



**LONG ISLAND NETWORK DIVERS**  
**SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER**

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**SPECIAL COMBINED ISSUE**

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## I. Club News

*This combined newsletter covers the September and October Meetings*

### **SCUBA CLUB MEETING MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 6TH 2006**

#### **Presentations:**

The September meeting was great. Many thanks to **Tony Soto** for the information about the Decompression Chamber at the Nassau County Medical Center (see this edition's feature story, *Better Safe Than Sorry*).

And of course, a very, very HUGE THANK YOU, to club member and technical guru **Lee Solt** for his inspiring information on digital cameras. Now we have to take the WHOLE digital photography course and then we will all be great photographers. **Dates of that course will be announced shortly.**

Thanks to all the members for being a great audience for our speakers....

### **SCUBA CLUB MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 4TH, 2006**

We were very lucky and honored to have speaker **Steven Burke, President of the Long Island diving association (LIDA)**. Steve gave us an update of the progress they are making with the beaches for diving in Long Island, how they are trying to save Beach 8th and Secret Beach for divers, and projects they are working on with Nassau and Suffolk County government to avoid the closure of those beaches.

He also told us about the upcoming **Film Festival on November 17** at the Cradle of Aviation Museum again.

Tickets to the festival still available at the store, but running out.

We also talked about our **Christmas party** to be held again at **O'donnels in Mineola**, if is still available. I spoke with Martin the owner recently and we have it available whenever we want.

The meeting was adjourned early, for members wishing to see the Yankee game... (which eventually was postponed...)

**WEB SITE Reminder:** From now on, we will post the **Newsletters** on our **WEB site**. Some people said that they couldn't read it as a "Word" document. In the web site anyone can read it. We will post the last newsletters there if you couldn't read them.

We will e-mail you when we post new editions.

Our WEBSITE is: [WWW.SCUBALONGISLAND.COM](http://WWW.SCUBALONGISLAND.COM)

Thanks to club member **Lee Solt** for putting the website together.

**Looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting, Wednesday November 1st.**

## *II. The Story Behind The Photo*

*Club member Glen took this interesting photo diving in Granada.*



Here is Glen's story about the photo:

**This *Batwing Coral Crab* was found in Grenada on a reef called Kahonee. Looks like he's munching on, what else, a piece of coral. Lighting conditions were good, broad daylight, and we were down around 65'. A constant, very strong 4-5 knot current made picture taking fun, and challenging. But this crab cooperated, and stayed still long enough for me to get one well-focused shot. I was relieved when the strobe actually fired, because there was no chance for a second shot.**

### **III. Special Feature: Better safe than sorry!**

This past September, Martha arranged a tour of the decompression chamber, located at the Nassau County Medical Center, for club members.

Chamber director Tony Soto and a chamber technician gave an informative presentation about the facility.

They maintain two chambers at the facility: A large one that can comfortably accommodate several patients simultaneously, and a smaller, single patient chamber, commonly found in the islands.

It was interesting to learn the chamber is used more frequently for burn victims and other medical conditions requiring oxygen therapy, than for diver decompression problems. But Tony's message was heard loud and clear: *Don't take a chance. If you have any suspicion at all that you may be having a decompression problem call us for an evaluation.*

And by all means: ***DIVE SAFELY, WITHIN RECOMMENDED DIVE PROFILES.***



One of Tony's technicians, showing us the entrance to the large chamber.



Club members Larry Mack and John Christy don't look too eager to test out the small chamber.

## **IV. GETAWAYS**

### **Scuba Network Adventures**

#### **Next trips:**

##### **CAYMAN**

**NOV.04 TO NOV. 11, 2006 \$1,299 PER PERSON**

**7 NIGHTS 8 DAYS.**

**HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS, DOUBLE OCCUPANCY,**

**ALL MEALS, BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER**

**TANKS AND WEIGHTS**

**DAILY 2 TANKS BOAT DIVING**

**UNLIMITED SHORE DIVING.**

**HOTEL TRANSFERS, TAXES.**

**INSTRUCTOR ESCORT**

**SPECIALTY COURSE**

**COMPLETE ALL YOUR CERTIFICATION DIVES, BEGINNER,**

**ADVANCED, MASTER, ETC.**

**Contact Scuba Network for specific details about each trip.**

**Check our web site [WWW.SCUBALONGISLAND.COM](http://WWW.SCUBALONGISLAND.COM)**

**Call 516-997-4864 or email [scubaclass@aol.com](mailto:scubaclass@aol.com)**

**V. Scuba Network Training: Good Divers Keep Learning!**

**SPECIAL PRICE FOR MEMBERS  
SIGN FOR ANY COURSE IN MAY AND GET 15% OFF FOR DIVE  
MEMBERS OR IF THE MEMBER IS PURCHASING THE CLASSES.**

**Certification Courses:**

Express Friday/Sat/Sun. \$189

Oct. 20,21,22

Nov. 17,18,19

Weeknight classes \$169 6PM TO 10PM.

Nov. 7,14,17

**Nitrox Course: Oct. 29 9:30 am, Space is very limited \$150.00.**

Includes Books. Sign up as soon as possible or give this as a gift to a friend.

***CPR course: OCT 28 at 9:30 am - CPR includes: CPR, Defibrillator, First Aid certification and Marine injuries all for \$120 including books. Space limited.***

***Advanced course: OCT. 18 AT 7:30 PM.***

***Price \$29.50 plus books.***

***Master diver course: OCT. 25 AT 7:30PM***

***Price \$99 plus books, includes 6 lectures and 1 pool session.***

**Scuba Network Continuing Education**

***Call (516) 997-4864 to register for classes***

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***This Month's Scuba Network Featured Specials  
For Dive Club Members***

**Regulator:** complete Sherwood Set-up

**Dive Computers:**

AERIS XR-1 COMPUTER CONSOLE

AERIS XR-1 WRIST COMPUTER

Atmos WRIST 2 Nitrox/air

**Dacor Back-up Mask:** Have an extra mask in your gear bag.

**WETSUITS (STOCK ITEMS)**

**ONE PIECE PARWAY 7 MM SUITS** -50% OFF

3mm --10% OFF

**B/C'S 10% OFF.**

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***Don't forget:** Club members receive special discounts on selected items, trips, etc. Check with Martha for details on special discounts.*

***Reminder:** You must use your club membership card to receive your discount.*

**VI. Classifieds:**

**Vacation Rentals:** *Beachfront Condo in Cozumel.*

For details click on [www.cozumelisparadise.com](http://www.cozumelisparadise.com) or [www.vrbo.com/54454](http://www.vrbo.com/54454) or email to: [pjmila@hotmail.com](mailto:pjmila@hotmail.com)

**General Business:** Technology problems? Call in the experts: **Dark Arts Consulting** will help unravel all your technology issues. Call Lee at 646-228-2006.

**See you at the next club meeting:  
Wednesday, November 1st, 7:30pm.**

**EMAIL NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS, COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS  
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