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Neptunes Sounding Newsletter

THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!

Upcoming Events

8/21 Marshfield Yacht Club Clambake 2pm

8/23 and 30th Movie Night

8/28 Club Dive, meet at 8am

9/6 7pm General Membership Mtg

9/7 NIGHT DIVE

9/7 BSC meeting 7:30pm

9/13 7pm Board Meeting

9/18 9am BSC TREASURE HUNT

9/20 General Membership Meeting

9/27 Movie Night Out

10/1 FLEA MARKET

Doug Eaton as President

Todd Alger as VP

Jeannine Willis as Secretary

Theresa Czerepica as Treasurer.

Board: John Blackadar, Ken &Teri Hayes, Jay Theriault, Rob Vice, Deb Osborn, Joe McAndrew, Tom Guild

Alternates: Tommy Lo, Rob Robison, Rob Christianson, Carl Yngve. Dog Days is the name for the most sultry period of summer, from about July 3 to Aug. 11. Named in early times by observers in countries bordering the Mediterranean, the period was reckoned as extending from 20 days before to 20 days after the conjunction of Sirius (the dog star) and the sun. (infoplease.com)

Wow! Our first pig roast was quite the successful event. So many members and guests joined us at the Irish Cultural Center in Canton. We had the outdoor Tent to ourselves. We had entertainment in the forms of music provided by Doug as well as the athletics of the match being played on the field. Joe Kilcommons and crew were onsite most of the day slaving over the hot grill for our dining pleasure. In addition to the 80 pound pig, Joe prepared hamburgers and hot dogs, rice, salad and pasta salad. Members happily took home leftovers. To commemorate the occasion, Paul Green suggested t-shirts which Todd designed and had printed up. A big thank you to Todd and Joe for such a great night. The crowd left only when the mosquitos were getting too much.

Thank you to Ethan Gordon for that stunning slideshow that he shared with us at the club on the third Tuesday. Ethan shared his tips and tricks for getting the right exposure. He also spoke of placement of your subject when other divers are in the water. Ethan stressed that your flash strobes should be as far away from the camera lens as possible. Ethan then joined us for a bite to eat at Ichiban in Braintree. But wait. There's more! Ethan was there with us when we went out of Pt Judith RI for a 45 mile cruise to Charlie Donilon's favorite spot in the ocean for seeing sharks. The shark trip entertained 11 of us. It was a beautiful day for a smooth boat ride past Block Island. The water was being chummed as we motored out and even with all the preparation we still had to wait several hours. We were grateful for the calm ocean as we waited and waited and waited. We were rewarded for our patience with a 6' blue shark which the first mate Katie was able to tag. It had a hook stuck in its mouth with a short bit of line on it. This particular shark stayed with us most of the afternoon. This shark was very playful and came right up to several of us. S/he came right up to my chest as I put my hands behind my back remembering what Ethan said about fingers looking like sharks favorite

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Here's a list of all the events we have planned for 2016

Oct dives: 15 river run, 16

Nov dives: 13th, 27th

Dec dives: 4th, 11th

ELECTION NIGHT 12/20

food= Squid. S/he also liked to follow divers back to the ladder and chase their fins. An 8' shark also got in on the action and the divers and snorkelers had plenty of opportunity to photograph and interact with sharks. As luck would have it, the largest blue shark showed up as most of us had enough and were ready to get out. We could see that it was different as it had a pilot fish with it. Be sure to watch Rob Vice's video compilation of his time in the water on the Neptunes Facebook page.

August 14 dawned A beautiful day. The sun was up, not a cloud in the sky and all was right for another awesome Duxbury beach outing. The members and guests enjoyed the pageantry of Angelo, Tommy and others preparing the grill, preparing the food, and the loud boom of Angelo's voice announcing when the food was ready. Since high tide was at 3 o'clock, we had to wait until the water began to recede to play the games. The piñata was well received and lots of children were very happy and made quick work of that piñata. Once again the children won

the tug-of-war. And everyone enjoyed the sack races and three Legged races and the wheelbarrow races. Many thanks to John Blackadar who orchestrated and everyone else who helped to make the games a success for everyone. And thank you for everyone who helped to clean up the beach and bring all the gear back to the trucks. As always, many hands make light work and every hand is appreciated.

FYI. The dehumidifier is on the fritz and we are looking to replace it in order to keep our clubhouse habitable. We are doing research on acquiring a new dehumidifier.

Mark your calendar's for the annual flea market. It will be held on the first Saturday in October which is October 1. We are looking for donations for the club table which you can bring to the clubhouse anytime between now and the end of September. Please mark your donations as such. Also for the flea market we need people to volunteer on Friday evening set up, Saturday morning, and Saturday afternoon please let us know which shift you'll be able to help us out with. Thank you.

CLUB DIVES

SEPT 18 is the Bay State Council Treasure Hunt up at Stage Fort park in Gloucester at 9 AM. Bring your scuba and snorkeling gear and get your game on. Plenty of prizes due to the generosity of dive shops. No one goes home empty-handed. See you there!

Garrett dove a wreck called Empty Pockets in Winnipesaukee. And a steam engine.

The Meyers went to Dutch Spring in Pa. Weekend of the 23rd. 4 dives Saturday one on Sunday. They have a new airplane at 35 ft, helicopter, etc. there's always long lines of divers waiting to get into the site.

Rob V went diving with Tommy July 23. Forgot his regulator. Lost and found his weight belt. Great white confirmed off of Manomet. 15' female. Marshfield harbor master has put out 3 shark buoys,

which will record a tagged shark if it swims nearby.

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