

# SOUNDINGS

South Shore Neptunes' Newsletter

MARCH 2004



## DUES

**Dues are now past due. Don't pay a late fee. Remit your dues now and avoid a late fee. If you don't pay by the 2nd regular meeting in MARCH late fees will be added.**

## Past Events

**The annual banquet and awards night** took place on Saturday evening, January 31, 2004 at the Quincy Yacht Club in Houghs Neck, Quincy. There were seventy one members and guests present to enjoy a wonderful evening. Cocktail hour was from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. and the committee put out a cheese and cracker table and appetizers for all to sample. Following cocktail hour a terrific meal was served buffet style. The line included a roast pork with stuffing, broiled fish and eggplant parmigian, all of which were accompanied by potato and vegetables, crisp garden salad and rolls & butter. For dessert, the banquet committee set up a sweet table with a variety of cakes and pies. The highlight of the dessert table was a cake baked and decorated by Marie Blake. This cake was trimmed in the club colors and had eatable photos of divers at various club activities the past year. After dinner, the outgoing president, Roy Chamberlain, and the new president, Ted Hotz, commenced with the presentation of awards to those members who won the various competitions in 2003. Also this past year there were five new life members presented with plaques and added to that ever growing list of those who have been in the Neptunes twenty or more years. The remainder of the evening was spent listening and dancing to the music which was played by John Blackadar's daughter and her band. A special thanks goes to Angelo Correnti, Dave Inglis, our chef, and Jeannine Fabian, co-chairpersons of the banquet committee and to the members of the committee. Further into the newsletter there are some pictures taken at the banquet.

**The point dive scheduled for Sunday, February 8, 2004** at Flag Rock beach in Plymouth was cancelled due to the weather. Ted Hotz and Roy Chamberlain met at the Pancake House in Kingston for breakfast and then went to the dive site where the wind was howling and there were up to eight foot waves hitting the beach.

**The Bay State Council of Divers** met at the clubhouse on Wednesday evening, February 12, 2004. Angelo Correnti reported that at this meeting the topic of discussion was the progress on the plans for an artificial reef. Present at the meeting was Vincent Malkowski from the state. He said that at this time things were moving to the permitting stage for the reef. He stated that the state would be taking a look at a couple of sites including the location where the transect dives were made this past Summer.

**On Sunday, February 15, 2004,** the weather was a complete reversal of the previous week and the ice dive went off as scheduled at Long Pond in Plymouth. The members met for breakfast at the Bickfords in Kingston and then headed on down to Long Pond. At the site some ice fishermen commented that the ice was a good 12 inches or more thick in places. It turned out that no hole had to be cut in the ice. There was access to go under the ice at the area where the stream feeds the pond. There were three divers who entered the water. The first two to enter were Roy Chamberlain and Frank Dudas. Following these two, Peter Speen made his entry. On the beach for support were Ted Hotz, Bruce Gerhard, Angelo Correnti and Jay Theriault.

Summers on



the way!!

**On Saturday, February 21, 2004**, the annual Boston Scuba Show was held at the Holiday Inn, in Marlboro. As reported earlier, our Southern connection, Dave Clancy, was a speaker at the event. His topic was wrecks of Nova Scotia. The show was well attended and Roy Chamberlain reports that there were several Neptunes at the show. Dave Clancy's 'Wrecks of Nova Scotia' was a good presentation, enjoyed by those who attended it. Dave was staying with the Chamberlains and on Saturday evening after the show Roy hosted a get together with Dave at his home in Marshfield. There were a number of Neptunes present and its reported that some of them stayed into the wee hours trading stories.

**Roy Chamberlain and John Blackadar** met with the Commander at the Coast Guard station, Point Allerton, earlier this month. They discussed the relationship between the dive team and the Coast Guard. They spoke about the teams availability and needs. The Commander said that the Pt. Allerton station did not have any divers and both sides could possibly benefit each other.

### **Upcoming Events**

**Join in the Polar Plunge.** John Haskell has informed me that at the 2nd Annual Jordan's (like Jordan Hospital) Polar Plunge they are looking for divers to volunteer in water support at the event. The plunge will take place on Saturday, February 28, 2004 at Plymouth Beach. Divers may also be participants. They can pick up a pledge form at the Divers Market dive store at 319 Court St., Plymouth. All monies raised will go to the Jordan Hospital Cancer Center. Registration is at 11:00 a.m. and the plunge is at noon. Divers will be in the water at 11:45 a.m. Call (508) 746-3483 for more information and forms.

**Coming up on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 5th through the 7th**, will be the Boston Sea Rover's **50th Anniversary International Underwater Clinic**. It will again be held at he Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston. There will be over forty daytime seminars, parallel workshops, and an exhibit hall with manufacturers, vendors, organizations and local dive clubs. Saturday evening will feature the Film Festival with long time Sea

Rover, Bob Ballard, doing the duties of master of ceremonies. Tickets for the event can be ordered online at 'www.bostonsearovers.com' or call (617) 424-9899. **As in the past, we will** have a booth at the show. Angelo Correnti is looking for artifacts, photos, videos and dive items for display at the booth. If you have anything which we may be able to use at the show bring it to the regular meeting on Tuesday, March 2nd. Also there is a need for volunteers to set up for the show and also to man the booth during the hours when the show is open. Please contact Angelo or come to the meeting on Tuesday, the 2nd.

**On the weekend of March 13th and 14th**, John Molis will be running a snowmobile trip to Maine. John has run this trip the past few years and the feedback is that it is always a good weekend. If you are interested contact John Molis. Do so as soon as you can, time is running a little short.

**The point dive for March is scheduled** for Sunday, March 21, 2004, in Scituate. Prior to the dive, we will meet for breakfast at 8:00 a.m., at the Gannett Grill in North Scituate. Directions are as follows. If you are coming from the Quincy area you will take Rte. 3A and follow 3A into Scituate. At the large sign "Welcome to Scituate" turn left. Follow the road thru the first set of lights and you will come to the Gannett Grill on your left. Stop and meet the rest of the group. If you are coming from the North on the highway, take Rte. 3 South. Take exit 14 off the highway. At the end of the exit turn left. You will be on Rte. 228. Follow Rte. 228 to Rte. 3A. Take Rte. 3A until you come to the "Welcome to Scituate" sign. Turn right and pass thru the first set of lights. You will come to the Gannett Grill on your on your left. Meet here. If you are coming up the highway (Rte. 3) from the South, get off at exit 12. At the end of the exit take Rte. 139 toward Marshfield. Follow Rte. 139 to Rte. 3A. Turn left on Rte.3A. Follow Rte. 3A until you come to the "Welcome to Scituate" sign. Turn right and proceed thru the first set of lights and you will come to the Gannett Grill on your left. Meet here.

**The non-point dive for March** is scheduled for Sunday, March 28, 2004 and it will be on the North shore. Divers will meet at the Friendlys at the rotary on Rte.128 in Gloucester at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast if your hungry, and to pick the dive location and head for the site. For those divers heading North from the South Shore take the X-way through Boston. Go over the new Zakim-Bunker Hill bridge and take the exit for the Tobin bridge. Go over the Tobin bridge and follow Rte. 95 North to Rte 128. Take Rte. 128 to Gloucester and follow to the rotary and Friendlys.

### **General Club Information**

**At the Board meeting on Tuesday, February 10th,** the president, Ted Hotz, presented a budget for events which will take place in 2004. The board reviewed the information and suggested a few changes and recommended that it be brought before and voted on by the general membership. It was the boards recommendation that it be passed. At the general membership meeting on February 17, 2004, the membership went over the budget as presented and moved that it be accepted. This motion passed. Below is the budget that was voted on by the membership.

#### **SSN Budget 2004**

<b>Banquet</b>	<b>\$2500.00</b>
<b>Banquet Trophies</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>
<b>Sea Rovers Show (Bth/Misc)</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>Childrens Christmas Party</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>House Parties (\$50.00 per prty)</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>Duxbury Outing</b>	<b>\$1500.00</b>
<b>Flea Market</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>
<b>Georges Island Picnic</b>	<b>\$350.00</b>
<b>Guest Speaker Dinners</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
<b>News Letter Publication</b>	<b>\$1600.00</b>
<b>Regular Raffle Prizes</b>	<b>\$1300.00</b>
<b>Election Night Pizza</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>
<b>Regular Meeting Pizza</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>
<b>Flowers (illness &amp; death)</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>Post Office Box Rental</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>

Also voted on were tickets for Georges Island, one price, \$7.00 per person, and prices for tickets for the outing. \$8.00 for member, \$8.00 one guest, \$8.00 for members childre 6 and older in immediate household, all others 6 and older \$10.00. All children 5 years and younger, free.

**At the club banquet there was a raffle** for one years dues. This was a donation from Dave Rodberg in memory of his father Sid Rodberg. Dave has made this donation for several years now and once again we extend our thanks to Dave. This years winner was John Haskell.

**Angelo Correnti attended a selectmens** meeting in Rockport on Tuesday, February 17th. There was a report that the selectmen want to impose a fee on divers to use the beaches in their town. Angelo reported that a selectman did make a mtion that dive shops be required to pay \$75.00 for a permit for the use of the beaches for classes. There was no action taken on the motion. The selectmen want to check with other towns to see how they handle divers. Also the town wants to contact Dave Stilman who operates Cape Ann divers, a local shop, and speak with him.

**Bill Burchill reports that the Scituate** Maritime Historical Society located on the Driftway in Scituate is worth a visit. The facility is open on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. He states there is much of interest there for the dive community.

**Roy Chamberlain reports that** he spoke with Fred Calhoun at the Boston Scuba Show about when the club was founded. Fred told him that the South Shore Neptunes was officially founded in July, 1955. Prior to this date there used to be some get togethers at different houses of divers.

**While speaking with Dave Clancy** he informed me that this coming August he will be running a dive trip to Nova Scotia. He also stated that he has another web site of interest. It is 'www.nswrecks.net'. Dave states that he will be posting the particulars about the trip on this site shortly.

**HOW TO GET A MEMBER  
ASK HIM / HER**

# BANQUET 2004



**AN EXCELLENT BUFFET, THE WORK OF ANGELO CORRENTI & DAVE INGLIS & THEIR CREW**



**THE FOOD PREPARED, CHEF DAVE INGLIS AND WIFE DEBBIE ARE SET TO ENJOY THE EVENING**



**BRUCE & WALLY, "HURRY UP, TAKE THE PICTURE, WE'RE EATING".**



**OUTGOING PRES. ROY & INCOMING PRES. TED, MAKING THE AWARD PRESENTATIONS.**



**JOHN HASKELL  
DIVER OF THE YEAR.  
ALSO COMPETITION DIVE 1ST & 2ND PLACE SCUBA EVENT WINS**



**JOHN MOLIS  
COMPETITION DIVE - SCUBA  
EVENT & SNORKEL EVENT  
1ST PLACE**



**JEANINE FABIAN  
PHOTOGRAPH OF THE YEAR.  
COMPETITION DIVE - 1ST PLACE  
SNORKEL, 2ND PLACE SCUBA**



**MARSHALL REYNARD  
COMPETITION DIVE - SCUBA  
EVENT, 1ST PLACE, SCUBA EVENT  
& SNORKEL EVENT, 2ND PLACE**



**ANGELO CORRENTI  
LARGEST LOBSTER OF THE YEAR**



**ED REDFIELD  
ARTIFACT OF THE YEAR**



**KATHI BELL & TIM NIU  
CO-ROOKIES OF THE YEAR**



**JAY THERIAULT, MIKE KLIPP,  
TIM BURKE, MARK MAIMARON  
& JOE MILLIGAN  
LIFE MEMBERSHIP**



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**NEWLY MADE LIFE MEMBER TIM BURKE STAYING YOUNG DANCING WITH WIFE KELLY**



**FRED & AUDREY GOFORTH, RECENTLY WED CLUB MEMBERS ENJOYING THE EVENING OUT**



**RUMOR HAS IT THAT THESE TWO WERE TELLING WAR STORIES ABOUT THEIR YOUNGER DAYS**



**ROY & JEAN CALL IT A NIGHT TO A WONDERFUL EVENING THAT CAPPED OFF A GOOD YEAR.**

### **UNDER THE ICE, LONG POND, PLYMOUTH**



**BRUCE & TED CHECK OUT FRANK DUDAS BEFORE ENTRY**



**ROY CHAMBERLAIN & FRANK DUDAS DO LAST MINUTE CHECK**



**BRUCE & TED TEND TO THE TETHERS AS ROY & FRANK START UNDER THE ICE**



**CHECKING THE REEL & WAITING FOR ROY**



**ANGELO LOOKING ON WITH BRUCE & TED**



**SOME PRE-DIVE CHIT-CHAT**

## MARCH 2004

SUND AY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1 HT 6:39</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>2 HT 7:37</b> Regular Meting	<b>3 HT 8:30</b>	<b>4 HT 9:19</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>5 HT 10:03</b>	<b>6 HT 10:45</b> Sea Rovers 50th Anniversary Dive Clinic, Copley Plaza, Boston
<b>7 HT 11:26</b> Sea Rovers 50th Anniversary Dive Clinic, Copley Plaza, Boston	<b>8 HT *****</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>9 HT 12:30</b> Board Meeting	<b>10 HT 1:12</b>	<b>11 HT 1:56</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>12 HT 2:45</b>	<b>13 HT 3:39</b>
<b>14 HT 4:40</b>	<b>15 HT 5:47</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>16 HT 6:56</b> Regular Meting	<b>17 HT 8:04</b>	<b>18 HT 9:05</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>19 HT 9:59</b>	<b>20 HT 10:47</b>
<b>21 HT 11:32</b> Pt. Dive, Scituate, meet at Gannett Grill, 8:00 a.m.to 9:00 a.m., brkfst/pick site.	<b>22 HT *****</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>23 HT 12:30</b>	<b>24 HT 1:08</b>	<b>25 HT 1:46</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>26 HT 2:27</b>	<b>27 HT 3:12</b>
<b>28 HT 4:02</b> Non-pt. Dive, North Shore. Meet Friendly Rte 128 Gloucester at 8:00 a.m. pick site.	<b>29 HT 4:58</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>30 HT 5:56</b>	<b>31 HT 6:55</b>			

## APRIL 2004

SUND AY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>1 HT 7:51</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>2 HT 8:42</b>	<b>3 HT 9:29</b>
<b>4 HT 11:16</b>	<b>5 HT *****</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>6 HT 12:16</b> Regular Meeting	<b>7 HT 1:01</b>	<b>8 HT 1:45</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>9 HT 2:34</b>	<b>10 HT 3:26</b>
<b>11 HT 4:24</b>	<b>12 HT 5:27</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>13 HT 6:36</b> Board Meeting	<b>14 HT 7:46</b>	<b>15 HT 8:52</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>16 HT 9:51</b>	<b>17 HT 10:43</b>
<b>18 HT 11:29</b>	<b>19 HT *****</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>20 HT 12:22</b> Regular Meeting	<b>21 HT 12:59</b>	<b>22 HT 1:35</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>23 HT 2:13</b>	<b>24 HT 2:54</b>
<b>25 HT 3:38</b>	<b>26 HT 4:27</b> Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	<b>27 HT 5:20</b>	<b>28 HT 6:16</b>	<b>29 HT 7:13</b> MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	<b>30 HT 8:09</b>	

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**REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS** First and third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

Members, applicants for membership and other interested parties are invited to attend all Membership and Board of Directors meetings. All meetings are held at the Quincy Emergency Management Dive Team headquarters building at the corner of Quarry and Joyce Streets in Quincy. To reach the building take the Furnace Brook Parkway exit from the Southeast Expressway and follow Furnace Brook Parkway to Quarry Street (at the second set of traffic lights). Turn left onto Quarry Street and travel one short block to Joyce Street. The Dive Team headquarters is the small stone building on the right.

**MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

Membership is open to all sport divers and other interested persons. Application for membership can be made at any Membership or Board of directors meeting. Membership applicants are required to attend at least one Board of Directors meeting and after that one regular membership meeting. Membership fees are:

Regular member dues	\$35.00 per year
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Corresponding membership (to receive mailings only)	\$10.00 per year

**DIVER'S HOT LINE**

Looking for a diving buddy? To find out who is diving when and where call Angelo Corienti at (781) 391-1034.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

To learn more about the club's activities and membership please feel free to call one of the club's officers, or call John Blackadar at (781) 826-4696.

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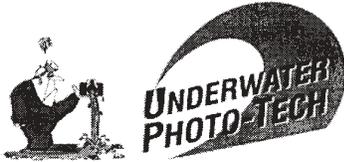
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