

Soundings Newsletter

Massachusetts' Oldest Dive Club



UPCOMING EVENTS

January 1 SOBER UP Dive
Pleasure Bay; 9am meet, 10am in the water

SSN Business Meeting
January 4; 7pm

SSN Business Meeting
January 18; 7pm

SSN 2010 Banquet will be at the Common Market January 29 2011. Price \$30.00pp

President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR to all South Shore Neptunes. As we enter this New Year I want to thank everyone who has participated so actively in each of the club events over this past year. It was truly a very active and successful year. Your club is truly revitalized. From the dinner nights out when we had so many members around the table, to the dive shows where the club participated, to the regular club events like the banquet, the outing, and the flea market, and to of course Roy's annual Halloween party, to the new event in 2010, the underwater clean up, we really did quite a lot. And of course, don't forget the diving. The many great club dives along with the search for the Minot's Light plaque were truly great.

Our annual elections were held in December. All positions were filled by qualified members who wish to give back to their club and who want to add a higher purpose to their life. Give them your full support throughout 2011.

**President Steve Marshall; Vice President John Pell;
Secretary Ted Hotz; Treasurer Teresa Czerepica**

The Officers lead the club over the next year. The positions only consume as much time as you let them. In fact, you often get more in return than you perceive that you give!!

FEBRUARY 15 GUEST SPEAKER – Free-Diving

Nick Fazah began his underwater career as a scuba instructor in the Florida Keys. He was first certified open water by BSAC in 1996 and went on to become a NAUI/SSI instructor in 2004, he then made the move to teach in Boston, MA. Since 2004 Nick has picked up his PADI instructor certification as well as earning the title of Instructor Trainer with SDI/TDI. The most recent addition to his instructor ratings is that of PFI (performance free-diving international) free-diving instructor.

Birthdate: December 8th 1984. Resides: Boston, MA
Employment: East Coast Divers, Inc. (www.ecdivers.com)
Nick can be contacted for classes at Brookline@ecdivers.com

I have to thank all my fellow club officers as well as the board for their support throughout the year. Each member should know of the hard work that all the officers and board members put in over the course of the year to make the club the success that it is.

As we enter 2011 I want to thank the members for

Neptune's Meeting Minutes

SSNeptunes Regular Meeting November 9, 2010

John Blackadar again thanked those that helped out with this year's flea market. So far, the figures show that we made money, and it didn't cost us anything to dispose of the trash left over at the end of the day.....it appears that most of it was taken away by the Flea Market Trash Elves.

Tom Guild reported on the Portland Wreck presentation given by Art Milmore on October 19th. Art discussed the history of the Portland's sinking, and presented a slide show that included side scan sonar images and photographs of the wreck. Jay Theriault added that Art has another presentation on the History of Boston Harbor's Military Fortifications if the club is interested. Roy Chamberlain reported that his Annual Halloween party was a huge success, with this year's guest count hitting a new high of 163 ghouls and goblins. To top it off, the good weather held out and all the props were operational. Roy thanked those that helped set everything up for the party.

John Blackadar reported that we had a small problem with the club's Post Office Box. It appears that we had a previous unpaid balance that we weren't aware of, and the Post Office locked the box on us. John paid \$115.00 to cover the previous balance and to cover us through March 31, 2011.

After some discussion, it was agreed that we're getting into the holidays and people's schedules are too busy to schedule Dinner Nights Out for the months of November and December. We will resume with scheduling Dinner Nights Out after the first of the New Year.

John Blackadar thanked Steve Marshall, Theresa Czerepica, Deb Osborne and Carl Yngve for manning the club's membership

recruiting table at the Metro West Wreck and Recreation Show. He also thanked Fred Calhoun for paying the table fees for the Neptunes' table as well as for the tables of a number of other clubs. The show was not as big as in years past, but there were some good presentations on Dive Medicine, Sharks, White Sharks and Underwater Photography.

Jay Theriault reported on a trip he and his dad made to a WWII Museum in Natick Mass.

There was some discussion about how much it will cost the club to setup the club booth at the 2011 Boston Sea Rovers Show. The early announcements indicate that club booth spaces will cost \$285.00. All agreed that we will wait for more information on pricing before we make our decision to attend or not.

SSNeptunes Board Meeting November 16, 2010

Vice President Bowers announced that he would like to get a few volunteers together on Saturday November 20th to print the newsletter. After some discussion, it was agreed that club officers and volunteers would meet at the clubhouse on Saturday at 2:00pm to print and post the newsletter.

VP Bowers ran through a list of items that need to be covered in the next newsletter. The list included announcements that nominations for club officer and board of director positions open on the first and second regular meetings in December, elections will be held on the third regular meeting in December, the Annual Awards Banquet will be held at the Common Market on January 29th, and the traditional New Year's Day Sober Up Dive will be held at Pleasure Bay in South Boston at 10:00am.

There was a brief discussion about

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giving me the opportunity to serve as your President again. There are many new ideas that we want to explore as we enter the New Year. When we have the upcoming planning meeting we will be discussing various items and we will report back to the membership in order to solicit your input and ideas.

So as we leave 2010 we can look back on many achievements for the club. We can also look forward to what I believe will be another active and successful year. I also want to take this opportunity to personally thank our Vice President in 2010, Rich Bowers, for all the hard work he put into making the year such a success.

See you diving in 2011!!

(Board Meeting Con't)

the club's participation in Fred Calhoun's Boston Dive Show scheduled for February 26th at the Holiday Inn in Marlborough Mass. The board agreed that after the support Fred showed the Neptunes at the Metro West Show, we need to support Fred by attending his show.

TANKS A LOT!!

When I first started up our recycling program, dubbed "tanks for cash" by Rich Bowers. I started it up as a way for some of the older members to recycle their old out of date tanks while still being able giving something to the club. Since then, tanks for cash has evolved into more of a "recycle anything metal for cash". This program helps the club by generating much needed funds while getting unwanted stuff out of everyone's home.

This past year we have recycled approximately 500 lbs of aluminum tanks, 120 lbs of steel tanks and 282 lbs of lead. Other materials collected and recycled were stainless steel, brass, copper, copper wire and electric motors. In total, this

generated nearly \$500 for the club.

Next year you can help the club out by bringing in your unwanted metals. Lead, brass, copper, stainless steel, electric motors, wire and aluminum are the most desirable of materials and will bring in the most for the club. Computer CPU's can also be recycled.

Steel in just about any form/product can be recycled but doesn't bring in quite as much per pound as the other metals do.

Items that are not wanted STOLEN items, computer monitors and TV's, or anything containing hazardous materials.

Thank you to everyone who has brought items in to date, let's keep it up for next year!

HAVE A FESTIVE & SAFE NEW YEARS CELEBRATION.

NEW YEAR'S DAY DIVE – get your wet/dry suit ready to SOBER UP. Dive takes place at 10am at Pleasure Bay in South Boston. Catch your first lobster of the new year (yes, your 2010 lobster license is good for this dive). A Warm Up Party will follow at Jay Theriault.

Dues are due!!!!

We are willing and able to collect dues and are waiting for yours!!!!

Bonus Bucks are Back!!!!

Deb has Bonus Bucks tickets for sale and will be there on the 21st. Tickets may also be purchased the night of the banquet Jan. 29, 2011.

The Underwater Club of Boston
Presents the 60th edition of

THE BOSTON SCUBA SHOW
February 26, 2011 (9 A.M. to 3 P.M.)
Holiday Inn and Resort

Directed by Alan Budreau; assisted by The EMMY Award winning team of Linda and Kerry Hurd
Featuring

The world's acclaimed in-water photographer: CATHY CHURCH from The Cayman Islands
Janet MacCausland's artistry

CATHEDRAL ROCKS a new film by Chris and Fred Calhoun

Hunting New England's Ship Wrecks with Dave Clancy

DIVING THE GREAT LAKES with Dallas Edmiston

Applaud the Paul Revere Spike Award to

John Blackadar and the South Shore Neptunes Underwater Recovery Team

Turn to the New Year

With the turn of the New Year almost all of us look back at the year past. We review our accomplishments; our failures and those goals we let slip by with every intention to complete. This past year we can proudly say that the South Shore Neptunes accomplishments far outweighed any failures. With the extreme success of the Coastal Cleanup the new, relationships built with Dive Kulture, & increased memberships the Neptunes truly defined their new direction. We really had no failures to speak of and only a few goals that slipped away.

Under the direction of Pres. Marshall we drove our mission to support the dive community and newly define the need to care for those waters we play on, in and around. I am honored to be part of this great organization and proud of what the membership was able to accomplish.

As I step down from office I would like to thank everyone who was there to support myself and the office of Vice President. I especially want to thank Angelo for all his words of wisdom. I am looking forward to many more years with the South Shore Neptunes and the friends I have made. I wish to congratulate John Pell for his new role as

Vice President and ask that we all support John as you supported me.

See you all at Pleasure Bay for our Jan. 1 2011 Sober Up Dive. For those who have gone south, see you in the spring.

Happy New Year
Rich Bowers

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday January 29; 7pm

South Shore Neptunes Annual Awards Banquet at the Common Market (97 Willard St, Quincy) . Full Buffet. Deb's Famous Raffle.

We are keeping the price the same \$30 Teresa is collecting. Pay early and often... OK maybe not often... But Early!

Can you guess who will be our Life Members this Year??

Breaking News: we have an Artifact of the Year Submission!!

NEADC's Annual SEA ROVER's Show

March 4-5-6, 2011
at a new venue in
at the Crowne Plaza, Danvers

There will be more Dive Shops represented at the show making the Sea Rovers more about divers diving locally.

Over 40 Saturday and Sunday Daytime Seminars!

World renowned Saturday Evening Film Festival!

Expanded Exhibit Hall – Featuring a half-day exhibit floor on Friday for dive industry professionals, with two full days open to the public on Saturday and Sunday!

Free admission to Exhibit Floor.

Discover Scuba offered at the on-site pool.

Fantastic Shipwreck Display, highlighting artifacts and images from Ocean liners and Passenger Vessels recovered by Boston Sea Rovers and our friends.

SOUTH SHORE NEPTUNES SKINDIVER'S CLUB, INC.

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John Pell (781) 792-1863 (Alternate)
Bill Burchill (731) 837-1522 (Alternate)

Presidential Appointments

Audit Co-Chairpersons	Jeannine Fabian	
Banquet Chairperson	Jay Theriault	(617) 620-9221
Competition Director	Roy Chamberlain	(781) 837-5164
Dive Community & Industry Updates	Wally Westphal	
Flea Market Co-Chairs:	John Blackadar	(781) 826-4696 &
	Angelo Correnti	(617) 645-0721
Historian, Librarian		
& Equipment Officer	Carl D. Yngve	(781) 664-0326
Maintenance	Joe Geyer	(781) 792-1863
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Photographer	Stephen Marshall	(617) 733-1178
Raffle Chairperson	Debra L. Osborn	(339) 987-9176
Sea Rovers Co-Chairs:	Angelo Correnti,	(617) 645-0721
and	Stephen Marshall	(617) 733-1178
Sergeant at Arms	Roy Chamberlain	(781) 837-5164
Store and Inventory	Thomas Guild	(617) 484-4204
Summer Outing Chair	Angelo Correnti	
Underwater Rugby Coordinator	Jay Theriault	(617) 696-0270
Web Master	Richard Bowers	(508) 561-0006
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Social Media Director	John Pell	(781) 864-3524

CLUB WEBSITE: To learn more about the South Shore Neptune's activities, membership, etc., visit our website:

MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Member Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month. The meeting begins at 7:00pm.

Board of Directors Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The meeting begins at 7:00pm.

3rd Tuesday Member Meetings are informal gatherings for members, family and friends. The meeting begins at 7:00pm.

HOW TO JOIN THE CLUB: Anyone interested in joining or learning more about the South Shore Neptunes Skindivers Club, Inc., is invited to attend any of the Regular Member or Board of Directors Meetings.

Membership is open to all sport divers and other interested persons. Applications for membership are available at the Clubhouse. Completed applications must be submitted with the initiation fee to the club at a Board of Directors Meeting. The Board of Directors reviews and votes on the applications. Applications accepted by the board are then presented to the regular membership for a Club Vote at the next Regular Member Meeting. Applicants are required to attend both of these meetings.

Membership Fees

\$25.00 Initiation Fee: This is a one time fee collected at the time of application for membership.

\$35.00 Annual Dues: Regular Membership Dues are to be paid by the first Regular Member Meeting of the year.

\$10.00 Corresponding Membership Dues:

Junior and Student Memberships are also available.

DIRECTIONS: To get to the South Shore Neptunes Clubhouse from Route 93 / Southeast Express, Take Exit 8 "Furnace Brook Parkway". This exit will lead you directly into Furnace Brook Parkway in Quincy. Proceed to the second set of lights. At the lights at the intersection of Furnace Brook Parkway and Quarry Street, take the left onto Quarry Street. The South Shore Neptunes Skindivers' Clubhouse is the first stone building on your right.


DIVER'S HOTLINE: Looking for a Dive Buddy? Contact President John Blackadar at (781) 826-4696 or Board Member Angelo Correnti at (617) 645-0721 to find out who is diving when and where, directions to dive sites, or to find out other current club information.

If you need more information, contact any of our Club Officers or Board Members, leave a voicemail at: 781.803.DIVE / 781.803.3483, or send an email to:

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