

NEWSLETTER



San Jose Flipper Dippers

OCTOBER
2019

GENERAL MEETINGS HELD
3RD WEDNESDAY
OF EACH MONTH
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4.5 Dippers Clean Up Coyote Creek for International Cleanup Day

Larry Ankuda

September 21 was a perfect day for a cleanup. Our chosen meeting spot was, Coyote Creek at Hellyer County Park, advertised to accept 100 volunteers, and at 9 AM (or thereafter) there were 50 ready to go. Park Ranger Suarez was in charge. They had water, snack bars, pick-up sticks, an assortment of nice new gloves, and some super bags supplied by the Water District. **Tom** and **Jackie Gardner** got there on time. During the cleanup the three of us found **Hunter Reid** picking up stuff after calling **Carl Tuttle** for more directions. Tom and Larry braved the poison oak to haul out stuff from next to the creek, especially a wooden chaise lounge. As we worked back to the starting point we encountered latecomers who were in progress or setting out, so there probably were 100 volunteers taking part. But it is a very large and well-used park, so there was a lot to pick up if you traveled a way. At 5:25 PM I noticed a message on my home phone from **Mike Chalup**, saying he was at Hellyer Park—where was I? Mike later reported that he ended up with another volunteer on the west side of the creek. A satisfying time was had by all. ☆



Above from left, LORDs Larry, Hunter, Tom and Jackie, and Mike.



I'm a Winner! . . . Ah, sure you are . . .

At the August General Meeting Dipper **Grace Chi** was mentioned as the recipient of the Golden Dippy for a number of blunders during the July Elkhorn Slough kayak trip. Too many to mention here but suffice it to say she deserved the Dippy. Grace wasn't at the August meeting but was at the September meeting – and thought this was a "Special Award" from the Club. And now she knows how "Special" she is! And Grace, you don't get to keep it forever. ☆

Refreshments Are Being Served



The following Dippers are asked to bring a tasty goodie to the next General Meeting:

Barbara Davis, Greg Davis, Kelly Drake, Tom Gardner and Jackie Gardner. Don't forget you will receive a FREE raffle ticket for your donation! ☆

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Social Hour & Great Raffle!

At the October General Meeting we will be having a "Social Hour" to

give everyone the opportunity to share their stories of past dives and activities as well as discuss the many dives and events during the coming months.

You will also have time to purchase tickets to our monthly raffle for a chance to win some very interesting prizes! The Door Prize is \$10! Hope to see YOU there! ☆

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



September started off on a sad note when the dive boat Conception caught fire and sank, killing 34 members of the dive community. It reminds us all about how quickly things can go wrong even when we feel that we are in a safe environment. That tragedy, plus the medical emergency that occurred last June on the Yukon, reinforces our need to not become complacent in our sport. We need to keep our gear maintained, watch our dive buddies, keep our training up to date and check the environment that we place ourselves in. When things go wrong they can go wrong very quickly – and you may have less than minutes to react.

The Club voted at the September general meeting to send a \$600 donation to DAN (Divers Alert Network) in an effort to help the families of the Conception dive boat fire victims. DAN has established a Web page so that others who wish to donate to the families can do so, knowing that 100% of their donations will go directly to the families in need. As this edition of the newsletter was being produced there has been over \$180K donated. If anyone is interested in making a donation there is a link on the Club's Website.

The Big Sur camping trip was very pleasant. Only a 1.5 hour drive south of San Jose, the park has a river you can wade in, showers and even a laundromat so you don't need to over pack. **Carl Tuttle, Barbara Davis** and I did a tank dive at Monastery, which was flat and had 30-40 ft. visibility. If you want to have a getaway that isn't too far, this is the place.

According to the Activity Calendar, October looks to be a quiet month. There will be a dive on the second Saturday of the month. That's about it. The weather looks good for the next week so good diving should be in store.

Looking ahead, Club dues are due this month. Pay on time and avoid the \$5 late fee! See page 3 for a breakdown. Remember, dues go towards the rental of the hall for our general meetings and other club expenses.

And in November, we'll be looking to nominate some of our fellow Dippers for 2020 Club Officers. Maybe you have been thinking about getting more involved in club activities? Here's your chance!

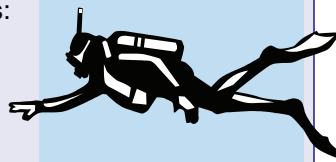
– Your president **Tom**

Diver's I.Q. Review Corner

This month we have Two (2) Questions and each is worth a chance to win FIVE (5) raffle tickets for your correct answer!

Question No. 1: A pneumothorax may be described as:

- A. Air around the heart.
- B. Air under the skin.
- C. Air in the blood stream.
- D. Air between the chest wall and the lungs.



Question No. 2: The most obvious symptom of pneumothorax is:

- A. Difficulty breathing.
- B. Lumps around the neck
- C. Difficulty swallowing.
- D. Unconsciousness.

Send your answer by email to **Barbara Davis** at bjdscuba123@gmail.com. All attendees at the next general meeting with the correct answers will be included in a drawing for 5 free raffle tickets per question. Good Luck!



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RAFFLE NEWS

Leigh Hartley Tuttle

September's General Meeting had a good turnout of Flipper Dippers. Lots of good stuff on the raffle table too. **Howard Timoney** brought a nice bottle of Korbel Brut Champagne, which **Carl Tuttle** picked up. **Hunter Reid** showed up with Watersafe waterproof bags that **Mike Chalup** bagged. Mike was actually a big winner at the meeting. He also took home one of two bottles of Chateau St. Michelle Merlot brought by **Scott Schimberg**, **Larry Ankuda** got the other one. Mike also nabbed one of three lobster bags donated by Larry. One of the other lobster bags went to **Tom Gardner** and Larry took one back home. From Larry's garden he brought a bag of vegetables which Tom and **Jackie Gardner** were delighted in taking. Speaking of lobster bags, **John Snyder** also brought two, which went to Larry and Mike respectively. John also brought a scallop/ab iron, which Mike also plucked from the table. Carl showed up with a lanyard and tank cap won by Howard. Last but certainly not least, **Bill Shipman** arrived with a bottle of Pig Stai wine that Tom thinks he will enjoy. Bill also brought two pair of dive gloves, one taken by Hunter and one (you guessed it) by Mike. All in all, it was a fun and busy raffle.

THE DOOR PRIZE: The door prize is now \$10 as **Tom Gardner** drew **Hunter Reid's** name from the door prize can and he was at the meeting so he collected the \$10 prize! Remember, YOU must be in attendance to be eligible to win.

THIS MONTH'S RAFFLE: We're on our rotation for donations and 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: **Bill Winter, Brian Zaugg, Barbara Zwieg, Tony & Debby Alarcon, Larry Ankuda** and **Mike Chalup**. If you live out of the area or can't attend the General Meeting, please contact, **Leigh Hartley Tuttle** (1-408-829-3660, tutcomms@sbcglobal.net) to send in a check. She will pick up a great 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. Thanks! ★

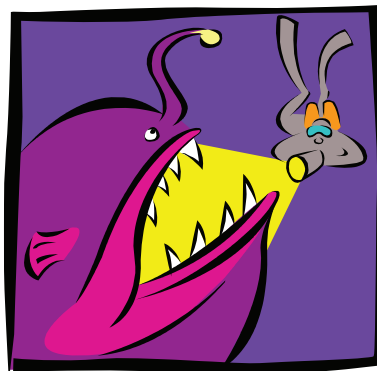
MEMBERSHIP

Teresa Hanson

There are some prospective members looking to dive and we look forward to diving with you! Prospectives 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 those Dippers who have a birthday this month: **Debby Alarcon, Kelly Drake** and **Howard Timoney**. Happy Birthday Dippers!

And *we still don't have these* Dippers' birthday months, so you're missing out on a FREE raffle ticket: **Grace Chi**, and **Giani Dhaval**. Let me know your birth month so you can get a free raffle ticket when your month comes up. ★



CLUB DUES DUE THIS MONTH

It is October again and time to pay your **annual dues** at the General Meeting. Dues help cover a portion of the yearly room rental. Each member will also be asked to sign an "Assumption of Risk Agreement" when dues are paid. These forms will be available at the October General Meeting. Out-of-town members will be mailed a Risk Agreement form to be signed and returned (one copy only) with their dues. You can mail your Club Only Dues and completed form to: **Scott Schimberg**, 21 Haven Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94597.

Club Dues \$50.00 per year and **\$10.00** per year to receive this Newsletter via the U.S. Postal Service. Or download it FREE each month from the Club's Website in full color. Charter and Lifetime Members will continue

to receive the Newsletter by U.S. mail.

CenCal (Central California Council of Diving Clubs) dues are **\$15.00** and USofA (Underwater Society of America) dues are **\$20.00**. (Pay online at: www.cencal.org). These optional dues support the many efforts of CenCal and USofA on behalf of all divers in the areas of beach access along with conservation, and state and national legislation. These two organizations form an effective method for presenting the divers' interests state-wide and nationally.

A summary of our annual dues is as follows:

CLUB	\$ 50.00
Newsletter (U.S. Mail)	10.00
CEN CAL	15.00
USA	<u>20.00</u>
Total	\$ 95.00

Remember, associate member (non-diving spouses of Dippers) dues are **\$5.00**. Associate members may attend Dipper functions at member prices, but have no voting privileges. Also, dues must be paid by November 30th or you will incur a late fee of \$5.00. SO DON'T DELAY! ★

2019 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, email: john.fishhunter@gmail.com, **WITHIN 1 WEEK** and give him all the proper info (include the name of one Club-member witness). ★

SKIN DIVING

❑ OPEN CATEGORIES ❑

Lingcod, Cabezon, Sheephead, Lobster, Halibut, White Sea Bass, Striped Bass

SCUBA

❑ Lingcod ❑

Debby Alarcon 14 Lbs
Albion 08/31

❑ OPEN CATEGORIES ❑

Cabazon, Halibut, Sheephead, Lobster

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STAR ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Jackie Gardner

Ever notice some Club members with Gold Stars on the back of their jackets? Here's how to get yours! These achievements may be accomplished and recorded in any order. Stars will be awarded in numerical order upon completion of all previous requirements. It is the Club member's responsibility to make sure these accomplishments are recorded with the Star Achievement Program Chairperson. All of the below qualifications will be determined and reviewed by the San Jose Flipper Dippers' Star Achievement Program Committee. Chances are, you already qualify for your first or second 'Star' and don't know it. Review the list below - you're on your way!

1st STAR AWARD ★

1. Show SCUBA certification from a nationally recognized certification agency.
2. Log ten (10) dives with the Club.
3. Dive to 60 feet in the ocean on a Club dive.

2nd STAR AWARD ★★

1. Log 20 total dives (not necessarily Club dives).
2. Have current CPR AND First Aid certification.
3. Coordinate two (2) scheduled Club dives.
4. Assist at two (2) scheduled Club activities.
5. Prove ability to use a compass by showing proof of: a) Navigation Specialty, OR b) Advanced Diver certification.

3rd STAR AWARD ★★★

1. Obtain a Scuba Rescue course certification from a nationally recognized certification agency.
2. Complete one (1) year as an active skin and SCUBA diver AND Club member.
3. Complete at least one (1) of the following: a) assist at four (4) club activities, b) coordinate four (4) scheduled Club dives, OR c) dive with four (4) prospective Club members.
4. Have current CPR AND First Aid certification.
5. Show certification of one (1) of the following courses: a) O2 Provider, b) Nitrox, OR c) Advanced Diver.

4th STAR AWARD ★★★★

1. Complete two (2) years as an active skin and SCUBA diver AND Club member.
2. Log at least two (2) night dives.
3. Serve as a Club Committee Chair, OR participate in at least two (2) different ocean/dive-related public services.
4. Have current CPR, First Aid AND Scuba Rescue certification.
5. Coordinate the following scheduled Club dives: a) one (1) boat dive, b) one (1) ~~abalone~~ dive, AND c) one (1) night dive.
6. Dive with at least six (6) prospective Club members.

5th STAR AWARD ★★★★★

1. Successfully complete all previous requirements.
2. Complete three (3) years as an active skin and SCUBA diver AND Club member.
3. Have current CPR, First Aid AND Scuba Rescue certification.
4. Be a nationally certified: a) SCUBA Instructor, b) Assistant Instructor, c) Dive Master, d) Master Scuba Diver, OR e) serve one (1) year as a Club Officer.

2019 Club Photo Competition!

Jackie Gardner

Get your shutters snapping! Here are the objectives and rules for this year's Club Photo Competition:

1. To encourage members to have fun taking videos or photos from our club events and special trips, sharing their best photos and competing with our fellow members. Additionally encourage new members or old members to learn photography tips from experienced photographers.
2. Photos must be taken during 2019 at a Flipper Dippers' coordinated event. This is any event or dive that was published in the Newsletter or mentioned at a club meeting.
3. A entry fee of \$5.00 per category, due when you enter your photos.
4. Up to four photos can be entered into three categories (either novice or advanced): Gnome Photos, Underwater, Spirit of the

Club. If more than one photo is submitted the group of photos will be judged as a collection.

5. Snorkel Roaming Gnomes can be purchased for \$18.99 at: www.roaminggnomestore.com/p-1294-snorkel-roaming-gnome.aspx

6. Photo prints can be no larger than 8-1/2 x 11 inches. All photos submitted for each category must be mounted on the same piece of mounting board. For instance if you submit three Gnome photos and four underwater photos, the Gnomes must all share one mounting board as a collection and the underwater photos must share another mounting board as a collection. Mounting boards should be large enough to hold all your Photos.

7. Winning photos will be featured on our home page and all photos will be judged by your peers attending our annual Flipper Dipper Awards Banquet in January 2019. The most votes for each category will be our winners. The winners will be announced at the February General meeting. There will be

a first place prize in each category.

8. There are six (6) winning categories (either novice or experienced).
- A. Novice or Experienced underwater photos.
 - B. Novice or Experienced spirit of the club.
 - C. Novice or Experienced Gnome picture (underwater or spirit of the club).

Novice: meaning you have been taking underwater photos for less than 10 years.
Advanced: meaning Experienced photographer has an advanced camera and over 10 years experience.

Categories will include: Underwater, Spirit of the Club (above water), and Gnome either spirit or underwater. These photos can be edited if preferred.

9. Entries must be submitted by January 11, 2020, one week before the Annual Awards Banquet. Photos must have been taken in 2019 at a Flipper Dipper coordinated event. This is an event or dive that was published in the Newsletter or mentioned at a club meeting. ★

An Amazing Labor Day Weekend at Albion!

Debby Alarcon

We as divers always hope that when we go to the north coast, we will experience an amazing adventure; calm seas, no wind, and beautiful warm skies. Well after years of going and being slightly disappointed because there was always some part of the puzzle that was missing. No wind, but large swells; no swells but lots of wind. Well this Labor Day weekend delivered what all divers look and hope for when they pack their gear, hook up their boats or kayaks and set out for the adventure they have come to love; everything, beautiful blue skies, calm water and no wind!!

Bob Gault met **Tony** and I up at Albion for the Labor Day weekend. He arrived on Thursday; while we arrived Friday afternoon to a beautiful sunny warm day. Since we now have a home we tow, our boat is wrapped up in the back of our Ford F250 pickup truck. Early Saturday morning we pumped up the boat, and the three of us pulled it to the river and launched it. Then it was time to get suited up and with our four wheel drive, took all the gear down to the boat and got it loaded. This is always when we talk about how much work it is to get into

the water! But, we loaded up, and set off south, since there were clear blue skies, and a smooth ride.

Once at the dive site, we all got our gear ready; we were so excited that the Poseidon, God of the Ocean, was giving us a gift of calm seas. Tony and I dropped down to forty-five feet and started looking around. I was following Tony; he always finds the big fish. Well, as luck would have it, he went through a canyon. As I approached, a large lingcod came up to follow him. Oops, his bad, when he saw me he went back down on to his ledge. I got Tony's attention because I didn't want to shoot the fish without back up (hey I'm not afraid to ask for my buddy's help) and when I shot him, he didn't like it, since it was not a kill shot. Tony and I worked to subdue him for what seemed like an hour. But long story short, we brought a 14 -pound ling back to camp to enjoy that evening with our great dive buddy Bob (we are the three Musketeers!).

We had an awesome weekend, with fresh fish dinner, great dive and after cleaning the gear and taking a shower, met some nice friends that were camping around us. They all were very interested in the Ling and the fact that I was the one that got it. Our dog, Emma, met many new friends on the beach and also had lots of fun running and playing with them in and out of the water. The rest of the weekend was warm, sunny and fun with all the new friends we met. ☆



Labor Day Weekend at Big Sur

While Tony, Debby and Bob were suffering with conditions at Albion, Dippers **Tom** and **Jackie Gardner**, **Barbara Davis**, and **Carl** and **Leigh Tuttle** were camping at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park and diving at Monastery Beach.

Counterclockwise from below, Tom, Barbara and Carl are ready to get diving at Monastery Beach. Leigh is enjoying 'First-Class Glamping'. Carl has to deal with the rough surf conditions. As the saying goes, "You should have been there!" ☆



Nation's First Underwater Veterans Memorial Opens in Florida

Circle of Heroes officially open to divers

Becca Hurley



The nation's first underwater dive memorial is officially open to the public. Located about 10 miles off Clearwater, Florida, the Circle of Heroes dive site pays respect to veterans and those who currently serve in the U.S. armed forces.

The dive site, currently made up of 12 life-size statues placed at a depth of 45 feet, is part of the greater Veterans Reef scuba diving area in the Gulf of Mexico. The



underwater statues, which represent men and women serving in the U.S. Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines and Navy, are placed in a circle around a memorial that includes bronze crests symbolizing each branch of the military. underwater veterans memorial

By the end of 2020, the dive site will feature a total of 24 detailed structures, but in the meantime, divers can visit phase 1 of this unique project.

We had a chance to dive the site a week prior to the public unveiling with local veteran divers, and it was a transformative experience. Veteran and former Staff Sgt. Shawn Campbell of the U.S. Army was present and shared his

excitement to dive the site for the first time with us.

Campbell, who served in the military for 13 years and completed three tours of Iraq always loved the water. Having grown up in the nearby Crystal River area, he always wanted to become a commercial deep sea diver.

After leaving the Army, he was able to finally fulfill that dream, but after a year of commercial diving, prior injuries sustained during his time in the military were catching up to him. Campbell knew he wanted to continue diving, so he landed a job at Narcosis Scuba in Tarpon Springs, a dive shop known for employing veterans.

Campbell says diving is his form of therapy. "Diving is a complete lifestyle, and to do this for a living makes me feel super lucky and fortunate," he adds.

Underwater at the Circle of Heroes site, Campbell paid respect to the statue that represented a kneeling soldier. He slowly made his way around the circle, stopping at each statue to take in the moment.

But the ultimate underwater surprise was seeing his name engraved on a plaque on the statue that represented the Iraq War soldier.

Back on the boat, Campbell shared what it meant to him to be included, but ultimately this dive site gave him the opportunity "to reflect and really think about all the soldiers I knew who never made it back home."

For Campbell, scuba diving is a hobby he has been happy to return to, and he can't wait to share this experience with other divers, military or not, he says. "It's a special and truly unique experience."

More About Circle of Heroes

The idea for the memorial was first imagined by local marine expert and scuba instructor Heyward Mathews almost 10 years ago. In February 2018, several of the statues were unveiled on land during a live broadcast ceremony. The statues were sunk in place during the week of July 22, 2019, and the site officially opened to the public on August 5. This dive site will be open to recreational scuba divers, and there are plans to use the site for adaptive sports therapy programs for disabled veteran divers. The vision is that this shallow dive site can provide physical and mental health therapy for veterans who participate in scuba diving rehabilitation.

To learn more about the Circle of Heroes, visit vetmemorial.org and contact Narcosis Scuba to dive the site. ★

NOMINATIONS FOR 2020 CLUB OFFICERS

At the **November General Meeting** we will be nominating Club members for the following offices: **President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer** and **Sergeant at Arms**. To be eligible to hold an office, one must be a current member in good standing. Presidential nominees must have been a club member for at least

two years. Holding an office is a rewarding experience as well as being of benefit to the club. This is your chance to *get involved* and voice your ideas as to the future of the San Jose Flipper Dippers. **The Election of our officers will take place at the December General Meeting.**

Duties of our Club Officers are as follows:

PRESIDENT: Has overall responsibility for the club's success. Presides at all general, business and special meetings and appoints standing committees for the year and special committees as seen fit. Also includes writing a monthly *President's Corner* for the newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENT: Responsible for scheduling of the dive calendar each month, arranging for dive coordinators, and writing the monthly calendar article for the newsletter. Includes presiding at all meetings in the absence of the President.

SECRETARY: Includes maintaining the minutes for all general and business meetings and handling club-related correspondence. Responsible for attending all meetings or making arrangements for someone to handle the duties in his/her absence.

TREASURER: Receives membership dues and handles all income and expenses, maintains financial records, and makes monthly reports to the club. Also makes deposits into the club's accounts and issues checks for authorized expenses. Maintains expense accounts as needed for events such as boat dives, banquets, etc.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Includes making arrangements for all meetings and setting up necessary meeting equipment. Maintains order at the meetings and collects fines levied upon members. ★

DIVE & ACTIVITY CALENDAR

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OCTOBER 2019

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2
BUSINESS MEETING 7:30 PM**
Meeting will be held at **Teresa Hanson's** home (408-966-6433, teresa33b@gmail.com). 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. **This could be the last BBQ of the season**, so be here by 6:30 with your food if you wish to BBQ.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5
NO SCHEDULED DIVE**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12
SECOND SATURDAY SCUBA (S3) - BREAKWATER**
Coordinator: **Grace Chi**, 858-337-2674. chi.gracechi@gmail.com. Grace is planning a beach dive. Meet in the **BREAKWATER** Upper Parking Lot at 8:00 AM and we'll decide where to dive based on conditions and sign-ups.

Bring 2 tanks and plan on making 2 dives. Please RSVP in case the dive gets cancelled or moved due to weather or surf conditions.

GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY, October 16th

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

Celebrate 55 Years of the San Jose Flipper Dippers at our General Meeting.

Entertainment:

- ★ Social Hour
- ★ Great Raffle

**THE DOOR PRIZE IS \$10!
YOU must be present to win!**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19
NO SCHEDULED DIVE**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
NO SCHEDULED DIVE**

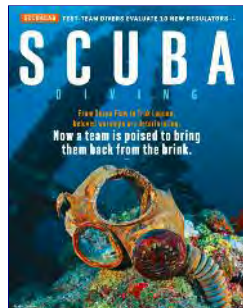


UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER

- 06 Business Meeting – No BBQ
- 09 S3 Dive
- 10 Wine Tasting & Picnic
- 20 **General Meeting** – Nominations for 2020 Officers
- 21 Reservations Memorial Day Weekend (May 21, 2020)



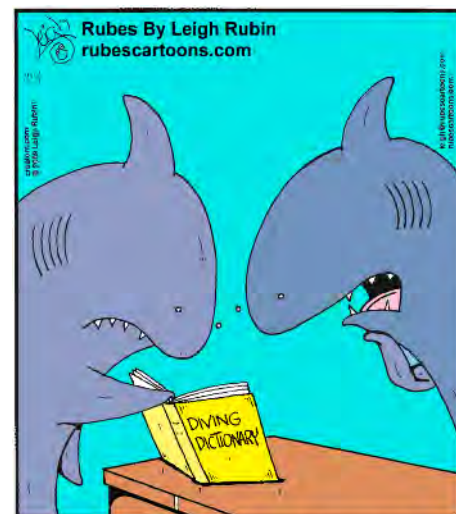
Scuba Diving Magazine Sold to PADI



Bonnier Corp.'s Diving Media Group, which includes Scuba Diving and Sport Diver magazines, was sold to the Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) for an undisclosed sum. PADI now has full ownership of Scuba Diving magazine, scubadiving.com, Sport Diver magazine, sportdiver.com and Skin Diver magazine, all of which will be used to expand the association's editorial platform into a multimedia source for dive training, travel, apparel and community engagement.

As part of the acquisition, members of PADI Club, the organization's membership program, will receive a subscription to the 9x per year Scuba Diving magazine, as well as access to the new multimedia platform and the ScubaLab Gear Guide and World's Best special issues.

"Our investment in this premier dive media group is a natural progression in PADI's mission to educate and inspire our dive community," said PADI Worldwide president and CEO Drew Richardson in a statement. "Over the past few years, we've seen a consolidation of dive media, particularly in the United States. Our relationship with Bonnier Corporation dates back to 1999 and, in that time, we've developed a unique bond built on trust, integrity and the empowerment of divers to be ambassadors for our blue planet."



"Self-contained underwater breathing apparatus? ... Well, what do you know? ... And all these years, I thought scuba stood for *slow cumbersome uncooked bite-sized appetizers.*"

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.



San Jose Flipper Dippers

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2019 COMING EVENTS

Oct 2	Business Meeting
Oct 12	Second Saturday SCUBA
Oct 16	👉 General Meeting
Nov 6	Business Meeting
Nov 9	Second Saturday SCUBA
Nov 10	Wine Tasting & Picnic
Nov 20	👉 General Meeting - Nominations for Office
Nov 21	Reservations Memorial Day Weekend (May 21, 2020)
Dec 4	Business Meeting
Dec 14	Second Saturday SCUBA
Dec 18	👉 General Meeting Election of Officers & Christmas Raffle



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



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