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South Shore Neptunes' Newsletter

MAY 2005





SOUTH SHORE NEPTUNES FIFTY YEARS OF DIVING

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President's Message

As boat diving season approaches here in New England, I'd like to remind everyone to record your dives with me so we can track them for the "50 Dives for 50 years" promotion we are doing as part of our ongoing 50th Anniversary celebration. All you have to do is call or e-mail me with the date and location of your dive(s) within one week of the event. Everyone reaching the goal will get a fabulous one of a kind, custom made shirt at next year's annual banquet! Marshall Reynard is making great strides already in reaching that goal!

The 50th anniversary committee has been hard at work on the banquet to be held on August 20th. You should be receiving your formal invitation soon so keep an eye out for it! In the meantime, we are looking for donations of items, services or cash for door prizes at the banquet. See the full details on that in the 50th

anniversary update section of this newsletter.

As the weather is finally turning nicer and people are getting outside more, don't forget about the many activities planned for the coming months. Two of our members, Bill Burchill and Dave Inglis, are kindly opening their homes to the club for parties. Bill and Netta are offering clam chowder after the river run, Sunday, May 1st and Dave and Debbie are hosting the annual 'start of the summer' picnic at their house on Sunday, June 26th. If you see them, give then a big thank you for their generosity and also support them by showing up so their efforts are not in vain!

I hope to see you this summer!

Your President Kathi Bell

Past Events

The non-point dive took place at Peggotty Beach, Scituate on Sunday, April 10th. Our president, Kathi Bell, along with Tim Niu and John and Teri Molis, enjoyed breakfast at the Gannett Grill and proceeded to the dive site where they met up with Dave Inglis. Dave and John suited up and tested the frigid water of Peggotty Beach. Anything for a shirt.

Jay Theriault ran a dinner night out at the Four's Restaurant in Quincy on Friday evening, April 15th. In attendance were Jay, Kathi and John Blackadar,

Kathi Bell, Tim Niu and Joe Gomes. Jay reports that it was an enjoyable evening and the food was fine.

The point dive which was scheduled for Sunday, April 24th, was cancelled due to the weather. This dive was to be made with the Mass. Div. of Marine Fisheries. The dive was to be made to assist the MD MF with their eelgrass recovery project. The MDMF dive has been rescheduled to an alternate date.



E - MAIL

Do we have your e-mail address? If you have gone on line or maybe just have not notified the club of your e-mail address why not do so now. We are sending out over 65 copies of the newsletter by e-mail. By receiving your newsletter by e-mail you will be helping us cut the costs of postage and copying. Also, you receive it two or three days faster than the regular mail.

Upcoming Events

Special Election!! On Tuesday, May 17th, at the general membership meeting, there will be a special election to fill a vacancy on the board of directors and also to elect alternates to the board of directors. Nominations for the position will be open at the meeting, to be followed by the voting.

Sunday, May 1st, will be the non-point dive and it will be the Annual River Run down the North river. For anyone not familiar with the river run, it is a trip down the North river from an entry point I believe is at the bridge at Union St., to Mary's Landing, Rte. 3A, at the Scituate/Marshfield town line. The idea is to use your imagination to create your means of transportation to make a successful trip. We will meet at the parking lot off Rte.3A, in Scituate just before the bridge at Mary's Landing at 8:00 A.M. From there participants will be transported to the entry site. At the completion of the run we have been invited to enjoy the hospitality of the Burchills, Bill & Netta, who live a short distance away in Marshfield. The Burchills have had the members back to their home in the past and it has always been a treat to accept their invitation. To get to the Burchills from Mary's Landing you take Rte. 3A South. At the first street on your left, Summer St., take a left. There will be a sign which says Humarock and Seaview. Bill & Netta live at 133 Summer St. It is a brown house which is about three miles down the road. If you have trouble, you can call the house at (781) 837-1522.

On Saturday, May 7th, we will hold the clubhouse cleanup day. Meet at the club at 9:00 a.m. Bring along a rake, broom, shovel or anything that makes light work of the cleanup.

On Wednesday evening, May 11th, there will be a Bay State Council of Divers meeting here at the clubhouse at 7:30 P.M. This will be the last meeting before the Treasure hunt.

On Saturday, May 14th, the Bay State Council will be doing a survey dive in the proposed area of the artificial reef. The boat(s) participating in the dive will leave from the Quincy Yacht Club at 8:00 a.m. sharp.

At the general meeting on Tuesday, May 17th, we will have a guest speaker. Paul Adler will be here to give an up to date presentation on what is happenning in the dive industry. This is a good time to stop by to get answers to questions you might have regarding anything dive related such as the latest in equipment, diving the local scene, hot travel destinations, or bargain destinations or maybe regulations in the sport.

On Wednesday evening, May 18th, the president has scheduled a CPR class to be conducted here at the clubhouse. Time for the class is 7:00 P.M. Kathi has been fortunate to enlist Ted Maney to instruct the session. There is a cost involved, \$25.00 per person, and the certification is for 2 years. Register in advance with the prez, call Kathi at (781) 777-1872.

On Sunday, May 22nd, the point dive will be held at Stage Fort Park in Gloucester. This will also be the Annual BSC Treasure Hunt. The treasure hunt is a two part event, snorkeling and SCUBA. The Bay State Council Treaure Hunt is a good time to get wet and check out your gear for the coming dive season. Check elsewhere in the newsletter for more info.

Several years ago we started the president's "Start of the Summer Party". This was held at George's Island under the watchful eye of The Lady in Black. The past couple of years it has fallen off a bit, primarily because of unavailability of boats and weather conditions. This year our own in-house chef, Dave Inglis, along with his wife Debbie, have informed the membership that they would host the party at his newly moved into home in Kingston. The date for the party is Sunday, June 26th. Dave has asked me to let you know that if you would like to make a dish and donate it to the party it will be graciously accepted. I have a set of directions to get to his home and they are: take Rte 3 South to exit 9. Take exit 9. At the top of the

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continued from previous page ramp turn right. You are on Rte. 3A. Pass through the lights in front of Bickfords. Follow the road down the hill. There is a set of lights at the bottom. Turn left at these lights. You will now be on Rte. 80. Follow this road to the stop sign. Turn left, you are still on Rte. 80. Keep going until you get to the garden center which will be on your right. Now go to the second street on your right, this will be South

Street. Turn onto South Street. Dave and Debbie live at #19, and it is on your right side. It is the third house and it is set back. The driveway is just beyond the inverted telephone pole that looks like a 'V' sticking out of the ground. Finally, Dave is asking that anyone who knows that they will be going to the party, would they call him to let him know in order that he can get a rough idea to help him with the planning. To contact the house call (781) 585-4946.

50th ANNIVERSARY NEWS

As reported in the last newsletter, the 50th Anniversary Banquet will be held at Anthony's Pier 4 on Saturday, August 20, 2005. The invitations should be arriving in your mail soon. The price has been set. A member will be able to purchase his ticket for \$20.00 and each additional ticket he or she purchases will be \$40.00. The club will make up the cost difference for each ticket. The menu for the evening is as follows: fruit cup, salad, choice of chicken or fish, delmonico potato, green beans, and for dessert, baked alaska.

We want our anniversary celebration to be memorable and it is up to all of us as Neptunes to make this happen. If you know the whereabouts of any of our old members or past members contact any club officer or committee member and let him or her know how to get in touch with them.

The following message dealing with the anniversary banquet comes from our president who has been working overtime on the party.

Most of you are aware that we normally sell tickets at our annual banquet so that we can raffle off prizes. For the 50th Anniversary, we decided that it would be a nice change if we simply gave away the prizes, instead of raffling them off. Everyone that buys a ticket to the Anniversary Banquet gets an entry ticket for the door prizes

That being said, the committee is looking for donations of fabulous prizes. We have some great ones donated already (I'm not telling you what they are so you can be surprised) but we are looking for more. Think you don't have anything to donate? Here are some ideas for you. Do you have a friend/family member, etc. that is a travel agent and can donate a couple of round trip airline tickets? Or a weekend at a hotel or B&B? How about a weekend at your rental house on the Cape or in N.H.? Or that ski lodge in Vermont? Maybe you know or are a masseuse and we can get a certificate for a massage or a facial? If you are a business owner, think about donating your services. It will be great advertising for you! And if nothing is coming to mind and you want to help, donate money for the gift baskets I am putting together.

If you have a donation of goods or services, please contact Kathi Bell.



All tides are A.M. tides			MAY 2005			
1 HT 5:23 Non-point Dive, River run, North River Meet at Mary's land ing. Check info in newsletter	Linc-Hanc. Pool,	3 HT 7:37 Regular Meeting	4HT 8:41 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	5 HT 9:42	6 HT 10:35	7 HT 11:25 Clubhouse cleanup. Be on the scene at 9:00 a.m Bring equipment
8 HT **** Mother's Day	9 HT 12:18 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	10 HT 12:59 Board Meeting	11 HT 1:41 Bay State Council meeting at the clubhouse. Randolph Rugby	12 HT 2:23	13 HT 3:08	14 HT 3:56 BSC Survey Dive. Info elsewhere in newsletter
15 HT 4:47 Chinese brunch, Chinatown, Boston Details inside news- letter.	16 HT 5:41 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	17 HT 6:36 Regular Meeting. Special Election. Guest spkr., Paul Adler.	18 HT 7:31 CPR Class at club- nouse. Reg w/Prez. More info, check newsletter. Randolph Rugby	19 HT 8:24	20 HT 9:14	21 HT 10:51
22 HT 10:51 Pt. Dive. BSC treasure Hunt, Stage Fort Prk, Gloucester.	23 HT 11:38 Underwater Rugby Linc-Hanc. Pool, Qcy, 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	24 HT ****	25 HT 12:32 Underwater Rugby Rand.H.S. Pool 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.	26 HT 1:22	27 HT 2:14	28 HT 3:10
29 HT 4:09	30 HT 5:12 Memorial Day	31 HT 6:16				

All tides are A.M. tides	JUNE 2005								
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY			
			1 HT 7:21	2 HT 8:23	3 HT 9:22	4 HT 10:17			
5 HT 11:08 Non-point Dive. Site determined at dock	6 HT 11:53	7 HT **** Regular Meeting	8 HT 12:36	9 HT 1:17	10 HT 1:59	11 HT 2:42			
12 HT 3:27 Point Dive. To be announced June newsletter	13 HT 4:14	14 HT 5:02 Board Meeting	15 HT 5:53	16 HT 6:46	17 HT 7:39	18 HT 8:33			
19 HT 9:27 Father's Day	20 HT 10:26	21 HT 11:13 Regular Meeting	22 HT ****	23 HT 12:13	24 HT 1:07	25 HT 2:02			
26 HT 2:58 Dave & Debbie In- lis Start of the Sum mer Party. More inside newsletter	27 HT 3:56	28 HT 4:56	29 HT 5:57	30 HT 7:00					



Bay State Council of Divers 20th Annual Treasure Hunt

Date: Sunday May 22, 2005 (Rain or Shine)
Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Place: Stage Fort Park Gloucester, MA

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Free Parking (no fee until Memorial Day)
- Take-out food available

- Bring your own food and beverages (no alcohol allowed)
- Cooking OK Bring your own grill

TREASURE HUNT

- Objective To find small objects in shallow water
- Independents and dive club members welcome
- Prizes Diving equipment, dive charters, etc.
- SCUBA Event - Everyone will be on their own in this scramble for prizes
- 6 person teams club or shop
- Proof of certification required for SCUBA event
- Treasure Hunt entrance fee (includes both events)
 - Advanced Registration \$ 7.50
 - Day of Event \$10.00

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

- For SCUBA Event - Wet or dry Suit with bc, tank, regulator with pressure gauge, weight belt, mask, fins, snorkel, knife and catch bag
- For Snorkel Event - same as SCUBA except tank and regulator.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 09:00 10:00 am Registration
- 11:00 12:00 pm SCUBA Event
- 01:00 02:00 pm Snorkel Event
- 02:30 03:00 pm Trophies & Prizes

Bay State Council of Divers Treasure Hunt - - Advanced Registration helpful. Can sign up day of

Yes, I want to participate in the 2005 Bay State Council of Divers Treasure Hunt. Enclosed is my \$7.50 advanced registration fee (non-refundable). Make your check payable to BAY STATE COUNCIL and mail it to: Bay State Council of Divers P.O. Box 518 Quincy, MA 02169

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REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS First and third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM.

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 \$35.00 per year \$25.00 one-time charge \$10.00 per year \$10

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

To learn more about the club's activities and membership please feel free to call one of the club's officers, or call John Biackadar at (781) 826-4696.

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