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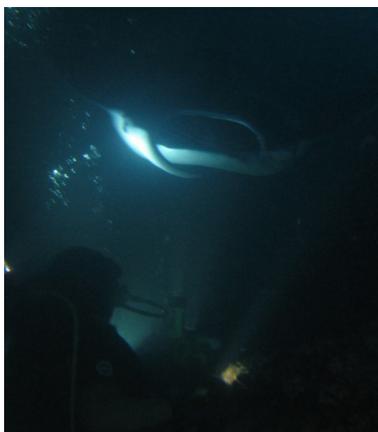
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President's Message

Greetings Dolphin Divers!

With April comes spring showers, flowers and a new season for diving. It also brings us to a new year for the Dolphin Divers Board. At this month's meeting, a new board will be elected to carry forward the commitment that Dolphin Divers has to family events and safe diving. Before this happens I just want to say that it has been an honor to serve as your president this past year. With the support of the board members, it has been a great year to be president. The members of the board and the club as a whole have been wonderful to work for. I want to especially thank all the board members who have volunteered their time over the last year; your dedication to the success of the club

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~Meetings~

General meetings start at 7:00 pm, and are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Round Table Pizza, 9500 Greenback Lane (at Madison). Call 916-989-1133 to order in advance, and be sure to ask for the Dolphin Dive Club discount.

Board meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month, at a board members house. All members are welcome to attend all meetings, however we ask that you call the host to RSVP. Board meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Upcoming board meetings:

April 3rd: Dave Ford

530-863-7881

May 1st: Cayle & Holly Little

530-518-0902

Dolphin Birthday Club

7-Apr	Dave Ford
7-Apr	Brad Frelove
15-Apr	Susan Horner
17-Apr	Fred Knoles
19-Apr	Gail Liu
20-Apr	Kristina Baker
23-Apr	Debbie Millard

Welcome New Members!

Terrance Chesney
Brittney Chesney
Brittania Junes

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is truly valued and is what makes Dolphin Divers a great dive club. I also want to thank all the event leaders; your support and commitment to continuing to create family-oriented fun, as well as and safe diving and non-diving activities is what keeps people coming back year after year and what attracts new members to join in on all the fun. I am looking forward to what new and exciting adventures we will have this coming year and leave you with my final thoughts on this year of service as your president:

Being a member of this club can be so much more than attending monthly meetings and inclusion on the Dolphin Yahoo group emails. More so, it is about the individuals who contribute their unique gifts to this membership. With the collective efforts of everyone in this club, whether big or small, together we influence the spirit and intention of Dolphin Divers. It is not just the Board who can be drivers of this intention; I have learned that this year. It is all of us who make this work: here is where friendships are easily made, and working together toward a common goal results in fun activities and memories to be made. As your president, I am greater for knowing this. Thank you for what each of you bring with you to this motely crue of divers, sherpas and allies.

Here is to a new year of diving!
Marlyn Sepulveda

Sunshine Committee

If you know of a club member in need of some sunshine, please contact our sunshine committee chair, Maridee Green at (916) 722-7665 or lmgreen@comcast.net

Time To Renew Your Membership

Hello all DDS members. Another year of fun and excitement has come and gone.....with another right around the corner. Time to renew your

membership with Dolphin Divers. Your current membership ends on March 31. You can get your application from www.dolphindivers.org. Then, mail it in to the club P.O. box or give it to me at the next meeting. You need to be a current member to vote and that happens next month. You also get free air fills at Dolphin Scuba and a few other shops in town. So, get off the couch and git'er done!

Past Events

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt March 23

The weather forecast for Monterey was calling for sunshine and wind, but we lucked out and the wind held off. There were some low swells washing toward the beach, but waded through then before swimming to the event area where Ray and I were waiting to blow a whistle starting the event. The vis was only about 3 feet, but almost everyone found eggs!

On Friday, the day before the event, Brad Freelove, Ken Takata, Ray Brown, Dave Ford and I met at noon to set out the underwater course. The sun was shining on Friday but the wind was up and there was a current running



toward the jetty. Early Saturday morning Ray, Ken and Brad hid the eggs while Linda Freelove was signing everyone in for the dive. With the eggs hidden I swam to shore to give an orientation at 9:30 to the 24 divers who were gathered on the beach, then I

swam back out to my anchored boat to wait for everyone to swim out to meet over the



hunt area. Brad and Dave

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Whiteside were on the beach helping all the divers. As usual a few divers were still swimming out when I blew the starter whistle at 10:00 SHARP! But most of our divers got an early start and were waiting patiently on the surface for me to blow my whistle so they could descend and start hunting. With all of the divers blowing bubbles around the boat it looked from above like we were in a giant hot tub. The eggs were hiding throughout an area 150 feet square with some hidden



very well, and others left in the open easy to spot. We must have done a pretty good job of hiding them because 7 of the 72 eggs that were hidden are still out there. I was watching everyone a few minutes after the whistle blew when a diver surfaced with a whole bag full of eggs. OOPS!! We missed a bag

when we were hiding them, so we cheated and chucked them out over the searching divers. None of them commented about eggs falling from above.

While the divers were searching the bottom Marianne Larson, with the help of Chelsea Moltrum, was watching the young children on the beach and kept them active with games so their parents could dive.

A little after 11:00 it looked like all of our divers had found their eggs and swam back to the beach so, with Ken Takata's help, Ray and I pulled up the course and headed for shore to get ready for the awards ceremony.

Everyone met at Crazy Horse Restaurant that evening for dinner and to collect their hard (??) earned prizes. We feasted on a GREAT buffet dinner of salads, tri-tip and salmon finished with a chocolate mousse desert. We really lucked



out when we discovered Crazy Horse Restaurant as a venue for this event!

Right after dinner we started handing

out the prizes. As I read off the egg numbers Charlie Rojas and Chelsea Moltrum were busy giving the prizes to the children who delivered them to the lucky diver holding up the winning egg. As soon as the egg



prizes were finished I gave out the raffle and door prizes. (Dave Ford scored BIG with by winning both the underwater video camera in the raffle AND the \$40.00 cash door prize!!)

This event took a lot of work and I couldn't have done it without a lot of help. I want to thank Brad Freelove, Ken Takata, Dave Ford and Ray Brown for helping me put out the course on Friday (Great compass practice) and Ray, Ken and Brad for hiding the eggs on Saturday Thank you Linda for signing everyone in and out on the beach BIG THANKS to Marianne and Chelsea for watching the children for us! And to Brad and Dave for helping on the shore. At the restaurant thanks to Holly Little for signing everyone in. Thanks Michelle Pluth for selling raffle tickets, Charlie and Chelsea for helping with the prizes, and to all of the children who so *energetically* delivered the prizes to everyone.

We have already scheduled Bay Park Hotel and Crazy Horse Restaurant for the event on Saturday, March 22, next year.

Jack (Rabbit) Millard

Upcoming Events

Abalone Opener, April 5 – 8

This year our Abalone Opener Campout and Dive will be held at Ocean Cove Campground. I will get there on Friday, April 5, and try to get enough space for everyone who tells me that they are joining us. So far there are only 4 families signed up.

Ocean Cove does not take reservations so please let me know as soon as you decide to come so that I can try to hold enough space for everyone. The campground is a basic, no hook-up, campground but there are water spigots in the camp areas and portable toilets. There is also a coin operated hot water shower building near the boat ramp and fish cleaning stations.

Call me or send me an e-mail to sign up or for more information:

jbmillard@aol.com, 916-987-1303

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Memorial Weekend May 24-27

If you are planning on joining Charlie Rojas and family over the Memorial Day Weekend, you need to let him know **AND** make your reservation at the Albion River Campground. Please contact Charlie at 22rojasc@sbcglobal.net or (707) 483-9816. There are a limited number of sites available and Albion River is filling up fast. If you want to make sure of have a ton of fun that weekend, contact Charlie soon.....like NOW!

San Francisco Weekend June 1 & 2

Debby and I are leading a trip to San Francisco Saturday, June 1 and Sunday, June 2. We will be meeting for breakfast at 7:30 at the Denny's Restaurant at [4025 Lake RD, W Sacramento, CA 95691](http://www.dennys.com). After breakfast we will drive to San Francisco for the start of a long weekend. Saturday we'll visit one of the city museums (probably SFMOMA, http://www.sfmoma.org/exhib_events) Then we'll check into a hotel near Fisherman's Wharf before boarding on of the Hornblower boats for a dinner cruise around the bay. Sunday morning we'll wake up and take a nice walk before heading to Mount Tamalpais for the afternoon music festival, <http://www.mountainplay.org/> Everyone will have the opportunity to participate in whatever activity/ies they want. You can come just for Saturday, just for Sunday, or both. If you want to join us please let me know as soon as possible. I'll try to book group tickets together for the dinner cruise and music festival.

Jack Millard jbmillard@aol.com, 987-1303

CRAB FEED 2013 June 15

Craig, Brad and Ken, Penny – Team Crab
Alas the time is coming soon.. Many of you have been waiting for this moment all year. As you may have heard, the Dolphin Divers Crab Feed is just around the corner. You won't want to miss all the fun that is being planned at Rudy's Hideaway



for June 15th where there will be "ALL YOU CAN EAT CRAB", Pasta, Salad and Bread. Dinner and Dance music will be provided by none



other than our very own Dr. "Little Fox" Steve Volpicelli, DJ Extraordinaire. Door Prizes and Raffle Prizes will also be happening. If



you have ever been to a DDS Crab Feed you know what a blast they are – If you have not then here is your Big Chance. Tickets available only until June 1st Price is \$45 per person. Many members

already have tickets for sale or you may contact the Crab Team for additional



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CHANNEL ISLANDS 4 DAY DIVE TRIP Sunday, July 21 – Wednesday, July 24

We only have a few openings on our annual dive boat charter the end of July so, if you aren't already on the trip, now is the time to sign up. We'll all board the Truth Aquatics custom dive boat, the "Conception" on Saturday evening from Sea Landing in Santa Barbara, the boat will depart for San Clemente Island while we are sleeping. If you are a new or inexperienced diver this is the best way I know to practice and hone your skills. You will be with many of your more experienced dive club friends and we'll be happy to dive with you.

Out-and-About

Don't forget when you are out-and-about, the following shops and businesses support Dolphin Divers of Sacramento. When you patronize, please tell them you are a club member and thank them for their support. The following shops honor the free air fills on the back of your membership cards:

- **Dolphin Scuba Center:** (916) 929-8188
www.dolphinscuba.com
- **Fish Eye Scuba:** (916) 850-1145 www.fisheyescuba.com
- **Scuba World** (916) 332-8294 www.scubaworldsacto.com

Dolphin Divers of Sacramento is a non-profit organization not affiliated with any dive shops, but we do support dive shops listed.

Garage Sale

Have anything to **sell, trade, give away?**

You can advertise for FREE in the bubbles.

Email: holjohnson@gmail.com or call: (530)219-5415

2013 Trophy Corner

New year, new chance to win!

Big AB:

Big Fish:



DOLPHIN DIVERS OF SACRAMENTO

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April

- 3rd: Board Meeting Dave Ford: 530-863-7881
- 5-7: Ab opener Jack Millard 916-987-1303
- 17th: General Meeting Round Table Pizza

May

- 1st: Board meeting Cayle & Holly Little 530-518-0902
- 15th: General meeting Round Table Pizza
- 25-27: Memorial Day Charlie Rojas 22rojasc@sbcglobal.net.

June

- 1-2: San Francisco weekend Jack Millard 916-987-1303
- 5th: Board meeting TBA
- 15th: Crab Feed Craig Brookey: 916-952-0322
- 19th: General meeting Round Table Pizza

July

- 3rd: Board meeting TBA
- 13 Inland Lobster feed, Lake Natoma Jack Millard 916-987-1303
- 17th: General meeting Picnic in the Park"
- 20-24 Channel Islands trip Jack Millard 916-987-1303

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