



NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM DIVE CLUB, INC. NEWSLETTER

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NEADC GENERAL MEETING

Conference Center at New England
Aquarium

Wednesday, May 17, 2006, 6:30 PM

Ten Hours Until Dawn

A True Story of Heroism and Tragedy aboard the
Can Do during the Blizzard of 1978

(On the Boston Globe Bestseller List)

A Narrated Slide Presentation by Award-winning
Author Michael Tougias.

During the height of the Blizzard of 1978 the pilot
boat **Can Do**, with five men onboard, set out
from Gloucester to assist a lost Coast Guard
boat and an oil tanker that was in a Mayday
situation. **Ten Hours Until Dawn** is a narrated
slide presentation that tells the story of what
happened on that awful night when the seas
were producing monstrous waves of 40 feet and
the wind was screaming at 100 miles per hour.
Michael Tougias is the author of 15 books
including his latest book, **Ten Hours Until
Dawn**. Using slides of the boats, the men
involved, and photos of the storm, Tougias will
take the viewer through this incredible night
where many lives hung in the balance. With the
aid of maps, Tougias lets the audience see the
progression and location of these boats off the
Massachusetts coast, and explains what
happened and why.

This is one of the few ocean tragedies where we
know exactly what happened due to the
existence of audio recordings which were taped
the night of the storm and feature both the voices
of men of the Coast Guard and the **Can Do**.
(Tougias will play some of the tapes at the slide
lecture.)

NEXT INFORMAL MEETINGS

Wednesday June 7, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

The Home of Anne Lambert

16 Thornley St., Dorchester

Phone: (617) 288-5456

**DIRECTIONS TO THE INFORMAL MEETING - EAT &
GREET:**

From 93 North take Exit 15 (Columbia Road). At end of
ramp take a right. Proceed to 1st traffic light (Dorchester
Ave.). Take a left. Go approximately ½ mile and take a
right on Savin Hill Ave. (at a light). Go a full block and take
a right on Pleasant St. Go a block and take a right on
Thornley St. House is #16 on the right.

From 93 South take Exit 15. Take a right at the end of the
ramp. Go one block and go all around the rotary, returning
in the direction you just came. Go about 2 blocks to light at
Dorchester Ave. Take a left and follow the directions from
above.

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Submit your news for the next Newsletter by

Monday, May 22, 2006!

This is for the **JUNE EDITION** of the NEADC Newsletter.

Submissions must be in writing, preferably via

E-mail to newsletter@neadc.org. Thank you!

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Look for updated information
on our website,

www.neadc.org, graciously
hosted by

Jake and Linda Richter.

FROM YOUR SHORE DIVE COORDINATOR - Anna Krowczynska

Look through the window – sun is shining, air temperature is rising and temperature of the water in Atlantic is over 40 F and rising too – so what are you doing on a dry land?

This year our shore dive planning meeting was very productive (maybe this was result of all those drinks and food that were consumed) and calendar is brimming with shore dives. Also, for the first time this year we have, on few occasions, two events on the same day.

This is OK, we were always talking about having dives on the North and South Shore on the same day to accommodate our members who live in a different part of the state. Better to have more choices than none.

Also, our shore dives not only are free (most dive shops charge participants \$10), but open to non-members. So, if you have a Buddy who is not a NEADC member take him/her along.

If you missed a meeting and want to lead the shore dive its not too late. You can still drop me and webmaster a line and the dive will be added to the calendar.

During the season, please check the web for the most recent calendar and updates.

Have you check the Club web site lately? If not log onto www.neadc.org and see how much neat information you can find there. You will be surprised how great this site is. Our Newsletter is published only once a month, so for the latest and greatest check the web. Also, we do have member's forum that can be used to post information or discuss issues important to divers. Check it out too.

Lastly, on Sunday May 14 I am organizing the Dry Dive on Cape Ann. It starts at 10 am at Burger King on Rt 128 and will last approximately 2 hrs, so you will still have plenty of time to celebrate Mother's Day. If you are interested, please send me an e-mail. Hope to see you there.

FROM YOUR WEBMASTER - Steve Whitford

The diving season is upon us! Soon the water will be warm enough for wetsuit diving, and dive sites will begin to fill up. Some of us have already been in the water (I had a fantastic scallop dive this past month), and it's not too late to enjoy clear(ish) water and no crowds. The dive calendar is on the website, and there are a bunch of early-season dives planned. Remember, summer parking bans go back into effect after Memorial Day so you don't have long before the choice parking options disappear.

I'm looking for photos anyone has for the website. I'd prefer dive-club related (especially the social events) but anything New England or club trip related is great. I'm going to redesign the website, and put some nice montages on the pages, it'll also help bulk up our "Club Photos" section. You can send them to webmaster@neadc.org

Finally, I'm sure the other officers are stressing to update your email addresses to receive the newsletter by email. It's also a great way to keep in touch with the club, I'm going to start sending out meeting reminders prior to the bi-monthly meetings (Yes there are two meetings a month). There are a lot of GREAT speakers coming this year, including Ethan Gordan and Andy Martinez-Steve

FROM YOUR PROGRAM COORDINATOR - Al Bozza

Through a combination of my last eight years as Program Director, discovering some truly amazing locations during my travels and utilizing the experiences and knowledge of many of our great club members, I have put together an incredible schedule that should offer something to everyone. The following are the upcoming events and future trips.

May 6 & 7, 2006 - Stage Fort Park, Gloucester, MA

Test dive a DUI dry suit! What is a dry suit? How does it work? Which one is right for me? Come out for the weekend to learn about dry suit diving and test dive the world's best diving equipment including DUI dry suits and dive wear insulation, Delta BCDs, weight and trim systems and DUI's new breathable dry suit. Meet industry leaders and DUI factory professionals. Win one of many dive trips being given away. Fee "how to" seminars. Free collector's DUI test diver hats. Free BBQ lunch. Free raffle prizes. See Al Bozza, Program Director at any of the NEADC meetings and purchase tickets for \$5.00.

June, 2006 - NEADC Whale Watch

Sunday, June 11, 2006. Call Al Bozza for discounted tickets.

June 22-25, 2006 - "Fossils" Venice, Florida

Join us in Venice, FL as we descend to chilling depths to cautiously search for the amazing Megalodon shark tooth. Now, the truth. We dive in 20'-30' of water, not far offshore, which allows for plenty of bottom time and you will come home with fossils. Venice is the "shark tooth capitol of the world". The waters were prehistoric feeding grounds for the ancient, giant shark "Carcharocles Megalodon". On our dives, you will find giant shark teeth, manatee bones, whale bones, prehistoric bones and other unique fossils. We do a two tank dive, with visibility usually at 8'-10' feet. If the excitement of finding a rare tooth or other fossils appeals to you, then join us for some pleasant diving. The cost is \$69.00 for the two tank dive, which includes tanks and weights. We have the boat reserved for Friday, June 23rd A.M. dive. Other local dives are available. We have reserved rooms at a local hotel at \$78.00 plus tax, per night. Each room has two double beds.

August, 2006 - Les Escoumins, Quebec, Canada

More information to follow.

September 1-10, 2006 - Darwin Island, Galapagos -

The ultimate diving experience. **SOLD OUT**

September 17, 2006 - Jamestown, RI - Tropical Fish Collecting/Barbeque

Fort Wetherill, Jamestown, Rhode Island. Free food and drinks (hot dogs, hamburgers, sausages, etc.) a great family event, especially for the kids. We will also be seining which is dragging a fish net through shallow water up onto the beach and discovering all sorts of marine life. There will also be regular diving, volleyball and music. Bring your kite too! I will have extra collecting nets and aerators for anyone who needs them.

October 20-25, 2006 - Great White Shark Diving - Isla Guadalupe, Mexico

The world's ultimate shark dive adventure is closer than you think. Join us this year (2006) to discover huge Great White Sharks (*Carcharodon Carcharias*) with our upscale shark vessel in the industry's largest shark cages. Divers seeking a week long encounter with the ocean's ultimate predator no longer need to travel over 5000 miles to South Africa or Australia. This newly named "Bio-Sphere Reserve" located 210 miles into the Pacific has it all...and we can take you there! Imagine diving in 100' vis with water temps of 74 plus degrees, surrounded by up to seven great whites. They combine this awesome experience with world-class tuna fishing on an 88' luxury, long-range dive boat. These 5-day trips are only available during October and part of November at a cost of \$ 2,650.00 per person.

December 9, 2006 - NEADC Holiday Party

American Legion, Burlington, MA. Saturday 7-11 P.M. More information to follow.

2007 Schedule of Trips:

January 2007

- Dominica - January 20, 2007 to January 27, 2007

- Ski/winter trip, Bethel, Maine

February 2007

- Manatees, Crystal River, Florida

May 2007

- Spotted Dolphin, Bahamas

November 2007

-Norway with Orcas and Sea Eagles - We are collaborating with Norway's leading Orca whale expert, Tiu Simila, to offer you a fantastic whale watching encounter that includes both whale watching from a small boat and for our customized itinerary, a chance to snorkel with the Orcas!!!

If you would like any additional information on these or any other events, please contact Al Bozza at programs@neadc.org or (617) 212-9108.

WIN THE TRIP OF A LIFETIME

and support the New England Aquarium!!!

RAFFLE TICKETS

NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM COLLECTING TRIP

and DIVE the GIANT OCEAN TANK at New England Aquarium!

10 Day All-Inclusive Live Aboard *including* Airfare!

April/May, 2007

Chances are \$10 each. Only 500 tickets will be sold!

Certified SCUBA divers age 18 and older are eligible. This unusual “working” vacation is open to both beginners and experienced divers, and is a great opportunity to dive with and learn from

Aquarium professionals. You will dive and collect at some of the most beautiful underwater sites in the world. The last day of the trip is spent in Miami, preparing fishes for shipment to the New England Aquarium in Boston. After the trip, you can see your hard work showcased at the Aquarium which entertains and educates more than 1.6 million visitors each year from all over the world.

The Prize Package includes airfare, shipboard accommodations on the R/V Coral Reef II (meals, lodging, cocktails), and up to five dives per day (weights and tanks provided). Also included is a rare opportunity to dive in the Aquariums' 200,000 gallon Caribbean reef exhibit.

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Visit www.NEADC.org for raffle ticket purchase information.

Metro West Dive Club Tuesday Speakers

MetroWest Dive Club meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Route 9 in Natick, across from the Natick Mall. Meetings are free and guests are welcome... divers and non-divers alike. MWDC meetings start at 7:30 pm but members often meet socially at the bar from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Please go to www.mwdc.org or call 978-562-3719 for more information.

Tuesday, May 9:

The Metro West Dive Club is proud to have local photographer Andy Martinez as a speaker this month. Andy will have copies of his books available, hopefully including his newest book due out this spring.

For more than 30 years Andrew Martinez has been photographing the marine life of the North Atlantic. Deeply respectful of the natural world, Martinez's work conveys his sense of its deep spiritual beauty and since he dives in New England all year round, his photos vividly illustrate the changing seasons of the sea. Martinez has an extensive photojournalism background, his work having appeared in most nature, travel and dive magazines in the United States and in many other similar publications around the globe. He was awarded first prize in the Underwater division of the Natural Wildlife photography contest. He has had photo assignments for the National Geographic Society to the Fiji Islands, Bonaire, and Cape Cod and has led marine biology study or travel groups to the Galapagos Islands, the Cayman Islands, and the Bay Islands of Honduras. His work is currently used in books or displays in most of the aquaria in the United States. Please visit Andy's website to see samples of his wonderful photographs. www.netevents.net/martinez/am_home.htm

NEADC DIVE AND EVENTS SCHEDULE

New England Aquarium Dive Club Winter/Spring 2006 Shore Diving and Event Calendar

If you plan to participate in a shore dive you should contact the designated leader prior to the dive date to let him or her know that you will be attending. Decisions to cancel or modify dive plans (due to weather or other factors) are left to the discretion of the individual leaders who organize the dives, and confirming your attendance beforehand will help ensure that you are notified of any last minute changes. Likewise, if you confirm attendance but then cannot attend a dive for any reason, please notify the dive leader as soon as possible, so that the group does not wait for you at the meeting site on the day of the dive.

DUI Website

Date	Event/Purpose Location	Location	Meeting Time / Details	Information/Contact
Every Monday	Bleach Dive/Scuba skills Refresher	West Suburban YMCA in Newton	6 PM-9 PM	Contact: Genevieve Stewart genevieve@pgdive.com
May 6-7	DUI Demo Days	Stage Fort Park, Gloucester	All Day Events!	http://www.dui-online.com/dog_stagefort_2006.html
May 9	MetroWest Dive Club	Special Speaker Presentation		See article Page 8
May 14	Annual DRY DIVE	Cape Ann Dive Sites	10:00 AM	See Details on Page 2 Anna Krowczynska
May 20	Lake Clean-Up	Lake Nippenicket, Taunton River Bridgewater/Raynham	8:00 AM - Noon	NON- DIVE event but people are encouraged to don wetsuits and clean lakeside! See info Page 10 Contact Maryhelen Emesqe27@aol.com
May 17	General Meeting	New England Aquarium	6:30 PM	www.neadc.org
June 4	Bio Diversity Day – Plum Island	Join Stellwagen Bank NMS/Mass Audubon Joppa River Refuge/NEADC Bio Diversity Day Dive	TBA	Alicia at environmental@neadc.org or Bob (SBNMS) pbm.inc@verizon.net
June 11	Bio Diversity Pleasure Day	Dive Urban Waters! Join Stellwagen Bank National NMS and NEADC Marine Life census and display.	TBA	Alicia at environmental@neadc.org or Bob (SBNMS) pbm.inc@verizon.net
June 13	Full Moon Night Dive	Canoe Beach, Nahant MA	7 pm ish	Contact: Alicia Lenci, environmental@neadc.org
July 11	Full Moon Night Dive	Canoe Beach, Nahant MA	7 pm ish	Contact: Alicia Lenci, environmental@neadc.org
Aug 8	Full Moon Night Dive	Canoe Beach, Nahant MA	7 pm ish	Contact: Alicia Lenci, environmental@neadc.org

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The Editor reserves the right to edit all submitted material for the sake of grammar, clarity, and space

Lake Nippenicket Association
LAKE NIPPENICKET ACTION FOCUS TEAM
Taunton River Watershed Alliance, Inc.

What: **Lake Nippenicket SPRING CLEANING**

When: Saturday, May 20, 2003
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Where: Public Access Boat Ramp, Route 104

Join the families of The Lake Nippenicket Association and the Taunton River Watershed Alliance in a Clean-Up from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon on Saturday, May 20, 2003, along the shores of Lake Nippenicket in Bridgewater and Raynham, Massachusetts. Come and learn more about this designated Area of Critical Environmental Concern and the Great Hockomock Swamp. DIVERS are invited to don their wetsuits for wet clean-up!

Meet at the BOAT RAMP located on Route 104 West from Route 24 and is easily accessible from Route 495. Parking is available. For more information, please contact Maryhelen Shuman-Groh at Emesge27@aol.com or (508) 942-9199

NEADC ADVERTISING POLICIES

Dive related ads for **NEADC Members** will be free with the following stipulations:

1. Must be current NEADC member in good standing.
 2. Ad may be up to the halfpage size, depending on space availability. For larger ads, the member will be charged for the additional space at the current rates.
 3. Ad must be submitted electronically.
 4. Ad must be sent to the Newsletter Editor *prior* to Deadline.
 5. Ad will be placed for one month only (ads may be renewed by resubmission as stated above).
- NOTE: This will NOT affect Website policy.

COMMERCIAL and NON-MEMBER ADVERTISING RATES

Full Page \$90/insertion; Half Page \$50/ insertion
Quarter Page \$30/insertion; Eighth Page \$20/insertion.

10% discount for 4 or more insertions per calendar year.
20% discount for 8 or more insertions per calendar year.
Send questions and submissions to the Newsletter Editor.
Ad fees must be paid in advance.

Nahant - For Rent

3 bedroom, 3 bath house on quiet side street. Two blocks from 40 Steps in one direction, two blocks to public park and beach in the other. Surrounded on 2+ sides by Audubon property.

Lots of green. Room to garden. \$1950/mo

Contact: George (617) 876-0390 gbeng@world.std.com

Social Get-togethers for Everyone

by Trish Katzman, Membership Director

Come meet at Jose McIntyre's prior to our next General Meeting on Wednesday, April 19 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for drinks, appetizers, dinner, or to just say hi. Or if you are more of a late night person, we usually walk together to a dinner place after the meeting.

We offer both an early and later get-together to meet the variety of styles of our 500 members. These get-togethers are meant to help answer questions and talk with new or less active members. If you are an active member, come out with us and help us greet people!

If you don't know anybody, just ask for me and I'd love to tell you about the latest club news and hear about your interests in diving. Hope to see you there!

Directions to Jose McIntyre's at 160 Milk Street, Boston:

Jose's is walking distance from the Aquarium.

Park in the garage next to the Aquarium.

Turn left when exiting the garage.

Cross the street at the light.

Walk straight to the upcoming block and look to your right.

New England Aquarium Dive Club Membership Form

Type of Membership: New _____ Renewal _____
Has your address changed since last renewal? No _____ Yes _____ previous town _____

New England Aquarium Membership Categories: **Choose One:**

(Membership in the Dive Club requires current membership in the New England Aquarium)

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|---|----------|---|------------------------------|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | \$50.00 | + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$65.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Couple/Family | \$90.00 | + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$105.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quartermaster | \$115.00 | + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$130.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Master Mariner | \$150.00 | + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$165.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend of Aquarium | \$250.00 | + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$265.00 |

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (Dive Club dues plus Aquarium membership)

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____ E-mail _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

___ Check here to receive the newsletter electronically. ___ Check here to receive other club information electronically.

Note: Contact information will be used for Aquarium and Dive Club purposes only.

Please make your check payable to "New England Aquarium" or charge to:

___ MasterCard ___ Visa ___ Discover ___ American Express

Signature _____

Account # _____ Expiration _____ Amount \$ _____

Mail to: Membership Department, New England Aquarium, Central Wharf, Boston MA 02110

New members receive a New England Aquarium membership card marked "DIVER". **IF YOU ARE ALREADY A MEMBER OF THE AQUARIUM**, send your membership card, Dive Club dues payment, and this application to the Membership Department. Your membership card will be returned marked "DIVER". If you have any questions, please call the Aquarium Membership Office at 617-973-6555/6564

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See Page 1 for details



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