernsten 7

Courtney Lyons 7

Ryan Smith 6

Jen Grosso 5

Ron Prybella 5

Roy Bacchi 4

Nick Sinnott 4

Megan Barrow 3

Sean Curran 3

Chuck Ertle 3

Chelsea Miller 2

Kevin Ryan 2

Jack Frost 2

Andre Krasnov 2

Larry Zeidler 2



Wreck Dives



Mary Davis 4

Jen Grosso 2

Bill Rohr 2

Sal Candella 1

Andrew Solomon 4

Barry Lipsky 2

Bob Stamm 2

John Palumbo 1

Rick Baresich 2

Tim McMahon 2

Gus Bricker 1

Dan Solomom 1

John Berntsen 2

Patrick Drennan 2



Upcoming Events and Speakers Volume 32, Issue 11

. December Elections and Artifact showing.



Know Your Fellow Diver volume 32, Issue 11

As members are added and information is gathered, it will be shared in these segments.

New Members



WELCOME!! **NEW MEMBERS!!**



Birthday Wishes November

Corrine **Burton**

Randell Hochenberger

Bruce Russo

Franzelyn Russo

Randi Schenfeld **Daniel Schwedes** Cumilang **James**

Amod Mulay

Kyle Patac

Matthew **Spinelli**

Michael Storey

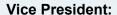
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