



LONG ISLAND NETWORK DIVERS
SCUBA CLUB NEWSLETTER

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I. Club News

SCUBA CLUB MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 6TH, 2006

Presentations:

We had a great meeting last Wednesday. Captain Lada, gave us a lecture on Maritime History that was incredible. He spoke about many things we had never heard before, for example how hundreds of years ago they were able to build boats without the technology and engineering we have today. In addition he brought in many old artifacts, nails, spliced wooden beams, etc., as examples of old-world craftsmanship.

We had a great turn out, and I was so glad to see the classroom full.

Our **Christmas/Holiday party** was a success, we had a great turn out, and we were able to see many faces we haven't seen in a long time, pictures were taken and will appear in a future newsletter. The food was as always amazing, catered by Joe from **The IVY COTTAGE**; he deserves a bow. His restaurant in East Williston, on Hillside Ave, is small cozy and the food is really good, as you could tell from the party. The service is great, and I am a usual there, as well as **Martin O'Donnell**, our host for the party.

Thanks to Martin for letting us use his Pub, **O'Donnell's**, at no charge to our club. He worked hard to make sure we have what we need. The bartenders work hard to make sure that the drinks were flowing.

Thanks to all the members that attended and make our party such a great time.

Paul Mila we missed your wife, but I am glad you win the **50/50** (not too much money only \$18, but heyyy better than nothing.... we are still growing.....

Jeff won the **Adventure Light Set** (donated by Scuba Network)congratulations and I am sure you will do a great use of the 3 lights...

Our **Bob** won the **Dive Mug**, hope he enjoy lots of great coffee drives!

Other members attending were:

John C, Monica, Greg Sr., Glen and Wife, Paul R, Jose V, Karl K, Jane M, Dimitrius L, Lee S, Patrick S, Eilleen B, Dennis F and Wife, Jim S, Laura W, Nadia P, Larry M, Lizanne L, John and Karen, Stephen B and Wife, Captain Frank, Steve, Joe S (From Aeris/Oceanic), Wendy, Zimra B, Steven K and me his wife..., hope didn't miss anyone...

To all, many thanks for coming, and we wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a wonderful and happy, healthy New Year.

Martha

Your housekeeper (looking for volunteers to take the job....)

SCUBA CLUB MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 3RD, 2007

Last meeting was short but great as always...

We planed the following events:

Feb. 07 next dive club meeting at 7:30pm, we will have **Chuck Wade** from the Shark Expeditions on Long Island, talking to us about trips to Block Island in the summer..

Feb. 12- Monday at 6pm. (THIS IS A DATE CHANGE!) Refresher pool for our Dive club members, limited to the first **16** people only; please sign up as soon as possible, **NO CHARGE** for dive club members in good standing.

We need to support our dive club. We have t-shirts and Polo shirts for sale with the Dive Club logo; please buy some.

We have several specials in the store this week for Dive Club members:

20% off any lights

10% off any watches

10% off any B/C

Take opportunity of these savings. **See Section V of the Newsletter for additional savings!**

Have a wonderful January

Meeting notes by Martha

II. The Story Behind The Photo

Club member Paul Mila took this interesting photo, titled *Beach Walk*, diving in Cozumel (where else?)



Here is Paul's story about the photo:

I was diving with my buddy Mike Holland and several other divers in my favorite place, Cozumel Mexico, in November 2006. We were diving with Alison Dennis, owner/operator of *ScubaWithAlison*. We were on a reef called French Reef, at about 60 feet. The previous year Hurricane Wilma had carpeted many local reefs with tons of sand sucked from the beaches. This reef had been buried especially deeply.

Halfway through the dive, Alison decided it was a nice day for a beach walk: sunny, warm water, and no current. So, she calmly removed her fins and went for a stroll. Minutes later, however, the action heated up. We saw two large green morays swimming in the open, accompanied by a large grouper, a large nurse shark and two hawksbill turtles. It might have been a nice day for an easy walk on, or under, the beach, but when diving Cozumel you never know what might happen next, or who you might meet!

III. Special Feature: No submission this month

Hey Club members: If you have an interesting topic to share this is the place to do it!

IV. GETAWAYS

Scuba Network Adventures

Next trips: 2007

Mar. 11-18	BONAIRE \$1,264.00
Mar. 28-31	Ft. Lauderdale \$549.00
May 12-20	Palau \$3,875 (includes airfare)
June 14-17	Ft. Lauderdale \$549.00

Prices subject to change at time of booking.
All packages except Palau do not include airfare.

**Contact Scuba Network for specific details about each trip.
Check our web site WWW.SCUBALONGISLAND.COM**

Call 516-997-4864 or email 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
FEB. 23,24,25
MAR. 23,24,25

Weeknight classes: \$169; 6PM TO 10PM.
Feb. 5,7,9
Mar 5,7,9

Nitrox Course:Feb. 10 , Space is very limited \$150.00.

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

CPR Feb. 11 CPR includes: CPR, Defibrillator, First Aid certification and Marine injuries all for \$120 including books. Space limited.

***Advanced course: Jan. 17 AT 7:30 PM.
Price \$29.50 plus books.***

***Master diver course: Jan. 24, 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 CRESSISUB SET-up
Dive Computers:

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 blue club membership card to receive your club member discount.*

VI. Classifieds:

Vacation Rentals: *Beachfront Condo in Cozumel.*

For details click on www.cozumelisparadise.com or www.vrbo.com/54454 or email to: 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, February 7th, 7:30pm.**

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