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November meeting date change!!

Due to the 3rd Wednesday in November falling on the day before Thanksgiving, the November general meeting will be held November 14th (the second Wednesday of the month).

President's Message



Hello Dolphin Divers!

I want to start by thanking Lorne and Maridee Green for leading another wonderful Labor Day weekend event! If you attended, I'm sure that you would agree that everyone had a great time and a relaxing weekend. This was their second year of chairing the Ocean Cove weekend which is the clubs largest event and both years

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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:
October 3: Marlyn Sepulveda
(916) 768-0189
November 7: Brad Freelove
(916) 879-3853

Dolphin Birthday Club

Lisa Knoles	5-Oct
Steve Volpicelli	9-Oct
Sierra Nguyen	11-Oct
Tracy Clarke	14-Oct
Conner Carlsen	16-Oct
Dana Carlsen	19-Oct
Lorne Green	24-Oct
Ellie Robbins	29-Oct

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have gone off wonderfully. Their dedication and efforts are appreciated by all who attended.

So I was thinking about why we dive and I thought of many different reasons.

For some of us, it's about the beauty of the ocean and all the variety of marine life. There is so much to learn, explore and discover while diving it never gets boring and it certainly never the same twice because it's always in motion and changing. Then there are the photographers that dive for the perfect underwater picture that captures a moment in time that helps others see the experience from their eyes. We of course can't talk about reasons to dive without the sport of hunting and gathering. We dive for pleasure, to relax, to create a lifetime of memories, for the fun of it, for the beauty of it, for the sport of it and some people even dive as a career. Whatever the reason, diving has touched our lives in very unique ways and brought us together to share in the experience.

I started diving because when I was a kid my big brother was a diver and I wanted to learn all my life and I was also fascinated with underwater photography.

I stay diving because of all the friends that I have made since learning to dive.

What's your reason for diving?

Dive Safe, dive often, and share your experience with others,

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

Past Events

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Great American River cleanup

I want to start off thanking everyone who helped with the cleanup of the American River on Saturday, September 15. There were 25 divers and 26 raft helpers this year, more

than we have had in a long time.

It was a little before 8:30 when we started from Sunrise Bridge with 10 rafts donated to our cause by American River Raft Rentals. After a short safety briefing we



separated into the rafts and pushed off. The flows were not as fast as last year and the water was warmer, about 72 degrees.

I asked the divers to save some air for after the San Juan Rapids, but many divers started right off snorkeling with their mesh bags. The stretch from Sunrise to the San Juan Rapids was pretty clean but there were still the usual cans and bottles and a few sunglasses and bead strings.

It was about 10:30 when we all stopped at San Juan Rapids to unload our first batch of junk and to regroup to make sure no one was left behind. One of our rafters fell



overboard while going through the rapids and Victor Knigge swam toward her to help. He said he looked down and

saw a camera case a few feet below him so he reached down and grabbed it. SCORE! It was a nice waterproof digital camera! The hapless rafter and her crew pulled out across the river from us to regroup before paddling back to our side.

As I left the beach I heard Dennis and Pam Wade calling me to tell me that they had found a huge stash of cans in an eddy about 10 feet deep. They were free diving for them when I put on my tank and dropped down. WOW! It really was the beer can mother lode. With Dennis and Pam's help we filled about 6 bags from the one spot. They were both taking air hits off of my octopus while we worked to clean up the cans.

It was several more hours of swimming, diving and collecting more trash before we reached Riverbend Park at about 3:00. We pulled out the rafts and turned them in to the raft rental van, then loaded the dive gear in several pickups that we had left there early in the morning. From

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Riverbend it was a short drive back to Sunrise Bridge, our waiting cars, and home. WOW! What a long, productive day. Jack

Date: 10/13/12 @ 7:30pm - Aboard the Delta King in Old Sacramento
Price \$50.00 each tax and tip included (includes 3 course meal) Beverages are not included L
We also will receive admission to the late night show at Laughs Unlimited following our dinner show. A \$20.00 value. There is not a special Headliner on Oct 13th!!
Make Reservations at www.suspectstheater.com make sure to say that you are with the Dolphin Divers group so we will be seated together.

Thanksgiving

Hi everybody,

As in years past, Corinne and I are once again leading a Dolphin Divers camping trip to Albion River Campground over the long Thanksgiving weekend from Wednesday, November 21 through Sunday, November 25.. As before, we were able to secure a block of 10 sites in the "C" row for our club.

The sites are C6, C7, C8, C9, & C10, as well as sites C25, C36, C37, C38, and C39 (yours truly will be staying in site C39). These sites are being held under the "Dolphin Divers" name. You'll each have to make your own reservations as soon as possible (first-come, first-serve). Just like last year, we'll have power and water at each site, so the cost will be \$35/night with the first night deposit due with your reservation. Please note the cancellation policies at the bottom of this email. The campground is holding our block of sites through the end of October, after which they will open up any unclaimed sites back for general reservations by anyone. Again, for our block of sites, it's "first-come-first serve" - you need to call the campground and make your own reservation. Their phone number is listed on the attached map. You can also make reservations on-line (www.albionrivercampground.com), though I don't know if the on-line system will show our block of sites as already booked. Please let me know once you've made your reservation so that I can keep a list of everyone attending for coordination purposes.

As we get closer to the event, I'll be coordinating some of the event details, including the Thanksgiving menu with everyone that's indicated their plan to attend. In years past, we've had an incredible Thanksgiving feast, including deep-fried or bbq'd turkey, ham, incredible desserts, ... you name it. Abalone season along the Mendocino coast will still be open, so weather permitting, this may be your last chance to bag a limit, including a shot at the "largest abalone" club award for the year. And then there's the "big fish" trophy to gun for as well.

Anyway, there you have it.... another fun club outing in the works!

Cheers,
Holger

Labor

Day

Another wonderful Labor Day at Ocean Cove! Fun times were had by all. We had perfect weather and diving conditions. Thanks to everyone who pitched in this year with all the events. We also wanted to send out a special thanks to the spear fisherman who donated their catch to the community feed and to Brad, Charlie, and Fred for donating the abalone for Maridee to prepare Sunday night. We had plenty to go around!

We had a fun turnout for the "Cheeseburger in Paradise" Saturday night festivities and off to bed the spear fisherman went to rest up for a great Sunday dive. All the brave hunters went out for a successful dive this year and came back with some nice fish to weigh up! Our winners for the contest were: 1st- Minh Nguyen/John Wong 2nd- Forest Horner/Mathew Knigge and 3rd- Victor Knigge/Steve Campbell. The big fish was won with a ling by the one and only "Hot Dog" Victor Knigge. Thanks to all the guys and wonderful side dishes prepared, we had a filling dinner that night. We had a great turn out at the women's bake-off (WoW can those ladies bake!). Our winners were Maridee Green, Susan Horner, and Lalaynia Little. Yum Yum!!! Everything out there was fantastic, just ask all those judges! Of course we ended the night with the raffle and fire pits.

Oh, let's not forget our Lady friend MONA!!! Dear Mona went to our friend Minh, who didn't appreciate all the dog poop left around the camp sites by our furry friends. Don't forget to clean up after your furry friends, or Minh might have a surprise for you next time!

We want to thank all the volunteers (couldn't have done it without you) and to Kyle and Ryan for heading up the kids festivities with all their helps! Like I said before FUN times! Thanks to everyone for a fantastic weekend!!! See ya at the Big Blue!!!

Maridee & Lorne Green

Upcoming Events

Suspects Dinner Theater
with Dolphin Divers and Friends

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

Big AB: Holger Fuerst 9.293 inches (Memorial Day)

Big Fish: Holger Fuerst 7.015 lb (Memorial Day)