



Whalers Dive Club

March 2019 Newsletter

Where: Los Toros Restaurant NEW LOCATION



21743 Devonshire St.
Chatsworth, CA
Phone: 818-882-3080

*When: 1st Wednesday of the Month
6:00-7:00 Food & Fellowship
7:00-9:00 Meeting*

*The Whalers Dive Club, Inc., a California non-profit
Website: www.whalersdiveclub.com
Address: P.O. Box 4283, West Hills, CA 91308-4283*

Member Benefits

*After the camaraderie, guaranteed dive buddy, mentoring, training, education, local and foreign dive trips, informative guest speakers and valuable opportunity drawings and prizes at the general meeting, and just some good old fashion fun, what else do you receive as an active *Whaler?*

**Check out Other Members of the Dive community below*

General Meeting March 6, 2019

Board Meeting March 21, 2019

Trivia question:

What is the recommended depth for a safety stop and why is it at this particular depth.

Whoever texts or emails Dahlia first with the correct answer will get a free drink at the next General Meeting..... text 818-715-9158 or email seaside98@yahoo.com

Message from the President

Hello Whalers,

We had the first board meeting of 2019 and I believe we all walked out feeling hopeful and enthusiastic about the New Year. I'd like to congratulate new officers Al Kholos, Secretary and Anna Arnett, Treasurer. Further appointments include Dahlia Luria as Vice President and Dive/Trip Coordinator, Al Kholos as Program Director, Norm Deatherage, as Environmental Chair and Beach Cleanup, Rick Dalven as Webmaster, Betty Pringle as Editor and Eddie Malek as Banquet Chair and Prizes and Drawings. I would like to thank everyone for stepping up and volunteering their time. Special thanks go out to Greg Arsenault for his years of dedication to the Whalers as President and Treasurer. Greg will continue to serve on the Board and as Dive Coordinator with Dahlia.

As we move forward into 2019 we have some great ideas for events and speakers, local and warm water dive trips and new training sessions planned. The open water class has drawn in some new members and several of us are enthusiastic about starting the dive master program. I would ask every member to please come out to the meetings, sign up for the dives and be an active member of this great community.

David Arnett

WHALER'S DIVE LOCKER

Safety tip:

Any diver can call off any dive, at any time, for any reason. Do not allow peer pressure to influence your critical decisions.



Whaler's 2019 Schedule

Dahlia Seatide98@yahoo.com 818/224-7249

Local diving: I currently have two trips, both are with CIDA. Call or e mail directly to book, Whalers get 5% discount on all CIDA trips. Cost of each trip is 145.00, 3 dives, air and meals included. 805-469-7288.

2nd of March to Anacapa book with CIDA

6th of April Spectre to Anacapa book with Dahlia for a much lower rate.

4th of May to Santa Barbara Island book with CIDA

Dear Creek Beach Clean-up will be on the following dates:

June 1, 2019 - July 13, 2019 - Sept 21, 2019

Holiday Party Dec. 7th at Los Toros

I will be starting a DM class right after the 1st of the year along with an open water class. I will need Whalers assistance as always in the pool and the ocean. I will advise when the DM class needs volunteers, remember that someone volunteered for you. Looking forward to training and diving in 2019.

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*We will dive the island of Bonaire and stay at the Divi Flamingo resort. The package is all inclusive and all dives are boat dives. **This trip is now sold out***

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ALSO: A La Paz trip is in the works for later this year.more info to follow

Paying from web site: (any Whaler event)

A PayPal account is not required to use the pay on-line payments capability from our website. After selecting pay online, simply use the "PayPal Guest Checkout" feature, using any credit card. Logging into PayPal is not required.

Also: The "What's app" is available to members...please contact Dahlia if interested

Environmental: *Norm Deatherage*

Oregon begins killing sea lions after relocation fails

By GILLIAN FLACCUS
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Oregon wildlife officials have started killing California sea lions that threaten a fragile and unique type of trout in the Willamette River, a body of water that's miles inland from the coastal areas where the massive carnivorous aquatic mammals usually congregate to feed.

The state Department of Fish and Wildlife obtained a federal permit in November to kill up to 93 California sea lions annually below Willamette Falls south of Portland, Oregon, to protect the winter run of the fish that begin life as rainbow trout but become steelhead when they travel to the ocean.

As of last week, wildlife managers have killed



they can loiter under the falls and snack on the vulnerable steelhead as the fish power their way upriver to the streams where they hatched.

The trout travel to sea from inland rivers, grow to adulthood as steelhead in the Pacific Ocean and then return to their natal river to spawn. They can grow to 55 pounds and live up to 11 years.

The sea lions breed each summer off Southern California and northern Mexico, then the males cruise up the Pacific Coast to forage. Hunted for their thick fur, the mammals' numbers dropped dramatically but have rebounded from 30,000 in the late 1960s to about 300,000 today because of the 1972 Marine Mammal Protection Act.

RELOCATION — A California sea lion that was trapped at Willamette Falls in the lower Willamette River waits to be released into the Pacific Ocean near Newport, Ore., in March.

three of the animals project manager for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's marine resources program.

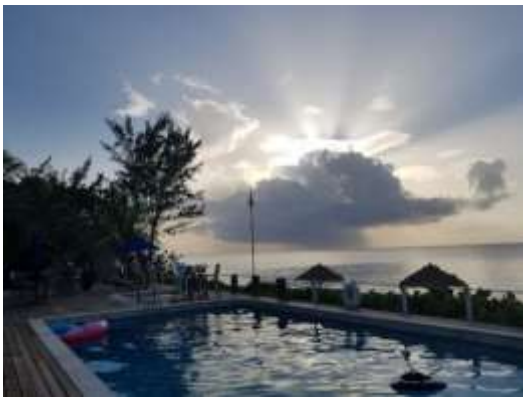
The adult male sea lions, which weigh nearly 1,000 pounds (454 kilograms) each, have learned that

Associated Press files

2018 Trip to Fiji
Photos by Ed Malek



2018 Grand Cayman Trip



Red Sea Trip 2017



The Treasury at Petra and the Port of Jaffa at sunset

The whole gang at the Western Wall

diving in Taba, Egypt



We were out at the oil rigs on Sat. and thought you might like a look see of what it looked like. Eureka and the twin rigs The Ellen and the Elly.....Dave Guth



Other Members of the Dive Community



** receive 5% off scheduled local boat charters*

** receive 10% off scuba equipment*

** if active or retired military, make that 10%*

GLYNN PALMER: Scuba Repair

For more information please contact Glynn @ 310-266-2955 (Glynn now has a new address—31316 Via Colinas, Westlake Village)



Peace Dive Boat



Divers Alert Network



Disabled Veterans Scuba Project



Foreign Dive Trips

- *you'll always save money when travelling with us*
- *and, you'll always be among friends and dive buddies*

Dive Training

- *Our resident instructor Dahlia offers advanced scuba training.*
- *Since 2011, we have issued over 100 advanced certification cards to members, from AOW to Divemaster. [Click here](#) to see the details.*
- *EXTREMELY discounted prices*
- *For details, contact Dahlia by email*

Special Notes: *If anyone has something to put into the newsletter, please send to the Newsletter at whalersdiveclub.com or you can email them to purplecoral200@gmail.com*

LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS

2019 OFFICERS and BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

Contact the website info@whalersdiveclub.com

<i>President</i>	<i>Dave A</i>
<i>Sec/Program</i>	<i>Al K</i>
<i>Vice Pres</i>	<i>Dahlia L</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Anna A</i>
<i>Membership</i>	<i>open</i>
<i>Webmaster</i>	<i>Rick D</i>
<i>Newsletter</i>	<i>Betty</i>
<i>Environment</i>	<i>Norm D</i>
<i>Boat Dives/</i>	<i>Dahlia L /Greg A</i>
<i>Trip Coordinator</i>	<i>Dahlia</i>
<i>Prizes/Banquet</i>	<i>Ed M</i>

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