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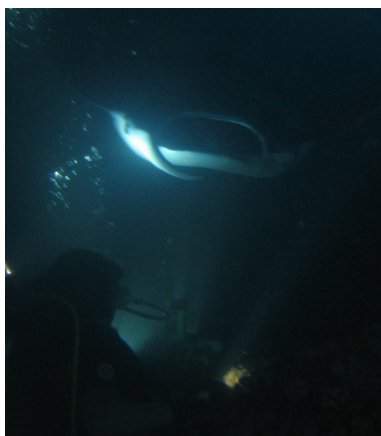
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President's Message

Hello Dolphin Divers and Welcome 2013!

You know what a new year means; that's right, a new dive season! We have several events coming up including Presidents Day, quickly followed by the Easter Egg Hunt. Abalone Season is in a few months so make sure to brush up on the abalone regulations for 2013. Also with a new year, Dolphin Divers begins to look for new Board members. I have had the privilege of being the president of the Dolphin Divers Board this year and it has been an honor. We will begin our nomination process soon. This is a great way to get to know members and be involved in the behind the scenes action that keeps the club in

~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:

January 2nd: Penny Johnson
916-205-5619

February 6th: Chris Anthon
916-799-9468

March 6th: Michelle Pluth
916-435-1756

Dolphin Birthday Club

Bill Holman	7-Jan
Cameron Frelove	10-Jan
David Whiteside	12-Jan
Marc Tarantino	14-Jan
Jack Millard	15-Jan
Michelle Pluth	23-Jan
Max Elliot	26-Jan
Jordan Taylor	31-Jan

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motion.

With the future we can't forget the past events. We ended the year with a bang of Christmas party. We had a larger than expected number of guests at the new location; the Dante Club. Renee put together a slideshow of pictures that have been submitted over the past year, which was fun to see. Steve Volpicelli played some great music with dancing that lasted until we closed the place down. Thank you to everyone that came and I hope you enjoyed yourself as much as I did.

Please remember with a new year to have your dive equipment checked for safety to start another year of diving adventures.

Happy New Year and Safe Diving!
Marlyn

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 and Charlie Rojas took advantage of the great diving and brought home several big ones, all over 9. When the dust settled, there were 10 abs over 9 inches in the boat and headed for shore. What a great way to spend a weekend at coast.

Past Events

Christmas Party 2012

Oh, what a party it was... The Dolphin Diver Christmas Party once again was a fantastic night of food, fun and friends, and a great way to end a great year! The turnout exceeded our goals this year with a total of 69 people in attendance, which is quite good considering the number of people we have in the club this year.

As you know, after many years of holding this event at the Elk's Lodge in Rancho Cordova, the party was moved to the Dante Club in Sacramento. This turned out to be quite a good move, since the Dante Club is centrally located, serves delicious food and has superb service. As usual, the evening started with cocktails and appetizers as our members and guests arrived looking divine, dashing, dapper and debonair.

The drinks were flowing and the appetizers were enjoyed as everyone mingled, socialized and talked about the year gone by. People also had the opportunity to view the pictures on display for the Photo Contest, as well as purchase tickets for all the wonderful raffle prizes being offered for the evening.

Once the dinner buffet began, it became a little quieter in the banquet hall as everyone dined on the prime rib and chicken dinner being served. Just as they promised, the Dante Club provided a bountiful buffet of food for everyone... including seconds. Once the sumptuous feast was over and everyone was pushing back from the dinner table, our ever-popular and gracious leader, 'El Presidente' **Marlyn Sepulveda**, gave a gracious and warm-hearted speech thanking everyone involved in the year's activities. From New Members to Board of Directors to Event Leaders to Scuba Shop Owners, our club is grateful to all those who donate their time and effort to help make our club the outstanding organization it is.

Next, **Jamie Sepulveda** presented some highly coveted awards to those individuals who proved that they are the BEST at what they do. Some had to work hard underwater for their accomplishments, some had to have a well-trained eye, and some just had to be there wonderful selves. May I present to you, your Dolphin Divers of Sacramento Outstanding Award Winners for 2012:

Member of the Year:	Dave Ford
Big Abalone:	Holger Fuerst
Big Fish:	John Wong
Best UNDER Water Photo:	No Entry
Best ABOVE Water Photo:	Renee Viehmann
Best OPEN photograph:	Carol Herrlie

After the awards were bestowed on the deserving recipients, one of the perennial favorite activities of the night took place: the Dolphin Diver Raffle. After two hours of selling tickets, we had one of the highest number of tickets sold in recent memory. A huge THANK YOU to all the ticket bunnies this year who worked tirelessly to keep those raffle tickets moving! Your selfless efforts are GREATLY appreciated. So once the ticket sales were concluded, the winning tickets were pulled, numbers were read, and fabulous prizes were handed out. As was the case for the last few years, all the raffle prizes awarded were valued at \$20 or more and there were plenty to go around – both scuba AND non-scuba prizes. I would like to thank all those INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

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who supported our Christmas Party by donating their own personal gifts to make the raffle that much more special. From bottles of wine and picnic baskets and Sacramento Kings tickets and the plethora of items donated by **Mike and Michele Johnson from Dolphin Scuba**, your generosity is TRULY UNFORGETTABLE!!!

After the raffle was over, the good times kept flowing with music and dancing. Once again, **Sir D.J. Little Fox Mix-A-Lot** spun the tunes that got everyone moving. From the early days of rock 'n' roll to the greatest disco dance tunes to the latest pop-star hits of the New Millennium, the music played and the bodies were whirling and twirling! As usual, the ladies outnumbered the gentlemen on the dance floor by about a 3-to-1 ratio... but I didn't see any of the men complaining!

Last but not least, a huge THANK YOU goes to **Marlyn Sepulveda** for all her hard work in pulling off another memorable Christmas Party. Her organizational expertise, outstanding people skills, and club dedication have made this event the super-success it has been for the past four years. And while it would be nice to have Marlyn leading this event... well, FOREVER, this is going to be her last year as event leader. Both Marlyn and I will be retiring our titles as Dolphin Diver Christmas Party Event Leaders. I now for a fact, Marlyn is looking forward to next year's party where she can just show up around 6:00pm without have to arrange and coordinate a darn thing. You definitely deserve it, MS!!! So if anyone is interested in planning next year's Christmas Party, please contact Marlyn (or any Board of Director) to let them know. I'm sure Marlyn will be happy to offer you her wisdom and expert advice in planning this event!

Season's Greetings,
Steve Volpicelli

Christmas Promise

Hello all you SCUBA Elves,

A big thank you goes out to the 8 SCUBA elves who joined me on Monday, December 17 from 6 to 9 PM to help wrap gifts for those less-fortunate in our immediate neighborhoods. I believe that as a group, we wrapped gifts for a total of 5 boxes. Those in attendance were Carol Herrlie, Arnine Rautio, Margie

Tomenko, Pam Wade, Penny Johnson, Tracy Clarke, Craig Brookey, and Jeff Pluth. Many thanks to Jack Millard for donating wrapping paper and to Dolphin Divers of Sacramento



for their donation to the Christmas Promise through the November Split the Pot Raffle. I look forward to organizing this fun evening again next year.

Thanks and Happy Holidays,
~ Corinne

Upcoming Events

President's Day February 15-18

Hello all you Dolphins,
As promised, here is an update in regards to Casini Ranch located on the beautiful Russian River. Holger and I just made reservations and will be in site C7 this year. I checked with the reservation desk and all other sites in rows B and C are currently open so if you plan on going and want to be part of the Dolphin Group, I suggest that you make your own reservations soon. You can make your reservations via phone at [\(800\) 451-8400](tel:8004518400) daily between 8 and 4 PM. Or you can make your reservations on line at <https://v3.bookyoursite.com/casini/reservation>. As in years past, this outing will go from Friday through Monday AM - February 15 through Monday AM February 18, 2013.

Please plan on sharing hors d'oeuvres both Saturday and Sunday in the early afternoon. Currently, the plan is to head into Bodega Bay (the Tides) late Saturday morning to go purchase oysters - so bring those dollar bills as well as a variety of yummy dipping sauces for the raw and BBQ'doysters. The potluck dinner will be on Saturday PM - Marylin and I will attempt to reproduce Lisa Knoles' famous clam chowder as part of the potluck dinner... add pepper to taste this year :-). For additional information, please visit their website at: <http://www.casiniranch.com/index.php>.

~ Corinne & Marylin

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

2012 Trophy Corner

New year, new chance to win!

Big AB:

Big Fish:



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January

- 2nd: Board Meeting Penny Johnson 916-205-5619
- 16th: General Meeting Round Table Pizza

February

- 6th: Board meeting Chris Anthon 916-799-9468
- 15-18 President's Day Casini Ranch Corinne Fuerst & Marilyn Capmbell
- 20th: General Meeting Round Table Pizza

March

- 6th: board meeting Michelle Pluth 916-435-1756
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