



NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM DIVE CLUB, INC. NEWSLETTER

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NEADC Web Site: www.NEADC.org

NEADC GENERAL MEETING

Immersion Theater: Wednesday, August 21, 2002

6:30 p.m.

Come to our August meeting for a presentation on PATRICK MUSIMU --Free diving record holder--given by Michael Hanlen. Michael was one of Patrick's safety divers on the Turks and Caicos Islands. He has produced an amazing 45 minute video on his time spent with Patrick.

Dive Computer Recall

About 1,700 computer consoles used by scuba divers are being recalled because their pressure gauges give inaccurate readings. Divers who use the broken gauges can suffer decompression sickness, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission said Thursday. The commission and Johnson Outdoors Inc., the Racine, Wis., company that manufactures the gauges, have received four reports of malfunctioning gauges but know of no injuries.

UWATEC brand Smart PRO, Pro ULTRA and Sport PLUS consoles with U-Line gauges are included in the recall. The gray consoles have "UWATEC" printed on front, and the following codes are on the back of the gauges: Tested-IL, Tested-JL, Tested-KL, Tested-LL, Tested-AM, Tested-BM, Tested-CM, Tested-DM and Tested-EM.

They were sold at dive shops and sporting good stores nationwide from January through May. For more information, call (800) 382-2211 or www.scubapro.com and www.cpsc.gov.

INFORMAL MEETING

The September Informal Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 4th, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Nancy Papagno in Newton, MA. *See page 2 for Directions.*

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Submit your news for the next Newsletter by **Friday, August 30, 2002!** for the **SEPTEMBER EDITION** of the NEADC Newsletter. Submissions should be forwarded by e-mail at newsletter@neadc.org,
Thank you

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ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a SPECIAL ELECTION for the position of Shore Dive Coordinator at the August General Meeting being held Wednesday, August 21, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. in the Immersion Theater at New England Aquarium. Nominations for the position will be taken up until voting takes place.

INFORMAL MEETING INFORMATION

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From 128 GOING SOUTH: Take Exit 19B " Highland Ave., Needham"

Pass the first light at Muzi Ford to the second light at Webster. Turn LEFT and stay on Webster (all residential except for Needham High School on right). At the next light, turn LEFT onto Great Plain Ave. EXACTLY 1/2 mile later, Great Plain bends to the right (like the letter C), but DON'T BEND! Mt. Vernon is straight - up a small hill. The house is the 7th up on the left, cedar-shingled, #19 Mt. Vernon.

From 128 GOING NORTH: Take Exit 18 "Great Plain Ave West Roxbury" Go RIGHT off the ramp toward Needham. Go just a bit over 1 mile, passing a Mobil station and the Birds Hill Pharmacy then a bakery - all on your right (otherwise all residential). When you see the sign for the sharp bend in the road (Great Plain makes a sharp 90 degree turn left), turn RIGHT onto Mt. Vernon Ave. The house is the 7th up on the left, cedar-shingled #19 Mt. Vernon. There is a commuter train at the Hersey stop, which is directly across the street from the Birds Hill Pharmacy. You would have exactly a one half mile walk to my house - OR call and someone nice will come pick you up

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**

DIVE! Grand Cayman East End any week, OR Oceancliff on Ocean Drive, Newport, RI. 10/18 to 10/24. Each are one bedroom condos with full amenities. Contact Nancy: gemini.nancy@verizon.net or 781-449-3805

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: _____

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT Maryhelen Shuman-Groh

Here we are in the middle of another dive season. There are many dives, trips and events on the 2002 Calendar. We're always looking for dive leaders to organize additional shore and boat dives, clean-ups and activities. Do you have an idea for an interesting adventure?

Our annual picnic is coming up on August 24th. We'll be at Fort Getty in Jamestown, Rhode Island, once again. It's a popular site because the facility has a pavilion, beach, volley ball court, showers and parking. There is snorkeling, kayaking, seining for tropical fish and shallow diving right at the site. Many other dive sites are located minutes away. Also convenient to the site is Ocean State Scuba for air fills and last minutes dive needs. The low cost ticket also includes a barbecue and many activities. Where else could you go and take the entire family for only \$8 a head? Please purchase your tickets by August 21st so we know how many people to plan on for food.

In July we elected a new Vice President, Peter McCarthy, to fill the void left by Caroline Starita who recently resigned for work reasons. Thanks to Caroline for her work this past year and welcome to Peter who has been our Shore Dive Coordinator until now. Since Peter is now vacating the Shore Dive position, there will be another election in August to fill the spot.

Soon we'll be starting to promote the annual election to be held in November and looking for candidates to fill a variety positions for 2003. Please consider running for office – the club is only as strong as membership participation. If you have an interest and would like more information, please feel free to talk to any of the officers.

FROM YOUR SECRETARY Anna Krowczynska

Do you want to meet "trained" wolfish named Jean? She will eat from your hand!

Do you want to experience the best diving in the Northeast?

Then check the Diving in Eastport, Maine on www.oceanicresearch.org/eastport.htm.

Due to the great popularity of the dive trips to Eastport, Maine Jonathan Bird graciously agreed to add one more trip this September 13-16

*DIVE WEEKEND is \$180 pp and includes:

4 Nights accommodations (Thurs-Mon)

Air Fills

6 dives

3 Breakfasts

2 Lunches

2 Dinners

Dive Guide services

Fun and excitement!

One lunch and one dinner are dine out, not included.

If interested, please drop me an e-mail: secretary@NEADC.org

MD'S CORNER Jim Carozza

Well first I would like to congratulate Pete McCarthy for being elected Vice President of the Club. Pete has done an outstanding job since joining the club and as Shore Dive Coordinator. Did I mention I got Pete to join in the first place?

Anyway Pete and I are planning our next adventure to Dutch Springs in Pennsylvania on September 20-22, 2002. We will be leaving around 11:00 am on Friday morning and driving out to Dutch Springs where we will meet up with a group from the Laurel Divers Dive Club and either camp at Dutch Springs or book hotel rooms for two nights. We will be diving on Saturday and Sunday and everything you need is on site. I went two years ago and had a blast! Driving time is around 5-6 hours and we will be carpooling or renting a van or two to split depending on who signs up. Please see myself or Pete at a meeting or contact us via E-mail through the Club Contact list. I have attached a brief description and web site for Dutch Springs for those interested:

September 20-22 Dutch Springs Weekend. A weekend meet-up with the Laurel Divers Dive Club
Leave on Friday afternoon– Arrive Friday evening camping on site or motel. Dive on Saturday – camp in Dutch Springs
Saturday night – dive Sunday am - leave to return home early afternoon. Admission fee \$19 per day, camping \$10 per person, \$5 per person to night dive. Air fills 80's - \$4, high filtered air - \$8, Nitrox (32%) \$13. See <http://dutchsprings.com> for more information. There is also information on hotel lodging in the area.

Remember, Dive safe & Dive Often!

Jim Carozza - Membership Director

FROM YOUR VICE-PRESIDENT AND OUTGOING SHORE DIVING COORDINATOR Peter McCarthy

Our shore dives are a great way for you to gain experience, improve your skills, and meet other divers!! Unless designated otherwise by the dive leader, all of our shore dives are appropriate for divers of all experience levels. If you are a newly certified diver, please come out and join us! Likewise, if you're a new member of the Club, regardless of your experience level, please join us on a new member dive. We have an official "new member dive" the first weekend after each month's general membership meeting, and this is an excellent opportunity to meet other Club members.

Please see our calendar for a current list of upcoming shore dives. The shore diving calendar is also posted on the Club's website, www.NEADC.org.

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.

The Aquarium is in need of volunteers throughout the summer to help collect fish for its Newport Exploration Center in Rhode Island. Training, equipment and permits will be provided by the Aquarium. This is an important project for the success of the soon-to-be-opened Exploration Center, and a great opportunity for you to tell friends and family visiting the Center that some of the exhibits were personally collected by you! If you're interested in helping out, please contact Rick Jones at rdale_jones@hotmail.com or 401-782-6448, or Bonnie Epstein at bepstein@neaq.org or 401-487-3521.

Tropical Fish Hunting trips will be organized in September and October in the Rhode Island area - to hunt and capture tropical fish which are swept north in the Gulf Stream and would otherwise perish. Exact dates depend on weather and sea conditions - contact Jean Stefanik for more info.

Jeango4it@aol.com or phone (603) 647-1063

I am in the process of placing orders for t-shirts for all of the shore dive leaders for this year's dives. If you have not already done so, please let me know your color preference (white or gray) and size so that I can order you a shirt. If you have not volunteered to lead a dive, it's not too late to schedule one!

Thank you to all of you who voted for me in our recent election! I look forward to serving as the Club's Vice-President, and wish Jamie Rosencrantz and Rick Rosa good luck in the upcoming election to fill my present position as Shore Diving Coordinator!

**NEADC ANNUAL PICNIC
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2002 10:00 am
FORT GETTY JAMESTOWN, RHODE ISLAND**

Tickets \$8.00 ADVANCE PURCHASE
(\$12.00 after August 21st General Meeting).

See any NEADC Officer for tickets or to HELP OUT!

DIRECTIONS TO FORT GETTY: 95S to exit 9: Rte 4S
 Rte 4S to Rte 1S
 Rte 1S to Rte 138E
Take exit immediately after Jamestown Bridge
 Go to end of road
 Right onto North Rd
 Straight at stop sign. Now Southwest Ave.
 Go 1 mile to Ft. Getty access road on right
 Check in at Guard shack
 Straight ahead to Pavilion

Dive Club Holiday Party

On December 13th Friday we are going to have a dive club holiday party! I know it sounds early but in order to make it successful we need to plan ahead. It will be at the Knights of Columbus in Arlington center. I need all the help I can get from: ticket sellers, people who can make the tickets, holiday decorators, people who can go out and buy decorations or donate decorations, set up crew i.e. table and chairs, clean up crew etc. .ANY and ALL help will be appreciated! Please email me at: atlantis_shark@yahoo.com or call me at: 781-272-1387

Thanks!

Veronica Atlantis

Results from Great Annual Fish Count (GAFC) Event

I'd like to thank all of you who participated in the Great Annual Fish Count/10th Anniversary Party, especially Jim and Laura Stewart for being "dive site contacts." There were over 130 surveys turned in on Saturday July 20 and over 40 species counted. This is well over the 100 survey goal coordinators wanted to achieve! REEF and Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary were very pleased with the turnout. The Folly Cove crew nearly missed out on all the great prizes by enjoying a leisurely second dive, but were back in time for the 5 minute count-down to raffle drawing time! It looked like the last 5 minutes of the SAT's, everyone was hurrying to fill in the survey bubbles! It was worth the effort, though, as some great prizes were raffled off. Among them were flashlights, books, and a \$75 gift certificate to Underwater Photo Tech. Oh, I shouldn't forget to mention the way cool collector item, a Stellwagen Bank NMS ballcap! Thanks again to everyone who participated! We had a lot of fun and I look forward to counting fish with you all again soon!

Remember, fish counts can be performed at anytime of the year. REEF and scientists world-wide depend on this information.

- Brandy Derickson

DOMINICA TRIP STILL AVAILABLE

There are still a few spots left for the club trip to Dominica with Al Bozza and Jonathan Bird January 18-25, 2003. We're staying at Castle Comfort Lodge and diving with Dive Dominica. Dominica has it all from incredible walls and reefs to fantastic macro life including frogfish and seahorses. In addition, we will hike to the waterfalls and go see the Sperm whales. There is no place like it! Only \$995 per person! Details: www.jonathanbird.net

SWIM WITH THE MANATEES

Jonathan Bird is running a special trip for only 8 people to join him in Crystal River on a private boat to swim with manatees. In the course of working with manatees on two film projects and his master's thesis, Jonathan knows all the good places for interacting with manatees in clear water. This long weekend trip will allow participants three full days of manatee interaction in the wild. This is perfect for non-diving friends and relatives since all interaction is done with a snorkel. Dates: Feb 6-10, 2003. Four spots left. Price is \$599.00 per person. Details:

www.jonathanbird.net

Les Escoumins, Quebec trip Sept. 12-17, 2002.

Contact: Don Eva
dpeva@aol.com
603-672-5608

Les Escoumins is on the north shore of the St. Lawrence Seaway, a few hours drive northeast of Quebec City, just past the Saguenay Fjord. The topography here drives the deep, cold fresh water up, causing plankton blooms and creating a perfect environment for marine life, including lots of whales, which can be seen and heard day and night just a few yards offshore. A group of us will be heading up on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2002 and returning the following Tuesday, Sept. 17. The group will be primarily a mixture of divers and kayakers.

Things to do:

1) Diving - although this is cold water diving, even later in the summer, the underwater life is colorful and fascinating - Anemones and tunicates of all colors create scenes reminiscent of Caribbean coral reefs (if you ignore the low visibility and the shivering). Temps are usually under 40 degrees F., so drysuits are highly recommended, although we've had our share of hardy (or cheap) members who have done the dives wet.

2) Sea Kayaking - Whales, dolphins and seals are common companions while paddling close along the shore. Although it's a couple hundred miles to the Atlantic, the St. Lawrence here is salt water, over 20 miles wide, with approx. 12' of tidal range - it more resembles a large bay than a river. Water temps are generally in the 30's, so appropriate attire is required. Most of the kayaking will be along the shore near our cottages, but we'll plan on heading to the Saguenay River for a change of scenery.

3) Whale watching - A couple local outfits run whale watches on Zodiacs. Makes for an impressive sight when a blue whale comes right alongside a small rubber boat! This is a Must Do event every time we go. Usual sightings include Minke and Finback whales, dolphins, porpoises and seals. Blue whales are reasonably common, and belugas are occasionally seen. If you're used to going out in big whale watching boats, and spending hours to get to the whales, it's definitely exciting to go in the small Zodiacs and probably see whales as you're leaving the harbor.

Accommodations, costs, etc.:

I've reserved a couple of the A-frame cottages owned by the Essipit Indian tribe in town (www.essipit.com). These hold 4-6 people (2 bedrooms, plus a couple more can sleep in the living room), have TV, full kitchen with conventional and microwave oven, and full bath. These cottages sit above a small cove, allowing easy kayak access and a reasonably interesting dive site (There's more diving at the Marine Center and at the campground up the road). There are more cottages available here, so as more people commit to going, we can add accordingly. There are other types of accommodations in the area, for those who might want something different - from camping to B&B's, to regular motels, to the dive hotel - the Auberge du Plongeur, which has been the usual spot for the dive group in the past. It has been renovated in the past couple years, so should be a little less "rustic". The idea here is to keep things informal, so if people want to do something different, or work to a different schedule, it shouldn't be difficult to arrange.

Cost for the cottage for the 5 nights should be in the \$75-90 (US) range, depending on the exchange rate and how many people come. There are a couple restaurants in town, and grocery stores, so we'll probably cook most of our own meals, and eat out once or twice.

Travel: Yes, it's a pretty long haul up there - 10-12 hours, but worth it. We'll carpool up - I'll have my truck, most likely pulling a trailer with kayaks on it, plus whatever seems to work out with the people we have. Most of us will probably meet up somewhere in NH - Manchester or Concord most likely, then drive up from there. If someone else has a different schedule, they can come up separately.

Diving the Cay Sal Banks Aboard the Nekton Pilot Richardson,

- Charlotte Richardson

The two Nekton boats (Pilot and Rorqual) seem to have a reputation for being good for beginning divers. So I wondered if this implied that the Nekton Pilot was going to be a not-so-good choice for more experienced people. But knowing that our offices were closing for the 4th of July week and that our sound track composer would be just finishing her master's degree, we decided to book three berths aboard the Nekton Pilot for a week to dive the blue holes of the Cay Sal Bank in the far southern Bahamas. We left from Ft. Lauderdale on June 30th and returned there on July 6th, flying home on the 7th.

The Nekton Pilot is 78 feet long and has a 40 foot beam. This sounds like a short liveaboard, especially for one that usually takes 32 passengers plus crew, but its width makes it a very spacious boat. The rectangular cabin areas float above two 80 foot long pontoons with stabilizing fins below water level, giving the boat the ride of a much larger ship. As their ads state, it is really unlikely that you will get seasick on this one. It's a very comfortable ride. There are sixteen cabins on two deck levels, each with a private bathroom, picture windows, its own air conditioning system, and either two single beds or one queen-sized bed. There was always plenty of hot and cold water. The handicapped-accessible cabin is large enough that on our charter an extra mattress was placed on the floor next to the queen-sized bed to accommodate the teen-aged daughter of the occupants. There is a large dining area and main lounge area with TV, VCR, CD player, and stereo, and a large sundeck with a Jacuzzi (which no one used). There are two camera tables and an E6 processing lab, as well as a light table in the main lounge. Scubapro dive gear and an assortment of cameras can be rented. Various PADI specialty courses and checkout dives can be arranged, even after you are already aboard. Our composer friend finished her Open Water certification dives, and at least one other passenger completed his Advanced Open Water. This might be partially why this

boat is popular with beginners. It will also take snorkelers, kayakers, and even family groups including small children and even babies, though there were no little kids on our trip. The Nekton people run free shuttle van service to and from the airport, local hotels, downtown Ft. Lauderdale, car rental offices, and the cruise boat dock. The van stops at a local liquor and grocery store. On board the galley serves water, ice tea, fruit juices, coffee, and tea, and provides a big cooler for whatever else you like to drink and bring aboard with you, so long as you don't want to dive after drinking alcohol.

The elevating dive deck (raised and lowered on greasy winch cables – don't grab on to these!) holds everyone's tanks, arranged by cabin number, with gear bins underneath. You can enter the water either off the sides of the dive deck or via the central ladder. There is a small mask rinse tank and two camera rinse tanks. Above the dive deck are two showers and steps leading to the camera tables and wetsuit rinse tank. Wetsuit racks are on the sundeck. The tanks are 95 cubic foot low-pressure steel tanks with yoke fittings, though smaller tanks are available. The weight belts are Velcro with soft lead shot pouches, and of course you need five to six pounds less weight than you would with aluminum 80s. It's surprising how much less bruising your hips take with this arrangement. Nitrox will be available soon. The Nitrox equipment is already there and in storage, probably to be installed when the boat is in dry-dock once someone figures out exactly where to cram it in. Two divemasters were on the dive deck at all times when the dive deck was open, plus one bubble watcher on the top deck. The boat carries two skiffs if you find yourself way down-current or otherwise need assistance. Someone was always available to dive with you if your buddy was skipping a dive.

The usual daily schedule had the boat on the mooring before breakfast (the Nekton boats have installed environmentally-friendly moorings all over the Bahamas and Belize, and never anchor). A short dive briefing described each new site. The dive deck would then be open until lunch time, with most people making two morning dives. At lunch it would move to the afternoon and night dive site. Mid-morning fresh-baked cookies would appear, and quickly disappear if you happened to be underwater at the wrong moment. A more substantial snack arrived mid-afternoon. Most people made two afternoon dives. After supper most evenings would be a slide show (on coral, fish identification, or turtle ecology), and then time for your night dive. One stormy night the night dive was called off due to bad conditions and a long crossing to get to the morning dive site, and the next to last night there was no night dive due to a 125 miles crossing. After the night dive a huge bowl of popcorn would appear while you checked out the extension collection of videos and DVDs (I finally got to see "Shrek", during the storm).

Our itinerary took us from Ft. Lauderdale late Saturday night across the Gulf Stream current (a very smooth ride thanks to this boat's construction) over to Bimini. We cleared customs there and then enjoyed a couple of Bimini's dive sites for the rest of the day. These are patch reefs with huge numbers of grunts and scorpionfish. Then we proceeded south to Orange Cay, which is similar. From there it was a long night crossing to the Cay Sal Bank, only thirty miles north of Cuba and due south of Miami. The attractions here are blue holes, sharks, and very lush gorgonium growth. We did one shark feeding dive at the largest of the blue holes and a drift dive at Elbow Cay. The blue holes formed as sinkholes during the last ice age when the sea level over the shallow limestone bank was much lower than it is today, and fossilized beach terraces and stalactites are visible along the walls. We then headed north to Water Cay, where there is a small airplane wreck and a lagoon to snorkel in. Thursday late afternoon we left to motor 120 miles back north to Bimini. Our final dive day was spent at Bimini diving the patch reefs. People with earlier flights could choose to explore the island topside instead. Late Friday night we crossed the Gulf Stream back to Fort Lauderdale. We cleared customs early Saturday morning, and then the Nekton vans began shuttling people either to the airport or to their hotels. We spent Saturday in Ft. Lauderdale and flew home on Sunday.

All week long, the water temperatures were in the upper seventies to the low eighties. Most people wore diveskins. The Texas dive club who filled half the boat were especially fond of the "dive goddess" skins and had several very colorful models. I wore a microprene wetsuit after the first day, and some divers simply wore swim trunks. The current was slight to moderate most of the time at most sites, nonexistent inside the blue holes, and vigorous a couple of times.

On the whole, I liked this boat, probably more than I had expected to. It was comfortable, the Belizean chef was great, the diving arrangements were convenient, and the other passengers congenial. Nitrox will make it even better. About the only negative is that 33 divers is a lot of divers to have in the water at one site at one time, if everyone happens to dive at about the same time.

SPECIAL DIVE BOAT OFFERS FOR NEADC MEMBERS

BOSTON HARBOR DIVING COMPANY

Captain James L. Sullivan
 Boston Harbor Diving Company
 87 Woodside Avenue
 Winthrop, MA 02152
 Phone: (617) 846-5151
 E-mail: captainjim@bostonharbordivingcompany.com
 www.bostonharbordivingcompany.com

\$10.00 off the normal charter fee for NEADC members. So that the half day charters usually \$60.00, are \$50.00, and the night dives usually \$50.00 are \$40.00.

May 12th 8:00am - 1:00pm Tewksbury Rock & Outer Brewster May 25th 8:00am - 1:00pm Nahant 40 steps & Nahant east side May 31st (night) 7:00pm - 11:00 pm Graves Lighthouse	June 2nd 2:00pm - 7:00pm City of Salisbury & Grave's lighthouse June 15th 8:00am - 1:00pm Green Island & Outer Brewster June 21st (night) 7:00pm - 11:00pm Graves Lighthouse
July 6th 8:00am - 1:00pm 3.5 Fathoms ledge & Martins Ledge July 21st 2:00pm - 7:00pm Nahant 40 steps & Nahant east side July 26th (night) 7:00pm - 11:00pm Outer Brewster & Shag Rocks	Aug 11th 8:00am - 1:00pm Martins Ledge & Tewksbury rock Aug 16th (night) 7:00pm - 11:00pm Nahant & Nahant Aug 24th 8:00am - 1:00pm City of Salisbury & Graves Lighthouse
Sept 8th 8:00am - 1:00pm 3.5 Fathoms ledge & Hardings Ledge Sept 13th (night) 7:00pm - 11:00pm Graves lighthouse Sept 21st 8:00am - 1:00pm Outer Brewster & Roaring Bulls	Oct 6th 2:00pm - 7:00pm Tewksbury Rock & Outer Brewster Oct 11th (night) 7:00pm - 11:00pm Graves Lighthouse Oct 19th 8:00am - 1:00pm Roaring Bulls & Graves lighthouse

2002 EASY DIVER BOAT SCHEDULE

May	5	Bay View Shores	August	3	Thatcher Island
May	11	Lanesville Shores	August	11	Emerson Point
May	19	Folly Point	August	17	Bemo Ledge
May	25	Hoop Pole Cove	August	25	Norman's Woe
June	2	The Ledges	August	31	Kettle Island
June	8	Mitchell Rock	September	8	Egg Rock
June	16	Sandy Bay Breakwater	September	14	USF New Hampshire
June	22	The Haight	September	22	Boohoo Ledge
June	30	The Salvages	September	28	Paddock Rock
July	6	Gully Point	October	6	Brace Rock
July	14	Straightsmouth Island	October	12	Londoner
July	20	The Mouth of Loblolly Cove	October	20	Paradise Cliffs
July	28	The Chelsea	October	26	Halibut Point

EASY DIVER. 25 years operating dive charters around Cape Ann. Normal charge is \$50.00. NEADC members pay only \$40.00 (cash or check payable to Fred Calhoun). Passengers may bring two cylinders. EASY DIVER sails from "J dock" at the Cape Ann Marina leaving at 10 a.m. Boat returns to the marina around 3 p.m. EASY DIVER boasts a clean toilet and a private 'changing' area. The captain will make every effort to safely dive the locations noted on the dates indicated. However, weather and other conditions may dictate that the captain chooses a different dive site. EASY DIVER does not sail during inclement weather...fees are refunded. The crew is composed of certified scuba instructors. We will dive with you if you wish...we will leave you alone if that is what you wish. The boat tends to fill up fast, so advance registration is recommended. Fred Calhoun, Apple Ridge 2-6, Maynard, MA 01754, telephone: (978) 897-0877.

New England Aquarium Dive Club 2002 Shore Diving Calendar

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Date	Location	Meeting Place	Dive Leader	Social Activity	Theme
ANYTIME CALL TO SCHEDULE	Central Boston YMCA Pool 8:45 p.m. -10:30 p.m. (near Symphony T)	Most Thursday nights 8:45 -10:30 p.m. call ahead to schedule	Donna Romano romano@helix.mgh.harvard.edu 617-723-3212	Review your skills or Test out that new piece of gear in a controlled environment.	Pool "Bleach Dive" for pre- dive equipment checkout
Aug 3 (Sat)	Cape Ann (TBA)	TBA	Trish Katzman pkatzman@attbi.com		
Aug 4 (Sun)	Nahant, MA 40 Steps Beach Easy Sandy Entry/Exit . Max depth 35 feet	9am, Carpool gear and divers from the parking lot of Dockside's restaurant	Donna Romano romano@helix.mgh.harvard.edu 617-723-3212	Apres dive refreshments at Dockside's Restaurant and Bar overlooking Nahant Beach.	Learn how to find the interesting "chimneys" at this site.
Aug 7 (Wed)	Informal Meeting	TBA		Informal Meeting	
Aug 10 (Sat)	South Shore (TBA)	TBA	Rick Rosa 617-325-7820 rickrosa@mail.com		
Aug 17 (Sat)	Pebble Beach Rockport, MA	9:30 AM, Friendly's, Rt128N Gloucester	Al Budreau 978-369-8132 dihughes@theworld.com	Lunch at Cape Ann	Reefs parallel to shore are rich in marine life; a good low tide dive
Aug 18 (Sun)	Old Garden Beach Rockport, MA	8:30am, Friendly's, RT128N Gloucester	Tom McLaughlin 978-475-1099 tomclaughlin@aol.com		
Aug 21 (Wed)	General Meeting	6:30 p.m.	IMMERSION THEATER	General Meeting	
Aug 22 (Thu)	Canoe Beach Nahant, MA	TBA	Alicia Lenci (617) 889-1486 al@nutter.com		Full Moon Night Dive

Date	Location	Meeting Place	Dive Leader	Social Activity	Theme
Aug 23 (Fri)	Isle of Shoals, Maine (boat dive from Gloucester) This is a low viz shallow dive near a rocky island shore.	7am Sharp Cape Ann Dive Shop	Donna Romano romano@helix.mgh.harvard.edu 617-723-3212 SOLD OUT – contact me for waitlist spots	Skip work! Dive/snorkel with Seal colonies and meet other NEADC members.	SEAL DIVE This is a low viz shallow boat dive near a rocky island shore.
Aug 24 (Sat)	Fort Getty Jamestown, RI	10am at Fort Getty	Contact any Club officer for tickets	Picnic!!	NEADC Annual Picnic ; tickets are \$8 in advance or \$12 after the 8/21 General Meeting New Member Dive
Sep 4 (Wed)	Informal Meeting	TBA		Informal Meeting	
Sep 7 (Sat)	Rhode Island	TBA			Tropical Fish Collecting Dive
Sep 7 (Sat)	Pebble Beach Rockport, MA Great beginner dive. Small rocky reefs.near shore. Max depth 25 feet.	8:00 am Friendly's (inside) Rte 128 Gloucester 10 am at Pebble Beach	Donna Romano romano@helix.mgh.harvard.edu 617-723-3212	8:00-9:00 am arrive to meet the group and have Breakfast and Coffee at Friendly's. Ask for the NEADC table at the door .	New Member Dive <i>Learn where the reefs are and maybe you won't think this is a boring dive. Bring a catch bag and your license– lots of lobsters</i>
Sep 14 (Sat)	Assabet River cleanup – probably too shallow to dive	9 AM, TBA	Alan Budreau 978 369-8132 dihughes@theworld.com	Meet Organization for Assabet River	Cleanup Dive- probably wading & snorkeling
Sep 15 (Sun)	White Pond, Concord, cleanup	9 AM, TBA	Alan Budreau 978 369-8132 dihughes@theworld.com	Hosted by locals; refreshments; Lunch at Japanese restaurant	Cleanup dive – depths to 60 ft.
Sep 19 (Thu)	Canoe Beach Nahant, MA	TBA	Alicia Lenci (617) 889-1486 al@nutter.com		Full Moon Night Dive
Sep 21 (Sat)	TBA	TBA	Alicia Lenci (617) 889-1486 al@nutter.com		CoastSweep annual cleanup. New member dive
Sep 28 (Sat)	Nubble Light, Maine	TBA	Jim Carozza 617-973-3821 membership@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)

- Individual \$40.00 + Dive Club Membership \$15.00 = \$55.00
- Couple/Family \$70.00 + Dive Club Membership \$15.00 = \$85.00
- Quartermaster \$100.00 + Dive Club Membership \$15.00 = \$115.00
- Master Mariner \$150.00 + Dive Club Membership \$15.00 = \$165.00
- 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.



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Annual Picnic August 24th