

NEWSLETTER



San Jose Flipper Dippers

JANUARY
2017

GENERAL MEETINGS HELD
3RD WEDNESDAY
OF EACH MONTH
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Underwater robot probes depths of Loch Ness

A high-tech marine drone scouring the depths of Scotland's Loch Ness for one of nature's most elusive beasts has found a "monster" - but not the one it was looking for. Rather than the fabled Loch Ness Monster itself, the probe has discovered a 30-foot (9 meter) replica used in the 1970 film "The Private Life of Sherlock Holmes," which sank nearly 50 years ago after its buoyant humps were removed.

Undeterred, the enthusiastic monster-hunters steering the drone are continuing their search for any evidence that might prove the existence of "Nessie." The survey by Norwegian company Kongsberg Maritime has been the most detailed to date of the Loch's icy depths. The Munin drone is capable of mapping vast areas down to 1,500 feet and is often used to locate downed aircraft. "The vehicle allows sonars to scan just a few meters from the loch floor, giving resolution several orders of magnitude greater than anything before," said Kongsberg Maritime engineer Craig Wallace.

Along with the movie replica, it has also found a 27-foot shipwreck as it maps the Loch floor. Far from being disappointed by the findings, Steve Feltham who has been hunting Nessie for 25 years, says the maps will help him in his quest. "I think the findings are fantastic," he said. "We now have a more detailed map of the rock bottom than ever before, which will show us the location of every lump and bump. "We can send back cameras to look at anything of interest which could turn out to be the carcass of the animal," he added. "It's shown there's a hell of a lot more to investigate."

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New Club Officers ready to take charge

Congratulations to our new 2017 Board! From left: **Manuel Mangrobang** (Vice Pres.), **Jim Rezowalli** (Treas.), **Barbara Davis** (Pres.), **Lance Williams** (Sgt.-at-Arms), and **Mike Chalup** (Sec.). We're sure our Club officers will be organizing a great year of diving and other activities that everyone will enjoy. Join in and sign up to lead a dive or activity! ★



Refreshments Are Being Served

The following Dippers are asked to bring a tasty goodie to the next General Meeting: **Bill Winter, Rob Wolf, Brian Zaugg, Barbara Zwieg, Tony & Debby Alarcon** and **Larry Ankuda**. Don't forget you will receive a FREE raffle ticket for your donation! ★

Is this YOUR LAST Newsletter?

Did YOU forget to pay your 2017 Club Dues? See the December Newsletter or contact the Club's Treasurer for details. New Club Roster comes out in February.



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Annual Awards Banquet

Mark the evening of **SUNDAY, January 22nd** on your 2017 calendar for our Annual Flipper Dippers Awards Banquet. This year the Flipper Dippers Annual Awards Banquet is again going to be held at **Michaels At Shoreline**, 2960 Shoreline Blvd., in Mountain View. Michaels is the Clubhouse for Shoreline Golf Links. You won't want to miss this one!

This event is sure to be another fun-filled

evening! We will have our usual (or unusual) guest M.C. Who will it be? The emphasis of the Awards Banquet is recognizing the outstanding efforts of Club members during the past year. Trophy winners will be presented with special awards, as will Club Officers, Committee Heads, and others who put forth much effort to make Club dives and events a success during 2016. We may even present some long-time members with their 10 or 20

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Happy New Year! I'm looking forward to some great diving in 2017! Recent local diving conditions have not been the best, but that just provides the opportunity to check your gear and make sure everything is ready for when diving conditions improve in the New Year! Get your regulators serviced, your tanks inspected, and check out your exposure protection and weight systems. Let's make sure our gear and ourselves stay in great shape and let's continue our Club's great safety record. We look after ourselves and our buddies and we take the time to mentor our new and prospective members.

We had elections at the December general meeting and we have some new and some continuing Club officers for 2017. Thanks to **Brian Zaugg, Mike Chalup, Jim Rezowalli** and **John Schwartz** for all their help in running the Club in 2016. And congratulations to our Club officers for 2017: new Vice President **Manuel Mangrobang** and Sergeant-at-Arms **Lance Williams**, plus returning Treasurer Jim Rezowalli, Secretary Mike Chalup, and myself as your club President. Also a special thanks to our membership chairperson, **Teresa Hanson**, for hosting the business meetings at her home.

We have quite a few events scheduled in January. In addition to a boat dive on the BeachHopperII for our Second Saturday SCUBA (S3) dive, we also have the Annual Awards Banquet on Sunday, January 22nd, and the Annual Planning Meeting on Wednesday, January 25th. The Awards Banquet lets us recognize everyone who pitched in and helped at Club events in 2016 along with the Photo Competition judging, where everyone gets to participate. The Planning Meeting gets us set up for a great calendar of activities for 2017. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Planning Meeting and share your ideas. After all, this is YOUR CLUB! Plus, both events are a lot of fun!

I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming meetings and events in 2017!

Everyone keep safe and let's go diving! – **Barbara**



Diver's I.Q. Review Corner

This Month's Question: You should always have a reserve of _____ PSI of air at the end of a dive:

1. 1500
2. 500
3. 200
4. 1000

Send your answer by e-mail to **Larry Ankuda** at lankuda@comcast.net. All attendees at the next general meeting with the correct answers will be included in a drawing for 10 free raffle tickets. Good Luck!



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RAFFLE NEWS

Lance Williams

Our December Raffle was loaded with gifts, from cash to some very unique items. Of course the \$50, \$30 and \$25 in CASH was removed from the tree right off the bat! Items that made a big hit in the raffle included a miniature pool table chosen by **Dennis Nason**. This will be used in his downsizing and 5th wheel vacation wagon. A large bag of beef jerky provided by **Manuel Mangrobang** was a hit. **Mike Chalup** brought in a special computer vacuum unit picked by Manuel. Raffle items dropped off by Dennis covered boating supplies including an anchor and chain and engine flush ears. One very cool item was wild mushrooms from L.O.R.D. **Larry Ankuda** scooped up by **Tom Gardner**. **Teresa Hanson** supplied raffle gifts that make description fun, the Olive Garden Gift Certificate was perfect and won by **Kelly Drake**, the fish platter taken by **Jim Rezowalli**, the fish cutting board picked by Pres. **Barbara Davis**. The hot gift on the table, a taxidermy Rainbow Trout, was hooked by **Scott Schimberg** and his bride **Michelle** chose a bottle of Jim Rezowalli's Dragon Crest cabernet. L.O.R.D. **Steve Lodoen** donated a like new divers knife grabbed by **Dear Emperor For Life Howard Timoney**. A cool item slipped onto the raffle by **Bill "SHIP" Shipman**, a compact weather radio, was won by **Steve Richards**. We had a lot more gifts and more winners for the raffle; thanks to all for making this one a lot of fun.

THE DOOR PRIZE The \$30 door prize name was picked and AGAIN, **Steve Wall's** name was drawn! So it's \$40 for our January general meeting. Maybe Steve is waiting for the pot to get to the \$70 maximum limit?

THIS MONTH'S RAFFLE: For this month we're back on our rotation for donations. Each month we pick names from the Club's Roster for members to bring a donation for the Raffle Table. So this month the following are asked to bring a dive-related gift: **Don Mercado, Patrick Murphy, Adam Nasont, Dennis Nasont, Jess Pimentel** and **Mark Pryor**. If you live out of the area or can't attend the General Meeting, please contact, **Lance Williams** (+1-650-321-5255, Willo1044@yahoo.com) to send in a check. He will pick up a raffle donation

in your name. The raffle has always been an important part of our General Meetings. Please do **your** part as a Club member and provide a raffle donation when your name comes up. Thank you! ★

MEMBERSHIP

Teresa Hanson



There are prospective members looking to dive and we look forward to diving with you! Prospective members must have a Club jacket either in possession or on order to be voted into the Club. See the Club's Website (Membership Requirements) for information and where to purchase. Contact **Teresa** for additional information on any and all Membership Requirements.

A FREE raffle ticket will be given to the following Dipper who has a birthday this month: **Dennis Nasont**. Happy birthday to the first Dipper of the new year! ★

Have we got all your correct information?

Included with the February issue of this newsletter will be the new year's roster for all "members-in-good-standing." If you have an address, phone number or e-mail change, make sure to contact **Carl Tuttle** (408-286-7956, e-mail: tutcomms@sbcglobal.net) with your update ASAP! Don't let this new roster

be printed with erroneous information! Remember, our roster is for the private non-commercial use of Flipper Dipper members only. ★



2016 TROPHY STANDINGS

Each month the person whose name appears in the newsletter will receive **3 FREE RAFFLE TICKETS** at the General Meeting — if in attendance. If you hold a trophy several months in succession, you will receive **3 FREE** tickets each month until someone beats your catch.

Contact **John Snyder** at +1-408-202-5196, e-mail: john.fishhunter@gmail.com, **WITHIN 1 WEEK** and give him all the proper info (include the name of one Club-member witness). ★

SKIN DIVING

LINGCOD

Bob Gault 15 lbs.
Black Gulch 05/29

ABALONE

John Snyder 8.8 inches
Van Damme 05/28

CABEZON

Open

SHEEPHEAD

Open

LOBSTER

Open

OTHER OPEN CATEGORIES

*Halibut, White Sea Bass,
Striped Bass*

SCUBA

LINGCOD

Open

CABEZON

Open

SHEEPHEAD

Open

LOBSTER

Open

HALIBUT

Open

The race is on! Good luck to all!



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 year membership pins. The outgoing Board will be thanked for their efforts, and the incoming officers will be welcomed.

As in past years, the Club is subsidizing the cost of the Banquet. **Tickets this year are prix fixe on meal selection at \$45.00.** Each entrée is served with seasonal greens, fresh vegetables, potato du jour, French rolls, and coffee.

Entrée choices include:

- Roast Prime Rib of Beef, au jus
- Crab and Shrimp Cannelloni
- Breast of Chicken Marsala
- Vegetarian: Mushroom Crepes

All dinners include appetizers and desert: Chocolate Torte.



No-host bar starts at 5:00 PM and dinner at 6:00 PM. Hard and soft drinks are available at the clubhouse bar, which is across the entry aisle from the banquet room. There is a corkage charge of \$7.50/bottle (\$11 for you magnum drinkers), payable directly to the server when opened.

Carl Tuttle has tickets for you last minute procrastinators. Can contact Carl

(408-286-7956; tutcomms@sbcglobal.net) to purchase your tickets. Due to the date change, the deadline for purchasing tickets is the Business Meeting on January 6th. Don't miss this fun-filled evening! 🌟

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The first written record of a monster relates to the Irish monk St Columba, who is said to have banished a "water beast" to the depths of the River Ness in the 6th century. The most famous picture of Nessie, known as the "surgeon's photo," was taken in 1934 and showed a head on a long neck emerging from the water. It was revealed 60 years later to have been a hoax that used a sea monster model attached to a toy submarine.

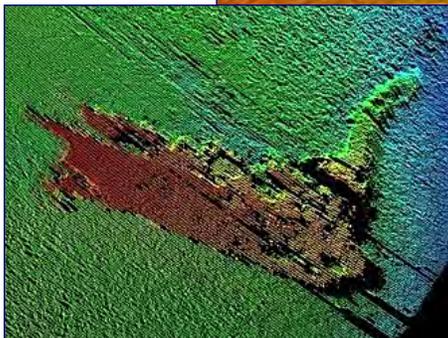
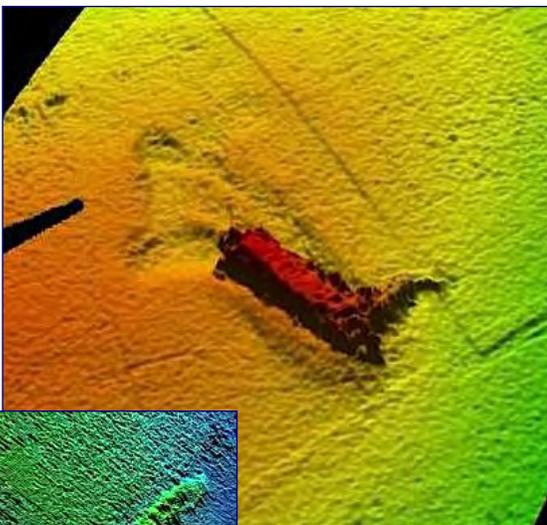
VisitScotland and Mr Shine's The Loch Ness Project, which gathers scientific information on the loch's ecology and the potential for a monster, is supporting the survey. Mr Shine told the BBC News Scotland website: "We have found a monster, but not the one many people might have expected. "The model was built with a neck and two humps and taken alongside a pier for filming of portions of the film in 1969. "The director did not want the humps

and asked that they be removed, despite warnings I suspect from the rest of the production that this would affect its buoyancy. "And the inevitable happened. The model sank." Mr Shine added: "We can confidently say that this is the model because of where it was found, the shape - there is the neck and no humps - and from the measurements." The model was floated out to a place in the loch where only a few months earlier, claims of sighting of Nessie had been made.



The Private Life of Sherlock Holmes was made in the US and UK in 1969 and released in theaters in 1970. It was directed by Billy Wilder, a famous figure of Hollywood's "golden age" whose long catalogue of features included: Some Like It Hot starring Marilyn Monroe. The

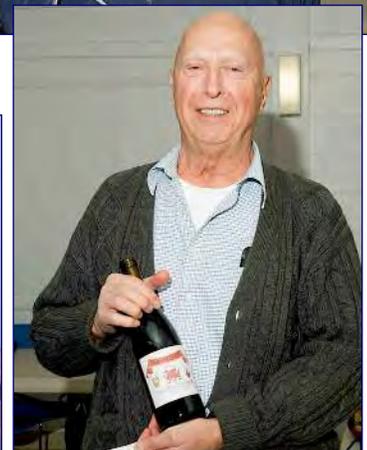
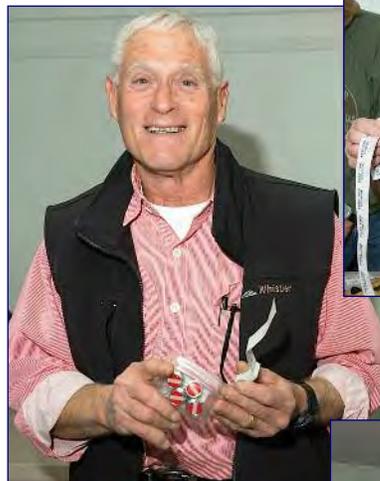
Sherlock film tells of the detective investigating the disappearance of an engineer. The case takes him to Loch Ness and an encounter with a monster. Sir Robert Stephens played Holmes, Colin Blakely was Dr. Watson and Sir Christopher Lee was the sleuth's brother, Mycroft Holmes. Talented special effects artist Wally Veevers, whose other work included 2001: A Space Odyssey, Superman and Local Hero, led the building of the 30-ft-long Loch Ness Monster. It sank on its first outing on the loch while being towed behind a boat. Wilder is said to have comforted Veevers after watching his creation disappear beneath the waves. The director, who had also been dogged with problems lighting scenes at Loch Ness, had a new monster made - but just its head and neck - and moved the filming to a large water tank in the film studio.



Computer generated images of the film prop based on the scan made by the drone.

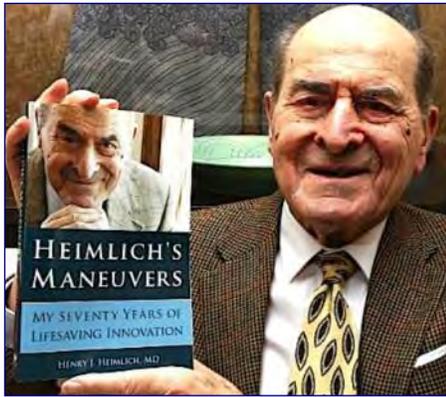
Countless unsuccessful attempts to track down the monster have been made in the years since, notably in 2003 when the BBC funded an extensive scientific search that used 600 sonar beams and satellite tracking to sweep the full length of the loch. It concluded there was probably nothing there. "We are excited to see the findings from this in-depth survey by Kongsberg, but no matter how state-of-the-art the equipment is, and no matter what it may reveal, there will always be a sense of mystery and the unknown around what really lies beneath Loch Ness." 🌟

December General Meeting (Photos: Mike Chalup)



Henry Heimlich, life-saving maneuver creator, dies at 96

Henry Heimlich, namesake of the maneuver that has saved the lives of an estimated 100,000 potential choking victims, died. The famed Hyde Park physician, who became a focus of controversy in his later years, was 96. Heimlich died at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati, where he had been a patient after suffering a heart attack earlier this week, his son Phil said.



"My father was a great man who saved many lives," Phil Heimlich said. "He will be missed not only by his family but by all of humanity." Heimlich was director of surgery at Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati in 1974 when he devised the treatment for choking victims that made his name a household word.

"He regularly dazzled me with his vitality, even at his age, and his commitment to making sure things were done the right way," recalled Patrick Ward, former executive director of the Deaconess Associations Foundation and a collaborator in the Heimlich Heroes program creating a classroom curriculum for teaching the maneuver to sixth-graders. "His passion for helping people never wavered."

Heimlich, who published his autobiography in 2014, faced criticism in the last decades of his life for his research into using malaria to cure people with the HIV virus. The idea was to use malaria, a treatable illness, to boost the immune systems of those with HIV.

"We did some research in China on HIV patients, because we weren't allowed to conduct studies here in America, and published it in a Chinese medical journal in 1999, but the work stalled," he told a Boston Globe reporter during an interview about the autobiography. "I think it's still worth researching to see if it works for other diseases."

He noted that studies conducted in Austria in 1922 using malaria as a way to treat patients with syphilis resulted in that researcher winning the Nobel Prize. "How can those who have no results themselves attack someone with a new idea?" Heimlich asked an Enquirer reporter in 1993. "At least I have proven results."

At the age of 92, Heimlich renewed a long-running battle with the American Red Cross. He objected to the Red Cross' first-aid recommendation that choking victims first receive five back slaps and then the Heimlich maneuver's five abdominal thrusts.

He emphasized that while he objected to the recommendation, the Red Cross' procedure did not make him angry. "It leaves me horrified," he declared in a 2013 Enquirer inter-

view. "Black slaps lodge the object further in the breathing passageway and lead to deaths from choking. I want to see the research proving that back slaps help choking victims. As far as I know, none exists."

Ward noted that Heimlich's fight with the Red Cross "showed the spirit of his personality. The Red Cross is an icon. But, when Dr. Heimlich felt he was right, he was not going to back down to anyone until he was proven wrong. He's been that way all of his life, not just since he came to Cincinnati."

Heimlich himself did not use his namesake maneuver to save a life until just this past year, the Times reported. On May 23, he noticed an 87-year-old woman, Patty Ris, choking on a piece of food at the table she happened to be sharing with Heimlich at Duepree House, the senior residence where they both lived in Cincinnati.

"I could not breathe I was choking so hard," Ris told the Times.

Heimlich rushed to act, performing the maneuver. "A piece of meat with a little bone attached flew out of her mouth," he said.

Heimlich, his wife, Jane Murray Heimlich, a writer, and their four children moved to Cincinnati in 1969. The thoracic surgeon came to the Queen City from New York to be Jewish Hospital's director of surgery and teach at the University of Cincinnati's College of Medicine. During his fifth year at the then Avondale-based hospital, the doctor and his team of researchers developed the maneuver which bears his name and made him world famous.

Before coming to the Queen City, the Wilmington, Del., native — "I left there at the age of one and took my family with me to New York" — showed an early interest in inventions, contemplative problem solving and, as he often admitted, "daydreaming." At the age of 5, he fashioned a sword from a battered umbrella. At the same age, he would sit for hours fishing at a stream by his parents' house in New Rochelle, N.Y. With a paper clip for a hook, he never got a bite. But, his late sister, Cecelia Rosenthal, noted that he never minded coming up empty. As she liked to say: "He was too busy thinking." ★

Annual Club Planning Meeting

Our annual Club Planning Meeting for 2017 has been scheduled for **Wednesday, January 25** at 6:30 PM at the home of **Steve Lodoen**, 6027 Sylvaner Way, San Jose.

This is where the decisions are made on dates for major Club events and activities, and the master calendar for the year is set. **All 2017 Club officers AND committee heads should plan to attend.**

Any members interested in being involved in planning Club dives and activities are encouraged to join us. Everyone please bring an appetizer-type dish to share and something to drink. ★

DIVE & ACTIVITY CALENDAR

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JANUARY 2017

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4
BUSINESS MEETING. 7:30 PM**
Meeting will be held at **Teresa Hanson's** home (408-966-6433, teresa_hanson@comcast.net). All members are invited to attend. This is a good time to share your new ideas for dives and entertainment. Refreshments to share are welcome.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 14
SECOND SATURDAY SCUBA (S3) BOAT DIVE** Coordinator: **Mike Chalup**, 1-408-744-1868, email: mchalup@virtual.net. Go to the BeachHopper's Website to sign up (www.beachhopper2.com). Cost is \$80 for a 2-tank dive (if you bring your own 2 tanks). You can also request tanks as part of your registration (per tank charges are \$10 for air, \$15 for nitrox) and they will be on the boat. Boarding is 7:30 AM at K-Dock, departure is 8:00 AM. Contact Mike for more info.

GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, January 18th

7:30 PM at the Knights of Columbus Santa Maria Hall
2211 Shamrock Dr., Campbell.

Come celebrate 52 Years of the San Jose Flipper Dippers at our General Meeting.

Entertainment:

- ★ Social Hour
- ★ Share Your Dive Stories
- ★ Great Raffle Prizes

**THE DOOR PRIZE IS \$40!
YOU must be present to win!**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Michaels at Shoreline, 2960 Shoreline Blvd, Mountain View, No Host Bar: 5:00 pm, Dinner: 6:00 pm. LAST CALL! Contact **Carl Tuttle** for dinner tickets 408-286-7956, tutcomms@sbcglobal.net

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25
ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING**
Annual meeting to plan the Club's calendar for the coming year is being hosted by Steve Lodoen, phone: 408-903-3519, 6027 Sylvaner Way, San Jose at 6:30 PM. Come share your ideas for dives and other Club events. All new and continuing officers and committee heads should plan to attend. Other members interested in being involved in planning Club dives and activities are encouraged to join us. See article on page 6 for more details.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 28
NO SCHEDULED DIVE**

UPCOMING IN FEBRUARY
01 Business meeting
11 Second Saturday SCUBA
15 General meeting



Rare white whale is not alone

Migaloo is Australia's most well-known humpback whale. When he was first sighted he was the only known all-white whale in the world. As he migrates up the east coast of Australia from Antarctica to the warmer waters of Tropical North Queensland his distinctive all white coloring allows people to report sightings. Scientist, who have been following Migaloo since his first sighting in '91, went to the Aboriginal elders of a local tribe in the Hervey Bay region and asked for their help in naming the young white whale. The elders named him "Migaloo," which in their tribe's language means "white fella."



Up until September 2011, Migaloo was thought to be the only all white Humpback Whale in the world. Then amazing footage emerged of a 100% all white baby humpback calf. This new white whale unofficially named MJ (Migaloo Junior) has amazed and delighted people from around the world. It really is mother nature at her brilliant best and hopefully this new all white whale will live as long as the average humpback whale (50 years) and assist in creating more awareness of our marine environment for future generations to enjoy and appreciate. Migaloo is protected under Australian law and is part of the Australian East Coast Humpback Whale population. ★

2017 Abalone bag limits and dates approved

As expected, new rules for the amount of annual take and months for red abalone catch, for 2017, have been approved and put into effect. The limit of 9 that can be taken in Sonoma County remains.
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Notice of Approval of Emergency Regulatory Action

Date: December 27, 2016

This emergency rule making action by the Fish and Game Commission reduces allowable annual take of red abalone and closes the abalone fishery in the months of April and November.

OAL approves this emergency regulatory action pursuant to sections 11346.1 and 11349.6 of the Government Code.

This emergency regulatory action is effective on 4/1/2017 and will expire on 9/29/2017. The Certificate of Compliance for this action is due no later than 9/28/2017. ★

NOTE: All certified divers are encouraged to attend San Jose Flipper Dippers' dives.

Non-Club members will be required to show proof of certification to the dive coordinator prior to entering the water with our group. Please sign up for dives at the General Meeting or call the coordinator. This is needed in case of cancellation or changes.



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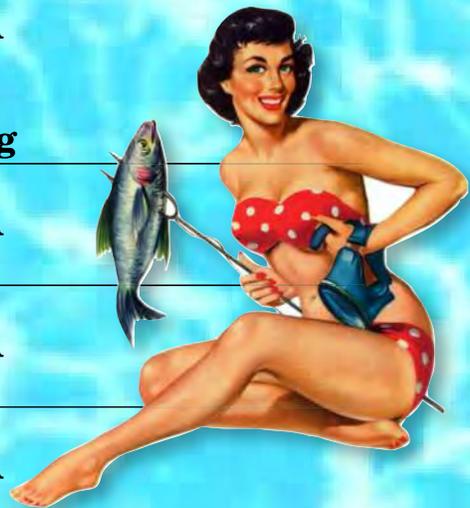
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2017 Club Dues?**

See the December
Newsletter or contact the
Club's Treasurer for details.



2017 COMING EVENTS

Jan 4	Business Meeting
Jan 14	Second Saturday SCUBA
Jan 18	☛ General Meeting
Jan 22	Annual Awards Banquet
Jan 25	Annual Planning Meeting
Feb 1	Business Meeting
Feb 9	Second Saturday SCUBA
Feb 15	☛ General Meeting
March 1	Business Meeting
March 11	Second Saturday SCUBA
March 15	☛ General Meeting
April 5	Business Meeting
April 8	Second Saturday SCUBA
April 19	☛ General Meeting



Watch This Space - Much More To Come!
See the Club's Website for the full Calendar



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