



NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM DIVE CLUB, INC. NEWSLETTER

March, 2003

NEADC Web Site: www.NEADC.org

NEADC GENERAL MEETING

**Immersion Theater at New England Aquarium
Wednesday, March 19, 2003
6:30 p.m.**

Underwater Photographer Tom Freeman from Newport, Rhode Island will bring us an incredible collection of some of his best shots--both warm and cold water--Come and learn some of the secrets and techniques that these experienced photographers use to capture these amazing shots.

ANNUAL DIVE PLANNING MEETING

The Dive Planning Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 26th, at 6:30 p.m. at Gadsby Hannah LLP, 22nd Floor, 225 Franklin Street (aka The State Street Bank Building), Boston, MA. This location is only a few blocks from New England Aquarium. Parking is available at the Post Office Square Garage after 4:30 p.m. for \$7.00 for the evening. Chinese food will be served. You MUST RSVP to Rick Rosa at shoredive@neadc.org or Maryhelen Shuman-Groh president@neadc.org

INFORMAL MEETING

The February Informal Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2nd, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Dick and Nancy Whitehouse in West Roxbury. See page 2 for Directions.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Submit your news for the next Newsletter by **Monday, March 24, 2003!** for the **APRIL EDITION** of the NEADC Newsletter. Submissions should be forwarded by e-mail at newsletter@neadc.org. Thank you

THIS MONTH'S CONTENTS

Officers/Voice Mail/Directions	Page 2
Members' Advertising	Page 2
From the Officers	Page 3
Lowell Lecture Series	Page 5
NEADC Whale Watch	Page 6
Beneath the Seas	Page 7
GAFC	Page 8
Underwater Monopoly	Page 9
Ocean Wonderland 3D	Page 10
NEADC Calendar of Dives and Events	Page 11

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

If your address has changed recently please fill out this form and mail it to:
Karl See, Membership Director, New England Aquarium, Central Wharf, Boston, MA 02110

OLD ADDRESS:

Name: _____
Street: _____
City: _____
State/Zip: _____

NEW ADDRESS:

Name: _____
Street: _____
City: _____
State/Zip: _____

President - Maryhelen Shuman-Groh, P. O. Box 70,
Raynham, MA 02767; (508) 821-4704, president@neadc.org
Vice-President - Peter McCarthy (617) 561-4829
shoredive@neadc.org
Business Manager - Jim Carozza (617) 973-3821,
business@neadc.org
Boat Dive Coordinator - William Low, boatdive@neadc.org
Shore Dive Coordinator - Rick Rosa, shoredive@neadc.org
Newsletter Editor - Scott Bortis, newsletter@neadc.org
Program Director - Al Bozza (508)-384-1377,
programs@neadc.org
Membership Director - Trish Katzman (781) 648-1850
membership@neadc.org
Secretary - Anna Krowczynska, secretary@neadc.org
Environmental Affairs - Alicia Lenci (617) 889-1486,
environmental@neadc.org
Webmaster - Bryce Flynn (508) 543-9761
webmaster@neadc.org

NEADC VOICE MAIL SYSTEM: Please call (617) 973-0240

INFORMAL MEETING INFORMATION

DIRECTIONS TO APRIL 2003 INFORMAL MEETING:

Informal Meeting will be held Wednesday, April 2, 2003 at 6:30 pm at the home of Dick and Nancy Whitehouse.

PLEASE NOTE: ANYONE WITH CAT ALLERGIES SHOULD BRING MEDICATION.

From Route 128N or S take Exit 16A (Route 109 E for Dedham). Follow 109E for 2.6 miles. Take a right onto Route 1 South at the light after Moseley's, Getty Gas & Olde Irish Ale House (also called VFW Parkway). Go 0.2 miles on right, 1515 VFW Parkway, labeled Boston Trailer Park. Turn right into park (immediately before Clair Car Dealership sign). Take an immediate left by a small office building. Go to the end of the road, at the blue building follow the road around to the right onto "E" street. The Whitehouse's is the 5th trailer, #E-11. Park along fence.

MEMBERS' ADVERTISING

NEWSLETTER AD POLICY: Dive related ads for NEADC Members will be free with the following stipulations: 1. Must be current NEADC member; 2. Ad must be 25 words or less; 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. Website does NOT contain member advertising.

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**

Brand new 3mm Wetsuit

ScubaPro S-TEK Steamer mens size LR. Silverskin lining, back zipper, spine pad, kneepads. MSRP \$231, asking \$150.
Andrew_Urh@hotmail.com or 781-789-3164

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT Maryhelen Shuman-Groh

LOSS OF NEADC MEMBER: On Sunday, February 9, 2002, NEADC member **Tony Kalinowski** of Belmont died diving the Chester Polling off Gloucester. The exact circumstances of the accident may never be known. We can only be sure that something went horribly wrong and that a good man is gone leaving behind a wife, two daughters and great many friends. We extend our thoughts and sympathies to Tony's family and friends. Anyone interested in making a memorial donation may do so at The PDK Foundation, 4901 Main Street, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64112.

FROM YOUR VICE PRESIDENT Peter McCarthy

Are you new to this Club, or to the sport of diving itself?? If so, Club-sponsored dives and activities are a GREAT way to meet other divers and dive buddies, and learn about this sport! There are some incredible dive sites in New England, and you don't know what you're missing if you don't get out and participate. While the cold weather is still here, it won't be here for long. The dive season will soon be starting up again, and I encourage all of you to come out this year and enjoy our activities! Look for upcoming dives and activities on our Club calendar, or better yet, come to the upcoming shore dive-planning meeting and help us prepare our calendar of activities!

If you're interested in purchasing club logowear, Wearguard now allows you to order merchandise directly from them. Our new representative Nora Finnegan can be reached at 800-677-6060, x 5629. You should tell her you're a member of the dive club, and make arrangements to pay for your merchandise directly and have it shipped to you (please ensure your personal merchandise is not shipped to the Aquarium or billed to the club). If any of you would like to browse through a current Wearguard catalog, please see me at any upcoming informal or general meeting. Wearguard has a wide selection of quality products available for you to choose from, and you can visit their website at www.wearguard.com.

FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR Trish Katzman

If you are a new member or an old member and would like to get more involved with the dive club, please consider attending one of all of the upcoming events.

1. Informal meetings: These meetings are very different than our general meeting. Each month, one of the members cooks dinner and opens their home for us to get the newsletters together, stamped, and labeled. It's pretty easy for new members or less active members to attend, especially if you live close to the volunteer's home. The informal meetings are a great way to socialize with people in the club and you have the flexibility to leave anytime. Please consider coming to our next informal and get to know some of the people you may be diving with this summer!
2. Dive Planning Meeting: On March 26, we will meet at the NEAq Conference Center at 6:30pm to organize the upcoming season's dive events. We will provide a complimentary dinner while we go through the calendar and try to fill out every weekend from around June to October with dates, locations, meeting places, and dive leaders. We try to provide a good mix of diving locations including Cape Ann and Rhode Island. If you have a preference of location, join us and let us know. Please also consider volunteering to lead a shore dive. Leading a dive is definitely not required but it's fun and not much work. Or you can come to the planning meeting and just observe.
3. Boston Sea Rovers: During the weekend of March 8 this event is annual underwater clinic that includes exhibits, seminars, workshops, and a film festival. It has a number of sponsors including the New England Aquarium, Undersea Divers, Inc., and WBCN. It's a great way to learn about digital underwater cameras, marine life, tech diving skills, and more. Check out www.bostonsearovers.com. You'll meet a lot of interesting people in the greater diving community!

I hope to see you at these events!

FROM YOUR SECRETARY Anna Krowczynska

After few years of relatively mild winters we are back to normal – snow, ice, cold, melt and freeze again, and than more snow which is just your typical New England winter. It maybe snowing outside, but my mind is still in Dominica enjoying warm water, beautiful reefs and rain forest. Usually, I don't like to go back to the same place; there are so many great diving spots and so little time, but I am

definitely going back to Dominica. It is really a wonderful island with few tourists, very friendly natives and not only great dive sites, but also great hikes. You can't ask for anything more!

And also, if you join trip organized by Al and Jonathan, you don't have to do anything, but come, kick back and relax – everything is taken care of. You only need to make important choices – what to eat (remember if you can't decide whether you want meat or fish for dinner, you can always ask for half and half), to dive or not, or maybe hike and if so to where. Last month I've described our epic journey to the Boiling Lake, this time I want to mention about diving. I am not an expert on the tropical diving, since I've been only once to Bahamas (vicinity of Bimini Island) and most of my diving is done locally, but Dominica dive sites blow my mind. All those colors, pinnacles, bubbles coming from the bottom, coral gardens and the creatures. The frogfish and seahorse is quite ubiquitous here. I've even seen the frogfish with his lure out fishing for lunch! The only creature I didn't see was a bat fish, although I was told that I've swam over one – I will believe when I see the picture of it. And the night diving was also spectacular – finally I've seen a squid! If you are still unconvinced, check the Jonathan and Jacki Kronenberg web sites <http://www.oceanicresearch.org/dominicatrip.htm>.

Although only few very hard-core divers are entering the frigid Atlantic Ocean now, think diving and don't miss the Sea Rovers on March 7 and 8, especially underwater film festival on Saturday. Spring will be here pretty soon and another great diving season upon us.

FROM YOUR BOAT DIVING COORDINATOR Bill Low

I just got in from a dive at Niles beach with the water temperature being a warm 32 degrees. Invigorating to say the least, especially in a wet suit. No creatures stirring about but a number of Skate eggs getting ready to hatch. Right now there is not much boat diving going on but in a few months the marine life will start to appear; okay I am being optimistic. In a number of months when the oceans creatures start to appear I hope to have a number of dates with different charters so that members can have a variety of areas to dive in and have the opportunity to enjoy sites near their homes and to explore areas which they may want to return to a number of times because of different creatures, landscapes or wrecks. I hope to have some wreck dives scheduled this season, I have found out that Rhode Island has a nice variety of wrecks and dive sites. The German submarine U853 seems like it would be interesting wreck to dive on and the Gooseberry Island Arches would be a memorable experience of swimming through two naturally formed archways.

FROM YOUR PAST BOAT DIVE COORDINATOR Veronica Atlantis

Congratulations to the new dive boat coordinator, Bill Low, to whom I am passing the proverbial hat. I've been the NEADC dive boat coordinator for the past six years for which I've really enjoyed doing. I would like to take this time to thank those who helped out organizing a variety of exciting boat dives: Donna Romano for the seal dives, Al Bozza for the shark dives, Jim Cardozza for the North Carolina dives and everyone else that had taken the time to organize specialty dives (that I have not personally mentioned). I would also like to thank Captain Fred Calhoun for giving NEADC members a discount aboard Easy Diver as well as Captain Jim Sullivan with Boston Harbor Diving. Happy diving!

FROM YOUR SHORE DIVE COORDINATOR Rick Rosa

Who am I and Why am I Here?

For those who haven't met me yet, a brief introduction: I grew up in Massachusetts, spend most of my years here, and have lived in Boston (West Roxbury) for about six years. I work mostly in the Boston area as a technical consultant. I became a certified SCUBA diver in 1988 during my four year stay at U. Mass. – Dartmouth. My OW instructor was Vin Malkowski, our friend from the State. Since then I've been steadily working on my diving knowledge, experience and education. As my diving experiences widened, so did my obsession for the sport. I finished my Divemaster certification last September in sunny Ft. Lauderdale at the Pro Dive School. Ask me next summer about Instructor class...

I joined the club in 1989 but for years didn't get much more involved than reading the newsletter. As my interest in SCUBA grew, so did my participation in the club. It gave me a great place to meet other divers, find great dive spots and ask about local shops or gear. Last year, I took the opportunity to run for Shore Dive Coordinator, and thank you for your support. I hope to bring as much enthusiasm to the position as I have for SCUBA diving. This will be another great shore diving year! If you're new to the club, welcome, and please stop by to say hello at the Formal or Informal meetings. Even better, come to the Shore Dive Planning Meeting and we will feed you!

What is the Shore Dive Planning Meeting, Why Should I Go?

The planning meeting is an annual event to pick the schedule and locations for the upcoming shore dive season. The best way to get a broad range of dive sites scheduled is for people to share their local diving experience. The best way to get a full schedule of dive

weekends is for people to volunteer as Shore Dive Leaders (SDL). This way you get to share this local knowledge of your favorite dive site and surroundings (parking, restaurants, meeting places, etc.) with other divers. There are other benefits for becoming Dive Leaders. You get an *exclusive* NEADC Shore Dive Leader T-Shirt and a lottery entry to dive in the Giant Ocean Tank (GOT). That's right! For every dive you organize, you get a lottery entry for the end of the year drawing. The more dives you lead, the better your chances of winning. As for the meeting itself, we want you to show up! It doesn't matter if you just want to share ideas for sites, are willing to sign up for dates on the calendar, or just want to express an opinion about North vs. South shore, we want your input!

Meeting date: Wednesday, March 26th, at 6:30 p.m.
Location: Gadsby Hannah LLP, 22nd Floor
225 Franklin Street (The State Street Bank Building, a few blocks from the Aquarium)
Parking: Post Office Square Garage (\$7 for evenings after 4:30 p.m.)
Food: Chinese food will be served (Bring your appetites, vegetarians welcome)

If you plan on attending, you **MUST** RSVP to Rick Rosa at shoredive@neadc.org or Maryhellen Shuman-Groh at president@neadc.org so we can get a headcount for food. For the non-email types, you can call Rick at 617-763-3624 to RSVP.

One important point about volunteering as a Shore Dive Leader is that you *do NOT have to be an expert diver, Divemaster or Instructor* to "lead" a dive. The SDL simply organizes the dive, contacts interested club members, gives out directions, parking instructions and interesting site details. SDLs are not expected to act as an underwater guide or take responsibility for the group. In fact, you should *not* be leading dives underwater unless you are a qualified Divemaster or Instructor, have the proper liability coverage, and assume responsibility and liability for the group if something happens.

What's The Story With Shore Diving in New England Anyway?

You would think from this time of year that New England isn't any place to dive. You would be wrong though. Yes, it is cold outside and colder in the water now, but in a few short months that will all change. I've been diving in some of the warmest islands and oceans in the world and, yes, it is a lot of fun. However, it isn't New England. Bonaire doesn't have Maine lobsters or the large rock ledges that our coast is known for. New England is just different. Reef diving is fun and the water is warm, but this doesn't take my interest away from our local shores. Besides, I live here and shore diving is cheap *and* fun! No pressure from other divers to get off the boat, no expensive boat charters to pay for, no time pressure to get on and off the dock. Relax; we're at the beach! I enjoy boat dives as much as anybody, but that doesn't take away the fun or relaxation I get out of a nice shore dive. Show up for the planning meeting and join us diving this summer. For those new to the club, the Saturday after every Formal meeting (during the season) we have a new member dive.

LOWELL LECTURE SERIES FOR THE SPRING:

CONSERVATION ACTIONS: The Power of One, the Power of Many

What can we do as individuals and groups to make a difference for aquatic life? The New England Aquarium's National Science Foundation-funded special exhibit *Living Links: Choices for Survival* explores links between land, fresh water and the sea, and how humans impact these links daily. In this second of a two-part series of Lowell Lectures on this exhibit, we present stories of individuals and groups of individuals who have made a difference. Through their inspiration and example, we explore how all of us can learn the power of one and the power of many.

Lectures are held on Wednesdays and begin at 5:30 p.m. in the New England Aquarium's Immersion Theater, part of the Exploration Center on the ground floor of the Boston Harbor Garage. Presentations will be followed by a coffee and dessert reception. Talks are approximately 45 minutes, after which there is time for questions from the audience.

We encourage you to do your part to curb carbon emissions and reduce global warming by taking the T to the Aquarium stop, now open on the Blue Line, on State Street near Quincy Hall Marketplace.

If it is not possible to take public transportation, validated parking is available at a reduced rate at the Boston Harbor Garage next to the Aquarium. Bring your ticket to the lecture for a validation stamp. The New England Aquarium presents this lecture series with the generous support of the Lowell Institute.

The Lowell Lecture Series is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact:

Ken Mallory at 617-973-5295 (kmallory@neaq.org) or Dr. Caroly Shumway at 617-673-6570 (cshumway@neaq.org).



NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM DIVE CLUB 2003 WHALE WATCH, 9:30 a.m. SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2003

Join us for an early Spring journey onboard the Voyager II for a day of seeking the great *Rights*, *Humpbacks* and *Atlantic White-sided Dolphins* on Stellwagen Bank. Voyager II is the whale watch vessel of the New England Aquarium and is crewed by knowledgeable and enthusiastic naturalists who will identify and provide information on the species we will see. They also conduct an informational tour as we motor out of Boston Harbor. The Voyager II is equipped with educational materials including a computerized fluke identification station, Loran and chart station, live-well and whale biofacts.

When: Sunday, April 27, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. Boat returns between 2-4:00 p.m.

Where: New England Aquarium, Central Wharf. Meet in front of the Whale Watch Kiosk on the Aquarium Plaza.

What to Bring: Lots of warm, weather resistant clothing and water-proof no-slip shoes. The

weather can be wet, wild and cold on Stellwagen even if it is warm and sunny dockside so bundle up!

Food service available on board or you may bring your own. (NO GLASS or ALCOHOL, please.)

Binoculars, Camera and Film

LOTS OF ENTHUSIASM

Sea sickness preventative is HIGHLY recommended

Tickets: Tickets are \$22.00*/adult \$16.00*/child under 18 (children must be at least 3 yrs. old and 30" tall) and must be paid with reservation

(*includes tax)

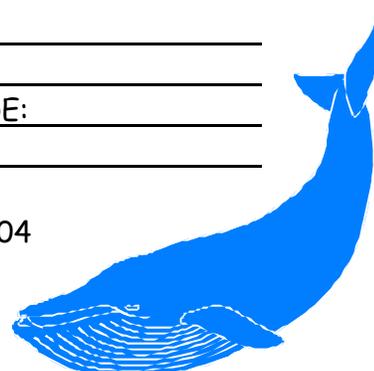
No. of Adult Tickets _____ X \$22.00 = \$_____.

No. of Child Tickets _____ X \$16.00 = \$_____. TOTAL \$_____

Please make checks payable to NEADC. By Mail: NEADC c/o P.O. Box 70, Raynham, MA 02767

NAME: _____
 STREET: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
 PHONE: () _____ E-MAIL: _____

For more information, please contact Maryhelen at (508) 821-4704
 e-mail: president@neadc.org



BENEATH THE SEA's 27th Undersea Exposition and Dive Travel Show will be at the Meadowlands Exposition Center in Secaucus, New Jersey March 28th, 29th and 30th, 2003.

The largest consumer diving event in the Americas, this year BENEATH THE SEA will have 300 exhibitors from all corners of the world, over 60 seminars by specialists and industry experts, diving demonstrations, exotic destinations, social events, and workshops, to entertain, inform and excite the experienced diver, new diver, and entice non-divers into becoming divers.

Dr. Phil Nuytten, Inventor of diving technology, Author, Commercial Diver, Producer of TV specials involving the sea, Technical Advisor for James Cameron's Academy Award winning "Abyss," and father of "Remora" the US Navy submarine rescue system will take time from his busy schedule to host Beneath the Sea's Saturday night Film Festival.

Ocean Pals, Beneath the Sea's children's program, through their Seas of Tomorrow Society will hold a black tie gala on Friday evening, March 28th .to benefit The Children's Hospital of the Westchester Medical Center. On Sunday, March 30th Ocean Pals will honor the winners of this year's poster contest and host a children's party. For more information on Ocean Pals and The Seas of Tomorrow Society, look at their web site www.Beneaththesea.org/v2/ocean_pals.html

Throughout the weekend The Women Divers Hall of Fame will present a series of events at Beneath the Sea, the place where it all began.

To be a part of the present and the future in scuba diving, oceanography, and underwater photography, make yourself part of BENEATH THE SEA when it opens for its 27th Exposition and Party at the Meadowlands Exposition Center in Secaucus, New Jersey the weekend of March 28th, 29th, and 30th - only 4 miles, just 10 minutes from mid-town Manhattan.

For more information call 1.914.664.4310, e-mail info@Beneaththesea.org or visit our web site: www.Beneaththesea.org

Metrowest Dive Club's 11th Annual Diving Symposium. "Wrecks 2003"

April 5th, 2003. Keefe Tech High School. Framingham, Ma.

8:30 am. - 3 pm. Meet the speakers party: 3-5 pm.

Show consists of 4 world class speakers, including Tom Mount and Kevin McMurray, author of "Deep Descent".

The show also consists of: Wreck artifact displays, Equipment displays, Photography displays, Manufacturers Booths, Raffles.

Cost \$15 (buy your ticket at our display at the Boston Sea Rovers show in March for \$12)

For more information. WWW.MWDC.ORG

**2nd Annual Sanctuary
Celebration in conjunction
with the Great Annual Fish
Count**



On July 19, 2003, the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary and the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation (NMSF) will host the 2nd annual Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Celebration in conjunction with the Great Annual Fish Count (GAFC). The Foundation is the private, non-profit partner to the federally managed National Marine Sanctuary system.

The Sanctuary celebration will be centered in Stage Fort Park in Gloucester, Massachusetts. There will be exhibits, workshops, free raffles and door prizes, as well as an update on fish sightings by divers participating in the Fish Count program. As part of the GAFC, local dive clubs are planning dives at five (5) shore locations around Cape Ann, while an additional NOAA team will dive in the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary. About 100 divers are expected to participate in the 2003 Cape Ann GAFC dives and Sanctuary Celebration.

Members of both the print and broadcast media will be invited to join in the survey dives.

Recognized as one of the nation's most significant marine treasures, the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary is home to endangered whales, flocks of seabirds, schools of fish and a wide variety of invertebrates. The Sanctuary is a living classroom and laboratory for nature's wonders. In 2001, the Sanctuary joined forces with the Reef Environmental Education Foundation to bring the acclaimed REEF Fish Survey Project and Great Annual Fish Count to New England's SCUBA-diving community. The GAFC mobilizes and trains volunteer dives and snorkelers to identify and document fish diversity and population trends in marine sanctuaries and coastal areas.

During our first Sanctuary Celebration held last year, 78 divers conducted 132 fish surveys at 6 locations around Cape Ann, making this the largest single day GAFC event held in the United States in 2002. Join us in support of this year's event by making a donation to the Foundation's Fish Counters Raffle. Prizes in the raffle will reward those divers who have undergone Northeast Fish ID training and have volunteered their time by conducting survey dives. An additional raffle open to the public will seek to raise funds for Sanctuary marine education and stewardship programs.

The Foundation is asking for your support through the donation of dive equipment and supplies for this event. The National Marine Sanctuary Foundation is a Section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable organization. Any equipment or cash contributions donated to the Foundation are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law for the donor.

Upon receipt of your donation, NMSF will forward an "Affidavit To Verify Charitable Contribution" statement to your office for tax purposes.

For more information, please contact: Bob Michelson, event coordinator for the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary at (781) 848-8870, or by e-mail, pbm.inc@verizon.net.

MASS Diving Inc. and the Metrowest YMCA Presents: Underwater Monopoly

"DIVING FOR DOLLARS 2003"

SCUBA diving certification not required! Anyone can play!

Sunday, March 30, 2003

9am to 9pm

Location: Metrowest YMCA 280 Old Connecticut Path, Framingham

Participants need to register for a 1-hour time spot!

OBJECTIVE: To raise money for the Metrowest YMCA's High Flight Program.

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED: This program is a great way to give back to the community. We are looking for both non-certified divers and certified divers to play Monopoly on scuba for one hour.

DONATIONS: Each participant must raise or donate a minimum of \$50.00 in order to play for a one-hour time spot. If a participant raises or donates more than \$200.00, they will be eligible for a two-hour time spot. Pledge sheets can be obtained at MASS Diving.

PLAYERS: Every hour four players will be exchanging play money and battling it out over the properties. Players can sign-up individually or make up their own groups of four players to play against! Sign-up early for the best time spots!

PLAYING UNDERWATER MONOPOLY: Underwater Monopoly is played like normal Monopoly, except underwater! Four players start the game and play for one hour. The next four players will continue the game already in progress. If someone gets Monopoly, the game will be restarted from the beginning. Two games will be played simultaneously, one in the deep end for certified divers and one in the shallow end for non-certified divers.

POOL: We will be using the first two lanes of the pool, allowing the remaining two lanes to be open to Discover Scuba participants.

EQUIPMENT: All scuba equipment will be donated for use by MASS Diving, Inc. Masks will be provided, however, divers are encouraged to bring their own mask for proper fit.

SAFETY: There will be PADI dive instructors, PADI divemasters, and safety divers in the pool area for the entire 12 hours. All non-certified divers will receive basic scuba training before playing.

SPECTATORS: All spectators will be able to watch the game poolside through a Plexiglas window. Participants can also view the game underwater on Scuba by signing up for our Discover Scuba Program.

PRIZES: Diving manufacturers and sponsors have donated a variety of scuba equipment and related items to be given away as prizes. The prizes will be distributed beginning with the highest amount raised and ending with the least amount. All participants will receive a free t-shirt. A list of prizes will be made available a week before the event.

REGISTRATION: Participants must pre-register at: MASS Diving, Inc. in Natick.

SPACE IS LIMITED TO: 48 Certified Divers, 48 Non-Certified Divers

CHECK PAYMENTS: Makes checks payable to The Metrowest YMCA.

Tips on collecting money and making the event successful

1. Always approach the companies or individuals who will donate the most amount of money first. People will look at your sheet to see what other people have donated. If they see \$5.00, then you will get numerous \$5.00 amounts. If they see \$25.00, then you are more likely to see \$25.00 amounts.
2. Approach everyone: Companies, Organizations that donate to charities, Family, Friends, and Yourself.
Note: Some companies will also match your pledges.
3. Encourage people to play. Remember, you do not have to be a certified scuba diver to play. Explain underwater on scuba.
4. Advertise the event and talk it up as much as possible. We can supply you with flyers to display at work, school, and at other companies or organizations. Any good contacts with the media would be greatly appreciated.
5. Get people involved - businesses, schools, friends, clubs and other organizations. Form your own groups of four players.
6. If companies will not donate money, will they donate a raffle prize? Prizes do not have to be dive related.

OCEAN WONDERLAND 3D

"Ocean Wonderland 3D" is a new film created for the IMAX 3D screen - a collection of eye-catching visuals, wonderful music and astounding 3D that encourages the audience to discover the underwater world as it is: beautiful, surprising, fantastic and magical.

Eagle rays, sharks, dolphins, and a huge variety of fish, corals and other sea life leap off the screen, drawing the audience into an underwater wonderland. "Ocean Wonderland 3D" was shot on Australia's Great Barrier Reef and in the Bahamas.

The film was produced with the collaboration of the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Wildlife Fund, and supports their efforts to reverse the rapid decline in coral reef ecosystems around the world. Opens February 12, 2003.

Monday-Tuesday: 10 a.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday: 10 a.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

Sunday: 10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m.

Films and film times subject to change without notice. Please call to confirm show times as the theater is sometimes closed for a private event. To purchase tickets call 1-866-815-IMAX (4629) or buy tickets online at <http://www.neaq.org>.

GREAT WHITE SHARK DIVING

Imagine diving in 100' vis and water temps of 74+ surrounded by up to 7 great whites. A company in California has found a location that is offering the most incredible cage diving with great whites on the planet today. They combine this with world-class tuna fishing on an 86' luxury long-range dive boat. These 5-day trips are only available during October and part of November at a cost of \$ 2200. Per person. We will be offering a trip in October 2003 and November 2004, if you would like any additional info please contact Al Bozza.

New England Aquarium Dive Club 2003 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.

Date	Location	Meeting Place	Dive/Event Leader	Social Activity	Theme
Wednesday, March 19 6:30 p.m.	NEAq Immersion Theater	Boston, MA	GENERAL MEETING	GENERAL MEETING	Guest Speaker Tom Freeman
Wednesday, March 26 6:30 p.m.	Boston (See page 1 for directions) MUST RSVP	Boston, MA	Dive Planning Meeting	Planning of 2003 Dive Schedule with Dinner	Diving 2003
Wednesday, April 2 6:30 p.m.	Home of Dick and Nancy Whitehouse	West Roxbury (see page 2 for directions)	INFORMAL MEETING	Dinner and Newsletter Preparation	
Sunday April 27 th 9:30 a.m.	NEADC Whale Watch	Boston, MA	Whale Watch	Whale Watch	
Saturday July 19 th	Great Annual Fish Count	Stage Fort Park and Various Dive Sites	Bob Michelson, REEF and Stellwagen Bank	Fish Count	
Saturday July 19 th	NEADC Annual Picnic	Tentatively: Kittery, ME	NEADC	Annual Picnic with food, diving, prizes	
SAVE THE DATE Friday, December 5	Annual Holiday Party	Burlington American Legion	Veronica Atlantis	Holiday Bash!	

**SUBMIT YOUR DIVE DATES and FREE ADVERTISING FOR DIVE SHOPS, CLUBS, CHARTERS for
the Super JUNE 2003 SUMMER DIVE SEASON EDITION at your earliest opportunity to
newsletter@neadc.org**

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 Dive Club requires current membership in New England Aquarium)

- | | | | | |
|---|------------|------------------------------|---|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | \$45.00 + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Couple/Family | \$80.00 + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$95.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quartermaster | \$100.00 + | Dive Club Membership \$15.00 | = | \$115.00 |
| <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 _____

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

MasterCard Visa Discover American Express Signature _____

Account # _____ Expiration _____ Amount \$ _____

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

Requirements for Dive Club Membership include current membership in the New England Aquarium and payment of Dive Club dues. 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.



Central Wharf, Boston, MA 02110