SOUNDINGS

South Shore Neptunes' Newsletter

November 2003



PAST EVENTS

At the first meeting of the month the membership voted on John Washington from Quincy and welcomed him as a member of the club

The Flea market opened on Saturday, October 4, 2003 but was closed around 11:30 a.m. due to bad weather. It reopened on Sunday, October 5, 2003. On Saturday there were sixty-one vendors on hand. Prior to closing because of rain, about six-hundred seventy people come through the gate. The flea market reopened on Sunday but there were fewer vendors, most likely some had other commitments, and the crowd was lighter. But overall the event was a success and the club netted a little over \$1000.00. Angelo Correnti felt that had Saturday been a better day the net would have exceeded \$2000.00. The sale of Krispy Kreme do-nuts alone accounted for \$400.00 of the net. And the membership voted to donate the \$400.00 to the dive team.

On Sunday, October 12, 2003 there was a point dive and a competition dive scheduled to take place at Peggotty Beach in Scituate. The events had to be cancelled.

The River Run took place on Sunday, October 19, 2003. The weather was pretty good and three hardy souls made the run down the river from Rte 3 to Mary's landing. Sue Reynard won first prize for her mode of transport. Being the casual type, she made the run down on a lounge chair supported by five gallon drums. She will receive a gift certificate from the club.

On Saturday October 25, 2003, it was a wonderfully ghoulish night at the Chamberlains. Roy and Jean hosted their nineteenth annual Halloween party, not the twentieth as was previously reported. The event was a monstrous success. The costumes were great. The games, from the bobbing for bones and eyes in a cauldron of blood to the brain toss and more, had everyone going. Once again Roy was able to find a victim for the "Rack" to satisfy the appetites of the ghoulish crowd. Roy, Jean and their support crew did a fantastic job with all the preparations for the party. It is not possible to remember all who lent a hand but thanks to everyone. In the best costume category, first prize went to Sue and Marshall Reynard. This is their fourth straight first place. The food was also terrific and our own Dave Ingles deserves a special thanks for seeing that everything went so well in the kitchen. He did a masterful job from start to finish.

Angelo Correnti attended a meeting of the Ocean Task Force which took place at the N.E. Aquarium. This task force had three rooms for the meeting. The first room was set up for fund raising. The second room was set up to provide and gather statistics on marine life, and the third room dealt with the mapping of the Mass. coast. Angelo said that this mapping was charting how and by whom the coastal waters were being used.

On Friday evening, October 17, 2003,

Also, Angelo reports that that a new regulation is in effect that requires divers to measure their lobster under water.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The First Regular Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 11, 2003. The meeting has been moved as a result of election day, November 4th.

For those who are free on Tuesday, November 4th, Janine Fabian has set up a get together at the Yard Rock CAfe which is located on E. Howard St. in Quincy. East Howard St. runs along side of the Quincy Shipyard. The Yard Rock Cafe is across the street from the main entrance to the shipyard. Janine has set the time to meet at 9:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, November 5, 2003, there will be a Marine Fisheries hearing at the Holiday Inn in Fairhaven, MA.For more information you can call Meloney Grifin at (617) 626-1528. The Holiday Inn is at 110 Middle St.

On Sunday, November 9, 2003, there will be a maintenance cleanup of the pilings and piers at the USCG Station, Point Allerton in Hull. John Blackadar will have members of the dive team present and welcomes any club members who want to assist. The Coast Guard will be serving lunch and also, weather permitting, will hopefully be able to provide a ride aboard their forty-seven footer which is on station.

The Bay State Council of Divers will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2003. This meeting will be here at the clubhouse. Support the Bay State Council.

The club point dive is scheduled for Sunday, November 16, 2003. The dive will be at Marblehead Light. This site has provided divers with a good scallop feed on past visits. To get to the light from the South Shore you will take the Southeast X-Way to Boston. After you pass the Frontage Rd. exit you come to the exit for the airport and Mass Pike. Take the exit to go to the airport, you will see the sign with the airplane, and once

you get to East Boston you will pick up signs indicating Rte. 1A. Get on Rte. 1A and you will go thru Revere, Lynn and into Swampscott. In Swampscott you will pass a shopping center. You will pass the Marshall's store and come to a Mobil station on your right. Here you turn right onto Tedesco Street. Continuing on Tedesco Street you will pass a golf course on your right. At the next traffic light, Tedesco Stree becomes Humphrey Street. Continue on Humphrey Street. At the next light, Humphrey Street becomes Pleasent Street, Continue on Pleasent Street to the second traffic light. There will be a fire station at this light. Turn right. You are now on Ocean Street. Follow Ocean Street across the penninsula and continue on and you will come to Chandler Hovey Park, the location of Marblehead Light. If you go via Rte. 128, you get off at exit 25B. Get onto Rte. 114 and follow about six miles into Marblehead and get on Pleasent Street and onto Ocean Street and proceed as above. These directions were furnished by the Marblehead Police Dept.

The non-point dive is Sunday, November 30, 2003. at the Glades in Scituate. Prior to the dive, breakfast, at 8:00 a.m., and meeting for the dive, will be at the Gannett Grill in North Scituate. Directions to the Glades are as follows. If you are coming from the Quincy area you will take Rte. 3A and follow 3A into Scituate. At the large sign "Welcome to Scituate" turn left. Follow the road thru the first set of lights and you will come to the Gannett Grill on your left. Stop and meet the rest of the group. If you are coming from the North on the highway, take Rte. 3 South. Take exit 14 off the highway. At the end of the exit turn left. You will be on Rte. 228. Follow Rte. 228 to Rte. 3A. Take Rte. 3A until you come to the "Welcome to Scituate". Turn right and pass thru the first set of lights. You will come to the Gannett Grill on your on your left. Meet here. If you are coming up the highway (Rte. 3) from the South, get off at exit 12. At the end of the exit take Rte.

139 toward Marshfield. Follow Rte. 139 to Rte. 3A. Turn left on Rte.3A. Follow Rte. 3A until you come to the "Welcome to Scituate" sign. Turn right and proceed thru the first set of lights and you will come to the Gannett Grill on your left. Meet here.

Looking ahead to December, there will be the annual Children's Christmas Party. A date has not been set at this time.

The December point dive is on December 14, 2003 and will be on the North shore. Breakfast will be at the Friendlys at the rotary in Gloucester at 8:00 a.m. A dive site will be selected at this time.

On Sunday, December 21, 2003, there will be the non-point dive at Pemberton Pier in Hull.

December is also election month for the officers and board members who will guide the club through the year in 2004. Nominations open at the first meeting and close at the second meeting to be followed by elections. Remember, if you are running for office your dues for 2004 must be paid in order to be nominated. The second meeting is also the beer and pizza party.

A reminder that the treasurer will gladly accept your dues for the upcoming year along with a signed waiver which was sent along with last months newsletter.

With the New Year fast approaching, it is also bringing us closer to the annual banquet and awards night. The date of the banquet is Saturday, January 31, 2004 and the location will be the Quincy Yacht Club The committee is working hard to make this a memorable affair. Mark your calendar, plan to attend.

Look for a change in the Web Site. Kathi Bell will be taking over the site and updating it. Kathi is a network manager and has volunteered her expertise. .

Wally Westphal sent along a clipping from "The Keynoter", a Florida Keys paper. It was an article on a diver who lost his life in August. It was a Saturday and he was freediving and spearfishing He had a float attached. He made one dive and surfaced with a fish and then proceeded to make another dive. His buddies on the boat waited for him to surface and when they saw his float not moving around they pulled the line up. They found his speargun, still loaded at the end of the line. They circled the area and one party dove in and snorkled looking but they did not locate him. The authorities were notified and the sheriff's department made a recovery of the body on Monday. The victim was found in 80 feet of water. I checked further on the web and also contacted Dave Clancy attempting to find out what had happened. I could not find any folowup article. But I did find that this man was one of five diving fatalitis in the Keys this year. This fellow was 21 years old as was a second man who was also free diving The other three parties, two men and one woman were scuba diving. And these three parties ranged in age from 51 years to 57 years.

ClubWorld Wide Website. The SSN World Wide Web site address is:

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The club now has a message board at "www.voy.com/106432/" Be sure to include the last slash; it is important.Let's all look at the board and also post appropriate notices and comments. Thanks to John Haskell for setting it up.























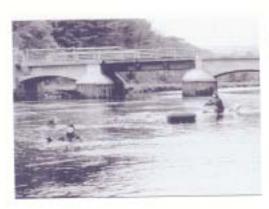
















NOVEMBER 2003										
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY				
All Tides are A,M.						1 HT 4:37				
2 HT 5:43	3 HT 6:46 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	4 HT 7:44 No Meeting Election Day Get Together @ Yard Rock Cafe	5 HT 8:34 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	6 HT 9:17 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	7 HT 9:56	8 HT 10:32				
9 HT 11:07 Cleanup Dive USCG Point Allerton 9:00 am.	10 HT 11:43 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	11 HT 12:18 Regular Meeting	12 HT 12:57 BSC Meeting @ Clubhouse Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby	13 HT 1:38 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	14 HT 2:22	15 HT 3:09				
16 HT 4:00 Point Dive Marblehead Light Breakfast @ xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	17 HT 4:53 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	18 HT 5:47 Board Meeting	19 HT 6:40 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	20 HT 7:32 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	21 HT 8:22	22 HT 9:11				
23 HT 10:01 Non-P Dive Scit Glsdes 30 HT 4:14	24 HT 10:50 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	25 HT 11:41 Regular Meeting	26 HT 12:24 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	27 HT 1:18 Happy Thamksgiving	28 HT 2:14	29 HT 3:13				

DECEMBER 2003									
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY			
	1 HT 5:15 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	2 HT 6:14 Regular Meeting	3 HT 7:09 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	4 HT 7:59 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Poo Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	5 HT 8:43	6 HT 9:24			
7 HT 10:03	8 HT 10:40 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	9 HT 11:18 Board Meeting	10 HT 11:56 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	11 HT 12:36 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	12 HT 1:16	13 HT 1:57			
14 HT 2:41 Point Dive North Shore, Site to be de- cided that morning	15 HT 3:28 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	16 HT 4:18 Regular Meeting	17 HT 5:10 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	18 HT 6:03 MIT Zeisiger Ctr Pool Underwater Hockey 8:15 pm - 10:00 pm	19 HT 6:58	20 HT 7:52			
21 HT 8:45 Non-Point Dive Pemberton Pier, Hull	22 HT 9:39 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	23 HT 10:32	24 HT 11:25 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm	25 HT 12:08 Merry Christmas	26 HT 1:01	27 HT1:54			
28 HT 2:48	29 HT 3:42 Underwater Rugby Lincoln-Hancock Pool 7:00-7:45	30 HT 4:36	31 HT 5:31 Mass Mar Acad Underwater Rugby 8:30 pm - 10:30 pm						

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

Members, applicants for membership and other interested parties are invited to attend all Membership and Board of Directors meetings. All meetings are held at the Quincy Emergency Management Dive Team headquarters building at the corner of Quarry and Joyce Streets in Quincy. To reach the building take the Furnace Brook Parkway exit from the Southeast Expressway and follow Furnace Brook Parkway to Quarry Street (at the second set of traffic lights). Turn left onto Quarry Street and travel one short block to Joyce Street. The Dive Team headquarters is the small stone building on the right.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership is open to all sport divers and other interested persons. Application for membership can be made at any Membership or Board of directors meeting. Membership applicants are required to attend at least one Board of Directors meeting and after that one regular membership meeting. Membership fees are:

Regular member dues Initiation fee \$35.00 per year \$25.00 one-time charge

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\$10.00 per year

DIVER'S HOT LINE

Looking for a diving buddy? To find out who is diving when and where call Angelo Correnti at (781) 391-1034.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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