

Sea Swells LOG



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE SCUBA SPORTS CLUB ♦ OCTOBER 2005

THE ANCHOR LINE

Well, this is it--my last anchor line. First I would like to thank all the directors that have made for a great year and made my job easy. Every one of them contributed to make sure that we had events for every type of diver. From our social dinners, picnics, and parties to local dives and weekends away.....everyone had an opportunity to have fun with fellow club members.

This year I tried to attend most of the local club dives and was pleased to see both new and veteran club members attending. The cookouts after the dives allowed opportunities for everyone to tell dive stories and meet each other. This again is a nice club tradition that not only continues, but grows. Not everyone is a cold-water diver, but these local dives are held in areas where even the newest diver can experience the local environment.

The last trip I had the opportunity to lead was to the St Lawrence Seaway. Everyone had a great time, because the diving was as fantastic as the weather. It is my

hope that the club continues this dive trip tradition as we have had a great turnout for the past three years. I know that Bob will push to keep the club diving so please take advantage of these great trips.

Karen and I visited our house in North Carolina this past weekend. We were relieved to find that even though the hurricane hit Morehead City hard, our house, 30 miles away, was fine. Although this was only a category one, it made us feel better about our choice to live so close to the two rivers that meet in New Bern.

In closing I just want to reiterate what I said at the September meeting. Club elections are coming up and we are always looking for new people to volunteer their services. If you are not happy with anything within the club or just have new ideas, nominate yourself for a position. Even if you do not feel comfortable in front of a large group of

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people, there are many key positions behind the scenes that we need your help with. If signing up for a club position is not your thing, no problem, sign up to help at the club booth at Beneath The Sea. Always remember that Beneath The Sea started as a TSSC show. As such, we need to make sure that BTS grows every year. If you have not attended or helped with the show, you don't know what you are missing.

BTS has become the premier consumer dive show in the U.S. We have guest speakers, workshops, and a film festival that many shows wish they could provide. Not to mention, just about every dive equipment manufacture and travel destination in the world. If you are a diver there is no excuse for not being there. If you help with the booth or the show, you can get in for free!! I have worked the show the past five years and have had the opportunity to meet many of the top people in the dive industry. You can too!

Both Karen and I will miss the close friendships and camaraderie we have formed with members of TSSC and want to extend an invitation to everyone to come dive with us down in North Carolina. Simply drop me an e-mail at gmacaula@juno.com.

Take care and keep on diving,

Gregg Macaulay
President

ELECTIONS

Annual Club Elections

Club elections will take place shortly. In these elections we will choose next year's Vice-President, Secretary, Membership Director, Planning Director, Program Director, Social Director, and Director-at-Large. All members, including this year's elected officers and directors, should let me know if they are interested in serving on next year's board, or, if they'd like to nominate another member.

Contact me at (914) 271-5401, by e-mail at Redstar@bestweb.net or at the October general meeting.

The election ballot will be published in the November newsletter and distributed via email. We want every member to vote—let your voice be heard!

Don Reynolds
Vice-President

The Scuba Sports Club

All You Can Eat Pasta Bar

Wednesday October 12, 6-7:30pm
Tino's Italian Steak House
Call Lisa for reservations:
914/769-7236
\$13.00 + tax & tip
(meeting starts at 8pm)

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OCTOBER MEETING

12 October

OFFICERS

President	Gregg Macaulay
Vice President	Don Reynolds
Treasurer	Paul Dengler
Secretary	Gwyn Grant
Past President	Bob Bak

DIRECTORS

Executive	Vreni Roduner
Dive Planning	Bob Bak
Education/Safety	Lada Simek
Enviro/Legislative	Rick D'Amico
Membership	Noel Lopez
Newsletter	Rick D'Amico
Program	Vadim Ternovski
Social	Pat Forgacs
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LEGAL ADVISOR Robert Schragar

WRECK DIVING ADVISOR Jeff Pagano

FOUNDER Armand Zigahn

CO-FOUNDER Soliman Shenouda

Submissions to Sea Swells Log may be made in electronic or paper form by the 20th of the month. Electronic submissions (email) are preferred and should be sent to

SeaSwells@TheScubaSportsClub.org

Submission of paper copy should be sent to

Rick D'Amico

P.O. Box 401
East Setauket, NY 11733

Our guest speaker **Mason Logie** has been scuba diving since 1973, and has been a member of the New York City Sea Gypsies since 1988. In his thirty-odd years of scuba diving Mason was one of the first from North America to dive the World War I German fleet, sunk in Scapa Flow, Scotland, in 1981. In September and October 2000 he went to Indonesia and was one of the firsts, to dive the cruisers *U.S.S. Houston* and *H.M.A.S. Perth* that were sunk off Java in 1942.

Mason's first slide show will be on his many trips to Ducks Dive Shop and Cottages, from 1996 to 2000. This dive shop is located on Point Traverse, which is at the northern end of Lake Ontario. His slides will be of the schooners *City of Sheboygan*, which sank in 1915; *Annie Falconer*, which sank in 1904; *John A Rae*, which sank in 1858; *Olive Branch*, which sank in 1880. Also, his pictures will include the steamboat *Comet*, which sank in 1861. Finally, first time he'll show photographs of the *Ocean Wave*, a steamboat that sank in 1853. He was the first one to photograph this wreck 1998.

Mason's second slide show will be on the Erie Canal boats of Seneca Lake, New York. For about thirty years (1840 to 1870) Seneca Lake served as a connector lake for canal boats traveling from Pennsylvania to the Erie Canal. These boats were pulled by mules, and were generally owned by families, who traveled in a small house on the back. Several of these canal boats sank in Seneca Lake, where they lie today preserved. Mason photographed several of these wrecks in the summer of 2002. One is know as the Dresden wreck and sank with a cargo of coal. This wreck still has an intact house on the back of it. The other two wrecks are off Country Club Point. Both have houses on the back for the boat owner's family. Mason has been able to get National Geographic interested in these boats, for a possible future article.

UPCOMING DIVES

**Sat,Sun October 15 & 16-Seal
Dive Rye, NH**

**Sat,Sun November 5 & 6-Cape
Anne, MA**

SOCIAL EVENTS

October – All You Can Eat Pasta Bar-
10/12-(before the meeting). Bike trip
Saturday 10/8. Bronx Zoo Cleanup-
10/15

November – Brunch location to be
announced Sunday 11/6.

December – Wine Tour (dates to be
announced). Dec Social/Holiday Party
Saturday 12/10

SPECIAL NEWS

Zig, our dear Founder of TSSC 30 years ago will enjoy a very special evening on October 6th. He is receiving the Diving Industry's highest Honors, **the NOGI Award**, in the category Sports & Education. The award is presented at DEMA's (Diving Equipment & Marketing Association) annual Convention in Las Vegas and presented by AUAS (Academy of Underwater Arts & Sciences) at the prestigious NOGI Awards Banquet

amongst all the grand Divers. Well – the award goes to a very special person:

Congratulations Zig, from all of us, for this well deserved and great recognition for 30 years of hard work; first, you developed and led TSSC, as well as the dive show that you founded just the following year. You then went on to develop “Beneath The Sea” to become the biggest and best Consumer Dive Show (and more) in the Americas, a tremendous job and achievement with incredible challenges you keep mastering. You always prevail and you improved BTS every year. So many TSSC members have volunteered with you for years and have experienced how great a leader you are, as you always forged for moving Diving forward.

Thanks for your immense dedication to the world of diving

Vreni

With Sadness

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of **Captain Steve Hardick**. He died on 28 August, while diving off Block Island.

Steve was a regular at BENEATH THE SEA, and spoke at one of our meetings a while ago. He had served as captain of the Garden State Underwater Rescue Unit. As an Instructor, he had taught CIA and FBI agents search and recovery at the U.S. Naval Base in Key West.

His son Mike said of him, “If this was his time, then this is how he would have wanted to go. He was doing something he loved.”

Area Dive Shops

This list is provided as a convenience. TSSC does not endorse any dive shop.

Aqua Visions Scuba Ltd.
126 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck NY
(914) 381-1884
AquaVisions.biz
info@aquavisions.biz

Captain Mike's Dive Center
530 City Island Ave, Bronx NY
(718) 885-1588
CaptainMikesDiving.com

Captain Saam's Scuba School
863 East Main Street, Stamford, CT
(203) 327-2822
capt-saam.com
captsaam@optonline.net

The Dive Shop
265 Federal Rd, Brookfield CT
(203) 740-9166
TheDiveShopOnline.com
Sherri@TheDiveShopOnline.com

Cougar Sports
917 Saw Mill River Rd, Ardsley NY
(914) 693-8877

Marsh Scuba Supply
91 Lauer Rd, Poughkeepsie NY
(845) 452-8994
MarshScuba.com
Marsh_Scuba@worldnet.att.net

Orbit Marine Sports Center
3273 Fairfield Ave, Bridgeport CT
(800) 395-3483
OrbitMarine.com
OrbitDive@aol.com

Pan Aqua Diving
460 West 43rd St, New York NY
(800) 434-0884
PanAqua.com
NYstore@PanAqua.com

Pan Aqua Diving
461 Federal Rd, Brookfield CT
(888) 388-3483
PanAqua.com
CTstore@PanAqua.com

Rex Dive Center
144 Water St, Norwalk CT
(888) 260-DIVE (3483)
RexDiveCenter.com
DiveShop@RexDiveCenter.com

Scuba New York
2037 Central Park Ave, Yonkers NY
(914) 779-2966
ScubaNewYork.com
Info@ScubaNewYork.com

Westchester Dive Center
500 North Main St, Portchester NY
(914) 937-2685
WestchesterDiveCenter.com

Our Next Meeting Will be on
Wednesday, Oct 12th at:
Tino's Italian Steak House
101 Saw Mill River Rd.
(Rt 9A)
Hawthorne, NY