

May 2016 Newsletter



Whalers Dive Club

BJ's Restaurant & Brewery

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The Whalers Dive Club, Inc., a California non-profit

When: 1st Wednesday of the Month 6:00-7:00 Food & Fellowship

7:00-9:00 Meeting

Website: www.whalersdiveclub.com

Address: P.O. Box: 4283, West Hills, CA 91308-4283

East side of Canoga, just south of Victory You can only enter the parking lot from Canoga northbound. Both self-parking and valet available.

Private Room, Extensive Menu, and Full Bar

May Entertainment

Marty McCafferty DAN information specialist

We will be having a DAN presentation on incident stats. Marty from DAN will be joining us again via the Web. This should be another informative and interesting webinar.

President's Message

President Dahlia has done a nice job of rounding up a Speaker for our May 4th meeting with DAN participating in a webinar, so come on out a bring your questions to BJ's on Canoga Av at 6:00 for friends and fun then a great presentation!

See ya Wednesday, Trish

UP-COMING EVENTS

MAY

Rescue Class May 1, 2016 pool session

General Meeting: May 4, 2016 Wednesday @ Bj's 6:00 pm

DAN presentation with Marty McCafferty

Dive: May 7, 2016 Peace - Santa Barbara Island - \$170.00 Call CIDA to book.

Board Meeting: May 19, 2016 Thursday @ Lamplighter 6:00 pm

Deer Creek Beach Clean-up: May 21, 2016 @ 9:00 am to whenever

Dive: May 29, 2016 - Peace to Anacapa (contact Ken)

JUNE

General Meeting: June 1, 2016 Wednesday @ Bj's 6:00 pm

Scuba Show: June 4th & 5th at Long Beach

Board Meeting: June 16, 2016 Thursday @ Lamplighter 6:00 pm

Deer Creek Beach Clean-Up: June 19, 2016 @ 9:00am to whenever

Dive: Trip to Fiji June 25 thru July 2, 2016

JULY

General Meeting: July 6, 2016 Wednesday @ Bj's 6:00 pm

Ken Kollwitz Speaker

Dive: July 16, 2016 - Spectre

Board Meeting: July 21, 2016 Thursday @ Lamplighter 6:00 pm

Dive: July 23, 2016 - Asante to Catalina (contact Dahlia)

More Upcoming dives:

Nov 5-12, 2016. Anthony's Key Resort, Roatan, Honduras - Please see Dahlia for more info

Oct 2017 - Red Sea and Israel tour



Petra, Jordan - Red Sea - Underwater Park

DEER CREEK BEACH CLEAN-UP

May 21, 2016



The club adopted this beach on September 23, 1989. Our goal has been to clean up the beach 3 times a year. The Board has selected dates for 2016; May 21, June 19, and Sept 17. Come one & all; bring family, friends, and potential club members. Trash pick-up and dive start at 9:00AM.

We have official Adoption Papers for this beach to Preserve, Protect, & enhance the coast.

There are no facilities, but bags and a Porta-Potty will be provided. Bring food, drink, gloves, sturdy shoes, and your beach dive gear. Any questions? Call Norm at 818-348-6444.

Directions: Deer Creek Beach is approximately 2 miles north of the LA/Ventura County line on Pacific Coast Highway (HWY 1). From the Ventura Freeway north, take Kanan Road west (left) to PCH, turn right. Deer Creek is signed (where the highway is only two lanes).

We will be setting up at or around the stairs

ENVIRONMENTAL - This article was submitted by Norm Deatherage

Jodi and Randy, winners of the recent Underwater Photography Competition. Courtesy photo. SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS, GETTY IMAGES

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Harbor Cleanup collects 5,000 pounds of trash

Annual event draws more than 300 participants

STAFF REPORT

Divers collected almost 5,000 pounds of trash from the bottom of Avalon Harbor last weekend during the 35th Annual Avalon Harbor Underwater Cleanup, according to Jill A. Boivin, a spokesperson

for the cleanup. The event drew 343 participants, 317 of them divers, and raised \$4,519, according to Boivin. The money will benefit USC's Catalina Hyperbaric Chamber and the Wrigley Institute Scientific Diving Program.

The Underwater Cleanup is the only time diving is allowed in the Avalon Harbor. As always, divers won awards for some of the more unusual trash that they brought ashore. According to Boivin, the awards included:

- Clothing: Johnny Haire found a "Dorky" Fur hat with Paws.

- Electrical: Eric Mabry found a TV remote, something not usually found in the harbor waters.

- Funniest: An unknown diver found handheld VHF radio bearing the label Harbor Patrol. Bob Kennedy (a former Avalon mayor) will take the radio and the trash award plaque to the harbor master to hang in City Hall.

- Furniture/Household: A Bug Zapper, found by Darryle Abbott.

- Kitchen Related: Lynsey and Quentin Scott Boatman got married last year and came to their first U/W cleanup. For their first anniversary, they returned to the Underwater Cleanup and found a champagne brunch—not only the eggs but the champagne glass to go along with it.

- Bizarre: Sharon Wallin found a three legged eyeball with adjustable legs. Not a table, an eyeball.

For the complete list, visit the-catalinaislander.com.

TRAINING

Hello Whalers,

We are starting a brand new year with more training.

1. Emergency First Response (EFR) class will include Secondary Care which is required for Rescue divers and above.
2. Advanced O2 Provider incorporating the MTV mask (manually triggered ventilator) which does the breathing part of the CPR for you.
3. Rescue Class.

The EFR and O2 classes will be conducted in one day, morning and afternoon sessions.

Rescue class involves 2 full days of knowledge development, 2 full days of pool work and one ocean day.

Rescue class is physically challenging, anyone interested in it should start some kind of workout routine in order to meet and comply with the performance requirements. *) happy

Dates are open, however all work will be done on weekends.

Please e mail me if interested, all classes require self-study and I need to order academic materials.

Cost:

EFR and O2 are 49.00 each. You can register for only one or both.

Rescue is 199.00. This year I am getting materials at lower rate due to last year's increased activity.

Looking forward to another year of training and TWO warm water trips.

Our 3 DM candidates Steven Devore, Mike Hartley and Greg Arsenault are at the end of the DM Program. I will let the Whalers know when they complete it and we can throw a party for them.

Good job Guys, especially during our Open Water class, I couldn't have done it without you.

Come on Whalers, let's do it. Dahlia Los Angeles Centre 818-224-7249

Other Members of the Dive Community



- o receive 5% off scheduled local boat charters
- o if active or retired military, make that 10%



- receive 10% off scuba equipment

GLYNN PALMER: Scuba Repair

For more information please contact Glynn @ 310-266-2955



Check with the Shop for:

Schedule of classes

Dive equipment

Dive trips

Repairs



Peace Dive Boat



Divers Alert Network



Disabled Veterans Scuba Project

Photo Gallery

Photos by David Guth



A Monkey Faced Prickle



Spanish Shawl Nudibranch



Hilton's Aeolid Nudibranch



Kelp fish in front of the anchor chain of the Gosford



Infant Sheep head



Photos by Dan Tobias TURKS & CAICOS VACATION



Photos by Dave Guth @ San Nicholas Island and Begg Rock





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