



# DIVER DOWN NEWS

## President's Note – September 2023

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We are losing daylight as we approach the end of summer but that does not mean an end to the diving. The water remains warm thru October and we still have 2 wreck dives on our schedule and many beach dives planned. The Oak Beach diving continues into September until the days truly become too short for a late afternoon dive.

Death By Diving was a great success this year and many club members have travelled to expand their diving fun. I was able to dive in Turks and Caicos and Canada, St. Lawrence River, this summer. There were 3 trips to North Carolina for wreck diving available to club members and a trip to Rhode Island for shore diving.

Long Island will always be our main base for diving but it is fun to explore other places too. If you do get a chance to travel, we would all like to hear about your adventures in the Newsletter. Anyone can submit an article to share your diving adventures or advice with others.

Our September meeting had to be moved one week later due to a conflict with our host venue, The Tap Room, in Bay Shore. We will be meeting on Sept 12th at the same time; 6PM for dinner and 8PM for the official club meeting to start.

I will be looking for a date for the Death By Diving Dinner that will accommodate as many of the winners as possible. All club members are invited to join in the dinner to congratulate the divers who earned the free dinner by completing 6 or 7 of the total 7 dives. Watch the emails for the dinner date and location.

I hope to see lots of you at Secret Beach on August 27th, if not there I will see you at the meeting on Sept 12th.

*Mary Davis*  
*President*







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# THE MONTHLY MEETING

The Dive Club currently holds monthly meetings on the **first Tuesday\*** of each month at the Tap Room in Bay Shore.

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# TAP ROOM

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

Support our hosting establishment and wait staff. Please note that our hosts add an “Event Gratuity” to each bill.

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

*\*Our September meeting will be on the 12th (the 2nd Tuesday)*







# CLUB MEMBERSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

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Fill out the application at the end of this newsletter. If you are viewing the newsletter online, the fields are fillable and you can type in them. 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 MUST say 2023 at the top.

Note, 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 **BOTH 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, 2023.**

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

Ex: Mine would be Cadden.pdf .

E-Mail it back to this E-Mail Address ([Membership.TheDiveClub@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://thediveclub.com/membership).
- Individual memberships for 2023 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](mailto:info@thediveclub.com).
- Membership applications and renewals should be given to Bill Cadden, our Membership/ Corresponding Secretary ([membership.thediveclub@gmail.com](mailto:membership.thediveclub@gmail.com) or [tjcbillsetc@yahoo.com](mailto:tjcbillsetc@yahoo.com)).



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# MEETING MINUTES

August 1, 2023  
*taken by Courtney Lyons*

- 🐟 Meeting started at 8:04 by Mary
- 🐟 July minutes approved (by Rick & Bill)
- 🐟 Club founding member in attendance, John thanked for coming

## Memberships:

- 🐟 Welcome new members
- 🐟 Renewals for 2024 begin October 1st

## Death-by-Diving: Mary

- 🐟 8 dives planned, night dive was cancelled due to weather concerns, 46 divers total, 13 completed the challenge of 6 out of 7 dives and won a lobster dinner. Fort Pond Bay was cancelled and moved to 3 dives at Noyack Bay to finish out the weekend.
- 🐟 Congratulations to Zane Davis, 10 years old, youngest member to complete D-by-D!
- 🐟 Bill Cadden added that Steven, Danna, Zane, Ed, Andrey, Kris, John H, & Randi received a Dive Club hat for completing Death by Diving

## Upcoming Dives:

- 🐟 Please see Facebook for updated schedule, changes have been made.
- 🐟 The schedule for August will be sent out via email as well and the latest (as of August 29 is on in this newsletter)

## Oak Beach:

- 🐟 Every Wednesday starting at 4pm
- 🐟 September 6 is the last leaderboard dive, but we will continue on into the fall as long as light holds and divers come

## Wreck Diving:

- 🐟 September 3rd wreck dive on the Halftime 3 spots left contact Mary for info or to go

## Treasury Report: Gus

- 🐟 food at all dives, end of year party, death by diving dinner, etc is all provided by the club. A full treasury report will be sent via email soon

## Camping Report:

- 🐟 Thank you Bruce Russo for setting up our camping trips for Death by Diving and Memorial Day Weekend

## Trips:

- 🐟 Moorehead, North Carolina trip was a success. Booked also for next year (July 15-19, 2024). Contact Linda Gotti to reserve a spot with \$100 deposit.
- 🐟 Rhode Island with Joe Lamaire, Ozan, and Bob Stam—will be heading there again next year, consider coming
- 🐟 Canada/Thousand Islands - contact Jim Vafaes or Mary Davis - 4 Days of wrecks in the St. Lawrence River
- 🐟 Truk Lagoon, Micronesia (July 13-20, 2024) - contact Mary Davis

## LIDA report: Barry Lipsky

- 🐟 received approval for sign from Town of East Hampton at the HMS Culloden in Montauk

## Topic:

- 🐟 Introduced at 8:30PM. Dr. Marianne McNamera, SCCC professor of Marine Biology, presenting on work with CRESLI and whale watching tours off Long Island





# DEATH BY DIVING

## JULY 28-30 2023

Results:

13 Dinners Earned - 41 divers - 145 Total Dives Done

Scheduled Dives:

Friday July 28<sup>th</sup> ..... Oak Beach

Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup> ..... Secret Beach, Horton's Point & Old Ponquogue Bridge

Saturday July 29<sup>th</sup> (Night).... Cedar Beach (cancelled due to storm)

Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> ..... Noyack Bay (3 dives - Fort Pond Bay moved due to conditions)

7 Dives (Free Dinner): 12 divers

Mary Davis	Andery Krasnov	Danna Davis	John Hochenberger
Linda Gotti	Megan Barrow	Kris Kulikauskas	Randi Hochenberger
Tim McMahon	Steven Davis	Zane Davis	

6 Dives (Free Dinner): 1 diver

Ed Meyer
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5 Dives: 3 divers

Courtney Lyons	Kristen Ruggiero	Jen Grosso
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4 Dives: 1 diver

Vadim Paley
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3 Dives: 2 divers

Jim Vafeas	Norma Leon
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2 Dives: 8 divers

James Lisle	Steven Maggio	Glen Whelpley	Nick Sinnott
Christine Lupo	Yurzy Chagin	Eric Creegan	Elena Chagin

1 Dive: 14 divers

John Berntsen	Harris Moore	Barry Lipsky	Ken Murphy
Brianna Sierra	Pat Fontana	Andrew Solomon	Stephanie Miller
Philip Medaglia	Gavin Fontana	Ryan Christie	Amber Kulikauskas
Alexey Stenger	Ozan Ersoz		



# BEACH DIVING

## SEPT. - NOV. 2023 SCHEDULE

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Please be advised that all dives are subject to a location change or cancellation. Any updates in the schedule will be sent to Facebook and E-mail as they come up.

### **Saturday, September 2: Ponquogue Bridge, Hampton Bays**

- Meet at 9:45 am, high tide 10:42 am

### **Sunday, September 10: Cedar Beach Jetty, Mt. Sinai**

- Meet at 8:30, high tide 8:56 am

### **Sunday, September 17: Shinnecock West, Hampton Bays**

- Meet at 9 am, high tide 9:40 am
- (Weather permitting. We will move to Ponquogue Bridge if necessary)

### **Saturday, September 23: U.S.S. Ohio, Greenport**

- Meet at 10 am

### **Sunday, October 1: Beach 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Far Rockaway**

- Meet at 9 am, high tide 9:38 am



### **Sunday, October 8: Noyack Bay, Noyack**

- Underwater pumpkin carving contest!
- Bring your own hollowed pumpkin and a dive knife.
- Meet at 10 am

### **Sunday, October 15: Stehli Beach, Bayville**

- Meet at 11 am

### **Saturday, October 21: Cedar Beach, Mt. Sinai**

- Meet at 9 am by the basketball courts.

### **Saturday, October 28: Oak Beach, Babylon**

- Full moon night dive: meet at 5 pm.

### **Saturday, November 4: Pirate's Cove, Port Jefferson**

- Carpool if possible. Parking is extremely limited and street parking will likely land you a ticket!
- Meet at 9 am.





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### Site Information

#### **Old Ponquogue Bridge, Hampton Bays**

Proceed over the bridge on Lighthouse Road in Hampton Bays and turn left onto Dune Road. Immediately make another left and follow this road to the end. The dive site is under the Old Ponquogue Bridge.

#### **Cedar Beach, Mt. Sinai**

The fishing pier is located at the West end of Harbor Beach Rd in Mt. Sinai. Follow this road past the basketball courts, parking lots, and marinas until you arrive at a smaller parking lot. The dive site is underneath the fishing pier. When not diving underneath the fishing pier, the beach next to the basketball court is another option, also located on Harbor Beach Road.

#### **Shinnecock West, Hampton Bays**

The site is located on Road H, at the east end of Dune Road in Hampton Bays. If you are familiar with the Ponquogue Bridge, continue straight down Dune Road instead of turning left into the parking lot. The dive site is the Shinnecock inlet, where we will enter on the ocean side where the jetty is.

#### **U.S.S. Ohio, Greenport**

The entrance to the beach is at the south end of Clark Street in Greenport. Street Parking can be found on Clark Street or the adjacent 4th Street. Enter the opening to the beach from Clark Street and follow the beach along to the right. There is a large iron pipe in the sand along with some other metal pieces. Take a compass heading of 120 degrees from there to find the wreck.

#### **Beach 8th Street, Far Rockaway**

The site is located at the south end of Beach 8th Street in Far Rockaway, Queens. Street parking is limited, but additional spots can be found on Beach 9th street, or near the basketball courts on Beach 10th Street. Use Rockaway Manor for GPS directions if necessary.

#### **Noyack Bay, Noyack**

The site is located on the north side of Noyack-Long Beach Road. Proceed past Foster Memorial Beach and look for a spot to pull off on the north side of the road. The dive site is street-parking only.

#### **Stehli Beach, Oyster Bay**

Stehli Beach is located at the west end of Bayville Ave before it turns into Bayville Road. Parking can be found in front of the bathhouse, where we will enter the water.

#### **Oak Beach, Babylon**

The old Oak Beach Inn. A large parking lot on North Oak Beach Road. After going over the Robert Moses Bridge and the small draw bridge, turn right onto Ocean Parkway West. You will have to use a turnaround to get onto Ocean Parkway East, where you will then see the parking lot on your right. For GPS directions, use Oak Beach.

#### **Pirate's Cove, Port Jefferson**

The site is now called McAllister County Park. Take Anchorage Road in Port Jefferson to the end. There is a roundabout where gear can be dropped off and about 6 parking spots a small way up the road. Please try to carpool with other divers if planning to attend a club dive here.





# BEACH LEADERBOARDS

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(AS OF AUGUST 30, 2023)

## SHORE

Courtney Lyons .....	13	Bill Turley.....	1
Tim McMahon .....	11	Chris Romig .....	1
Mary Davis .....	9	Christine Lupo.....	1
Rick Baresich.....	8	Chuck Ertle .....	1
Chelsea Miller.....	7	Collins .....	1
Joe Feldbaum .....	7	Dan Corcoran .....	1
John Berntsen .....	7	Di Moore.....	1
Kevin Ryan .....	7	Doug King .....	1
Joe Lemaire .....	6	Doug Purver .....	1
Nick Sinnott .....	6	Ed Meyer, Jr. ....	1
Vadim Paley .....	6	Elaine Turley .....	1
Ken Murphy.....	5	Eric Yousha .....	1
Kris Kulikauskas .....	5	Francis Hervias.....	1
Mike Feldbaum .....	5	Gavin Fontana .....	1
Norma Leon.....	5	Glen Whelpley .....	1
Leslie Von Pless.....	4	Grace Mattel .....	1
Nick Lappano.....	4	Harris Moore.....	1
Vicky Ingoglia .....	4	Jackie Feldbaum .....	1
Amber Kulikauskas .....	3	James Campbell .....	1
Andrew Solomon .....	3	Jason Portnoy .....	1
Jim Lisle.....	3	Jeff Cardillo .....	1
Kim Dunham .....	3	Jen Gienau.....	1
Linda Gotti .....	3	Jennifer Lander.....	1
Tom Riedmann.....	3	Jenny Ross .....	1
Andrey Krasnov .....	2	Jim Campbell .....	1
Danny Rivera .....	2	Jim Vafaes .....	1
Eric Cregreen .....	2	John Pfisterer.....	1
Jack Frost .....	2	Madeleine Guilmain.....	1
Jeanine Furco.....	2	Melissa Furco .....	1
John Hochenberger.....	2	Noah Yousha .....	1
Julie Cohen .....	2	Ozan Ersoz .....	1
Megan Barrow .....	2	Pat Fontana .....	1
Nick Brigante.....	2	Philip Hollnsteiner.....	1
Ron Prybella .....	2	Priscilla Seigh .....	1
Ryan Smith .....	2	Dave Thorburn.....	1
William Iaconetti .....	2	Ryan Christie .....	1
Alexey Stenger.....	1	Ryan Feldbaum .....	1
Barry Lipsky.....	1	Sam Feldbaum .....	1
Ben Chung .....	1	Sam Romig .....	1
Bill Cadden .....	1	Steven Davis .....	1
Bill Struss .....	1		





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## OAK BEACH





Tim McMahon .....	14	Jackie Feldbaum....	1
Chelsea Miller .....	13	Jenny Ross .....	1
Kevin Ryan.....	13	Larry Moskowitz ....	1
John Hochenberger .	11	Linda Gotti .....	1
Courtney Lyons ....	10	Mark Zyzman .....	1
Louis Buda .....	10	Nick Sinnott.....	1
Nick Lappano .....	8	Noah Yousha.....	1
Randi Hochenberger	8	Pat Fontana .....	1
Vadim Paley .....	8	Paul Santarsiero ....	1
Norma Leon.....	7	Philip Hollnsteiner .	1
Alyssa Armour .....	6	Rick Baresich .....	1
Eric Cregreen .....	6	Saverio Pispisa .....	1
Kris Kulikauskas ...	6	Jennifer Grosso.....	1
Megan Barrow .....	6	John Burke .....	1
John Berntsen.....	5	Dan Corcoran.....	1
Ron Prybella.....	5		
Mary Davis .....	4		
William Iaconetti ..	4		
Jack Frost .....	3		
James Campbell....	3		
Jim Campbell.....	3		
Joe Lemaire .....	3		
Michael Stacy .....	3		
Mike Feldbaum .....	3		
Nicole Alimario ....	3		
Amber Kulikauskas.	2		
Andrey Krasnov ....	2		
Jennifer Lander....	2		
Joe Feldbaum .....	2		
Vicky Ingoglia .....	2		
Alex Bases .....	1		
Eric Yousha .....	1		
Gavin Fontana.....	1		





# WRECK DIVING 2023 SCHEDULE

The following equipment is **required** for all wreck dives with The Dive Club:

-  Secondary Air Source:  
~ doubles or pony bottle
-  Wreck reel
-  Lift bag OR Surface Marker Buoy
-  Cutting tool
-  Whistle or other sound device
-  Strobe

Divers should be comfortable with the use of this gear.

To book a spot on the Sidekick Dive Boat, each diver must have certification for the planned depth of the wreck. Deep Diving certification is required for wrecks over 100ft. To book a spot on the Sea Hawk or Sea Turtle, AOW certification is required.

## WRECK LEADERBOARD AS OF JULY 15, 2023

Mary Davis .....	6	Ryan Smith .....	2
Andrew Solomon.....	6	Tim McMahon .....	2
Ron Prybella .....	3	Ben Chung .....	2
Alicia Sirois.....	3	Eric Yousha .....	2
Christian Muniz.....	2	Nick Sinnott .....	2
Jim Lisle .....	2	Noah Yousha.....	2
Jim Vafeas .....	2	Megan Barrow .....	2
James Lark.....	2	Barry Lipsky.....	2
Andrew Lockheart.....	2	Ken Murphy.....	2
Jack Dillon.....	2	Eric Creegan .....	2
Dene Ulmschneider .....	2	Larry Moskowitz .....	1

 September 3      Halftime      12 Mile Reef      120ft      3 spots

Wreck dives can be booked by contacting Mary Davis  
at [painlessm@msn.com](mailto:painlessm@msn.com) or 516-987-8308.

*\*Contact Courtney Lyons for information about the waitlist and any openings for this dive.*

*All payments due in advance. Payment must be made to secure spot.*

*All spots are final. If you can't make it you can replace yourself with a qualified diver.*

*We will try to help with a replacement if needed from a wait list.*





# **DIVING THE WRECKS OF THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER**

## **AUGUST 6-10, 2022 BY MARY DAVIS**

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This presentation is about a 4-day trip 6 of us took on August 2022 to dive the Wrecks of the St. Lawrence River out of Alexandria Bay, NY. We drove up early on Saturday morning and met at the wreck of the Islander.

The Islander is a 125 ft long sidewheel steamer that was used as a mail carrier between Alexandria Bay and Clayton, NY. On Sept 16, 1909 the ship caught fire, burned and sank while at the dock. It is now an easily accessible shore dive site located at the end of Market St. There is a small parking area and gazebo as well as a ramp leading into the water.

The wreck lies at an angle right off the shore starting at 20 ft and reaching down to 60 ft. There is a lot of wreckage to dive and the current is mild in this area. If you continue off the wreck towards the center of the river you can reach over 80 ft of depth. There is a rocky, shell covered bottom and we had a visibility of 30 ft. Our water temperature was 76 degrees making for a nice first dive of our trip. After the dive, some of us went to Hunt's Dive Shop on Rt 12 in Clayton, NY for tank fills. We confirmed our boat dives for the next day.

We stayed in an Air BNB about 10 minutes from the center of Alexandria Bay, right on the river.

We dropped off our bags and had a nice dinner in town on Saturday evening.

Sunday morning, we stopped in at All About Scuba to get some information on the local diving. The owner of this shop, Bob Sherwood, has worked to set up shore dive area with lines and attractions at Bonnie Castle. Bonnie Castle is a marina and motel with the shore diving site on its grounds. We made a plan to dive here on Monday afternoon or Tuesday morning before heading home.

Sunday afternoon we went out with Hunt's Dive Shop. Their boat is docked at Keewaydin State Park. We had a 15-minute boat ride to the Keystorm Wreck. The air was hot at 90 degrees but there was a moderate wind on the river this weekend. We all chose to dive in wet suits since it was a warm weekend and there is no thermocline in the St. Lawrence River.

The Keystorm is a 250 ft long steel freighter that sank in 1912. It lies on a slope in 20 to 120 ft of water on its starboard side. The bow is shallow and the prop lies at the deep end. There is a lot of superstructure to explore and this is a great wreck for photos.



# SHOREHAM JETTIES

## ARTICLE 15

### BY JACK FROST

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Hey all - I showed a picture taken at a recent Shoreham Jetties dive to Mary and she asked me to write about it. Of course, there's history. I didn't dive on that day. I kayaked to get pictures from the water of divers in front of the nuclear plant. I haven't dived there since the 1970's. Then you could drive right up to the jetty on a hard packed dirt road or do the entry from the creek. The road is blocked off by LILCO now. I see the club does a low tide. We always did a high tide for the vis and to get some depth.

While doing the kayak thing, I noticed two fishermen on the jetty and an officer coming out to them. After a brief talk they all left the jetty. Back at the creek parking spot I spoke with a fisherman who said the officer can give a \$300 ticket as the jetty is LILCO property. I'm thinking diving the inside of the jetties is also a big "No - No". Very glad to see the dive community take back a dive site. I did mention the site in a club article two years ago and was surprised to then see it on the schedule. Don't know if it was my mention or someone else's notion to do the dive. Bravo to the club members for doing the nuclear

plant dive. We ain't afraid of no radiation!

While I'm at it, another excellent dive in the 70's was the north side of the very tip of Orient Pt. There is a dirt road behind the cafe by the ferry landing. The owners of the four houses on the point stretched a chain across the road with a sign that read "Trespassers will be shot. Survivors will be prosecuted." We would ignore the warning, put the chain back up and drive out. I believe you can get to the point with a 4 wheel drive vehicle via the Orient Point County Park. We would have good vis there as the bottom is coarse sand and ocean water sweeps in around the point.

One oddity I noticed is that flounder would either settle into the kelp to hide and be easy to get with a hand spear or they take off for about 10 body lengths, make a quick right or left hand turn then settle down to hide. If they spooked, we would swim out that distance and look for them right or left hiding in the kelp. I've also seen instances where two inch flounder will do the same escape behavior. Must be instinctive.





# CLUB TRIP

## KEY LARGO, FL—JAN. 8-12, 2024

We will be staying and diving at Amoray Dive Resort and visiting both reef and wreck sites.

The cost of the trip is \$800 per person and includes:

- ✈ Room at the resort for 4 nights (double occupancy)
- ✈ 5 boat trips (2-tank dives)
- ✈ Tanks and weights for each dive

### Resort Amenities:

- |                             |                                     |  |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| ✈ Gold Standard Dive Resort | ✈ Free Bicycles                     | ✈ Beachfront on Property                     |
| ✈ Dive Boat on Property     | ✈ Snorkel Kits                      | ✈ Bayside Sunset Views                       |
| ✈ Dive Shop in Lobby        | ✈ Dive Equipment Storage/Rinse Area | ✈ Attractions within walking/biking distance |
| ✈ Free Kayaks               | ✈ Heated Pool                       | ✈ Food truck on property                     |

### Not included in the cost of the trip:

- |                              |  |   |
|------------------------------|--|---|
| ✈ Rental gear                | ✈ Transportation to Key Largo (rental car) | ✈ Gratuity for boat crew                |
| ✈ Travel to and from Florida | ✈ Food and drinks                          | ✈ Divemaster/guide available by request |

### Where will we be diving?

<b>SS Benwood</b> Depth: 25 to 45 feet Dive type: wreck Level: open water	<b>USS Spiegel Grove</b> Depth: 60 to 130 feet Dive type: wreck Level: advanced open water <i>(divemaster available upon request)</i>	<b>Molasses Reef</b> Depth: 30 to 45 feet Dive type: reef Level: open water	<b>John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park</b> Depth: 20 to 30 feet Dive type: reef Level: open water
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### Want to join us?

The Dive Club is collecting a \$200 per person deposit to secure the spots via Venmo or Zelle. Contact Courtney Lyons at 631-431-2216 or email [courtneylyons20@gmail.com](mailto:courtneylyons20@gmail.com) if interested.

Non-divers and snorkelers are welcome!

If you have any questions or comments, please let us know! We hope to see you there!

For more information, contact John at (631)-942-0605 or email [info@thediveclub.com](mailto:info@thediveclub.com)



# CALL FOR SPEAKERS

## PRESENT YOUR DIVING ADVENTURES!

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 Long Island Diving Association









The Long Island Diver's Association Annual Film Festival will be held on Saturday evening, January 27, 2024 @ 7 pm.

We are very excited to be hosting the film festival once again at Hofstra University.

You are invited to submit up to three proposals for possible inclusion in this year's Film Festival. Please review the following guidelines before entering your submission.

Presentations should be focused on one of the following categories:

-  Long Island SCUBA Diving
-  Exotic Dive Destinations
-  Expeditions and Adventure Diving
-  Shipwrecks and Underwater History
-  Local Marine Life
-  Underwater Environmental and Conservation Issues



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We are most in need of LOCAL material from LOCAL divers.

If you dive in the areas around Long Island, and have interesting images or video of our local waters, consider putting a presentation together and submitting!

Please review and follow all submission requirements before submitting your [Application Form](#) (click to download, visit [www.lidaonline.com](http://www.lidaonline.com) for more information).





# SHIPWRECK MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE 2023 NEW JERSEY HISTORICAL DIVERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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**Saturday & Sunday  
September 2nd & 3rd  
12 Noon to 5pm**



NJHDA is very proud to announce our first Open House, September 2nd and 3rd from Noon to 5pm. Come by and see what's new at the museum located in Building 9032, and tour our new facility in Building 9034.

Recent additions to the museum are the Mount Sinai and Cachalot Chambers. We're also making progress on our Coast Guard Beach Cart and have finished the Monomoy Pulling Boat. Regarding the Monomoy, we're now moving on to replicating a mast and rudder.

Light refreshments available. Regular admission rates apply.  
No RSVP - just show up and enjoy!

New Jersey Shipwreck Museum at InfoAge  
2201 Marconi Road - Wall, NJ 07719

**SEPTEMBER  
BIRTHDAYS**



Karissa Bordes  
Mark Broome  
James Campbell  
Juliana Chung  
Ryan Davis  
Shannon Davis  
Zane Davis  
Richard DeFilippo  
Chuck Ertle  
Jacki Feldbaum  
Jeanine Furco  
Victoria Ingoglia  
Barry Lipsky

Kenny Mascak  
Chelsea Miller  
Harris Moore  
Cory Moran  
Ann Moreno  
John Palumbo  
John Pfisterer  
Rick Picone  
Bobby Reith  
Ciara Smith  
Mia Venezia  
Katie Waskzkiewicz  
Kathy Zummo



# DIVER PROFILES

*Be featured in a future newsletter and help our dive community to become more familiar. Send the following information about yourself to [info@thediveclub.com](mailto:info@thediveclub.com).*

Name:

The nickname divers know you by:

Years diving:

Certification level:

Additional skills and certifications you have earned along the way:

How many dives do you have under your belt?

What is your favorite type of diving?

Have you traveled to far-off destinations?

Where was your favorite dive destination?

What was your best dive experience?

What was your worst dive experience?

What was your scariest dive experience?

Have you had any funny experiences while diving?

Have you had any close encounters with aquatic life while diving?

What (besides your love of diving) can you share with the divers that will be reading your profile?



## ***GOT NEWS OR STORIES?***

Just because it is the height of winter, doesn't mean our diving is dormant. This is an excellent time to brush up on skills, service equipment, take classes, and make diving plans.

To keep the momentum going, let's share highlights of our adventures in diving. Consider writing an article for the newsletter (pictures also welcome!). If not a personal story or experience, diver-related news or educational articles are also welcome. All submissions are appreciated and will be credited accordingly. Send to [info@thediveclub.com](mailto:info@thediveclub.com).





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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  Beach 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

Are you a member of Divers Alert Network (D.A.N.)?  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 18 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature/Title of Club officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**LIABILITY RELEASE AND EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

**THIS IS A RELEASE OF YOUR RIGHTS TO SUE**

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 an 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.

**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