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President's Message

Hello Dolphin Divers,

It is that time or year where we kick of a new board, and although many of the names are the same, it is always great to see those newer members who stepped up to run for a board position. It is always great to see new involvement. Even if you are not a board member, there are plenty of ways to stay involved. Lead an eventto does not even have to be diving... We have had dinners, ski trips, wine tastings, movies, and so many other things. If you are doing something, chances are there is someone in the club who would be interested in joining you! The club is always open to having new events on the calendar!

It is also the time of the year where we start filling out the calendar for

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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:

May 1st: Cayle & Holly Little 530-518-0902

June 5th: TBA

Dolphin Birthday Club

Corinne Fuerst 5-May
Jeff Pluth 16-May
John Wong 22-May
Kyle Green 27-May
Marlyn Sepulveda 27-May

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speakers at the general meetings. Do you have a speaker you would like to suggest? Is there someone or a topic you would like to hear about? Even if you don't have a specific person in mind, suggest a topic to a board member— we have many resources amongst us, and we sure try to find someone.

I am looking forward to a(nother) great year with the club, and thank you for your trust in me as president.

Holly

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 Imgreen@comcast.net

7ime 7o 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

Abalone Opener, April 5 - 8 12-14

The wind blew

The waves flew

While we cowered on shore and watched the brew Only two member families braved the forecast winds to try our chances for abalone at Ocean Cove on the



weekend of April 12. We had already postponed it one week because of the rain, wind, and BIG waves forecast the original weekend. It turned out we could have left our dive gear home this weekend, too. Mike Melvin, with his wife Marianne, and Debby and I set up camp on the back of the bluff where we could watch the ocean and the sunsets. It turned out that was about all we could do. The swells weren't too bad, but the 30 knot winds whipping up the seas kept us safely on shore. It was sunny every day, just *VERY* windy. It was even too windy for a campfire so we made the best of it by watching some videos in our motorhome. The four of us went out for a "Potluck" dinner at the newly re-opened Ocean Cove Lodge Bar and Grill. (the food was very good and priced



reasonably).

Mike and Marianne packed up Sunday but Debby and I stayed another day to enjoy the scenery outside of our RV windows. When we got home the side of our RV that was parked facing the ocean was covered in dirt and salt from the constant spray kicked up by the wind.

Oh well, we still enjoyed each other's company and the ocean view.

Maybe I'll try it again next year, but I'll definitely pay closer attention to the conditions forecasts. Jack

Upcoming Events

Memorial Weekend May 24-27

Dolphin Divers of Sacramento will be heading up to the Albion River Campground for our annual Memorial Day weekend. We have 7 groups staying at the campground and a couple of members staying at local hotels. Going to be a couple of boats for the divers to enjoy. Charlie Rojas is the event leader. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Charlie at 22rojasc@sbcglobal.net. Navarro Beach is just to the south of the campground. There is a beach at the campground where the river flows into the bay. Albion received its' name in 1844. Albion means Britain in the ancient British language. The small harbor there is considered one of the few safe "dog-hole" anchoring spots on the north coast. William Richardson supplied the name and started a lumber industry in the area. Richardson family also had many land holdings up and down the coast. The steamship "Albion" sank around Navarro, was salvaged, refloated and sank again in 1893. During the "heyday" times for the logging industry, there was a large pier that ran from the beach area several hundred yards into the harbor. The pier was the size of a freeway. You can find parts of it on the bottom of the harbor.

So, contact Charlie if you are interested. There may still be spots open for camping.

San Francisco Weekend June 1 & 2

Debby and I are leading a trip to San Francisco Saturday, June 1 and Sunday, June 2. Please join us for any part, or all, of the weekend activities. We will be meeting for breakfast at 7:30 at the Denny's Restaurant at 4025 Lake RD, W Sacramento, CA 95691. After breakfast we'll drive to San Francisco for the start of a fun weekend. Saturday we'll visit one of the city museums (let me know if you have a favorite) Then we'll check into a hotel near Fisherman's Wharf before boarding an Alcatraz Tours boat 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/

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 can give you more information about how to sign up for the dinner and music.

Jack Millard, jbmillard@aol.com, 987-1303

CRAB FEED 2013 June 15

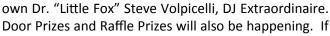
Craig, Brad and Ken, Penny – Team Crab Alas the time is coming soon.. Many of you have been waiting for this moment all year. As



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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





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 information:

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Big Garage Sale June 22

Three local dive clubs, Dolphin Divers of Sacramento, Aquatic Image Makers and Sacramento Seahorses will be hosting a **BIG GARAGE SALE**. Some of the used items offered for sale will include, Scuba Diving and Free Diving Equipment, Camping, Boating & Kayak Gear, Underwater and Topside Photo Equipment and a number of other Ocean - Dive —Boating - Camping related goods. If you have stuff for sale or want to buy stuff, then this is your chance.

Garage Sale will be held **JUNE 22, 2013 8am - 2pm Location:** 1500 Van Ness Avenue, Sacramento CA (off El Camino) For additional information feel free to contact:

Craig Brookey 916-952-0322 or cbrookey@sbcglobal.net

Channel Islands July 21-24



There are two openings on our annual dive boat charter the end of July so, if you aren't already signed up on the trip, now is the time to let me know that





you want to go. We'll board "Conception" on Saturday evening at Sea Landing in Santa Barbara, the boat will depart for San Clemente Island Saturday night at about 11:00, 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. If you are an experienced diver there will also be plenty of opportunities for you to enjoy dives suited to your skills.

We usually anchor in areas along the islands that are protected from the wind and waves and that offer a variety of diving from rocky walls and huge rocks to sand flats. You are assured of seeing a lot of sea life, both large and small. Water temperatures typically are in the mid to upper 60's and visibility varies from 10 or 15 feet to almost infinity. We will again spend the first



days diving San Clemente Island. Night dives will be held every night that conditions allow. I strongly encourage you to try one if you have never done it before. Tuesday night, after the night dive, we will weigh anchor and head north to the islands closer to Santa Barbara, If you are a hunter here is where you will have a better chance of finding scallops.

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While there will be opportunities for more dives than you will probably want to make there is plenty to do on the boat if you want to just hang out and watch the action. The Conception has a television with a VCR, but you will probably spend most of your top time watching the other divers and enjoying the beautiful scenery along the island's shorelines, or sunning on the top deck. We often have non-diving guests who come just to relax and enjoy the experience. It is amazing how good, and plentiful, the food is that is prepared by the crew in the tiny galley. Snacks and munchies are ALWAYS available to replenish your energy. Night time desserts include various pies, cakes and ice cream EVERY NIGHT! If you want to maintain your trim figure you will definitely have to exercise your will power to avoid the temptations. If you are on a special diet you can be accommodated as long as I know what it is, in advance, so that I can notify the

The cost of this trip for our members, and their guests, is only \$650.00. This includes all meals, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, almost unlimited air fills and (best of all) the company of your fellow Dolphin Dive Club members. You will need to bring all of your own dive gear with you, including one tank and your weights. If you prefer you can rent what you need from the Sea Landing office and they will put them on the boat for you.

For more information please check our website, come to club meetings, drop me an e-mail at jbmillard@aol.com, or call me at 916.987.1303. Jack Millard

Garage Sale

Have anything to sell, trade, give away? You can advertise for FREE in the bubbles. Contact the newsletter editor!

FREE BOAT - I would like someone to come and get my old 14ft Novarania Inflatable Boat. It is quite old (like me) but still a workhorse (unlike me).

She has been having some difficulties holding air for more than an afternoon but if you carry the pump that goes with it you could actually go get your abs before you sink. Seriously, it just last August carried 4 divers up under Rainbow Bridge and had no problems. I am using the motor on another boat but if you take the boat you can buy the trailer for next to nothing. (\$200) It has new Axel and Bearings/Races.

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.

2013 Trophy Corner New year, new chance to win!

Big AB: Big Fish: